**English Overviews 2025-2026**

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| **Year Group** | **Autumn 1** | **Autumn 2** | **Spring 1** | **Spring 2** | **Summer 1** | **Summer 2** |
| **Reception** | The Three Little Pigs | The Jolly Christmas Postman | Billy and the Beast | Elmer’s Rainbow | Christopher’s Caterpillars | Rainbow Fish |
| The Tiger Who Came to Tea. | Penguins Can’t Fly | Rocket Mole | Who am I? | Someone Swallowed Stanley | Shark in the Dark |
| **Year 1** | **Norman the Slug with a Silly Shell.**  **Books:** Norman the Slug with a Silly Shell  **Writing outcomes-**   * Letter to Norman * Warning poster * Instructions on how to make slime | **Transport**  **Books:** Main text: Star in the Jar  Supplementary texts:  Other books by Sue Hendra as an author study | **Animals**  **Books:** Main text: The Lost Penguin  Supplementary texts: How to Lose a Lemur.  Dear Zoo.  Meerkat Mail. | **Fairy tales and traditional Tale**  **Books:** Main text: Three Billy Goats Gruff  Supplementary texts: Little Red Hen.  The Enormous Turnip.  The 3 little pigs.  Little red riding hood | **Dinosaurs**  **Books:**  Main text: Tyrannosaurus Drip.  Supplementary texts: Zog  The Dinosaur Diary.  Dear Dinosaur  **Writing outcomes**   * Diary entry * Recount of our dinosaur hunt * Story Map | **Holidays/seaside**  **Books:** Main text: Billy’s Bucket  **Supplementary texts:** Commotion in the Ocean.  Tiddler.  The Sea Saw. |
| Instructions: How to make slime | Recount: Steam Museum Trip | NCR: Their own penguin | Instructions: Make a vegetarian meal for the troll | NCR: Their own dinosaur | Recount: Beach/ Billy’s Bucket party |
| **Year 2** | Narrative: Bog Baby | Narrative: The Way Back Home | Narrative: Herman’s Letter | Narrative: Up and Down | Narrative: Jack and the Beanstalk | Narrative: The Secret of Black Rock |
| Recount: Bog Baby Party | NCR: Their own alien | Instructions: How to get to Henry | Recount | Instructions: How to grow beans or make a vegetarian meal for the giant | NCR: Their own rock |
| **Year 3** | Narrative: Juniper Jupiter | Narrative: Troll Swap | Narrative: Goldilocks and Just One Bear | Narrative: The Storm Whale | Narrative: Sailor and Snorgh | Narrative: Clean Up! |
| NCR: Their own sidekick. E.g. a kitten/puppy. | Explanation: a machine to pamper the troll | Instructions: making food for the bear | NCR: Their own species of whale | Instructions: How to get to his island | Recount on their own clean up party in an area in or around school |
| **Year 4** | Narrative in a familiar setting  Manfred the Baddie | Narrative: Enzo, The Swallows and Me | Narrative in a familiar setting  William and the Missing Masterpiece | Narrative: The Society of the Distinguished Lemmings. | Narrative: It Fell from the sky | Narrative: Steven Seagull?  Or do you want to keep The Tunnel? |
| Explanation: how one of Manfred’s machines works. | NCR: Their own species of bird that migrates | Newspaper recount: Use William goes to Hollywood | NCR: A group of creatures rather than just one creature | Instructions: How to catch a wonder from the sky | Persuasion: apply to be an action hero / detective |
| **Year 5** | Narrative: Weslandia - write a full narrative at the end of the unit  1 week persuasion unit: Come to \_\_\_\_landia. | Narrative: The Wolf’s Story  Retelling a traditional tale from another character’s point of view. | Narrative: The Dish and the Spoon | Narrative: The Promise | Narrative: Leon and the place between | Narrative: The Tear Thief |
| NCR: Own mythical creature | Explanation: How a humane wolf/troll trap/hair brushing machine works. | Recount: The Dish and the Spoon Newspaper Report | Persuasive leaflet that includes information about the town “Come to our new town” | Instructions: magic potions | Persuasive application letter to be a temporary tear thief or a dream giver |
| **Year 6** | Narrative: The Barnabus Project | Narrative: Lost Happy endings | Narrative : Fox | Narrative: Alma | Narrative: Rock, Paper Scissors | Narrative : Lion and Albert |
| NCR: Perfect imperfect pet.  Persuasion: Job application to be a guardian. | Instructions: How to …. perfect Christmas eve | Newspaper: The three Little pigs Guardian  Lighthouse | Persuasion: Formal letter. Saving the Albatross?  Discussion: oral debate | NCR: Bird/sea creature? | Explanation linked to Arnie |