

Curriculum Links

Books From Children To Children 2026 - EYFS / KS1 / KS2

This document maps the Books From Children To Children writing competition to the UK literacy and English curriculum at Early Years, Key Stage 1, and Key Stage 2. It is intended as a quick reference for teachers running the competition in their classroom.

EYFS - Communication and Language; Literacy

- Listening, attention and understanding through oral storytelling.
- Speaking - children share their own ideas and stories aloud.
- Writing - early mark-making, name-writing, and dictated stories.

KS1 (Years 1-2) - English: Writing - Composition

- Compose sentences orally before writing.
- Sequence sentences to form short narratives.
- Re-read what they have written to check it makes sense.
- Read aloud their writing clearly enough to be heard.

KS2 (Years 3-6) - English: Writing - Composition

- Plan writing by discussing the structure of similar narratives.
- Draft and write narratives, creating settings, characters and plot.
- Evaluate and edit by assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing.
- Proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors.

Cross-curricular - Climate Change theme

- Geography: changes in environment, weather and habitats.
- Science: living things, plants, weather, materials.
- PSHE: empathy and responsibility towards the natural world.

Suggested classroom activities (60-90 min)

- Read a published climate-themed children's book aloud.
- Brainstorm climate-change scenarios in small groups.
- Plan a story or poem using a story-mountain template.
- Draft, peer-edit, and submit.