**Y1 Spring Fiction: Traditional Tales:** **Sharing and Retelling**

Unit 5

Composition: Retell a familiar story

***Teacher Notes***

**Preparation:**

* If you have not taught Unit 3, it is important to ensure chn are familiar enough with the story of Chicken Licken to retell it. Use the story prompts (*resources*) or read a copy of the traditional story to the children before teaching this Unit.
* For Day 3, the children will each need an 8-page zig-zag book (*resources*). It is preferable to use A1 paper to make each book as this will allow the children to add illustrations to each page on Day 4. However, if the children have small neat handwriting, it may be possible to use A3 paper instead. Be aware that some children will need to have lines drawn on each page in order to complete neat handwriting, while others will not.
* For Day 4 or shortly after, the children can read their story to another class or their parents/carers. Help the children to complete an invitation (*resources*) before Day 4 so class teachers/parents can ensure they are available.

**Notes for Teaching:**

* For Day 1, before you perform the oral story of **Chicken Licken** to the children,rehearse it several times. Vary the pitch and tone of your voice to make it interesting for an audience. Consider adding hand gestures, character voices and sound effects to make it expressive and exciting.
* For Day 2, the teacher will complete a story-planning template during the input. Keep the story-planning template for Day 3.
* For Day 3, the teacher will demonstrate writing the beginning of a story. A suggested story format is included in *resources*. Note, that it is unnecessary and potentially overwhelming to list all of the animal characters continually.
* For Day 3, the Teacher will begin to write a story. Keep the story for Day 4, when they will finish writing it and will then subsequently publish it.
* By the end of Day 4, the children will have written a story. Outside of the literacy session, support them to add textual features that will convert their story into a published book. For example, add: *title, front cover, name of author and illustrator, interior illustrations, back cover, blurb, page numbers.*