

Roots Manual 3						
Main Text/summary	Equality, Diversity, Inclusion and Citizenship	Links to wider curriculum	STAR Story	Equality, Diversity, Inclusion and Citizenship	Links to the wider curriculum	
26. Let's Go Fishing	The main characters are from black and minority ethnic backgrounds. The characters learn problem-solving skills as mum helps by reaching out to save the pole. There is also a message about the importance of resilience and not giving up when things get difficult.	PSHE: this text highlights the importance of helping and supporting one another and moving on from setbacks. The importance of resilience in helping to tackle, and solve, problems. Also, how emotions/feelings can change. Relationships Education curriculum (Primary): caring friendships – how important friendships are in making us feel happy and secure, and how people choose, and make, friends.	Big Blue Whale Big Blue Whale is a beautifully illustrated factual book all about the life of a Blue Whale. The book opens with a message from the author about how the blue whale is endangered, explaining that fewer than 10,000 of them are living in the world today due to hunting. Each page reveals further facts and information about blue whales.	This book encourages young people to be mindful of nature and to want to learn about the creatures of the world. It encourages the development of empathy with the plight of the Blue Whale and develops an understanding of the importance of the environment conservation.	Science: this book talks through the fact that whales are endangered as well as facts about the blue whale. It supports conservation of our environment. PSHE: this book encourages children to respect and value animals such as the Blue Whale.	
27. The Camping Trip	In this story we see how families care for each other. We also learn how some	PSHE: this text explores feelings, with facial expressions prompting discussion	Three Billy Goats Gruff	The story teaches important lessons in citizenship about the consequences of being	PSHE: this story teaches children not to be greedy, selfish or to bully others.	



The Camping Trip The Camping Trip Trip, planning to spend the night in a tent on a hill. Fran and Steve went exploring in the woods and thought they could hear a bear. It was a lost cat! They took the cat back to the tent to show their parents. Mum was upset because a mouse had gone into the backpack. The cat jumped on the backpack to scare the mouse away, so Mum let Fran and Steve keep the cat.	animals need to be cared for e.g. the lost cat.	about how characters might feel. It also highlights to importance of families caring for each other. Relationships Education curriculum (Primary): families are important for children growing up because they can give love, security and stability.	Three billy goats, ranging in size from smallest to largest, must cross a bridge in order to get to the meadow where they graze. Under the bridge lives a mean troll, who threatens to gobble up each of the billy goats. The Big Billy Goat Gruff convinces the Troll to let the two smaller goats cross, and then manages to cross himself. The troll is furious!	greedy and bullying others. The Troll has no friends due to his bullying behaviour. It also highlights problem-solving skills as the Big Billy Goat comes with up a cunning plan to get to the meadow with the sweetest grass.	It also highlights the importance of problem- solving skills. Relationships Education curriculum (Primary): <i>respectful relationships</i> – about different types of bullying and how to get help.
28. Is There A Monster in the Lake? Is There a Monster in the Lake? Is The take? The twins, Jim and Jack, lived next door to Deena. One hot summer day, they invited her to go swimming with them in the lake. Dad took them to the lake in his jeep. The children	The main characters are from black and minority ethnic backgrounds. In this story children recognise, name and deal with their feelings in a positive way.	PSHE: this text explores feelings, with facial expressions prompting discussion about how characters in the story might feel. It also promotes problem solving skills and resilience and bravery when something unexpected and	The Shark in the Dark	This book encourages citizenship by showing how, working together, the fish solved their problem. It promotes diversity due to the wide variety of sea life featured in the story. The importance of problem-solving skills is also a focus as the	English: rhyming patterns. PSHE: learning about a range of facial expressions. Science: the environment/ecosystem in the deep ocean.

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swam out to the raft. They saw something in the water and thought it was a monster, so called their dad for help. They then realised it was just a frog. Then they had a picnic.	In this story we read about the importance of developing relationships through play. The text also promotes problem-solving skills as the children ask for help when they think there may be a problem with a monster in the lake.	potentially scary happens. Relationships Education curriculum (Primary): families are important for children growing up because they can give love, security and stability.	tormenting all the little fish in the depths of the ocean. One day, a squid comes up with a cunning plan to unite the fish and teach the shark a lesson he'll remember forever. They swim together in the shape of an even bigger, scarier shark, which frightens the mean shark away.	squid comes up with the idea to deal with the shark.	Relationships Education curriculum (Primary): respectful relationships – about different types of bullying and how to get help.
29. Leaves Fall	The main characters are from black and minority ethnic backgrounds. In this story we read about the importance of developing relationships through play. We also learn about how children can help adults with routine tasks. This helps children to understand the importance of learning to care for themselves and others.	PSHE: this explores feelings with facial expressions prompting discussion about how characters in the story might feel. Relationships Education curriculum (Primary): families are important for children growing up because they can give love, security and stability.	Weather and the Seasons Weather control of the Seasons weithe Seasons for the Seasons relation to the Seasons facts and entertaining reading about all four seasons.	This book explores what happens during each of the four seasons.	Science: this focuses on the seasons and the wildlife that flourishes in each season.



30. Cupcakes	The main characters are from black and minority ethnic backgrounds. This story demonstrates the importance of developing relationships through play. It also shows how mistakes can happen and that this can be an important means of learning new skills. In future, the children will remember not to add too much milk when making cupcakes.	PSHE: this text explores feelings, with facial expressions prompting discussion about how characters might feel. Developing resilience and not being discouraged when mistakes happen are also important themes. Maths: the importance of accurate measurement when cooking. Relationships Education curriculum (Primary): families are important for children growing up because they can give love, security and stability.	The Gingerbread man A freshly baked gingerbread man escapes when he is taken out of the oven and eludes a series of nursery rhyme characters who hope to eat him. Then he meets with a clever fox who convinces him he can take him to safety on his back on the other side of the river. As the fox swims, the Gingerbread Man begins to get wet. The fox persuades him to sit on his nose and then eats the Gingerbread Man.	This book encourages children to think and consider the situation before they trust a stranger. They should always follow directions provided by a trusted adult and think before they act.	PSHE: this text provides important lessons about not thinking that you know best and considering a situation before trusting somebody you don't know.
31. Ride a Bike Ride a Bike Vick spent every afternoon in his yard riding his old bike, but he really wanted a new one. Dad	The main characters are from black and minority ethnic backgrounds. This story looks at the importance of teamwork, resilience and not giving up	PSHE: this text explores feelings, with facial expressions prompting discussion about how characters might feel. It also promotes problem- solving and resilience	Mrs Armitage on wheels	The moral of this story is that Mrs Armitage's bike fell apart because she overloaded it. In the same way, we need to look after our bodies and minds and live healthily or our bodies	PSHE: this encourages children to be creative and to think outside the box. It also develops problem solving skills, by demonstrating the importance of identifying and finding a

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bought him a new bike. Dad helped him to	when things get	when trying to master	Questin Blake	may become ill. So, the	solution to problems.
		a new and difficult	MRS ARMITAGE		-
balance by running behind but when he got	difficult.		on Wheels	text promotes the	Mrs Armitage has these
tired, he had to let go. Unfortunately, Vick fell		skill.	the the	importance of living	skills, but sadly lacks the
off his bike. They tried riding the bike on the	It also introduces			healthily.	ability to review the
school grounds instead of on the grass. That	problem-solving skills	Relationships	- NE		problem solving process
was much better although he did still fall off at	as they solve the	Education curriculum		It also promotes the	and identify priorities.
the end.	problem by riding on a	(Primary): families are		idea that problem-	
	different surface.	important for children	Mrs Armitage sets off	solving is an important	
		growing up because	for a quiet cycle with	skill. Mrs Armitage was	
		they can give love,	her faithful dog,	good at identifying and	
		security and stability.	Breakspear, but she	solving problems but	
			just can't help thinking	perhaps a little less	
			of ways to improve her	focused on prioritising	
			bicycle. She adds three	the most important	
			loud horns, a bucket of	issues. Nor is it clear at	
			water, a complete tool	the end that she has	
			kit, a seat for	learnt from her	
			Breakspear, two	experiences.	
/			umbrellas, a cassette		
			player and a mouth		
	m		organ. Eventually she		
			adds so many features		
			the bike falls apart. She		
		and sould be	then decides to buy and		
			upgrade her next		
			vehicle! Some people		
			never learn!	IONUK 🎍	L 15
32. Home with a Cold	The main characters	PSHE: this text		In this story Wilfrod's	
	The main characters		This moose belongs to	In this story Wilfred's	PSHE: valuing wild
Home with a Cold	are from black and	explores feelings, with	me	fixed view of the world	animals and allowing
	minority ethnic	facial expressions		resembles the mindset	them the freedom to
	backgrounds.	prompting discussion		of many young children	exist safely in their own
		about how characters		and this book models	habitat.
	In this story we read	might feel. It also		the value in being	
Story by Lansa Parton Filter and Mag Lin ingenese Binatrotinese by Journieur Clask	about the importance	builds empathy with		open-minded and	
	of developing	wild animals who may		willing to adapt.	



One snowy cold day in November, Vick woke up sneezing and sniffing and had a sore throat. He couldn't go to school so went back to bed where he read books and was given medicine. When he looked out the window there was a deer with its baby in the garden. His sister Eva played a game with him, so he didn't get bored. Then Vick saw the deer again so called his mum. When Dad came home, he gave the deer some food.	relationships through play. We also learn the importance of being kind and caring for animals, even those who are wild. In this case, the deer are struggling to find food because of the snow on the ground.	benefit from some kindness. Relationships Education curriculum (Primary): families are important for children growing up because they can give love, security and stability.	A moose came to Wilfrid and he knew that it was meant to be his. He called him Marcel. Most of the time Marcel is very obedient, abiding by the Wilfrid's many rules of How to Be a Good Pet. Wilfrid is outraged when somebody else claims to own Marcel, he runs away, trips and gets lost. Marcel turns up and rescues him. We hope Wilfrid learnt that the moose doesn't belong to him, or anybody else anybody.	It also provides a forum for discussing the moose's right to be a wild animal that is free and doesn't belong to anybody. It is his right!	Science: this links to learning about wild animals in their natural world.
33. Slippery Steps	In this story we see how Dad applied problem-solving skills by putting sand down on the surface of the steps to avoid anyone else slipping on the ice.	PSHE: this links to perseverance and endeavour. Science: putting sand on ice will help to provide some traction	The Emperor's Egg	This book teaches valuable lessons perseverance, resilience and the importance of caring for family.	PSHE: this links to perseverance and endeavour. Science: the life cycle of the Emperor Penguin.



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Slippery Steps		and make it less likely	This text is about the		Geography: features of
		to freeze so people	Emperor Penguin. The		Antarctica.
STOR O		are less likely to slip.	poor male spend winter		
GIADADOTT -			outside at the Antarctic		
THE P		Relationships	without any food to		
H Transfer Top Standard Laura Barran Ener		Education curriculum	eat. While his mate is		
Bustrations by January Clark		(Primary): families are	off swimming in the		
Twins, Jim and Jack woke up to find it had		important for children	ocean catching fish, he		
snowed. They went out to play but fell on the		growing up because	stands in the freezing		
icy steps. Mum tried to help them but slipped		they can give love,	cold with an egg on his		
on the stairs too. Dad put some sand on the		security and stability.	feet for two whole		
steps so nobody would slip on the ice again.			months, keeping it		
. ,			warm and waiting for it		
			to hatch. This text		
			explains the life cycle of		
			the Emperor Penguin.		
34. The Ice Storm	The main characters	PSHE: this text	Winnie and Wilbur in	This story explores the	Science: this explores
	are from black and	explores feelings, with	Winter	diversity of the seasons	seasonal change.
The Ice Storm	minority ethnic	facial expressions	VALUERE TROMAS AND RORRY PAUL	and how important	seasonal change.
11111111111111111111111111111111111111	backgrounds.	prompting discussion		they are. As with all	
990	buckyrounus.	about how characters		Winnie stories there is	PSHE: this links to
	to this standard and the		ALS		
Stray by Galaxies of Alexandron Cold	In this story we read	might feel. It also	and the second s	a clear focus on	problem-solving skills
	about the importance	promotes problem-	A CAN	identifying and solving	and enjoying life, even if
There was a big ice storm so the headteacher	of developing	solving skills.		a problem, promoting	conditions aren't idea.
closed the school early. Deena's mum picked	relationships through		Winnie the Witch and	an understanding of	
her up and Fran and Vick came for a sleepover	play.	Geography: ice	Wilbur, her cat, are	problem-solving skills.	
as they couldn't get home. They walked home		storms which are	both tired of winter. So,		
in the cold. When they got home, they sat by	We also learn problem-	storms of freezing	Winnie casts a spell and		
the fire with Grandad while mum made food.	solving skills because	rain that leave a	turns everything into		
Unfortunately, there was no electricity, so the	they used the fire to	coating of ice. They	summer. But that's her		
oven didn't work, and they put hotdogs on the	cook their food when	do not generally	big mistake All over		
fire instead. They camped next to the fire that	the oven didn't work.	happen in the UK.	the garden little		
night and played in the snow the following day			animals wake up and		
because there was still no school.		Relationships	flowers begin to grow.		



		(Primary): families are important for children growing up because they can give love, security and stability. Caring friendships: this looks at how important friendships are in making us feel happy and secure, and how people choose, and make, friends.	to enjoy the sunshine, and there is no room for Winnie and Wilbur. So, Winnie casts a spell, the sun disappears, the snow begins to fall, Winnie and Wilbur decide that "Winter is lovely too."		
35. Did That Tree Eat My Kite? Did That Did That Did That Tree Eat My Kite? Did That Did That Tree Eat My Kite? Did That Did	In this story we read about the importance of developing relationships through play. The text also promotes problem-solving skills as the children move to a more open space to fly a kite.	PSHE: this text explores feelings, with facial expressions prompting discussion about how characters might feel. It also promotes problem solving skills. Geography: strong winds are common in March due to the vernal equinox (when the sun is directly over the equator at noon). Relationships Education curriculum (Primary): families are	Stuck When Floyd's kite gets stuck in a tree, he's determined to get it out by knocking it down with his shoe. But the shoe gets stuck too. And the only logical course of action is to throw his other shoe, then an orangutan, a boat, his front door etc.	This book provides an excellent forum for discussing basic problem-solving skills. Floyd's initial idea to throw something into the tree, may have merit, however the moral is that it is essential to review your strategy and to try something else if it is not working!	PSHE: problem-solving skills and resilience.



Who is Wilfred?	The main characters are from black and	important for children growing up because they can give love, security and stability. PSHE: the text promotes the	Do they all get stuck? Yes, yes, and yes. Tuesday	This text has no explicit moral but is designed	English: this text promotes children to
36. Who is Wilfred? In school, Mr West told the class that they were going to split into teams to write their own newspaper. He modelled writing a plan for a newspaper story. Mrs Wilfred had brought her son's dog to school because his class had a Share a Pet Project. Mr. West's class decided to write a newspaper story about the dog.	minority ethnic backgrounds. In this story we read about the importance of developing relationships through play and adapting our ideas when something new is presented.	importance of adapting our ideas when the situation changes. Relationships Education curriculum (Primary): caring friendships – how important friendships are in making us feel happy and secure, and how people choose, and make, friends.	This picture-story without text is about how some seemingly ordinary frogs fly on lily-pads through a town. The police investigate but are flummoxed. We then see pigs flying through the air, the story ends without an explanation.	to develop children's imagination. It develops an understanding of the 'scientific method' as they, and characters in the book, use the evidence presented to try to work out what happened.	practise telling and writing stories based on the pictures on the page, and to use their imagination. Science: the importance of using evidence to deduce what has happened.
37. Planting Seeds in May Planting Seeds in May Planting Seeds in May Difference of the planting offered to help him complete the gardening	The main characters are from black and minority ethnic backgrounds. In this story we read about the importance of developing relationships through play as well as dealing with a setback.	PSHE: this text explores feelings, with facial expressions prompting discussion about how characters might feel. It also promotes problem solving skills and resilience as the children continue to work, despite the rain.	Camille and the sunflowers Comille and the sunflowers Comille the sunflowers Comille Comille, a	This story demonstrates the importance of supporting weaker members of our society and being tolerant of those who are different. The paintings in this story are examples of Van Gogh's work.	Art: this text includes some of the paintings of Vincent van Gogh and introduces children to his artwork. It provides an insight into the negative response his new style of painting received (impressionism) at the time.



before the rain came. A jay spotted the seeds,	We also learn problem-		little boy whose dad is	There is a story behind	PSHE: being resilient
flew down and ate them. Then the cat spilt the	solving skills as the	Relationships	a small-town postman.	every painting.	and staying true to your
contents of the bucket. Fran and Vick decided	children continue to	Education curriculum	Camille meets Vincent		dreams, at times even if
to carry on planting the seeds in their raincoats	plant the seeds in the	(Primary): caring	Van Gogh who has		others are critical. Also,
in the rain.	rain wearing protective	<i>friendships</i> – how	come to their village to		the importance of
	clothing.	important friendships	paint sunflowers. He		kindness and generosity
		are in making us feel	and his family become		and that we should
		happy and secure,	friends with Vincent,		value everybody, even
		and how people	who is impoverished		those who may not
		choose, and make,	and struggling as an		appear to be successful.
		friends.	artist. They help him		
			and Vincent asks if he		
			can paint them. In the		
			end Vincent is told to		
			leave town by those		
			who find him		
			'different'. Readers are		
			told that eventually		
/			Vincent's paintings		
			became world famous.		