Year 4 Writing and Class Reads

Topics	Tudor Houses/Electricity	What's it like in Lichfield?/States of Matter	Greeks/Sound	Why Does Italy Shake and Roar?/Animals – Classification	Overview of Earliest Civilisations/Teeth/Food Chains	Water/Scientific Enquiry
Year 4 Writing to entertain - Narrative Writing to explain Writing to inform Writing to persuade Poetry	Tar Beach – Faith Ringgold Narrative Retell Skill focus: Y3 Recap of punctuating direct speech – progress to show character AND move events forward. Until I met Dudley – Roger McGough Explanation text Skill focus: Pronouns/Causal Conjunctions Advert for Tudor House Persuasion	The Iron Man - Ted Hughes Mystery Narrative Skill focus: Subordinate Conjunctions/Clauses Explanation - Water Cycle Skill focus: Organising Paragraphs/ Causal/Subordinate Conjunctions What attractions are there in Lichfield? Non-chronological Report	The Selfish Giant – Oscar Wilde Narrative about Kindness Skill focus: Organising Paragraphs Own version mythical tale – based on King Midas and the Golden Touch Skill focus: Fronted Adverbials A day in Athens Recount	The Lion and The Unicorn - Shirley Hughes Own version historical narrative Skill focus: To use direct speech to show character and to move events forward within a story. Odd and the Frost Giants - Neil Gaiman Narrative retelling from a different perspective Skill focus: To use noun phrases expanded by the addition of modifying adjectives, nouns and preposition phrases. (, giant and The giant with and, the giant) Earthquakes Explanation	Weslandia - Paul Fleischman Non-chronological report Skill focus: Using Adverbials (Non-fiction focus) The Story of Tutankhamun – Patricia Cleveland-Peck Biography of Tutankhamun Skill focus: Subordinate Conjunctions/Pronouns Magic Box Poetry	The Lion the witch and the Wardrobe – C.S Lewis Own version narrative set in another world Skill focus: Application of Y4 Objectives Jabberwocky – Lewis Carroll Nonsense Poem Skill focus: Prepositional phrases Saving water Persuasive Leaflet
Class Books/Novels	Macbeth – Tony Ross Varmints	Wolves in the Walls The Iron Man – Ted Hughes	Varjak Paw – SF Said	Walter Tull's Scrapbook Flood Pride	She Persisted Around the World Fantastically Great Women – Kate Pankhurst	The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe – C S Lewis Little Pearl
Poetry (Class Read)	Spooky Poems compiled by Jennifer Curry	Michael Rosen's Book of Very Silly Poems	Dirty Beasts – Roald Dahl	Poems Around the World 3 – Collected by Brian Moses and David Orme	Read Me – A Poem a Day For the National Year of Reading – Chosen by Gaby Morgan	Olympic Poems: 100% Unofficial! - Brian Moses & Roger Stevens