

Reading Spine

St. Mary's Catholic Voluntary Academy, Grantham

2025-26



Subject Leader: Mrs Howle

Reading Spine/5 plague progression							
	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
CLASSIC TEXTS		Puss in Boots Dick Whittington The Town mouse and the Country mouse	Geogory Cool by Caroline Binch The Enchanted Wood by Enid Blyton The Hodgeheg by Dick King Smith Tiger, Tiger, Burning Bright by Fiona Waters	Five children and It - Lucy M Boston A Bear called Paddington – Michael Bond How the Camel got his Hump – Rudyard Kipling	The Railway Children by Edith Nesbit The borrowers by Mary Norton Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll	Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson The Railway Children by E Nesbitt The Secret Garden by F Hodgson Black Beauty by Anna Sewell	The Hobbit by J R Tolkien Tom’s Midnight Garden by Philippa Pearce Swallows and Amazons by Arthur Ransome Journey to the Centre of the Earth by Jules Verne
NON LINEAR TEXTS		Peace at last by Jill Murphy The Smartest Giant in Town	Mr Majeika by Humphrey Carter The Magic Finger by Roald Dahl The Storm Whale by Benji Davies The Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad	Nim’s Island – Wendy Orr The Legend of Captain Crow’s Teeth – Eoin Culfer	The Butterfly Lion by Michael Morpurgo The Strange Worlds Travel Agency by LD Lapinski The Girl Who Stole an Elephant.by Nizrana Farook	An Eagle in the Snow by Michael Morpurgo When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr Set of Shakespeare Stories by William Shakespeare, Andrew Matthews and Tony Ross	Holes by Louis Sachar The Nowhere Emporium by Ross Mackenzie Journey to the River Sea by Eva Ibbotson Alex Rider; Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz
COMPLEXITY OF NARRATOR		The Tiger who came to Tea by Judith Kerr The Day the Crayons quit	We’re Going on a BearHunt by Michael Rosen The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark by Jill Tomlinson	George’s Marvellous Medicine – Roald Dahl The Sheep Pig – Dick King Smith The Midnight Fox – Betsy Briars	The Field Guide (Spiderwick Chronicles Book 1) by Holly Black and Tony DiTerlizzi Clever Polly and the Stupid Wolf by Catherine Storr Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl	The Boy at the Back of the Class by Onjali Rauf A Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket The Girl who Speaks Bear by Sophie Anderson	Wonder by RJ Palacio Cogheart by Peter Bunzl The Eye of the Wolf by Daniel Pannac

RESISTANT TEXTS		Dear Zoo Harry and the dinosaurs got to school Great Fire of London (Why do we remember?)	Tuesday by David Wiesner	The Mysteries of Harris Burdick - Chris Van Allsburg Cloud Busting - Malorie Blackman	The Door by Jihyeon Lee Chalk by Bill Thomson	Voices in the Park by Anthony Browne	The Arrival by Shaun Tan
FIGURATIVE TEXTS	Funny Bones by Allan Alhburg The Very Hungry Caterpillar Eric Carle	Funny Bones Supertato Rumble in the Jungle	Poems aloud By Joseph Coelho The Jolley Rogers and the Ghostly Galleon by Jonny Duddle	The Tin Forest by Helen Ward Journey – Aaron Becker	Topsy Turvey World (poem) by William Brighty Rands Malala's Magic Pencil by Malala Yousafzai Fantastic Flying Books of Mr Morris Lessmore by William Joyce	Poems – Rudyard Kipling Sky in the Pie by Roger McCough How to Live Forever by Colin Thompson	In Flanders Field by John McCree Jabberwocky by Louis Carroll A Monster Calls by Patrick Ness