

Redwell Primary Literature Spine – 2021-22

As a school, we have written our own Literature Spine. This has been organised into books that the children will be exposed to through their English units, reading lessons and class read aloud books. The second part of the spine provides the children with suggested 'Reading for Pleasure' texts – these have been chosen to inspire and challenge the children when reading independently.

The texts have been chosen to represent some of the latest and best releases, as well as representing some genres and authors that our children may not necessarily choose to read of their own accord and to open the discussion with children about cultural aspects or issues.

The Literature Spine should always remain a working document - excellent new books are always being written and discovered and so may change year on year and staff are encouraged to recommend books for their year groups to be added.

There may be a text that you would love to do but it's underneath a different year group heading. Just ask their previous teacher if they got around to reading it/next class teacher if they don't mind if you do it that year and then pass up a note of what you did read.

Please be sensitive when selecting the next text for your class, bearing in mind their personal likes/dislikes and current home life circumstances. Even though it is recommended, this does not mean it is appropriate for your current cohort.

The 'Reading for Pleasure' part of the spine gives a list of books that the children should aim to explore and read independently during their time in the respective year groups. These will be reads that you can give as recommended reads for at home when they join your year groups. Parents and children will all receive a poster of the '12 books to read before you leave' for each year group.

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Whole School Literature Spine – Updated for 2022-23

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					Fiction	Non-Fiction	Poetry
EYFS	Little Red Hen Supertato Whatever Next? What the Ladybird Heard Jack and the Breakstalk Goldilocks and The Three Bears		A mixture of daily poems and rhymes	<p>Traditional tales</p> Owl Babies Whatever Next! On the Way Home Farmer Duck SHHHH! The Gruffalo Goodnight Moon The Very Hungry Caterpillar – Eric Carle			
				<p>EDI Texts – Compulsory</p> Pebble & Lubna - culture Giraffes Can't Dance – differences Spreading my Wings - BAME A Superpower Like Mine - dissability The Blanket Bears – family			
1	Little Red Riding Hood Walking Through The Jungle Toby and the Great Fire of London			The Worst Witch Super Dad's Day Off Sophie's Snail – DK Smith Clever Polly and the Stupid Wolf Jilly Tomlinson Collection:	Fiction Silly Billy – Anthony Brown The Man on the Moon – S.Bartrum	Non-Fiction My Encyclopaedia of very	Poetry When we were very Young – AA Milne Hey Little Bug – James Carter

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	<p>Oliver's Vegetables/Fruit Salad Lost in the Toy Museum One Plastic Bag</p>			<p>The Owl Who was Afraid of the Dark and more</p>	<p>Burglar Bill - J.&A.Ahlberg Something Else – C.Cave The Enchanted Wood – E.Blyton Greatest Animal Stories – M.Morpurgo</p>	<p>Important Things Solar System - Dominic Walliman & Ben Newman</p>	<p>The Puffin Book of Fantastic First Poems – Jean Crebbin</p>
<p>2</p>	<p>The Night Pirates The Magic Paintbrush The Amazing Aye Aye Oliver Twist Scott of the Antarctic The Princess and The</p>	<p>Giraffe, The Pelly & Me Mr Majeika The Worst Witch Fantastic Mr Fox George's Marvellous Medicine James & The Giant Peach Jolly Rogers & The Ghostly Galleon Planet Omar The Owl who was afraid of the dark</p>		<p>Matilda Tilly and the Time Machine Mr Gum Winnie the Pooh Secret Seven</p>	<p>Fiction Stitch Head – Guy Bass Anna Hibiscus - Atinuke Fortunately the Milk – Neil Gaiman Charlie Changes into a Chicken – Sam Copeland The Legend of Spud Murphy – Eoin Colfer</p>	<p>Non-Fiction National Geographic The Wonder Garden - Kristjana S Williams What were Castles for? – Phil Roxbee Cox</p>	<p>Poetry A first Poetry Book – P. Corbett Crazy Mayonnaisy Mum – J.Donaldson Revolting Rhymes – R.Dahl Heard it in the Playground – Alan Ahlberg</p>
				<p>EDI Texts – Compulsory Leaf The Adventures of the wishing chair - E.Blyton Last Stop on Market Street The Pirate Tree – Brigita Orel NEEDS BRITISH HERITAGE</p>			

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3	Stone Age Boy Tom and the Island of Dinosaurs Iron Man Rama & Sita Anthony and Cleopatra	Iron Man Sheep Pig Esio Trot Nothing to see here hotel Ice palace The boy who grew dragons Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Terrible tales of the tower of London We won an island Toto the Ninja Cat The Accidental Prime Minister		Nothing to See Here Hotel The Chronicles of Narnia The Wild Way Home The Witches The Beast and Bethany Spiderwick Chronicles EDI Texts – Compulsory The Boy in the Dress The Fastest Boy in the World Charlotte's Web Archaic?	Fiction Repair - Philip Reeves and Sarah McKintyre Oliver And The Seawigs - Philip Reeves and Sarah McKintyre Ottoline and the Yellow Cat - Chris Riddell The Nothing To See Here Hotel The Wild Robot Stig of the Dump – Clive King Agent Asha – Mission Shark Milton The Mighty - Emma Read	Non-Fiction The Role of Women in Ancient Greece A seed is Sleepy – Diana Hutts Aston Stonehenge - Elizabeth Raum	Poetry The World's Greatest Space Cadet - James Carter The Puffin Book of utterly Brilliant Poetry Paint me a Poem - Grace Nichols

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4	<p>Lila and The Secret of The Rain</p> <p>The Explorer</p> <p>Fantastic Beasts</p> <p>Escape from Pompeii</p> <p>The Tempest</p> <p>Twisted Fairytales & Benjamin Zephaniah</p>	<p>How to Train Your Dragon</p> <p>Butterfly Lion</p> <p>Skyhawk</p> <p>The Boy Who Sailed Away in an Armchair</p> <p>Highland Falcon Thief</p> <p>The Girl Who Stole An Elephant</p> <p>The Night Bus Hero</p>	<p>I'm Walking Like an Iguana – Brian Moses</p> <p>Benjamin Zephaniah</p>	<p>The Uncommons (series)</p> <p>A Pinch of Magic (series)</p> <p>Sky Song</p> <p>Beetle Boy (Series)</p> <p>A Place Called Perfect (series)</p> <p>The Fincredible Diary (Series)</p> <p>The Bolds (series)</p> <p>EDI Texts – Compulsory</p> <p>Varjak Paw</p> <p>A Story Like the Wind</p> <p>Alice in Wonderland</p> <p>How to look after a lost dog – NEED TO CHANGE?</p> <p>The Boy Who Met a Whale</p>	<p>Fiction</p> <p>Crater Lake – J.Killick</p> <p>The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane – K.DiCamillo</p> <p>Cloud Busting – M.Blackman</p> <p>Beetle Boy – MG Leonard</p> <p>The Great Chocplot – C.Callaghan</p> <p>When the Mountains Roared – J.Butterworth</p> <p>The Boy Who Changed the World – Ben Miller</p>	<p>Non-Fiction</p> <p>The Brilliant Deep: Rebuilding the World's Coral Reefs – Kate Messner</p> <p>Survivors – David Long</p> <p>A World of Cities – James Brown</p>	<p>Poetry</p> <p>Deep in the Green Wood – Wes Magee</p> <p>Sensational – Roger Macough</p> <p>Hello H2O – John Agard</p>
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5	<p>Macbeth</p> <p>Beowulf</p> <p>Soar</p> <p>Perseus and Medusa</p> <p>Alien Landing</p> <p>Where the World Turns Wild</p>	<p>The Boy Who Made Everyone Laugh</p> <p>Secrets of a Sun King</p> <p>Carrie's War</p> <p>Percy Jackson & The Lightning Thief</p> <p>An Elephant in the garden</p> <p>Tom's Midnight Garden</p>		<p>Pig Heart Boy</p> <p>The Boy in The Tower</p> <p>Phoenix</p> <p>Wolf Brother</p> <p>The Girl of Ink and Stars</p> <p>The Land of Never-endings</p> <p>Astounding Broccoli Boy Series</p> <p>Charlie Bone Series</p>	<p>Fiction</p> <p>The Nowhere Emporium – R. Mackenzie</p> <p>Otto Tattercoat and the Forest of Lost Things – M.Woods</p>	<p>Non Fiction</p> <p>Shackleton's Journey - William Gril</p> <p>Young, Gifted and Black – Jamia Wilson</p>	<p>Poetry</p> <p>The Works 4 – Pie Corbett</p> <p>Lost Magic – Brian Moses</p> <p>Juggling with Gerbils – Brian Patten</p>

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		Stig of Dump My friend Walter		The House with the Chicken Legs EDI Texts – Compulsory A Boy At the Back of the Class – Refugees The Jungle Book – NEW ONE? Malala Wonder	Wolf Wilder – Katherine Rundell The Storm Keeper’s Island- C.Doyle Journey to Jo-burg – B.Naido Wildspark – Vashti Hardy		The Magic Box – Kit Wright
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6	War Horse Othello Viking Boy Titanic The Chocolate Tree Windrush Child	Holes Kensuke’s Kingdrom Harry Potter & The Philosopher’s Stone Lion, The Witch & The Wardobe No Ballet for Syria Northern Lights – Phillip Pullman	In Flanders Field The Godless	Mortal Engines Who let the Gods Out? – Maz Evans Once (series) The Mysterious Benedict Society Malamander – Thomas Taylor EDI Texts – Compulsory The Fox Girl and the White Gazelle Peter Pa No Ballet Shoes for Syria A Dangerous Game	Fiction Can you see me? – Libby Scott High Rise Mystery - Shana Jackson Letters from the Lighthouse – Emma Carroll Wild Boy – Rob Lloyd Jones Other Words for Home – Jasmine Warga The Last Wild – Piers Torday Peter Pan – JM Barrie The Boy Who Fooled the World – Lisa Thompson	Non Fiction Goodnight Stories for Rebel Girls Shark Lady – Jess Keating	Poetry Ted Hughes Collected – Poems for Children New and Collected Poems for Children – Carol Ann Duffy

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