

BHM English Curriculum Overview 2025-2026



	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Nursery	<p style="text-align: center;">Owl babies Autumn/woodland theme – books around the theme Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See? Celebrations stories eg -Little Glow Dear Santa Mummy, Mama and Me Daddy, Papa and Me</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Grandpa (Here's A Little Poem) My Sister (Here's A Little Poem) My Brother (Here's A Little Poem) Grandmas Lullaby (Here's A Little Poem)</p>		<p>Adventures theme - We're going on a bear hunt Sun, wind, rain, snow Books Around Love (Valentine's Day) – Guess How Much I Love You Traditional tales Three little Pigs (National storytelling week) 3 little pigs masks to re-create story and tuft tray set up</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Goldilocks and the Three Bears Billy Goats Gruff Stick man</p>	<p>Growth and change stories Sound button books We're going on an egg hunt</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Very Hungry Caterpillar In The Garden</p>	<p>Animal stories -zoo and farm A Musical Family (Here's A Little Poem) The Older The Violin The Sweeter The Tune Dear Zoo Shapes and Colours Chicks (Here's A Little Poem) Higgly Hen</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Elmer Rosie's Walk Farmer Duck</p>	<p>Stories about journeys and holidays A Circle of Sun (Here's A Little Poem) Wonders of the World Our Wonderful world</p>
Reception	<p>Peace at last, family stories, The Scarecrow's wedding, harvest festival song, A great big cuddle (poetry book)</p>	<p>Owl babies, Gruffalo, Remembrance Day song and poem</p>	<p>Aliens love underpants, The Way Back Home, How to Catch a Star, Man on the Moon, 5 little aliens, Space Poems Smeds and the Smoods</p>	<p>Variety of fairy tales, Jack and the Beanstalk, Jaspers Beanstalk, The Tiny Seed, A Seed grows up, Easter story and songs</p>	<p>Grow strong, Me and my amazing body, Oliver's Fruit Salad</p>	<p>Welcome to the rockpool Commotion in the Ocean The snail and the whale Pirates Love Underpants</p>
Year 1	<p>Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers (Set 1)</p>	<p>Katie In London by James Mayhew (Set 2)</p>	<p>The Lion Inside by Rachel Bright (Set 1)</p>	<p>Beegu by Alexis Deacon (Set 2) SMSC themed</p>	<p>Somebody Swallowed Stanley by Sarah Roberts (Set 2) Environment themed</p>	<p>Goldilocks and Just the One Bear by Leigh Hodgkinson (Set 1)</p>
Year 2	<p>Troll Swap by Leigh Hodgkinson (Set 1)</p>	<p>The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark by Jill Tomlinson (Set 1)</p>	<p>Grandad's Camper by Harry Woodgate (Set 2)</p>	<p>My Name is Not Refugee by Kate Milner (Set 2) SMSC themed</p>	<p>Tidy by Emily Gravett (Set 2) Environment themed</p>	<p>Grandad's Secret Giant by David Litchfield (Set 1)</p>

Year 3	Seal Surfer by Michael Foreman (Set 1)	Nen and the Lonely Fisherman by Ian Eagleton (Set 2)	Stone Age Boy by Satoshi Kitamura (Set 1)	Big Blue Whale by Nicola Davies (Set 1)	Journey by Aaron Becker (Set 1)	Zeraffa Giraffa by Dianne Hofmeyr (Set 1)
Year 4	Counting on Katherine by Helaine Becker (Set 2) Black Lives themed	Greek Myths by Jean Menzies (Set 2)	Our Tower by Joseph Coelho (Set 2)	Amazing Islands by Sabrina Weiss & Kerry Hyndman, Koji's Island by The Literacy Company (Set 1)	Alba the Hundred Year Old Fish by Lara Hawthorne (Set 2) Environment themed	Blue John by Berlie Doherty (Set 1)
Year 5	Race to the Frozen North by Catherine Johnson/ Young, Gifted and Black by Jamia Wilson (Set 2) Black Lives themed	The Lost Happy Endings by Carol Ann Duffy (Set 1)	Kai and the Monkey King by Joe Todd-Stanton (Set 2)	The Darkest Dark by Chris Hadfield (Set 1)	The Paperbag Prince by Colin Thompson (Set 1)	Radiant Child by Javaka Steptoe (Set 1)
Year 6	Star of Fear, Star of Hope by Jo Hoestlandt (Set 1)	The Place for Me: Stories About the Windrush Generation by Floella Benjamin et al. (Set 2) Black Lives themed	Shakespeare Unit: Macbeth	Island by Jason Chin/ Jemmy Button by Alix Barzelay (Set 1)	Plastic Planet: How Plastic Came to Rule the World by Georgia Amson-Bradshaw (Set 2) Environment themed	Sky Chasers by Emma Carroll (Set 1)