



**SSMJ**  
**English Curriculum**  
**Overview 2025-26**

Following the example of Jesus,  
together we learn, love and  
respect one another to be the  
best we can be.

| English                       | Autumn 1  | Autumn 2   | Spring 1  | Spring   | Summer 1   | Summer 2  |  |
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| Francis Class-<br>Mrs Russell | <p><i>Colour Monster</i> by Anna Llanas</p> <p><i>Look &amp; Learn- All About Me</i> by National Geographic</p> <p><i>Monkey Puzzle</i> – Julia Donaldson</p> <p><i>The Smeds &amp; Smoos</i> by Julia Donaldson</p> <p><i>Super Duper You!</i> by Sophy Henn</p> <p><i>What Makes Me a Me?</i> By Ben Faulkes</p> <p><i>One Day So Many Ways</i> by Laura Hall</p> <p><i>Elmer</i> By David Mckee</p> <p>Emergent Writing</p> <p>Letter formation</p> <p>Letter Sounds</p> | <p><i>When I Grow up, I want to Be</i> by Baby Professor</p> <p><i>Clothesline Clues to Jobs People Do</i> by Blackwells</p> <p><i>I Want to be a Police Officer</i> by Daniel Liebman</p> <p><i>Mountain Rescue</i> by Chris Oxlade</p> <p><i>To the Rescue</i> by Steve Bietsy</p> <p>Emergent Writing</p> <p>Letter formation</p> <p>Phonetically plausible words</p> <p>Tricky words spelt correctly within phase 2</p> <p>Name, labels, lists</p> | <p><i>From Seed to Plant</i> by Gail Gibbons</p> <p><i>How Does My Garden Grow</i> by Gerda Muller</p> <p><i>The Tiny Seed</i> by Eric Carle</p> <p><i>The Hungry Caterpillar</i> by Eric Carle</p> <p>Begin to form sentences.</p> <p>Tricky words – phase 3 correctly spelt</p> <p>Phonetically plausible words. (Known phonemes)</p> | <p><i>National Geographic Kids Everything Castles</i> by Crispin Boyer</p> <p><i>Little Ren Hen</i></p> <p><i>Cinderella</i></p> <p><i>The Gingerbread Man</i></p> <p><i>Chicken Licken</i></p> <p><i>On The Way Home</i> by Jill Murphy</p> <p>Form sentences (short) with finger spaces &amp; full stops.</p> <p>Writing experiences eg letters, stories, reports.</p> <p>Tricky words phase 3</p> <p>Phonetically plausible words. (Known phonemes)</p> | <p><i>Aliens love Underpants</i> by Claire Freedman.</p> <p><i>What Ever Next</i> by Jill Murphy</p> <p><i>Man on the Moon</i> by Simon Bartrum</p> <p><i>There's an Alien in Your Book</i> by Tom Fletcher</p> <p>Form sentences (longer) with finger spaces and full stops.</p> <p>Different writing experiences – letters, stories, reports – linked to topics.</p> <p>Tricky words – phase 3 correctly spelt</p> <p>Phonetically plausible words. (Known phonemes)</p> |   |  |
| Benedict Class-<br>Mrs Whyman | <p>Harry the Happy Mouse (Bridging Unit)</p> <p>Poems</p> <p>Stories</p> <p>Poster of information</p>   | <p>Penguins, Possums and Pigs</p> <p>Poems, stories</p> <p>Non chronological report</p>  | <p>The Place where I live.</p> <p>Kate Morag- Pirates next door</p> <p>Stories with a familiar setting</p> <p>Non chronological report</p> <p>Poems on a theme</p>  | <p>Family Album</p> <p>Traditional Tales</p> <p>Instructions</p>   | <p>The Highway Rat</p> <p>Poem on a theme</p> <p>Innovated story</p> <p>Information Page</p>   | <p>Wind in the Willows</p> <p>Animal adventure story</p> <p>Letters</p> <p>Poetry</p> |  |

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| John Paul Class<br>Miss Parkinson | There is no place like home- The Tin Forest (Folktales)<br><br>Folktale, Description                                       | Great Plague Piped Piper<br><br>Story<br>Poems<br>Newspapers   | Art of Food<br><br>Issues and Dilemmas<br>Persuasion                            | Hunted<br>101 Dalmations<br><br>Stories based on a model                   | Water Water Everywhere<br>The Mousehole Cat<br><br>Story with a theme<br>Poem<br>Explanation | Loch Ness Monster<br><br>Infographic Story<br>Magazine Article   |
| Gregory Class<br>Mr Currid        | A Kingdom United – Legends<br><br>Legend- story<br>Persuasion- film/broadcast  | Food Glorious Food<br><br>Character description<br>Narrative   | Science Earthlings<br><br>Science Fiction<br>Information Booklet<br>Poems       | Inventions and Inventors<br><br>Novels as a theme<br>Information text      | Amazon Adventure<br><br>Stories from other cultures<br>Debates                               | Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe<br><br>Non chronological report<br>Narrative based on a model             |
| Pius Class- Mr Duckworth          | The Nowhere Emporium by Ross McKenzie<br><br>Magazine Pg.<br>Narrative based on model – fantasy<br>Setting<br>Description. | Wizard of Oz & Muna Luma Version<br>Britten’s Got Talent<br><br>Persuasion- formal review or letter<br>Poetry Songs and Lyrics | Shakespeare.<br>Hardest Villains<br><br>Information Text<br>Poems with imagery. | Good night Mr Tom.<br><br>Narrative based on Model Text.<br>Diary entries. | Wonder. Last Push<br><br>Debate Biography  | The Lion and Albert.<br><br>Poetry (Classic Poem).<br>Diaries. Flashback Stories.<br>Persuasive Advert |