

Whole School Poetry Overview

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
EYFS & HNB	Nursery Rhymes – Children's Favourites (inc. National Nursery Rhyme Week – November 20 th)		Nursery Rhymes, Number Songs, Rhyming Games, Turn-taking Songs and Rhyming Stories			
Year 1	Dinosaur Roar (Paul and Henrietta Stickland)		London Bridge is Falling Down		We're going on a Lion Hunt (David Axtell)	Shape Poems (on the theme of minibeasts)
Year 2			Free verse (on the theme of African animals)	Friends (Abbie Farwell Brown)	Bed in Summer (Robert Louis Stephenson)	Acrostic Poems
Year 3/4 & Base 2 Cycle A	Performance/Choral Poetry (on the theme of the Stone Age)	Haiku (on the theme of Volcanoes)	Shape Poems (on the theme of Volcanoes)	The Magic Box (Kit Wright)		The River (Valerie Bloom)
Year 3/4 & Base 2 Cycle B	The Frozen Man (Kit Wright)		Song of the Animal World (traditional African poem – performance/choral poetry)	What the Romans Did for Us (Jon Bratton)		Beowulf (Anglo-Saxon narrative poetry) Kennings (on the theme of weapons)
Year 5	In Flanders' Field (Lt. Col. John McCrae)	Performance Poetry (A selection of poems/songs from WWI and WWII)	If I Were King/Waiting at the Window/Wind On the Hill (A. A. Milne) The Moon (Robert Louis Stephenson)	Narrative Poetry (based on Ancient Greek myths)		1066 (Brian Moses and Roger Stevens - historical narrative)
Year 6	Romeo and Juliet – Prologue (Shakespeare)	From a Railway Carriage (Robert Louis Stephenson)	The Spider and the Fly (Mary Howitt)		A Life on the Ocean Wave (Epes Sargent)	

Shakespeare Week (19th – 23rd April 2021): A Midsummer Night's Dream (EYFS/HNB); The Tempest (Y1); Macbeth (Y2); As You Like It (Y3/4); The Taming of the Shrew (Y5); Romeo and Juliet (Y6). Culminating in 'Shakespeare Showcase' on Friday 23rd April.