



Wavendon Gate School Poetry Spine Updated 2023-2024

Year group	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
EYFS Weekly Nursery Rhyme focus	Pat a Cake 12345 This Old Man Five Little Ducks Things for Fingers Finger Family	I'm a Little Teapot The Grand Old Duke of York Ring O Roses Hickory Dickory Dock The Abc Song Five Little Men	Wind the Bobbin Up Rock a Bye Baby Five Little Monkeys Twinkle Twinkle If You're Happy and You Know It Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes	Old McDonald Incy Wincy Spider Baa Baa Black Sheep Row Row Row Your Boat The Wheels on the Bus Hokey Cokey	Little Bo Beep Three Blind Mice Little Miss Muffet Mary Mary Quite Contrary There Was an Old Lady Five Speckled Frogs Insects All Around	Humpty Dumpty Jack and Jill Sing a Song of Sixpence London Bridge Ten in a Bed This Little Piggy Went To Market
Year 1 Focus poets – Kit Wright and Roger McGough	Mrs Armitage on Wheels by Quentin Blake Harvey Slumfenburger's Christmas Present by John Burningham	Dad and the Cat and the Tree by Kit Wright The Vulture by Hilaire Belloc If You Should Meet a Crocodile by Anon 'Twas Midnight by Anon	Five Little senses by Anon The First Dog on the Moon by David Orme Five Haiku about the Senses By David Bateman A Sense-less Poem by Carey Blyton My Uncommon Senses by David Bateman They All Saw a Cat by Brendan Wenzel	Dad and the Cat and the Tree by Kit Wright The Vulture by Hilaire Belloc If You Should Meet a Crocodile by Anon Twas Midnight by Anon Where Teachers Keep Their Pets by Paul Cookson Fantastic Facts by John Irwin	Nut Tree by Julia Donaldson What do you do on a Nature Walk? by Kate Williams The Secret Song by Margaret Wise Brown The Nature Table by Karen Costello-McFeat What we Found at the Seaside by Kate Williams In My Garden by Moira Andrew	Ready Steady Moo by June Crebin Breakfast by P H Kilby Witch, Witch by R Fyleman The Red Book By Sylvia Plath First and Last By June Crebin No Hickory, No Dickory, No Dock by John Agard Who's In? by Elizabeth Flemming
Year 2 Focus Poets – Edward Lear and John Agard	The Owl and the Pussycat by Edward Lear The Quangle Wangle's Hat by Edward Lear and Helen Oxenbury The Owl and the Astronaut by Gareth	Rooms Saluting Laika, The Sputkni Dog More Pointless Questions The Naming of a City Taking Sides The Bi-phibians Are	Aliens Stole My Underpants by Brian Moses	The Secret Monster by David Harmer What Is It? by David Harmer The Glamdrack by	The Day of the Gulls by Jennifer Curry Little Trotty Wagtail by John Clare To the Cuckoo by William Wordsworth	Tell it to the Dog by Joshua Seigal Wonderful Worms by Celia Warren Beetroot by Chrissie Gittins



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	<p>Owen</p> <p>Various limericks by Edward Lear</p>	<p>Coming</p> <p>Dinosaur meets Electronic Mouse All by John Agard</p> <p>Antigonish by Hughes Mearnes</p> <p>The Cow by Robert Louis Stevenson</p>		<p>Robin Mellor</p> <p>The Alien by Julie Holder</p> <p>The Truth About the Abominable Footprint by Michael Baldwin</p>	<p>A Bird by Emily Dickinson</p> <p>Little Robin Red Breast by Anon</p> <p>Time to Rise by Robert Louis Stevenson</p> <p>Ducks Ditty by Kenneth Grahame</p>	<p>A Smile by Jez Alborough</p> <p>The Laughter Forecast by Sue Cowling</p> <p>The Magic Pebble by Roger McGough</p> <p>First Morning by John Agard</p>
<p>Year 3</p> <p>Focus poets – Michael Rosen and Robert Louis Stephenson</p>	<p>Celebrate by Valerie Bloom</p> <p>Ice Festival by Brian D’Arcy</p> <p>The Chinese Dragon by Catherine Benson</p> <p>Diwali by Debjani Chatterjee</p> <p>Harvest by Joan Poulson</p> <p>Harvest Festival by Simon Fletcher</p> <p>On Buddha Purnima by Bashabi Frase</p>	<p>At the End of School Assembly by Simon Pitt</p> <p>Ghoul School Rules by Sue Cowling</p> <p>Where Teachers Keep their Pets by Paul Cookson</p> <p>We Lost our Teacher to the Sea by David Harmer</p> <p>A Sea Creature Ate Our Teacher by Brian Moses</p>	<p>Arundel Swimming Pool by Robert Hull</p> <p>GRRRR by Francesca Beard</p> <p>The World is a Box by Sophie Hannah</p> <p>Listen by John Hegley</p> <p>Marbles by Michael Kavanagh</p> <p>Valentine by Jackie Kay</p> <p>M by Graham Denton</p> <p>Late Home by Gervase Phinn</p>	<p>The Torch by Michael Rosen</p> <p>The Witches' Brew by Wes Magee</p> <p>Picnic on the M25 by Paul Cookson</p> <p>The Torch by Michael Rosen</p> <p>Fork Week by Michael Rosen</p> <p>Dear Mum by Brian Patten</p> <p>No Word of a Lie by Jackie Kay</p> <p>Bedtime by Eleanor Farjeon</p>	<p>Mother doesn't want a dog by Judith Viorst</p> <p>Black Cat by Suzanne Elvidge</p> <p>Claws by Tony Langham</p> <p>Night Prowler by Jennifer Curry</p> <p>The Fox's Foray by Anonymous</p> <p>The Cow by Robert Louis Stevenson</p> <p>Sheep in Winter by John Clare</p> <p>Rabbit Poem by Pamela Mordecai</p>	<p>Apes to Zebras: an A-Z of Shape Poems by Liz Brownlee, Sue Hardy-Dawson and Roger Stevens</p> <p>Rolling Down a Hill by Colin West</p> <p>Creep and Slither by J Patrick Lewis</p> <p>First Burst of Spring by J Patrick Lewis</p> <p>Winter by J Patrick Lewis</p> <p>Sky High by J Patrick Lewis</p> <p>Skyscraper by J Patrick Lewis</p> <p>Shower by Moira</p>



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						Andrew The Spider's Web by Maggie Holmes
Year 4 Focus poets – Nick Toczek and Lewis Carol	The Reader of this Poem by Roger McGough Elephant by Roger McGough Rainbows by Moira Andrews Portrait of a Dragon by Moira Andrews Two Ways of Painting the Picture by Sophia Tait	Satoshi Haiku Guess Who in the Woods by Jodi Haley	Younger Brother by Trevor Millum Ten Things Found in a Wizard's Pocket by Ian McMillan Today, I Feel by Gervase Phinn As, as, as... by Robert Hull Land of the Ocean Noise Anon Squirrel by Celia Warren	How the Bumble Bee Got His Stripes by Nick Toczek The Dragon Who Ate Our School by Nick Toczek Maggie and the Dinosaur by David Ward The Child Who was Wild by Michael Rosen	Revenge by Coral Rumble Snow by Jane Clarke The Eagle by Alfred Lord Tennyson Bed in Summer, The Moon and Windy Nights by Robert Louis Stephenson The Jabberwocky by Lewis Carroll	Spaghetti, Spaghetti by Jack Prelutsky Soggy Greens by John Cunliffe Ode to an Olive by Max Mendelsohn Darkness and Light by Grace Nichols Vocabulary for Villians by Sean Forbes Hero Dad by Grace Nichols
Year 5 Focus poets – Joseph Coelho, Carol Ann Duffy and T S Elliot	The Words of Poems by Carol Ann Duffy A Matter of Holes by Grace Nichols Personal Helicon by Seamus Heaney Don't Be Scared by Carol Ann Duffy Halloween's Crumble by Joseph Coelho	Escape at Bedtime by Robert Louis Stephenson Windy Nights by Robert Louis Stephenson Cats Sleep Anywhere by Eleanor Farjeon The Listeners by Walter De La Mare Lone Dog by Irene McLeod	Golden Time by Joseph Coelho Red Ruby Rings by Joseph Coelho Halloween's Crumble by Joseph Coelho Miss Flotsam by Joseph Coelho School Tomorrow by Joseph Coelho	The Naming of Cats by T S Elliot The Old Gumbie Cat by T S Elliot Old Deuteronomy by T S Elliot Macavity by T S Elliot Rum Tum Tugger by T S Elliot Skimbleshanks, The	Sounds of the Sea by James Berry Seashell by James Berry Song of the Seashore by Daphne Lister Little Fish by D H Lawrence The Sea's Hands by George Szirtes The Cave's Mouth by George Szirtes	Who Do You Want To Be? By Wilf Merttens Hold Fast To Dreams by Langston Hughes Mother To Son by Langston Hughes Superheroes I Could Have Been by Roger Stevens The You Can Be ABC by Maya Angelou



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	I am a Writer by Joseph Coelho	Ozymandias by Percy Bysshe Shelley From a Railway Carriage by Robert Louis Stephenson		Railway Cat by T S Elliot	The Ocean's Blanket by Carol Ann Duffy	Caged Bird by Maya Angelou
Year 6 Focus poets – Benjamin Zephaniah and Emily Dickinson	People Need People by Benjamin Zephaniah Hollow by Vanessa Kisuule Let There be Peace by Lemn Sissay Good Hope by Benjamin Zephaniah It Would Not Be Very Good by Benjamin Zephaniah The British by Benjamin Zephaniah	All of Us Knocking on the Stable Door by David Harmer Jack and the Beanstalk by Roald Dahl Jack's Tale by Judith Nicholls Goldilocks and the Three Bears by Roald Dahl The Sound Collector by Roger McGough Gran, Can You Rap by Jack Ousbey			A variety of poems Poet study: Emily Dickinson There Came a Wind Like a Bugle I know Some Lonely Houses off the Road The Mountain Sat Upon the Plain 'Hope' Is the Thing With Feathers Tell All the Truth But Tell It Slant It Sifts From Leaden Sieves The Sky Is Low Because I could Not stop For Death	Toy Dog by Carol Ann Duffy Driving Home by Rachel Rooney Treasure Trove by Irene Rawnsley The Shoes by John Mole Shells and Stones by Eric Finney My Dad's Book by David Harmer Growing Up by A A Milne Man...I had it Made by Joseph Coelho

Humorous Poems	Classical Poems	Poetic Forms	Performance Poetry
Poet Study	Poems Around a Theme	Language Focus	