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Year 1 English Curriculum

Autumn

Recommended Texts	Julia Donaldson focus - Room on the Broom, The Ugly Five, Tiddler, Monkey Puzzle, Tabby McTat, The Highway Rat	Mini Grey focus - Traction Man is Here, Traction Man and the Beach Odyssey, Traction Man Meets Turbo Dog	
Recommended Writing Units	Lists, captions and labels - Transcription focus	The Place Value of Punctuation and Grammar	Toy Man Sentence Pattern Building Unit
Science, History, Geography, Art, or DT block	Expectations 38 Science - Animals including humans - How can we group animals and what makes us humans? 38 Geography - The world and my school - Where in the world do I live? 34 Science - Seasonal changes - What are the seasons? 38 Art - Sculpture - Why do sculptors sculpt? 38 History - How have toys changed over the last 60 years? 38 DT - Construction - Toy Makers' Workshop - How can we make a toy from recycled materials that is fun and safe to play with? 34 Science - Seasonal changes - What are the seasons? Consolidation		

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Spring

Recommended Texts 	 Tell me a Dragon, The Castle the King Built, The Knight Who Wouldn't Fight, The Knight Who Said No, The Knight with the Blazing Bottom	 Emma Yarlett - Dragon Post, Unicorn Post and Monster Post	 Hansel and Gretel © Snow White	 The Extraordinary Life of Mary Seacole, Little People, Big Dreams - Florence Nightingale & Rosalind Franklin, We love the NHS
Recommended Writing Units 	 Dragon Sentence Pattern Building Unit	 Recount - Postcards/letters Dragon post	 Setting description - Candy house	Plot weave Narrative - Kind, brave Mother Seacole 

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Summer

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Recommended Writing Units	Narrative - Jack & the Beanstalk 	Instructions - How to grow a plant 	Persuasive advert - Join our pirate crew 	Poetry - Seaside poetry 

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