



Upper Key Stage 2 Diverse Author List 2026-2027



TERM	DIVERSITY/THEME	AUTHOR	BOOK TITLE
Autumn 1	Children's Laureate	Patrice Lawrence	Elemental Detectives Twelve-year-old Robert Strong is a slave of the Hibbert family. Torn from his family on the plantation in Barbados, he is forced to wait on Lady Hibbert in London. When he helps Marisee escape some attacking sleepers, he discovers a world of Elemental spirits, serpents in the Serpentine and ghosts in Hyde Park.
Autumn 2	Different Family types – Fostering & Adoption	Frank Cottrell Boyce & Steven Lenton	Sputnik's Guide to Life on Earth An adventure about the Blythes: a big, warm, rambunctious family who live on a small farm and sometimes foster children. Now Prez has come to live with them. But, though he seems cheerful and helpful, he never says a word.
Spring 1	Romany Traveller	Sally Grindley	My name is Rose Rose is a young Romani gypsy girl who travels around Romania and Europe in a caravan with her family. Playing music - on their own or with extended family and friends - her life is happy, until Rose suddenly finds herself an orphan after a dreadful car accident.
Spring 2	Neurodiversity	Kate Foster	Paws 11-year-old Alex is autistic and having difficulty navigating school and friendships, especially with the transition to secondary school on the horizon. His relationship with his dog, Kevin, is at the heart of the story and their ambitions ultimately lead to important lessons about friendship.
Summer 1	Islam	Hiba Noor Khan	Saffiyah's War War is creeping across Europe but has not yet reached Saffiyah and her family. For the moment, Paris is still a free city and life at the Grand Mosque is ordered and calm; Muslims, Jews and Christians live harmoniously together.
Summer 2	India	Sangu Mandanna	Kiki Kallira breaks a Kingdom Kiki Kallira is not a hero. She is not brave, daring, or strong. She is the kind of girl who worries about her mother being murdered by geese if she leaves the door open. But she can do one thing... draw. Drawing takes all of her anxieties away. That is until she unwittingly unleashes mythological creatures from the Hindu legends she draws in her sketchbook and is given no choice but to become a hero, or both her world and the one she has created will be in big trouble...