



Growing at Meadowside Primary School

## Reading Spine

Key texts shared or studied within each year group.

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| <p>Nursery</p> |    |  |   |
|                | <p>Week 1 – Think Big<br/>           Week 2 – Going on a bear hunt<br/>           Week 3 – Duck in the truck<br/>           Week 4 – Whatever next<br/>           Week 5 – Big yellow digger<br/>           Week 6 - Room on the broom<br/>           Week 7 - The train ride<br/>           Week 8 – Skeletons doctor<br/>           Week 9 – Peace at last<br/>           Week 10 – Gruffalo<br/>           Week 11 - Stickman<br/>           Week 12 - Jolly postman<br/>           Week 13 - There's an elf in your book</p>  | <p>Week 1 – There's a monster in your book<br/>           Week 2 – There's a dragon in your book<br/>           Week 3 – There's an alien in your book<br/>           Week 4 – Zog<br/>           Week 5 – Supertato<br/>           Week 6 – Mr Men magic land<br/>           Week 7 - Sleeping beauty<br/>           Week 8 – The singing mermaid<br/>           Week 9 – Where the wild things are<br/>           Week 10 – Winnie the Witch<br/>           Week 11 - Princess and the frog<br/>           Week 12 - Superworm</p>  | <p>Week 1 – Rumble in the jungle<br/>           Week 2 – Monkey puzzle<br/>           Week 3 – Day/night monkey<br/>           Week 4 – Ugly five<br/>           Week 5 – The hungry caterpillar<br/>           Week 6 – What the ladybird heard<br/>           Week 7 - Oi frog<br/>           Week 8 – Oi duckbilled-platypus<br/>           Week 9 – Your called what?<br/>           Week 10 – The tiger who came to tea<br/>           Week 11 - Commotion in the ocean<br/>           Week 12 - Spinderella</p>  |

Reception

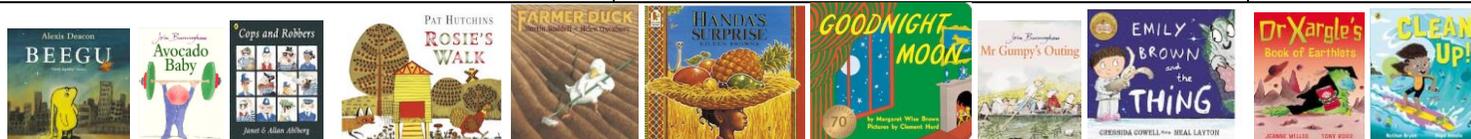


Funny Bones by Janet & Allen Ahlberg  
 Oliver's Vegetables by Vivien French  
 Only One You by Linda Kranz  
 Oi Frog! By Kes Grey  
 Oi Dog! By Kes grey  
 Information books about people who help us

Superworm by Julia Donaldson  
 Mad About Minibeasts by Giles Andreae  
 What the Ladybird Heard by Julia Donaldson  
 The Very Quiet Cricket by Eric Carle  
 The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle  
 The Teeny Weeny Tadpole by Sheridan Cain

Traditional tales –  
 Goldilocks and the Three Bears  
 Little Red Riding Hood  
 Jack and the Beanstalk  
 Three Little Pigs  
 Three Billy Goats Gruff

Year 1



Whatever Next – Jill Murphy  
 Aliens Love Underpants – Claire Freedman  
 Here Come the Aliens - Colin McNaughton  
 Here We Are – Oliver Jeffers  
 Look Up – Nathan Bryon



The Tiger Who Came to Tea – Judith Kerr  
 The Very Hungry Caterpillar – Eric Carle  
 The Tiny Seed – Eric Carle  
 Jasper's Beanstalk – Nick Butterworth and Mick Inkpen  
 The Little Red Hen  
 Jack and the Beanstalk



The Snail and the Whale – Julia Donaldson  
 The Rainbow Fish – Marcus Pfister  
 Little Turtle and the Song of the Sea – Sheridan Cain  
 The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch – David Armitage and Ronda Armitage  
 Commotion in the Ocean – Giles Andreae  
 The Singing Mermaid – Julia Donaldson  
 Somebody Swallowed Stanley – Sarah Roberts  
 Tiddler – Julia Donaldson

Year 2



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|        | <p>Gingerbread man (Traditional)<br/>Goldilocks (Traditional)<br/>Elves and the shoemakers (Traditional)<br/>Dog Detectives – Julia Donaldson<br/>(rhyming, patterned)<br/>Stubby: A True Story of<br/>Friendship-<br/>Michael<br/>Foreman</p>  | <p>Snowmen at night – Caralyn Buchner<br/>East of the sun, West of the moon (traditional)<br/>Texts and information related to Captain Scott<br/>and Captain Cook (non-fiction)<br/>Tiddalik the greedy frog (multicultural)<br/>Chinese New Year story (multi-cultural)<br/>Poetry – linked to global celebrations and<br/>travel.<br/>Charles Darwin Around the World adventure<br/>– Jennifer Thermes<br/>Lost and Found – Oliver Jeffers</p>  | <p>Lifecycle of a sunflower<br/>All about cats<br/>Gorilla – Anthony Brown<br/>The Tiger who came to tea<br/>Giraffes Can't dance – Giles Andrea<br/>Anansi the clever spider – Susie Linn<br/>Red Alert – Catherine Barr<br/>Charles Darwin Around the World<br/>adventure – Jennifer Thermes<br/>The ugly five – Julia Donaldson</p>  |  |
| Year 3 |    | <p><u>Greek Myths</u><br/>Icarus<br/>Theseus and Daedalus<br/>Theseus and The Minotaur<br/>Race for the Stars – Shoo Rayner</p> <p><b>Class reading book:</b><br/>The Dragon in The Library – Louie Stowell</p>  | <p>The Great Kapok Tree – Lynne Cherry<br/>Where the Forest meets the Sea – Jeannie<br/>Baker</p> <p><b>Class reading book:</b><br/>The Wild Robot – Peter Brown<br/>The Wonderful Weaver – Miles Kelly</p>  | <p>Glog – Nick Maland<br/>Ug – Raymond Briggs<br/>Minnow and the Bear – <a href="#">Benedict Blathwayt</a><br/>Stone Age Boy - <a href="#">Satoshi Kitamura</a></p> <p><b>Class reading book:</b><br/>Milton the Mighty – Emma Read<br/>The Ice Monster - David Walliams</p> |
| Year 4 |   | <p>Secrets of a Sun King by Emma Carroll<br/>Christmas Dinner of Souls by Ross<br/>Montgomery</p>  | <p>Escape for Pompeii by Christina Balit<br/>Flood by Alvaro Villa<br/>Malamander by Thomas Taylor / SWEET<br/>PIZZA???</p> <p>The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by<br/>Kate DiCamillo</p>   | <p>Wolves in the Wall by Neil Gaiman<br/>Skeleton Keys by Guy Bass<br/>Podkin by Kieran Larwood</p>  |

Year 5



The Water Princess – Susan Verde  
 A Series of Unfortunate Events – Lemony Snicket  
 The Ship of Shadows – Maria Kuzniar  
 Journey to the River Sea – Eva Ibbotson

Viking Boy – Tony Bradman  
 The Boy at the Back of the Class – Onjali Q. Rauf  
 The Viewer – Shaun Tan



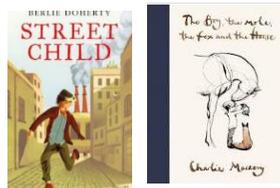
Macbeth – Andrew Matthews  
 Kensuke's Kingdom – Michael Morpurgo  
 The Boy with the Butterfly Mind – Victoria Williamson

Year 6



The boy, the mole, the fox and the horse Charlie Mackay  
 A Christmas Carol Charles Dickens  
 Moth Isabel Thomas and Daniel Egneus  
 Darwin's Dragons Lindsay Galvin  
 The dot Peter H Reynolds

**Class Novel:** Street Child Berlie Doherty  
 Cogheart Peter Bunzl  
 Running on Empty SE Durrant



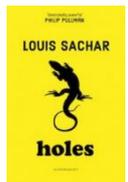
Goodnight Mister Tom Michelle Magorian  
 Rose Blanche Roberto Innocenti Ian McEwan  
 The Little Ships Louise Borden Michael Foreman  
 World War II Visual Encyclopedia  
 The Usborne Introduction to the Second World War Paul Dowswell

**Class Novel:** High Rise Mystery Sharna Jackson  
 Letters from the Lighthouse Emma Carroll



Flotsam David Wiesner  
 North and South America The Study Book CGP  
 Song of the Dolphin Boy Elizabeth Laird  
 Many Biomes, One Earth  
 The island of lost horses, Stacy Gregg  
 John Henry  
 American Tall Tail – literacy shed

**Class Novel:** Holes Louis Sachar  
 Wonder RJ Palacio



Sources –

100 best books for children, Booktrust

Pie Corbetts Reading Spine – (Link Talk for writing)