

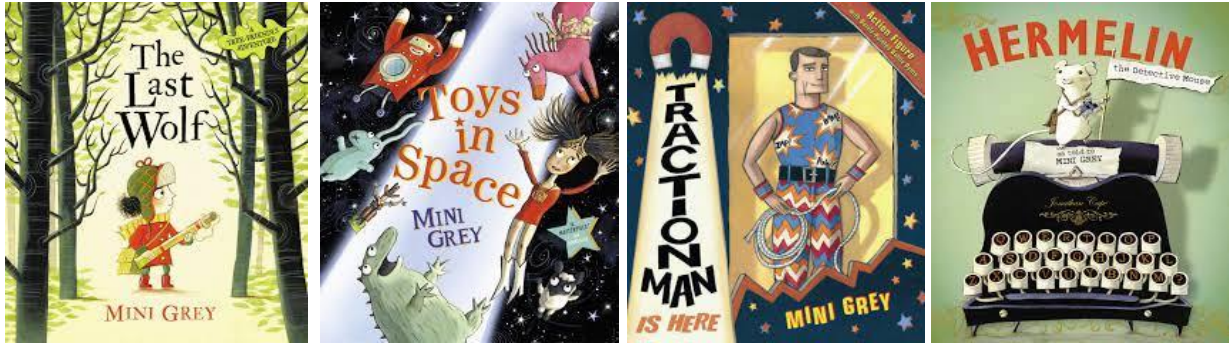


Year 1
Spring Term 1

- Mini Grey Author Study -

Mini Grey is a British illustrator and author of children's books. We explore a different theme linked to each of her picture books.

Key Texts



and more!

Key concepts linked to each book:

- The Last Wolf: traditional tale adaptation, mapwork and trees revision.
- Toys in Space: story structure, problem solving and friendships.
- Traction Man is Here: superheroes, villains and imagination.
- Hermelin: lost and found, helping others and note-writing.
- Space Dog: problem solving, programming and algorithms.
- Biscuit Bear: parts of our body and our senses.
- Egg Drop: flying, floating and parachutes.
- The Adventures of the Dish and the Spoon: traditional tale adaptation, toys from the past and the way shopping has changed over time.
- The Pea and the Princess: traditional tale adaptation, patterns, fabric and printing.

Vocabulary

Author, illustrator, traditional tale, adaptation, problem, resolution, hero and villain.

Programming, algorithm, debugging and BeeBot.

Eyes, ears, nose, mouth, tongue, skin, senses, sight, sound, touch, smell and taste.

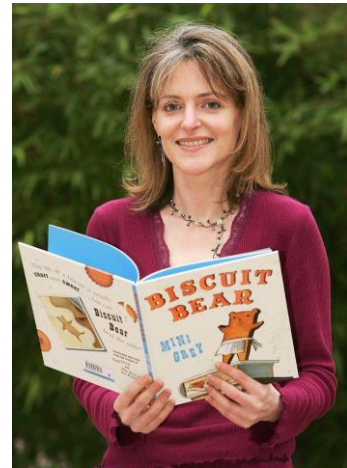
Changes, toys, past, present, shops, order, purchase, same, different, old and new.

Pattern, repeating, fabric, quilt, cloth, china, printmaking and ink.

Skills

In this topic, the children will:

- Explore story structures: beginning, middle and end, problem and resolution.
- Be inspired by texts to create their own versions/tellings/characters.
- Explore programming (through a range of plugged and unplugged activities) and debug code.
- Use their senses to experience objects.
- Name basic parts of their body and their associated senses.
- Ask questions about the way things used to be.
- Find out about toys and shopping experiences from the past.
- Compare the past to the present day.
- Use a range of objects for printing in repeating patterns.
- Create artwork on a range of different materials.



Mini Grey facts:

- Mini Grey is a children's author and illustrator.
- She was born in South Wales but grew up in England.
- She has a son.
- Mini is her nickname because she was born on the backseat of a Mini (the type of car!)
- Mini Grey used to be a teacher.



Patterns by Kaffe Fasset, Clarice Cliff & Emma Bridgewater.

Key people

Mini Grey

Kaffe Fasset

Clarice Cliff

Emma Bridgewater