

## Second Level Literacy Week beginning 18th January

**Spelling Workout** – keep working out your spelling 10 mins every day.  
All spelling lists are available on the blog.

### Reading:

Read for 30 minutes every day.

Request a *Book Bag* from the school

News online, EPIC, recipe books, any book (age / challenge appropriate)

Get involved in BIG READ activities.  
Join the Big Book Bletcher on a Friday with Mrs Jardine!

### High Quality Vocabulary (Big Words):

Look up the meaning of these words in a dictionary.

Then use each word in an interesting and entertaining sentence:

treason  
guilt  
prophecy  
betrayal  
conspiracy  
deceit  
corruption  
dominance

### Information Report— Shakespeare

Research (read for information) and complete **description bubbles** (page 2) for William Shakespeare.

Now use your facts to complete an **Information report scaffold** (page 3). *On page 4 I have completed an information scaffold for Santa as an example.*

What themes will you choose:

- ⇒ Famous plays
- ⇒ Wife and children
- ⇒ Born and Raised
- ⇒ Jobs outside writing

Now write out the full version of your report. Make sure you place your facts in quality sentences.



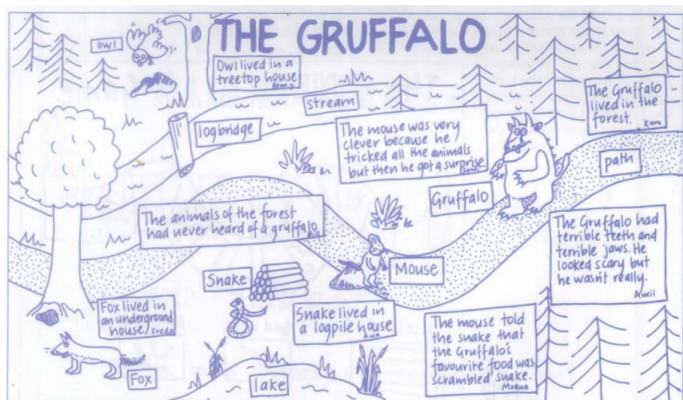
## Shakespearian Experience

Each week we are going to take a look at a story based on a William Shakespeare play.

This week is the story of *Macbeth*

Read the excellent graphic novel of Macbeth on **Epic** or watch the animated film on <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/english-ks2-macbeth-index/zkxcbdm> (35mins long)

### Caption Mural



On a large piece of paper, create a caption mural to represent the story of Macbeth. Your captions should help retell the main events, locations and character descriptions of the story. Remember to refer back to the book on EPIC or BBC bitesize film to help you. Below is an example of a caption mural based on the story of the Gruffalo.

### Text it!

Choose a scene where Lady Macbeth and Macbeth are arguing or scheming. Turn that scene into a series of text messages (use format on page 5). Make sure that we know what's going on by choosing your language and emoji carefully.

@romeo\_montague Capulet ball tomorrow night, you in? Gonna be 🍷 & Rosaline will be there ;)

@benvolioisthebest @mercutioman did u guys see that girl juliet?? never saw true beauty until last night.

## Job Vacancy Advert

Write 2 job adverts for the position of King/Queen of Scotland.

Your first advert needs to be a Ye Olde Advertisement for a King/Queen to reign during the 11th century. Consider the role and type of language you will need to use.

Your second advert needs to be a modern-day advert for the role of King/Queen to reign in the current day (21st century).

Again, think of the role and language...how will it differ from Ye Olde one?

Remember to include:

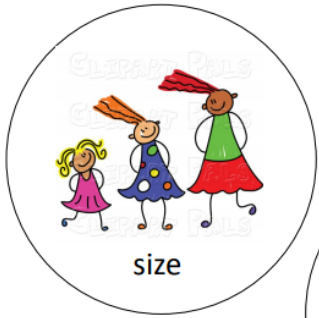
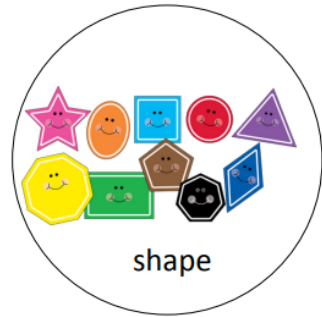
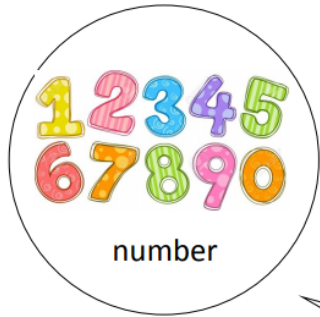
Job title

Main duties

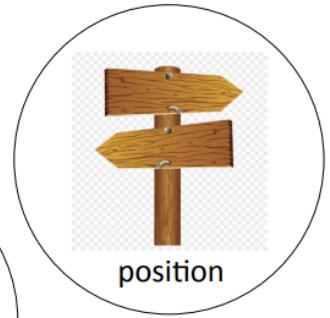
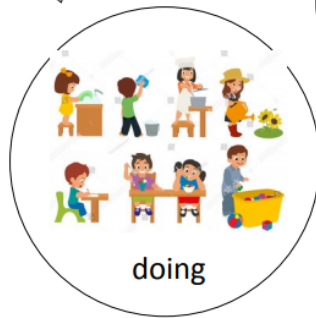
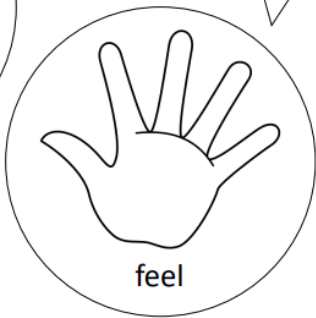
Required skills and attributes

Desirable skills and attributes

How to apply



**Description writing—  
what is it like?**



**NUMBERS**  
**25th** December very important date in the diary.  
**9** reindeer pull his sleigh with Rudolf being the youngest.

**COLOUR**  
 Originally Santa wore a **green** outfit to show links with nature.  
**Red** suit was introduced by the Coca cola company.

**SHAPE**

**POSITION**  
 Rumoured to live at the North Pole.  
 Lapland also a well known location for visiting Santa

**SIZE**  
 Santa Claus has a protruding tummy which makes us question how he fits down a chimney.  
 The sleigh can hold an infinite amount of presents.

**Santa Claus**

**FEEL**  
 St Nicolas was very shy and so he dropped coins and gifts down chimneys into stockings.

**DOING**  
 Highest workload carried out by the elves. Job description: Helpers  
 Children bake cookies and select a tasty carrot to leave out for Santa and Rudolf.

Words to think:

Title:

Words to write:

General Statement:

Linking Sentence:

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Concluding statement:

Words to think:

Words to write:

Title: **The Santa Claus Report**

General Statement:

It is a well known fact that for one night only Santa Claus or Father Christmas travels the world delivering presents to all the boys and girls. Let's find out more about the man behind the suit.

Names and Appearance

Helpers and Resources

Christmas Eve

Linking Sentence:

We will get to know more about Father Christmas by studying all his different Names & Appearance, considering his Helpers and Resources. And finally, by looking closely at how Christmas Eve unfolds.

Names and Appearance

\* St Nicolas was a bishop in Turkey in the 3rd Century. As he was shy he wanted to help families without having to explain himself. So he put coins and small gifts down the chimney of each house. He is thought to have worn a red robe.

\* In Britain Father Christmas was traditionally pictured in a green suit. The Coca Cola company are held responsible for the change to a red suit as part of an advertising campaign in the 1930s.

\* Now we think of one Santa Claus, in a red suit with a white beard with a very large tummy. Many of us wonder how he manages to get his protruding tummy down chimneys even the very narrow ones.

Helpers and Resources

\* Santa's helpers include the elves who organise the toy workshop, make all the toys and gifts for children, wrap the presents and put the correct labels on.

\* The reindeers pull the heavily laden sleigh. As well as flying they are also experts at landing on rooftops. Santa originally had 8 reindeer but Rudolf was added during a song and so now 9 reindeer are mentioned.

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Christmas Eve

\* 24th and 25th December are significant days as all presents have to be delivered and ready to be opened by children around the world on Christmas morning.

\* Children say a thank you to Santa by providing him with a snack. Some children bake cookies and select a tasty carrot for Rudolf. In some Scottish households it is traditional to leave Santa a wee dram of whisky.

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Concluding statement:

Santa has been around for hundreds of years and I'm certain we will be talking about him and sharing stories about him for hundreds more.

