



Literacy Spine: Reading and Writing Overview

This is not an exhaustive list but is followed by teachers to ensure a rich and varied range of texts are covered throughout each year group, including a wide range of genres, cultures, classics, digital and modern texts.

Reception	<u>Autumn</u>	<u>Spring</u>	<u>Summer</u>
Reading Whole Class Readers and Digital Texts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mouse House – J. Burningham • Mice – Nocturnal Explorers • The Large Family Collection – J. Murphy • The Gruffalo – J. Donaldson • We're Going On A Bear Hunt – M. Rosen • Treasury of Rhyme Book and CD (poetry) • Action Rhymes • Oh No Jo, No! – Michaela Morgan • Ten Out Of Bed – Penny Dale • Room on the Broom – J. Donaldson • Elmer – D. McKee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Train Ride – J. Crebbin • How my bike was made – (non-fiction text) • Whatever Next! – J. Murphy • I want to be a Pirate – fiction stories • Things with Wings – P. Shipton • Christopher's Caterpillars – C. Middleton • The Book of Butterflies • The Very Hungry Caterpillar – E. Carle • A Journey Home from Grandpa's – J. Lumley • Owl Babies – M. Waddell • Oi Frog – K. Gray, Oi Dog – K. Gray • Stories from other cultures – Chinese New Year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If Only – N. Griffiths • Mini-beasts • The Very Hungry Caterpillar – E. Carle • Where the Wild Things Are – Maurice Sendak • Not Now Bernard – D. McKee • Alliteration Rap • The Spots and the Dots – M. Deuchars • There Is No Dragon In This Story – L. Carter • Get to Know Komodo Dragons – F. Brett • For the Birds – digital text https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nYTrIcn4rjg
Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent name writing – mark making/copy writing • Continuous Provision – sound recognition, writing for a purpose • Alliterative names and alliterative sentences. • Labelling pictures – Room on the Broom • Developing sentences - Elmer • Labelling pictures, speech bubbles – The Gruffalo • A letter to the Mouse family on how to keep safe in school – Mouse House • Letter to Santa: list • Ten out of Bed – recall using mathematical language. • Story retell, in own words, using pictures. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recount of a journey - The Train Ride/ Journey Home from Grandpa's • Labelling their own choice of transport - How My Bike Was Made • Write a list of what they would take to the moon – Whatever Next! • Recount – visit to Leyland Transport Museum • Labelled 'Wanted' posters, character description – I want to be a Pirate • Designed and labelled treasure maps • Instructions: How to make a Mr Greenhead • Writing lists of things with wings and factual sentences – Things With Wings • Letter: How to look after your caterpillars – Christopher's Caterpillars 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Character description for a new character – If Only • Story retelling – There is no Dragon in this Story • Labelling drawing of mini beasts • Writing lists for mini beast hunt • Factual sentences for mini beasts • Captions for scenes – Where the Wild Things Are • Create own Wild Thing character description • Monster Description – Not Now Bernard • Repetitive sentences and rhyme – Not Now Bernard • Story writing – travelling back in time to the land of the dinosaurs • Dinosaurs – character or setting descriptions

Year One	<u>Autumn</u>	<u>Spring</u>	<u>Summer</u>
Reading Whole Class Readers and Digital Texts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rainbow Fish – M. Pfister • Traditional Tales: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cinderella - Goldilocks and the Three Bears - Three Little Pigs - Little Red Hen • Red Riding Hood – Digital Text Literacy Shed • Stick Man – J. Donaldson • The Stick Book: loads of things you can make or do with a stick • Deep Dark Wood – A. Craig Hall • Non-fiction books – The History of Toys 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Lighthouse Keeper’s Lunch – R. Armitage • The Jolly Postman – J. & A. Ahlberg • The Tiger Who Came to Tea – J. Kerr • Simon Sock – S. Hendra • Dogs Don’t Do Ballet – A. Kemp • Hairy Maclary story collection - • Big Book of Nonsense Poetry • The Queen’s Hat – S. Anthony • Bubbles - Digital text Literacy Shed • Non-fiction texts: The Great Fire of London 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What the Ladybird Heard – J. Donaldson • Handa’s Surprise – E. Browne • Six Dinner Sid – I. Moore • Each Peach Pear Plum – J. and A. Ahlberg • Room on the Broom – J. Donaldson • Unplugged – S. Anthony • The Night Zoo Keeper – Digital Text Literacy Shed
Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen with attention and story retell - Rainbow Fish • Character description and story retell - Red Riding Hood • Character description and story retell – Little Red Hen • Character Description – Three Little Pigs • Information text – Toys (History links) • Recount - Half Term News • Missing Poster (created by Stickman’s wife & children) – The Stick Man • Postcards Home from the Stickman • Instructions text – how to make a ... - The Stick Book • A list poem – different things a stick could be used for • Descriptive setting - Deep Dark Wood • Letters to Santa 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A letter in the post: write a letter to send to a relative - The Jolly Postman • Non-chronological report: dogs • Instructions: how to make a ... - The Tiger Who Came to Tea • Short narrative: adventure – Simon Sock • A Recipe of Friendship – Simon Sock • Fantasy story – Bubbles • Historical recount – The Great Fire of London • Poetry – The Great Fire of London • Diary entry – Samuel Pepys 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructions: how to look after chicks • Character description – What the ladybird heard • Sid’s Diary entry – Six Dinner Sid • Story retell – Handa’s Surprise • Character study: Blip and friends – Unplugged • Recount – Blip’s adventure – Unplugged • Descriptive setting: sunset page and the rest of the text - Unplugged • Fact file – The Night Zoo Keeper • Poetry and rhyming couplets – Each Peach, Pear Plum • Non-chronological report – Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole

Year Two	<u>Autumn</u>	<u>Spring</u>	<u>Summer</u>
<p>Reading</p> <p>Whole Class Readers and Digital Texts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pirates Love Underpants – C. Freedman Treasure Island (classic text) – R. L. Stevenson Giant Jelly Jaws and the Pirates – H. Baugh and B. Mantle Flat Stanley – J. Brown The Twits – R. Dahl Bear and Hare – digital text https://www.literacyshed.com/bearandhare.html Something Fishy – digital text https://www.literacyshed.com/something-fishy.html 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beaver Towers – N. Hinton Charlie and The Chocolate Factory – R. Dahl Biography of John Lloyd Dunlop The Owl and the Pussycat (classic poem) - Literacy Shed Marshmallows – digital text https://vimeo.com/36998452 Non-fiction information books – Local History https://www.ncl.ac.uk/library/services/education-outreach/outreach/mining/downloads/children_activities_3.pdf 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Enchanted Wood (and others – The Faraway Tree) Fantastic Mr Fox – R. Dahl Non-fiction Information Books - Plants and Animals in the local area Lizzie and The Birds – D. and M. Robertson Martin Mere information and website Zahra – digital text (Other Cultures) https://www.literacyshed.com/the-music-video-shed.html Rhyme and Riddle book Revolting Rhymes – R. Dahl
<p>Writing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adventure story - Fiction Wanted – description of a wanted pirate – non-fiction Instructions on how to be a good pirate – non-fiction Acrostic poems about pirates Alliterative poems about Pirates Descriptive Setting – Something Fishy Story retell – Something Fishy Christmas Fantasy – Bear and Hare 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Character descriptions – The Twits, Beaver Towers Newspaper report on the story – Beaver Towers Non-chronological report on animals – Beaver Towers Descriptive poem fiction – The Owl and The Pussycat Story writing - Marshmallows Diary of a pit boy – Local History Non-chronological report – Local History 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write a story/narrative – The Enchanted Wood, Zahra Explanation text – non-fiction Setting description – Lizzie and The Birds Message in a bottle for a new friend – Lizzie and The Birds Instructions – How to build a Bird House Thank you letter to Martin Mere Recount of Martin Mere trip Animal riddles – fiction

Year Three	<u>Autumn</u>	<u>Spring</u>	<u>Summer</u>
Reading Whole Class Readers and Digital Texts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Witches – Roald Dahl • James and the Giant Peach – Roald Dahl • There’s a Pharoah in Our Bath – J. Strong • The Egyptian Cinderella – S. Climo • Dragons at Crumbling Castle – Terry Pratchett (Short story) • Tadeo Jones, the lost explorer – digital text • The Egyptian Pyramids – digital text • Dragonology: The Complete Book of Dragons – D. Steer • Dragons at Crumbling Castle (Other Stories) – T. Pratchett • Dragons – digital text • A Visit from St Nicholas (Classic poetry) – C. Clarke Moore • Extracts from the Wizard of Oz (Silver Shoes and Pointed Toes) L. Frank Baum (Classics) • Wizard of Oz – digital text • The Present Digital Text. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Iron Man – Ted Hughes • The Wild Robot – Peter Brown • KS2 Poetry Collection • You Can’t Take an Elephant on the Bus – P. Cleveland-Peck • Esio Trot – R. Dahl • Stone Age Boy – S. Kitamura • The Butterfly Lion – M. Morpurgo • My Naughty Little Sister – D. Edwards • Nudie Dudie – M. Lawrence • Dilly the dinosaur – T. Bradman • Man on the Moon – digital text • Poetry – The Lost Words (Acrostic) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Sheep Pig – D. King-Smith • Operation Gadgetman – M. Blackman • The Lost Thing – S. Tan • The Tunnel – A. Browne • Little Leaders: Black Women in Black History – V. Harrison • Great Women Who Changed the World – K. Pankhurst • Michael Rosen Very Silly Poems • Horrid Henry Zombie Vampires – F. Simon • Astrosaurs – S. Cole • Red’s Dream – digital text, Literacy Shed • Spy Gadget – digital text, Literacy Shed • Wolves in the Walls – Neil Gaiman
Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recounts – Egyptian story writing using Literacy Shed clip • Instructions: recipe – The Witches • Explanation text: How to Recognise a Witch – The Witches • Non-chronological report – Dragons • Story writing – The Present 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diary entry from a character’s perspective - The Iron Man • Newspaper report – The Iron Giant • Narrative – Iron Man • Narrative – Stone Age Boy • Poetry – The Lost Words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Narrative – Wolves in the Walls. • Persuasive writing/advert creating a suitable gadget for a spy – Spy Gadget • Explanation text – How a Robot Dog Works. • Biography – A sporting biography • Poetry – narrative list poems. • Letter writing – Anglo Saxon trip

Year Four	<u>Autumn</u>	<u>Spring</u>	<u>Summer</u>
Reading Whole Class Readers and Digital Texts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Krindlekrax – P. Ridley • Coraline – Neil Gaiman • Instructions – How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth • Dust and Bones – individual stories • Coming Home – Digital Text • Beowolf – M. Morpurgo / S. Heaney 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Falcon’s Malteser – A. Horowitz • Charlotte’s Web – E.H.White (Classic Novel) • The Great Kapok Tree – L. Cherry • We Animals Would Like a Word With You – J. Agard (Poetry) • From Hereabouts Hill – individual stories • Myths and Legends • Hoverbike - Digital Text • The Lost Thing – Shaun Tan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stig of the Dump – C. King (Classic Novel) • Wizards of Once - use as basis for writing a newspaper report • How to Live Forever – C. Thompson • The Secret of Platform 13 – E. Ibbotson • Which Witch? – E. Ibbotson • The Legend of Podkin One-Ear – K. Larwood • Tom Gates – L. Pichon • Treasure – Digital Text.
Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructions – How to wash a woolly mammoth • Biographies • Beowolf Narrative • Recounts • Explanation • Poetry (seasons) • Imaginative/creative writing in the style of Neil Gaiman 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter to the World • Animal / Rainforest Poetry ‘The River.’ • Narrative- The Lost Thing • Narrative - stories from other cultures • Letter – invite an author • Adverts (link to digital text Hoverbike) • Non Chronological report: Penguins 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newspaper report – link to Wizards of Once • Holiday Brochure: Persuasive Writing • Narrative: True Story of the 3 Little Pigs • Non Chronological report: Teeth

Year Five	<u>Autumn</u>	<u>Spring</u>	<u>Summer</u>
<p>Reading</p> <p>Whole Class Readers and Digital Texts</p>	<p>Street Child – B. Doherty</p> <p>Matchbox Diary – P. Fleischman</p> <p>How To Train Your Dragon – C. Cowell</p> <p>The Firework Makers Daughter – P. Pullman</p> <p>Extracts from Oliver – C. Dickens (Classic novel)</p> <p>Rooftoppers – Katherine Rundell</p> <p>The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe – C. S. Lewis (Classic novel)</p> <p>The Supporting Act – digital text</p>	<p>The Secret Garden – F. Hodgson Burnett (Classic Novel)</p> <p>The Highway Man – A. Noyes</p> <p>The Wolf’s Story: What Really Happened to Little Red Riding Hood – T. Forward & I. Cohen</p> <p>My name is not refugee – K. Milner</p> <p>Explorers – Katherine Rundell</p> <p>Oscars – digital text</p> <p>Passing Through – digital text</p> <p>A Monster Calls – P. Ness</p> <p>The Unforgotten Coat – F. Cottrell Boyce</p>	<p>Beetle Boy – M.G. Leonard</p> <p>The Arrival – S. Tan</p> <p>Wonder – R. J. Palacio</p> <p>The Journey to the River Sea – E. Ibbotson</p> <p>Kick – Mitch Johnson</p> <p>The Wreck of the Zanzibar – M. Morpurgo</p> <p>One Small Step – digital text</p> <p>Day of the Dead – digital text</p> <p>Inside Out – digital text</p> <p>The Lost Words – Poetry</p> <p>Future of the Oceans: Blue Planet Plastic Pollution Awareness 2018 – digital text</p> <p>Surfers Against Sewage (SAS) – digital text</p>
<p>Writing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Balanced arguments. Non-Chronological Report: Dragons Abstract poetry Descriptive writing based on Firework Maker’s Daughter. Narrative based on Rooftoppers Travel Brochure- based on Rooftoppers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diary Entry based on Secret Garden Non-chronological reports – Super Survivors. Report – NASA Mars Mission. Narrative based on Explorers, Katherine Rundell. Poetry- Highway Man 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Persuasive letter – based on Kick. Newspaper Report Controversial Issues – Plastic Pollution Narrative – One Small Step Acrostic poetry – based on Lost Words.

Year Six	<u>Autumn</u>	<u>Spring</u>	<u>Summer</u>
<p>Reading</p> <p>Whole Class Readers and Digital Texts</p>	<p>Who Let the Gods Out – M. Evans The Day the Crayons Quit – D. Daywalt Sound Collector – R. McGough Greek Myths and Legends for young children – H.Amery & L.Edwards. Island the story of the Galapagos – J. Chin Mythological Monsters of Ancient Greece – S.Fanelli. Greek Myths –Retold and illustrated by M.Williams. Varmints – H. Ward Percy Jackson and The Lightning Thief – R. Riordan Viking Boy – T Bradman Room 13 – R. Swindells Cogheart – P. Bunzi Sleeping Sword – M.Morpurgo. Varmints – Digital Text King Midas & Archne - Literacy Shed (Digital Text) BBC Teach – KS2 Ancient Greece The Battle of Marathon: The History Channel Ancient Athens – Literacy Shed (Digital Text) WW1: The Christmas Truce - Literacy Shed (Digital Text)</p>	<p>Letters from a Lighthouse – E. Carroll Friend or Foe – M.Morpurgo. Rose Blanche – I McEwan Diary of Ann Frank – A.Frank. My Secret War Diary – M. Williams Carrie’s War – N. Bawden Machine Gunners – R.Westall. Our Castle by the Sea – L.Strange. Hitler Stole my Pink Rabbit – J. Kerr. Emergency Zoo – M. Halahmy German in the Woods – Literacy Shed (Digital Text) The Blitz - Literacy Shed (Digital Text) Beyond the Lines – Literacy Shed (Digital Text) BBC Teach – WW2 (Digital text) The Piano – Literacy Shed (Digital Text) Environmental Issues and Animal Welfare/ Endangered Species - newspaper articles, documentaries</p>	<p>Kensuke’s Kingdom – M. Morpurgo Brightstorm – V. Hardy Shackleton’s Journey – William Grill. Ice trap: Shackleton’s Incredible Expedition – M. Hooper & M.P Robertson. You Wouldn’t Want to be on Shackleton’s Polar Expedition! – J.Green Who was Ernest Shackleton? – J.Buckley Jabberwocky (Classic Poetry) Shakespeare – Magic and Mystery Macbeth – Three witches (Performance Poetry clip) BBC Teach – Macbeth Alma - Digital Text Titanium – Digital Text</p>
<p>Writing</p>	<p>The Day the Crayons Quit - Informal Letter</p> <p>Varmints - Descriptive writing – characterisation, settings atmosphere.</p> <p>Poetry – writing and interpreting – elements of imagery – Sound Collector.</p> <p>Non-chronological reports – How to care for a Mythical Creature.</p> <p>Persuasive writing/Information leaflets – Places - Island of Galapagos and Greece.</p> <p>Formal Writing – WW1 letter home</p>	<p>Stories: wide range of narratives, genres, stories with flashbacks: A veteran never forgets/ The Piano</p> <p>Diaries and recounts - retells, eye-witness account – Rose Blanche.</p> <p>Instructions – How to escape enemy territory</p> <p>Balanced arguments and debating skills– Should the circus ban the use of animals in its performances?</p>	<p>Titanium – Newspaper reports using shifts in formality</p> <p>Mystery Stories – Alma Descriptive writing – characterisation, settings atmosphere- cliff hanger story.</p> <p>Macbeth – Story using narrative/dialogue.</p> <p>Biographical writing: Explorers - Shackleton</p> <p>Informal writing: postcards – Kensuke’s Kingdom</p>