

BVS Long-term English Overview

| Year Group | Term | Texts used in English lessons | Main writing genres produced | Guided Reading taught |
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| 3 | Autumn | Dictionaries & Thesauruses The Twits by Roald Dahl Stone Age, Bone Age by Nick Manning How To Wash a Woolly Mammoth by Michelle Robinson Shape poems | Descriptive writing Comedy narrative Instructions Shape Poems | The Twits by Roald Dahl The Worst Witch by Jill Murphy |
| 3 | Spring | The Diary of a Killer Cat by Anne Fine Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney Aphrodite Theseus and the Minotaur Rama and Sita King Midas' Golden Touch Walking With Unicorns by Pie Corbett Care For Your Guinea Pigs by RSPCA Range of performance poetry | Diary entries Myth narrative Animal Reports | The Celts (nonfiction text) Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx by Joe Todd-Stanton |
| 3 | Summer | The Hodgeheg by Dick King-Smith Hailey Haddie's Minute Mysteries by Marina J. Bowman Joan Procter, Dragon Doctor by Patricia Valdez Stone Girl, Bone Girl by Lawrence Anholt | Adventure narrative Informal and formal letters | Alice's Adventures in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll Flat Stanley by Jeff Brown |
| 4 | Autumn | Five Children and It by E.E.Nesbit Range of structural poetry The Firework Maker's Daughter by Philip Pullman The Jolly Christmas Postman by Janet & Allan Ahlberg Jack Frost by Kazuno Kohara Princess Elizabeth's Letter to Father Christmas | Descriptive writing Haikus Limerics Kennings Adventure/fantasy narrative Letters | James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl Bill's New Frock by Anne Fine |
| 4 | Spring | Fantastic Mr Fox: A Play Coming to England by Floella Benjamin Picturepedia: An Encyclopedia On Every Page Romans (nonfiction) The Boy at the Back of the Class by Onjali Q Rauf The Tunnel by Anthony Brown Range of newspaper reports | Playscripts Historical Reports Narrative dilemmas | The Butterfly Lion by Michael Morpurgo |
| 4 | Summer | Life-cycle nonfiction texts Range of real-life reviews | Pizza review Explanation texts | Varjak Paw by S F Said |

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| | | Letters from the Lighthouse by Emma Carroll Haunted House by Kazuno Kohara WW2 Evacuee letters | | |
| 5 | Autumn | Tom Gates by Liz Pichon Flanders Fields by John McCrae Range of war poetry A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens | Narrative writing Diary writing War poetry | The Iron Man by Ted Hughes Ghandi (DK Life Stories bio) |
| 5 | Spring | The Arrival by Shaun Tan Beowolf The Steves by Morag Hood | Instructions Narrative Historical fiction | Kensuke's Kingdom by Micahel Morpurgo |
| 5 | Summer | A Midsummer Night's Dream by William Shakespeare Sonnet 18 by William Shakespeare Example film reviews Newspaper article about Perseverance Mars Rover Ballad of Hansel and Gretel The Tyger by William Blake Range of Michael Rosen poems | Film review Fact-file Diary Narrative poetry Newspaper article | Who Let The Gods Out by Maz Evans Clockwork by Phillip Pullman |
| 6 | Autumn | Short & Spooky by Louise Cooper Short & Scary by Louise Cooper Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark by Alvin Schwartz Range of letter examples Holes by Louis Sachar Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them by J K Rowling Dragonology | Character description Spooky stories Persuasive letters Deadly Sixty monologue Animal nonchron Diary Letters | Attack of the Vikings by Tony Bradman Brightstorm by Vashti Hardy War of the Worlds by H G Wells |
| 6 | Spring | Street Child by Berlie Doherty Real workhouse report examples Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare | Narrative Workhouse report Narrative Diary Formal/informal letter Newspaper Report | High Rise Mystery by Sharna Jackson Once by Morris Gleitzman |
| 6 | Summer | Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly and Winifred Conkling Harry Potter and the Philosphers Stone by JK Rowling Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan | Biographies Sports commentary Letter writing Narrative | |