Reading Spine 2024 – 2025

Please note that this is not an exhaustive list – our children encounter many more titles across the curriculum during: enrichment time; Little Wandle Revised Letters and Sounds programme and storytelling sessions.

Year Group	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Nursery	Books connected with growing up, family and "All About Me". E.g. Each Peach Pear Plum, So Much, Starting Nursery, My Mum is Fantastic, My Mum and Dad Make Me Laugh.	Tales from Acorn Wood Collection from Julia Donaldson (including Fox's socks); One Mole Digging a Hole; What the Ladybird Heard and What the Ladybird Heard Next; Sharing a Shell; The Singing Mermaid; The Smartest Giant in Town; Princess and the Wizard; Freddie and the Fairy; Monkey Puzzle and Jack and Flum Flum.	Fiction and non-fiction about people who help us. E.g. Dentists, Doctors, Paramedics, Vets, Maisey, Charley and the Wobbly Tooth, Going to the Doctors, The New Puppy. People Who Help Us Poem.	Farming stories including Old Macdonald, Three Little Pigs, The Little Red Hen and Farmer Duck; Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins. Non-fiction about farms and farming including farms around the world.	Fiction and non-fiction about Uk and Europe including A walk in Paris, Charlie and Lola- We completely must go to London, Hansel and Gretel and Cinderella	Fiction and non-fiction about Asia and Antarctica including Bee Bim Bop, The Great Race, Little Polar Bear, Polar Bear Polar Bear What Do You Hear? and Be Brave Little Penguin.

Reception	Funny Bones by J and A Ahlberg; Leafman by Lois Ehlert; After the Storm by Nick Butterworth; Titch by Pat Hutchins; On the Way Home by Jill Murphy; Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown; Take Off Your Brave: Poems Just for You by Nadim (age 4); My Dad is a Grizzly Bear and My Mum is a Lioness by Swapna Haddow; Stories about starting school such as Lucy and Tom Start School by Shirley Hughes.	Julia Donaldson Collection: The Gruffalo; The Gruffalo's Child; Stick Man; Room on the Broom; Tiddler; The Snail and the Whale; A Treasury of Songs by Julia Donaldson; Sharing a Shell by Julia Donaldson; Night Monkey Day Monkey; Scarecrow's Wedding; Billy and the Beast by Nadia Shireen; Paper Dolls and other rhyming books.	Postman Pat by John Cunliffe; Fireman Sam by Rob Lee; Clean Up! And Look Up! By Nathan Bryan; You Choose Fairy Tales by Nick Sharratt; My Many Coloured Days by Doctor Seuss; This Little Puffin by Elizabeth Matterson; Burglar Bill by J and A Ahlberg; Six Dinner Sid by Inga Moore; Mr Gumpy's Outing by John Burningham; In My Mosque by M O Yuksel; My Monster and Me by Nadiya Hussein;	Sam Plants a Sunflower by Axel Schaffer; And The Good Brown Earth by Kathy Henderson; Eddie's Garden by Sarah Garland; The Tiny Seed by Eric Carle; Oi Frog! By Kes Gray; A Seed in Need by Saviour Pirotta; Oliver's Vegetables by Vivienne French; Jasper's Beanstalk by Nick Butterworth and Jack and the Beanstalk.	Grace and Family; Mama Panya's Pancakes by Mary and Rich Chamberlin; African Tales; How the Birds got their Colours by Helen Chapman; Tinga Tales; Stories of American Cities;The Naughty Bus; How the Zebra got its Stripes; Rain Before Rainbows by Smriti Halls; We're Going on a Lion Hunt; Handa's Surprise; We're Going on a Bear Hunt; We're Going to Find the Monster by Malorie Blackman; Parrot Tico Tanga; My Very Favourite Book in the Whole Wide World by Malcolm Mitchell.	
Year 1	Avocado Baby by John Burningham;Tell Me a Dragon by Jackie Morris; Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers; Elmer by David McKee; Knuffle Bunny by Mo Willems; What the Sea Saw by Tom Percival; Rossetti – What is Pink?; Zog and the Flying Doctors by Julia Donaldson; The Smeds and the Smoos by Julia Donaldson.		Beegu by Alexis Deacon; Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl; Twinkle Twinkle Chocolate Bar Poem Treasury; Dave and the Tooth Fairy by Verna Wilkins; Traditional Tales; Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman; The Go Away Bird by Julia Donaldson; The Sandwich by Tony Bradman and The Jolly Postman by J and A Ahlberg		On Sudden Hill by Linda Sarah; Mrs Noah's Pockets by Jackie Morris; The Tiger Who Came to Tea by Judith Kerr; The Sweetest Song (storytelling text); variety of traditional tales such as Anansi the Spider and Anansi and the Turtle; The Worst Princess by Anna Kemp and Flannimals by Ricky Gervais.	

Year 2	The Magic Finger by Roald Dahl; Sasha and the Wolfcub by Ann Jungman; The Misadventures of Frederick by Ben Manley; The Phoenix of Persia by Sally Pomme Clayton and Amin Hassanzadeh Sharif; Mr Majeika by Humphrey Carpenter; The Nothing to See Here Hotel by Steven Butler; Elliot the Midnight Superhero by Anne Cottringer; Chicken on the Roof Poem by Matt Goodfellow; Poems Aloud by Joseph Coelho and Daniel Gray-Barnett; The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig by Eugene Trivizas; Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman.	Oliver and the Seawigs by Philip Reeve; The Storm Whale by Benji Davis; The Storm Whale in Winter by Benji Davies; Gregory Cool by Caroline Binch; Welcome to our World by Moira Butterfield;The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt; The Secret of Black Rock by Joe Todd-Stanton; The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch by Ronda and David Armitage; Extract from Why the Whales Came by Michael Morpurgo; On a Sudden Hill by Linda Sarah and Benji Davies; Grandpa's Island by Benji Davies and Grace Darling books.	The Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad; Fing by David Walliams; books featuring a quest (numerous titles); Abdi's Day by Verna Wilkins; Great Women who Made History by Kate Pankhurst; Great Women who Saved the Planet by Kate Pankhurst; Great Women who Changed the World by Kate Pankhurst; Joan Proctor Dragon Doctor by Patricia Valdez; I am Cat by Jackie Morris; The World Came to my Place Today by Jo Readman.
Year 3	Flat Stanley by Jeff Brown; Stone Girl Bone Girl – the story of Mary Anning by Laurence Anholt; Non-fiction books about The Stone Age; The Boy with the Bronze Axe by Kathleen Fidler; The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate Dicamillo; George's Marvellous Medicine by Roald Dahl; Isadora Moon Goes to School by Harriet Muncaster; Amelia Fang and the Barbaric Ball by Laura Ellen Anderson; The Boy Who Grew Dragons by Andy Shepherd; You're a Bad Man Mr Gum by Andy Stanton; The Christmasaurus by Tom Fletcher; Podkin One-Ear by Kieran Lockwood; Stig of the Dump by Clive King and The Stolen Spear by Saviour Pirotta.	Charlotte's Web by E.B White; a range of Roman myths; Planet Omar by Zanib Mian; James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl; Featherlight by Peter Bunzl; Awful Auntie and Grandpa's Great Escape by David Walliams; Bold Women in Black History by Vashti Harrison; non-fiction books about Romans and Celts; Boudicca's Army by Hilary McKay; Mr Skip by Michael Morpurgo; a collection of wintery poems (imagery) including The Warm and the Cold by Ted Hughes, Boudicca character studies.	The Accidental Prime Minister by Tom Mc Laughlin; Bee Boy: Clash of the Killer Queens by Tony De Saulles; Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl; The Twits by Roald Dahl; The Undefeated by Kwame Alexander; Exceptional Men in Black History by Vashti Harrison; Selkie by Gillian McClure; Bee and Me by Alison Jay; The Bee Book: Discover the Wonder of Bees and How to Protect them for Future Generations by Fergus Chadwick; Nim's Island by Wendy Orr; My Dad's a Birdman by David Almond; Bee is not Afraid of Me: A Bok of Insect Poems edited by Isabel Galleymore and Fran Long and The Honeybee by Kirsten Hall.

Year 4	The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt; Trash by Andy Mulligan; Mr Stink by David Walliams; The Queen's Nose by Dick King-Smith; Matilda by Roald Dahl; Boy by Roald Dahl; The Twits by Roald Dahl; The Rainbow Bear by Michael Morpurgo; Boy by Roald Dahl.	Different versions of Beowulf; The Firework Maker's Daughter by Phillip Pullman; The BFG by Roald Dahl; Vik the Viking by Shoo Shayner; The Cloud Tea Monkeys by Elspeth Graham.	Journey to the River Sea by Eva Ibbotson; The Breakfast Club Adventures: the Beast Beyond the Fence by Marcus Rashford; Jaz Santos VS The World by Priscilla Mante; Little Badman and the Invasion of the Killer Aunties by Humza Arshad and Henry White; Cool! by Michael Morpurgo.
Year 5	George's Secret Key to the Universe by Stephen and Lucy Hawking; Counting on Katherine: How Katherine Johnson Saved Apollo 13 by Helaine Becker; The Undefeated by Kwame Alexander; Journey to Jo'burg by Beverley Naidoo; Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History by Vashti Harrison; Space, Black Holes and Stuff by Glenn Murphy; and The Big Bang by Andrew Solway.	Not bad for a Bad Lad by Michael Morpurgo; Bloddin the Beast by Michael Morpurgo and a variety of Greek Myths; Winter Poems; and Wolf Brother by Michelle Paver.	Thief! by Malorie Blackman; The River's Story by Brian Patten; River Poem by Ted Hughes; The World that Jack Built by Ruth Brown; Oi Get off our Train! By John Burningham; Window by Jeannie Baker and Tom's Midnight Garden by Philippa Pearce.
Year 6	Skellig by David Almond; War Boy by Michael Foreman; Once by Morris Gleitzman; Goodnight Mr Tom by Michelle Magorian and The Diary of Anne Frank. The Machine Gunners and Once by Morris Gleitzman.	The Warm and the Cold by Ted Hughes; Extract from When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit; Holes by Louis Sachar; Skellig (playscript) by David Almond; Non-Fiction Ancient Egypt and Ancient Egyptian myths. Floodland by Marcus Sedgewick. The Machine Gunners and Once by Morris Gleitzman.	Biography of Darwin/Darwin's Finches; Wonder by RJ Palacio; The Final Year by Matt Goodfellow.