

Glascote Academy

Reading Spine



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This reading spine is based on Doug Lemov's research into 'The Five Plagues of the Developing Reader'. According to Lemov, there are five types of text that children should have access to in order to successfully navigate reading with confidence:

Archaic Language

Texts that are over 50 years old are typically more complex than texts written today. Here for example are the first lines of *Great Expectations*: "My father's family name being Pirrip, and my Christian name Philip, my infant tongue could make of both names nothing longer or more explicit than Pip. So, I called myself Pip, and came to be called Pip." The sentences are short and simple, the words simple, but the stylistic differences in a text of this vintage make it daunting to most children to say the least! They must learn not to be intimidated by older discourse.

Non-linear Time Sequences

These are books where time moves around. 'Holes' by Louis Sachar is a perfect example of this: the author switches from present day to one-hundred years before.

Narratively Complex

Books are sometimes narrated by an unreliable narrator. In 'To Kill A Mockingbird', Scout is the narrator but she doesn't understand and misperceives some of what happened to her. Others have non-human narrators such as 'War Horse' and 'Black Beauty'. Some books are even told by multiple authors and have seemingly unrelated plot lines.

Figurative/Symbolic Text

In 'Animal Farm', the individual animals stand for different people within politics. In 'Pinocchio', Jiminy Cricket represents a conscience. When reading these, teachers should discuss with children what the different characters/symbols might actually stand for.

Resistant Texts

These are texts where you have to assemble meaning by 'reading between the lines'; texts written to deliberately resist easy meaning-making by readers. Almost all poems come under this!

It is also important that children are exposed to a wider range of **diverse texts**. In each year group, I have added a list of books that celebrate the diversity with our community and promote ethnical diversity.

In addition, I have also attached a **non-fiction reading spine** that links with each of the following subjects: science, history, geography, RE and PSHE. These books will support the teaching of specific subject areas, whole class reading, or the children could access them independently in book corners. Finally, there is also a **poetry reading spine** (although some poems can also be found within 'Five Plagues' reading spine).

Reception

Archaic Language	Non-Linear Time Sequences	Narratively Complex	Figurative Text	Resistant Text	Diversity
<p>The Gingerbread Man</p> <p>Traditional tales</p>	<p>Sulwe – Lupita Nyong’o</p>	<p>There Is A Tiger In The Garden – Lizzy Stewart</p> <p>The Gunnywolf – A. Delaney</p>	<p>The Rainbow Fish – Marcus Pfister</p> <p>The Gruffalo – Julia Donaldson</p> <p>Farmer Duck – Martin Waddell</p> <p>How To Catch A Star – Oliver Jeffers</p> <p>Blue Monster Wants it All – Jeanne Willis</p> <p>The Perfect Sofa – Fifi Kuo</p>	<p>Lost and Found – Oliver Jeffers</p> <p>Alex and Alex – Ziggy Hanaor</p>	<p>Sulwe – Lupita Nyong’o</p> <p>Handa’s Surprise – Eileen Browne</p> <p>A Story About Afya – James Barry</p> <p>Love Makes A Family – Sophie Beer</p>

Reception staff to continue to promote a love and curiosity of reading through a daily vote for 3:00 reading book. The books on this reading spine can be used for 3:00 reading, made available in the reading corner or for use in whole class reading lessons.

Year 1

Archaic Language	Non-Linear Time Sequences	Narratively Complex	Figurative Text	Resistant Text	Diversity
<p>The Ugly Duckling – Hans Christian Anderson</p> <p>Where the Wild Things Are – Maurice Sendak</p> <p>Goodnight Moon – Margaret Wise Brown</p> <p>The More It Snows – A A Milne (poem)</p> <p>The Three Billy Goats Gruff – Paul Galdone</p> <p>The Little House – Virginia Lee Burton</p> <p>The Three Little Kittens – Eliza Lee Follen (poem)</p> <p>Make Way for Little Ducklings – Robert McCloskey</p>	<p>Voices in the Park – Anthony Browne</p> <p>When the Rain Comes – Tom Pow</p> <p>Grandpa – John Burningham</p>	<p>Hey Little Ant – Hannah Hoose</p> <p>The Teddy Bear – David McPhail</p> <p>The Day the Crayons Quit – Drew Daywalt</p> <p>Fantastic Mr Fox – Roald Dahl</p> <p>Voices in the Park – Anthony Brown</p> <p>The Very Smart Pea and the Princess-to-be – Mini Grey</p> <p>Come Away From the Water, Shirley – John Burningham</p>	<p>Wanted: The Perfect Pet – Fiona Robertson</p> <p>The Heart and the Bottle – Oliver Jeffers</p> <p>Owl Babies – Martin Waddell</p> <p>The Tiger Who Came To Tea – Judith Kerr</p> <p>Slug Needs a Hug – Jeanne Willis</p>	<p>Wolves – Emily Gravett</p> <p>Not Now Bernard – David McKee</p>	<p>Hair Love – Matthew Cherry and Vashti Harrison</p> <p>Happy in our Skin – Fran Manushkin</p>

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Year 2

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<p>The Magic Faraway Tree – Enid Blyton</p> <p>The Tale of Peter Rabbit – Beatrix Potter</p> <p>Aesop’s Fables – Aesop</p> <p>The Owl and the Pussycat – Edward Lear</p> <p>The Frog Prince – Brothers Grimm</p> <p>The Night Before Christmas – Clement Clarke Moore</p> <p>The Cat in the Hat – Dr. Seuss</p> <p>The Little Prince – Antoine de Saint-Exupery</p> <p>A Good Play, The Swing and My Shadow – Robert Louis Stevenson (poems)</p> <p>Who Has Seen The Wind – Christina Rossetti (poem)</p>	<p>The Trouble With Trolls – Jan Brett</p> <p>Black and White – David Macauley</p> <p>One Candle – Eve Bunting</p> <p>The Stinky Cheese Man – John Scieska</p> <p>Three Brave Women – C.L.G Martin</p> <p>The Summer My Father Was Ten – Pat Brisson</p>	<p>Chester – Melanie Watt</p> <p>And The Dish Ran Away With The Spoon – Janet Stevens</p> <p>The Wolf Story: What Really Happened To Little Red Riding Hood – Toby Forward</p> <p>The True Story of the Three Little Pigs – John Scieska</p> <p>I Doko, the Tale of a Basket – Ed Young</p> <p>The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig – Eugene Trivizas</p>	<p>Grandad’s Island – Benji Davies</p> <p>Dinosaurs and All That Rubbish – Michael Foreman</p> <p>The Red Tree – Shaun Tan</p> <p>The Chickens Build a Wall – Jean-Francois Dumont</p> <p>Red Kite, Blue Kite – Ji-Li Jiang</p> <p>The Building Boy – Ross Montgomery</p> <p>Where the Wild Things Are – Maurice Sendak</p> <p>Scissors – Allen Ahlberg (poem)</p> <p>I Do Not Mind You Winter Wind – Jack Prelutsky (poem)</p>	<p>The Book With No Pictures – B.J. Novak</p> <p>Tadpole’s Promise – Jeanne Willis</p> <p>The Colour Monster – Anna Llenas</p> <p>Ning Nang Nong – Spike Milligan</p> <p>Mirror – Jeannie Baker</p> <p>Window – Jeannie Baker</p>	<p>We All Went On Safari – Laurie Krebs</p> <p>Mommy’s Khimar – Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow</p> <p>So Much – Trish Cooke</p> <p>Coming to England – Floella Benjamin</p> <p>Antiracist Baby – Ibram X. Kendi</p>

Year 3

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<p>The Queen's Nose – Dick King Smith</p> <p>Charlotte's Web – E.B. White</p> <p>The Children of Green Knowe – Lucy M. Boston</p> <p>Pippi Longstocking – Astrid Lindgren</p> <p>Peter Pan – J.M. Barrie</p> <p>Winnie The Pooh – A.A. Milne</p> <p>The House at Pooh Corner – A.A. Milne</p> <p>Beauty and the Beast</p> <p>Emil and the Detectives – Erick Kastner</p> <p>The Emperor's New Clothes – Hans Christian Anderson</p> <p>How Doth the Little Crocodile – Lewis Carroll (poem)</p> <p>Topsy Turvy World – William Brightly Rands (poem)</p> <p>A Bear Called Paddington – Michael Bond</p>	<p>The Midnight Fox – Betsy Byers</p> <p>The Legend of Captain Crow's Teeth – Eoin Colfer</p> <p>The Firework Maker's Daughter – Phillip Pullman</p> <p>Dominic Grows Sweetcorn – Mandy Ross</p>	<p>The Legend of Podkin One-Ear – Keiran Larwood</p> <p>The Creakers – Tom Fletcher</p> <p>The Witches – Roald Dahl</p> <p>Max and the Millions – Ross Montgomery</p> <p>Toys Go Out – Emily Jenkins</p> <p>The World According to Humphrey – Betty G. Bimey</p>	<p>Revolting Rhymes – Roald Dahl</p> <p>The Tunnel – Anthony Browne</p> <p>Stig of the Dump – Clive King</p> <p>Iron Man – Ted Hughes</p> <p>Catch a Little Rhyme – Eve Merriam (poem)</p>	<p>The Mystery of Harris Burdick – Cris Van Allsburg</p> <p>Topsy Turvy World – William Brightly Rands (poem)</p> <p>The Great Panjandrum Himself – Samuel Foote</p> <p>Bananas in my Ear – Michael Rosen</p>	<p>Planet Omar – Zainab Mian</p> <p>Sam Wu is NOT Afraid of Ghosts! – Katie and Kevin Tsang</p> <p>Ellie and the Cat – Malorie Blackman</p> <p>Mayhem Mission – Burhana Islam</p>

Year 4

Archaic Language	Non-Linear Time Sequences	Narratively Complex	Figurative Text	Resistant Text	Diversity
<p>Five Children and It – Edith Nesbitt</p> <p>Just William – Richmal Crompton</p> <p>The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe – C.S. Lewis</p> <p>Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland – Lewis Carroll</p> <p>The Little Match Girl – Hans Christian Anderson</p> <p>You Are Old Father William - Lewis Carroll (poem)</p> <p>There Was An Old Man With a Beard – Edward Lear (poem)</p> <p>Mary Poppins – P.L. Travers</p> <p>The Railway Children – Edith Nesbitt</p> <p>The Little House on the Prairie – Laura Ingalls Wilder</p> <p>The Velveteen Rabbit – Margery Williams</p> <p>Heidi – Johanna Spyri</p> <p>The Fisherman and his Wife – Brothers Grimm</p> <p>How the Camel got his Hump – Rudyard Kipling</p>	<p>Clockwork – Phillip Pullman</p> <p>Farm Boy – Michael Morpurgo</p> <p>Fortunately The Milk – Neil Gaiman</p> <p>The Butterfly Lion – Michael Morpurgo</p> <p>Farm Boy – Michael Morpurgo</p> <p>Walk Two Moons – Sharon Creech</p>	<p>I Am Rat – Phillip Pullman</p> <p>The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane – Kate DiCamillo</p> <p>Varjack Paw – S.F Said</p> <p>Woof – Allan Ahlberg</p> <p>Nim’s Island – Wendy Orr</p> <p>The Case of the Lost Boy – Dori Hillestad Butler</p>	<p>Artemis Fowl – Eoin Colfer</p> <p>The Iron Woman – Ted Hughes</p> <p>The Train to Impossible Places – P.G. Bell</p> <p>Love That Dog – Sharon Creech</p> <p>The Molehouse Cat – Antonia Barber</p> <p>Dream Variations – Langston Hughes (poem)</p> <p>Ducks Ditty – Kenneth Grahame (poem)</p>	<p>Cloud Busting – Malorie Blackman</p> <p>The Walrus and the Carpenter – Lewis Carroll</p> <p>Where Zebras Go – Sue-Hardy Dawson</p> <p>Something Told The Wild Geese – Rachel Field (poem)</p>	<p>Little Badman – Henry White and Humza Arshad</p> <p>Gregory Cool – Caroline Binch</p> <p>Anisha: Accidental Detective – Serena Patel</p>

Year 5

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<p>Tom's Midnight Garden – Philippa Pearce</p> <p>The Secret Garden – Frances Hodgson Burnett</p> <p>The Jungle Book – Rudyard Kipling</p> <p>Around the World in 80 days – Jules Verne</p> <p>The Highwayman – Alfred Noyes</p> <p>The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood – Howard Pyle</p> <p>Swallows and Amazons – Arthur Ransome</p> <p>Ballet Shoes – Noel Streatfield</p> <p>Moonfleet – John Maude Faulkner</p> <p>Charge of the Light Brigade – Alfred Tennyson (poem)</p> <p>Treasure Island – Robert Louis Stevenson</p> <p>Wind in the Willows – Kenneth Grahame</p> <p>The Wonderful Wizard of Oz – L. Frank Baum</p> <p>Dreams – Langston Hughes (poem)</p> <p>Fog – Carl Sandburg (poem)</p> <p>A Tragic Story – William Makepeace Thackeray (poem)</p>	<p>A Christmas Carol – Charles Dickens</p> <p>The Eagle in the Snow – Michael Morpurgo</p> <p>The Time Travelling Hamster – Ross Welford</p> <p>The London Eye Mystery – Siobhan Dowd</p> <p>The Eye of the North – Sinead O' Hart</p> <p>A Long Walk to the Water – Linda Sue Park</p> <p>Not The End of the World – Kate Atkinson</p> <p>The Light Jar – Lisa Thompson</p> <p>Cosmic – Frank Cottrell-Boyce</p>	<p>A Series of Unfortunate Events – Lemony Snickett</p> <p>Cogheart – Peter Bunzl</p> <p>Kensuke's Kingdom – Michael Morpurgo</p> <p>Boy in the Tower – Polly Ho-Yen</p> <p>Once – Morris Gleitzman</p> <p>Sky Song – Abi Elphinstone</p> <p>Wonder – R.J. Palacio</p> <p>All The Things That Could Go Wrong – Stewart Foster</p> <p>Tin – Pdraig Kenny</p> <p>A Tale Dark and Grimm – Adam Gidwitz</p> <p>The Underneath – Kathi Appelt</p> <p>Clockwork – Phillip Pullman</p> <p>The Night Bus Hero – Onjali Q. Rauf</p>	<p>Northern Lights – Phillip Pullman</p> <p>Swallows and Amazons – Arthur Ransome</p> <p>Welcome to Nowhere – Elizabeth Laird</p> <p>Rooftoppers – Katherine Rundell</p> <p>The Lost Thing – Shaun Tan</p> <p>The Giver – Lois Lowry</p> <p>Who Let The Gods Out? – Maz Evans</p> <p>Skellig – David Almond</p> <p>The Arrival – Shaun Tan</p>	<p>The Arrival – Shaun Tan</p> <p>The Pobble Who Had No Toes – Edward Lear (poem)</p> <p>Sky in the Pie – Roger McGough (poem)</p>	<p>Journey to Jo'Burg – Beverly Naidoo</p> <p>Blackberry Blue and Other Fairy Tales – Jamila Gavin</p> <p>A Victorian Story – E.L. Norry</p> <p>The Infinite – Patience Agbabi</p> <p>The Breadwinner – Deborah Ellis</p> <p>Boy at the Back of the Class – Onjali Q. Rauf</p>

Year 6

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<p>The Hobbit – J.R.R Tolkein</p> <p>White Fang – Jack London</p> <p>Journey to the Centre of the Earth – Jules Verne</p> <p>Oliver Twist – Charles Dickens</p> <p>Macbeth – William Shakespeare</p> <p>Tell-Tale Heart – Edgar Allen Poe</p> <p>The Raven – Edgar Allen Poe</p> <p>The Call of the Wild – Jack London</p> <p>Swiss Family Robinson – Johann David Wyss</p> <p>The Adventures of Tom Sawyer – Mark Twain</p> <p>Journey to the Centre of the Earth – Jules Verne</p> <p>Anne of Green Gables – Lucy Maud Montgomery</p> <p>Black Beauty – Anna Sewell</p> <p>Robinson Crusoe – Daniel Defoe</p> <p>The Eagle – Alfred Tennyson (poem)</p> <p>If – Rudyard Kipling (poem)</p> <p>The Listeners – Walter de la Mare (poem)</p>	<p>Holes – Louis Sachar</p> <p>The Infinite Lives of Maisie May – Christopher Edge</p> <p>The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas – John Boyne</p> <p>Around the World in 80 Days – Jules Verne</p> <p>1000 Year Old Boy – Ross Welford</p> <p>Wolf in the White Van – John Darnielle</p> <p>Below Zero – Dan Smith</p> <p>The Clockwork Sparrow – Katherine Woodfine</p>	<p>War Horse – Michael Morpurgo</p> <p>Watership Down – Richard Adams</p> <p>A Boy Called Hope – Lara Williamson</p> <p>Where the Mountain Meets the Moon – Grace Lin</p> <p>Pax – Sara Pennypacker</p> <p>The Mixed Up Files of Mrs Basil E. Frankweiler – E.L. Konigsburg</p> <p>The Pebble in my Pocket – Meredith Hooper</p> <p>When My Name was Keoko – Linda Sue Park</p> <p>The Wanderer – Sharon Creech</p> <p>How to Fly With Broken Wings – Jane Elson</p>	<p>The Lady of Shallott – Alfred Lord Tennyson</p> <p>In Flanders Field – John McRae (poem)</p> <p>Floodland – Marcus Sedgewick</p> <p>The House With Chicken Legs – Sophie Anderson</p> <p>Harry Potter – J K Rowling</p> <p>A Monster Calls – Patrick Ness</p> <p>The Girl of Ink and Stars – Kiran Millwood Hargrave</p> <p>Daffodils – William Wordsworth (poem)</p> <p>When You Reach Me – Rebecca Stead</p>	<p>A Monster Calls – Patrick Ness</p> <p>The Tyger – William Blake (poem)</p> <p>Jabberwocky – Lewis Carroll (poem)</p> <p>The Lie Tree – Frances Hardinge</p>	<p>The Girl Who Stole an Elephant – Nizrana Farook</p> <p>High Rise Mystery – Sharna Jackson</p> <p>Now or Never: A Dunkirk Story – Bali Rai</p> <p>A Pocket Full of Stars – Aisha Bushby</p> <p>Henry’s Freedom Box – Ellen Levine</p> <p>Harriet Tubman – Sandra A. Agard</p>

Reception Recommended Non-Fiction

Where Does My Food Come From? – Annabel Karmel and Alex Willmore

Colours, colours Everywhere! – Julia Donaldson

Children of the World – Nicola Edwards

Do Baby Elephants Suck Their Trunks? – Ben Lerwill and Katharine McEwen

All Through The Night – Polly Faber

The Tree Book – Hannah Alice

Do You Love Bugs? – Matt Robertso

Stargazing – Ben Newman

Big Book of Blue – Yuval Zommer

First Big Book of Why – Sally Symes

Cars – Johnny Dyrander

Slow Down – Rachel Williams

Queen Elizabeth II – Maria Isabel

Lifesize Baby Animals – Sophy Henn

The Body Book – Hannah Alice

Year 1 Recommended Non-Fiction

History	Geography	Science	RE
The Great Fire of London – Nick Hunter	Rainforest Adventure – Tony Mitton	The First Book of Nature – Nicola Davies	Hats of Faith – Medeia Cohan
The Great Fire of London – Emma Adams	Amazon Adventure – Jenni Sparks	The Street Beneath My Feet – Charlotte Gullivan	God’s Very Good Idea – Trillia Newbell
You Wouldn’t Want to be in the Great Fire of London! – Jim Pipe	Ocean – Life Earth	Super Cool Space Facts – Bruce Betts	The Story of Hannukah – David Adler
The Story of the Great Fire of London – Jill Atkins	Planet Earth – Jo Nelson	The Wonder of Trees – Nicola Davies	Going to Mecca – Na’ima B Robert
Samuel Pepys – Paul Harrison	Illuminatlas – Kate Davies	The Magic and Mystery of Trees – Claire McElbrick	Ramadan – Hannah Eliot
	The First Big Book of the World – National Geographic	Lots – Nicola Davies	Let’s Celebrate – Debjani Chatterjee
	Attacking a Norman Castle – Robin Twiddy	Big Book of Bugs – Yuzal Zommer	What Do You Celebrate? – Whitney Stewart
	Castles Magnified – David Long	The Book of Trees – Peter Secka	World Religions – Jennifer Glossop
	Look Inside A Castle – Conrad Mason	See Inside Recycling and Rubbish - Usborne	
	The Castle the King Built – Rebecca Colby		

Year 2 Recommended Non-Fiction

History	Geography	Science	RE
Victorian Britain – Miles Kelly	Amazing Expeditions – Anita Ganeri	The Silly Book of Side Splitting Stuff – Scott Garrett	How Great is our God – Louie Giglio
You Wouldn't Want to be a Victorian School Child! – John Malam	The Everyday Journey of Ordinary Things – Libby Deutsch	The Big Book of Beasts – Yuzal Zommer	This is How We Do It – Matt Lamothe
You Wouldn't Want to be a Victorian Servant! – Fiona McDonald	Planet Earth – Rachel Ignotofsky	The Big Book of the Blue – Yuzal Zommer	Jewish Tales – Shoshana Boyd Gelfand
Explore Victorians	Wonders of the World – Ben Handicott	What a Waste – Jess French	World Religions – Usborne
Brunel – The Great Engineer	Adventures Around the Globe	A Planet Full of Plastic – Neal Layton	The Story of Passover – David Adler
Maya Angelou – Lizabeth Kaiser	Atlas of Ocean Adventures – Emily Hawkins	The Skies Above My Eyes – Charlotte Gullivan	Food and Faith – Susan Reuban
Famous Explorers – Joshua George	Survivors – David Long & Kerry Hyndman		Muhammed Ali – Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara
Amelia Earhart – Maria Isabel	Australia – Tania McCartney		
Christopher Columbus – David Adler	Shapes of Australia – Bronwyn Bancroft (<i>Art link</i>)		
Young, Gifted and Black – Jamia Wilson	Over in Australia: Amazing Animals – Marianne Berkes		
	Australia: Travel for Kids		

Key Stage One Recommended PSHE and other books related to social emotional wellbeing

All Kinds of People – Emily Damon

Hello World – Jonathon Lifton

All About Families – Usborne

The Great Big Book of Feelings – Mary Hoffman

What Do People Do All Day? – Richard Scarry

The Great Big Bag of Families – Mary Hoffman

What If We Were All The Same? – CM Lewis

My Strong Mind – Niels Van Hove

A Handful of Quiet

Exceptional Men in Black History – Vashti Harrison

Bold Women in Black History – Vashti Harrison

Stretch Your Confidence – Beth Cox

The Huge Bag of Worries – Virginia Irvenside

All Kinds of Beliefs – Emma Damon

I Can Do Hard Things – Gabi Garcia

Year 3 Recommended Non-Fiction

History	Geography	Science	RE
<p>Historium – Jo Nelson and R Wilkinson</p> <p>The Street Beneath My Feet – Charlotte Guillain and Yuval Zommer</p> <p>Inventions – Adam Hart-Davies</p> <p>Mythology – Dugald Steer</p> <p>Ancient Romans – Joshua George</p> <p>The History of Prehistory – Mick Manning</p> <p>So You Think You’ve Got It Bad? – Chae Straithe</p> <p>The Secrets of Stonehenge – Mick Manning and Brita Granstrom</p>	<p>Mission Rome – Catherine Aragon</p> <p>This is Venice – M Sasek</p> <p>Rome City Trails – Lonely Planet</p> <p>A World of Cities – Lily Murray</p>	<p>Life: The First 4 Billion Years – Martin Jenkins</p> <p>The Bacteria Book – Steve Mould</p> <p>The Big Books of Blooms – Yuval Zommer</p> <p>The Magic and Mystery of Trees – Jen Green and Claire McElpatrick</p> <p>A Seed is Sleepy – Dianna Aston and Sylvia Long</p> <p>Under the Canopy – Iris Volant and Cynthia Alonso</p> <p>Paper World: Planet Earth – Ruth Symons and Bomboland</p> <p>The Rock Factory: A Story about Rocks and Stones – Jacqui Bailey and Matthew Lily</p> <p>Gut Wrenching Gravity</p>	<p>Myth Atlas – Thiago de Moraes</p> <p>Encyclopaedia Mythologica – Matthew Reinhart</p> <p>Hinduism for Kids – Shalu Sharma</p> <p>Rama and Sita – Malachy Doyle</p> <p>But... Who is Allah? – Bachar Karroum</p> <p>Malala’s Magic Pencil – Malala Yousafazi</p>

Year 4 Recommended Non-Fiction

History	Geography	Science	RE
<p>Historium – Jo Nelson and R Wilkinson</p> <p>Greek Gods and Heroes – Sylvie Baussier</p> <p>Mythology – Dugald Steer</p> <p>Men, Women and Children in Anglo-Saxon Times – Jane Bingham</p> <p>The History Detective Investigates: Anglo-Saxons – Neil Tonge</p> <p>So You Think You’ve Got it Bad? A Kid’s Life in Ancient Greece – Chae Strathie and Marisa Morea</p> <p>Athena: The Story of a Goddess – Imogen and Isabel Greenberg</p> <p>A Visitor’s Guide to Ancient Greece - Usborne</p>	<p>Maps of the United Kingdom – Rachel Dixon</p> <p>The Big Book of the UK – Imogen Russell Williams</p> <p>See Inside: The History of Britain – Rob Lloyd Jones</p> <p>A Street Through Time – DK & Steve Noon</p> <p>The Buildings that Made London – David Long</p>	<p>Humanatomy – Nicola Edwards</p> <p>Dirty Bertie – Alan McDonald</p> <p>A Walk on the Wild Side – Katie Cotton</p> <p>Amazing Animal Homes – Chris Packham</p> <p>A Journey Through The Digestive System – Emily Sohn</p>	<p>Myth Atlas – Thiago de Moraes</p> <p>Crescent Moons and Pointed Minarets</p> <p>Encyclopaedia Mythologica – Matthew Reinhart</p> <p>Food and Faith – Susan Reuben</p> <p>Hinduism for Kids – Shalu Sharma</p> <p>Rama and Sita – Malachy Doyle</p>

Year 5 Recommended Non-Fiction

History	Geography	Science	RE
<p>The Missing – Michael Rosen</p> <p>Anne Frank: Little Guide to Great Lives – Isabel Thomas</p> <p>The Maya and Chichen Itza – Ben Hubbard</p> <p>The History Detective Investigates – Claire Hibbert</p> <p>Skyward: The Story of Female Pilots in WWII – Sally Deng</p> <p>Woeful Second World War – Terry Deary</p>	<p>Rivers of the United Kingdom – Catherine Brereton</p> <p>Water Cycles – DK</p> <p>Amazing Rivers – Julie Vosburgh Agnone</p> <p>Amazon River – Sangma Francis</p>	<p>A Galaxy Of Her Own: Amazing Stories of Women in Space – Libby Jackson</p> <p>Dr Maggie’s Grand Tour of the Solar System – Maggie Aderin-Pocock</p> <p>Planetarium – Raman Prinja</p> <p>How to be an Astronaut – Dr Sheila Kanani</p> <p>The Space Race – Sarah Cruddas</p> <p>Space Kids – Steve Parker</p>	<p>Crescent Moons and Pointed Minarets</p> <p>Encyclopaedia Mythologica – Matthew Reinhart</p> <p>Hinduism for Kids – Shalu Sharma</p> <p>Rama and Sita – Malachy Doyle</p>

Year 6 Recommended Non-Fiction

History	Geography	Science	RE
The Story of Tutankhamun – Patricia Cleveland-Peck	50 Adventures in the 50 States – Kate Siber and Lydia Hill	When The Whales Walked – Dougal Dixon	What is Humanism? – Michael Rosen
The Egyptians – Jonny Marx and Chaaya Prabhat	The 50 States – Gabrielle Balkan and Sol Linero	Darwin’s Origin of the Species – Sabina Radeva	Humanism: What’s That? A Book for Curious Kids – Helen Bennett
Tales of Gods and Pharoahs – Marcia Williams	Abraham Lincoln – Jonathan Weil	Humanimal – Christopher Lloyd	Crescent Moons and Pointed Minarets – Hena Khan
Meet the Ancient Egyptians – James Davies	National Parks of the USA – Kate Siber and Chris Turnham	The Story of Life – Catherine Barr and Steve Williams	Ramadan Moon – Na’ima B Robert
Egyptology – Dugald Steer	Living in North and South America – Jen Green	The DNA book: Discover What Makes You You – DK	1001 Inventions and Awesome Facts from Muslim Civilization
Egypt Magnified – David Long and Harry Bloom		The Speed of Starlight – Colin Stuart and Ximo	Amazing Muslims Who Changed The World – Burhana Islam
A Photographic View of Crime and Punishment – Alex Woolf			

Key Stage Two Recommended PSHE and other books related to social emotional wellbeing

Young Heroes – Lula Bridgeport

Young, Gifted and Black – Jamia Wilson

Perfectly Imperfect Stories – Leo Potion

Politics for Beginners – Kellan Stover

Rise Up – Amanda Li

Don't Pick On Me – Rosemary Stones

Big Ideas for Young Thinkers – Jamia Wilson

Who Are Refugees and Migrants? – Michael Rosen

Create Your Own Happy – Penny Alexander

Peace and Me – Ali Winter

The Undefeated – Kwame Alexander

Boy oh Boy – Cliff Leek

Bold Women in Black History – Vashti Harrison

Respect – Rachel Brian

This Book is Anti-Racist – Tiffany Jewell

Great Women Who Worked Wonders – Kate Pankhurst

Art – Great Art in 30 seconds – Wesley Robbins

Music – Music Legends – Herve Guillemot

PE – Women in Sport – Rachel Igotofsky

Poetry Spine

Reception	
Name of Poem	Poet
Innovate a well-known rhyme (verbally)	
Twinkle Twinkle Little Star	
List Poem	
An alphabet of horrible habits	Colin West
Twinkle Twinkle Chocolate Bar Book (Rhyming)	
Rhyming Couplets	
Twinkle Twinkle Chocolate Bar Book (Rhyming)	
10 Dancing Dinosaurs	John Foster
My Many Coloured Day	Dr Seuss
Performance Poetry	
Miss Poly	
Hot Cross Buns	
One, Two Buckle My Shoe	
Caribbean Counting	Pamela Mordecai
The Dark Wood	

Year 1

Name of Poem	Poet
The Frog (poem)	Hilarie Belloc
The More it Snows (poem)	A.A. Milne
Who Has Seen the Wind (poem)	Christina Rossetti
I Do Not Mind You Winter Wind (poem)	Jack Prelutsky
The Three Little Kittens (poem)	Eliza Lee Follen
Pineapple	Vyanne Samuel
Mustard, Custard, Grumble Belly and Gravy	Michael Rosen and Quentin Blake
List Poem	
Alphabet Poem	Michael Rosen
Simple Riddles	
https://www.poetry4kids.com/news/writing-riddles/	
Hey Little Bug	James Carter
Performance poetry	
There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly	
Voices of Water	Tony Mitton
My Colours	Colin West
Hands	Julia Donaldson
Queue for the Zoo	Clare Bevan
Innovate a well-known rhyme (written)	
Incey Wincey Spider	
There was a Crooked Man	

Year 2

Name of Poem	Poet
Little Red Riding Hood and the Wolf	Roald Dahl
Ning Nang Nong (poem)	Spike Milligan
Scissors (poem)	Allen Alhberg
Food Stop	Benjamin Zephaniah
Excuses	Alan Ahlberg
Peter Pan	Andrea Shavick
Rumble in the Jungle (book)	Giles Andreae & David Wojtowycz
Commotion in the Ocean (book)	Giles Andreae & David Wojtowycz
Tasty Poems (book)	Jill Bennet & Nick Sharratt
Crazy Mayonnaisy Mum	Julia Donaldson
Jim, A Cautionary Tale	Hillarie Belloc and Mini grey
Shape Poem	
What is he?	Liz Brownlee
The Shape of a poem	Chris Odgen
Aaaah!!!! At last it's Spring	James Carter
Family Tree	Damien Harvey
Word Whirls	John Foster
What is he?	Liz Brownlee
Acrostic Poem	
Fireworks	Gervais Phinn
Christmas	Gervais Phinn
Performance Poetry	
I'm Walking with my Iguana	Brian Moses
Solo with Chorus	Rose Fyleman
The Rhythm of Life	Michael Rosen
Nut Tree	Julia Donaldson
The Dinosaur Rap	John Foster
Cats	Eleanor Farjeon

Year 3

Name of Poem	Poet
Revolting Rhymes (poems)	Roald Dahl
Topsy Turvy World (poem)	William Brightly Rands
Ducks Ditty (poem)	Kenneth Grahame
Paint a Poem	Grace Nichols
Gargling with Jelly	Brian Patten
Four O'clock Friday – John Foster	Four O'clock Friday – John Foster
Narrative with rhyme	
Scared	Michael Rosen
The Listeners	Walter de la Mer
The Sound Collector	Roger McGough
Question and answer	
Registration	Alan Ahlberg
Cool School	Michael Rosen
What is Pink	Christina Rossetti
Haiku & Tankas	
Seaview Haiku	John Foster
Windy Day	John Foster
Haiky Riddle	Celia Warren
Silver aeroplane	John Foster
The Penny Black	John Foster
Two Tanka Riddles	Marian Swinger
Performance Poetry	
Life doesn't Frighten me at all	Mya Angelou
The Sound Collector	Roger Mc Gough
Twenty Four Hours	Charles Causley
Instructions for Giants	John Rice

Year 4

Name of Poem	Poet
How Doth the Little Crocodile (poem)	Lewis Carroll
You Are Old Father William (poem)	Lewis Carroll
Catch a Little Rhyme (poem)	Eve Merriam
Dream Variations (poem)	Langston Hughes
Topsy Turvy World (poem)	William Brighty Rands
Something Told the Wild Geese (poem)	Rachel Field
Deep in the Green Wodd	Wes Magee
Plum – Tony Mitton	Plum – Tony Mitton
Limerick	
Loopy Limericks (book)	John Foster
Monologue – one voice	
Team Talk	Alan Ahlberg
There's an Alien in the Classroom	Gervais Phinn
Metaphor poem	
The Sun	Wes Magee
Don't be scared	Caroll Ann Duffy
Performance poetry	
Macavity	T.S Eliot
The Treasures	Clare Bevan
Today, I feel	Gervais Phinn
The Trouble with My Brother	Brian Patten
You Can't Stop me	Miriam Moss
The Jabberwocky	Lewis Carroll

Year 5

Name of Poem	Poet
A Ballad of London (poem)	Richard Le Gallienne
In Flanders Fields (poem)	John McCrae
The Language of Cat	Rachel Rooney
Cinquain	
November Night	Adelaide Crapsey
Snow	Adelaide Crapsey
Winter	Adelaide Crapsey
Blackbird	John Foster
At the Gate	John Foster
The Wood in late Autumn	John Foster
Mirror	John Foster
Simile and Metaphor Poem	
The Night Will Never Stay	Eleanor Farjeon
Bluebottle	Judith Nichols
Windrush child	John Agard
Personification Poems	
Winter	Olivia Kooker
Snow and Snow	Ted Hughes
It's Spring	John Foster
Jack Frost	C.E Pike
Performance poetry	
Give and Take	Roger Mc Gough
From a Railway Carriage	R.L Stevenson
Conversation Piece	Gareth Owen
Football Mad	Benjamin Zephaniah
Rum Tum Tiger	T.S Eliot

Year 6

Name of Poem	Poet
Silver (poem)	Walter de La Mare
Daffodils (poem)	William Wordsworth
A Tragic Story (poem)	William Makepeace Thackeray
Blank Verse (classics)	
Mercutio's Queen Mab Monologue Romeo and Juliet	William Shakespeare.
The Mending Wall	Robert Frost
To be or not to be from Hamlet	William Shakespeare
Tintern Abbey	William Wordsworth
The Princess	Alfred Lord Tennyson
Sonnets (classic) Compare 2 classic sonnets for content, use of language and rhyme pattern. E.g.	
Summer-water Sonnet	Gillian Clarke
Lines Upon Westminster Bridge	William Wordsworth
Narrative /classic	
The Owl and the Pussycat	Edward Lear
The Listeners	Walter De La Mare
The Pied Piper	Robert Browning
Matilda	Hillaire Belloc
The Pillow book	Sei Shonagon
The Sick Rose	William Blake
Performance Poetry	
The Visitor	Ian Serrailler
Cargoes	John Masefield
The Lion and Albert	Marriot Edgar
The Jumblies	Edward Lear
What I Love About School	Roger Mc Gough
Mermaid	Susan Rogerson
Who Can Know?	Susan Cartwright Smith