

Literacy – Varjak Paw

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Monday	L.O: To make predictions about the story. Children to look at the front cover. What do you think the book will be about? What things can you see on the front cover? What sort of story will it be? Who might enjoy it? What do you think, 'This cat must learn to fight' might mean? Brainstorm their ideas about Varjak and the story. Sentence prompts: I think Varjak Paw will be... The story will be about... Now read the blurb – where any of your predictions correct? How do the reviews on the back persuade you to read the book? Read chapters 1 and 2 What does the word 'ancestor' mean? What might Varjak be thinking when the strange man enters the house? Who do you think the strange man is who enters the house? What are your first impressions of Varjak?
Tuesday	L.O: Create an inside outside of Varjak and one other character. Read chapters 3,4. Think about Varjak's relationship with the rest of his family: Mother, Father, Julius, Jasmine, Elder Paw. How do each of the characters treat Varjak? What do they think of him? Start to think about each of the characters in more detail. Create an inside outside of each character using information we have gathered. Plenary Read chapter 5 Consider Varjak's dilemma. What should he do? Should Varjak stay and fight with his grandfather or should he follow his grandfather's orders and go?
Wednesday SPaG	L.O: To use apostrophes to mark possession. Look at page 7 (first page of story). How many apostrophes can the you find? What are these apostrophes doing? What do they all have in common? Is there anything different about the way each is used? Can you explain how we use an apostrophe for possession? Read through the possessive apostrophes PDF to recap using apostrophes for possession. Look carefully at the 5 examples – what do you notice? Independent task: Possessive apostrophes worksheet Look at the table and highlight the all of the characters. For each character, including 'family' and 'cousins' write sentences using a possessive apostrophe (like the 5 examples)
Thursday PM	L.O: To plan a description of Varjak using apostrophes for possession. Read chapter 6 Plan a description of Varjak for his missing poster using apostrophes for possession. E.g. Varjak's ears are silky and steel blue. Vary the sentences, 'Our beautiful boy's nose...'
Friday	L.O: To produce a descriptive missing poster for Varjak. In this lesson you will be creating a 'Missing' poster for Varjak Paw using possessive apostrophes to help convey his description. Proof read yesterday's description and make any improvements. Use the missing poster document. Read chapter 7