



Lutton St Nicholas Primary Academy

Reading Spine

The aim of our Reading Spine is to use a core of high-quality texts, "that create a living library inside a child's mind" (Pie Corbett), which encourage children to engage at a deeper level, entering the world of story and fostering a love of books during their time at our school.








The texts are made up of a range of text fiction and poetry, as well as texts which celebrate both authors and subjects which reflect our school population and our core values. The reading spine has been specifically designed to ensure every child at Lutton St Nicholas Primary Academy sees themselves in a book and can learn about others through a book.

The Reading Spine sits separately to our Little Wandle and Big Cat books and are for shared reading with an adult to promote a love of reading. Therefore, the books on the spine may not be at the child's reading level but will have themes and storylines appropriately matched to their age. Our inspiring texts will be read - the teacher to promote Reading for Pleasure, ensuring all children hear good quality stories - sharing quality time where pupils enjoy being read to because as Doug Lemov writes, "All classrooms, with pupils of any age, benefit from being read to. It exposes students to texts above their ability, models fluency and helps instil a love of reading..."

Books have been selected to run alongside texts used within writing sessions to support the school's aim to provide pupils with a range of texts that develop their reading and writing skills, vocabulary development and imagination.

Each class has a range of text types focusing on Doug Lemov's 'Five Plagues of Reading', alongside a range of diverse texts and poetry. We have identified key high-quality core texts for each year, with many of the texts in our spine falling into these 7 categories:

Doug Lemov's Five Plagues of Reading:

Archaic	Non-Linear	Narratively Complex	Symbolic Text	Resistant	Linear	Diverse Text
<p>Some of the most influential and seminal texts ever written. Language that is unusual in today's world.</p> 	<p>Include sequences in narratives that leap around and double back on themselves.</p> 	<p>The narrator can be unreliable/inconsistent. These often include several narrators.</p> 	<p>These books include images, metaphors and allegorical meanings.</p> 	<p>Deliberately confusing, with nuances, hints clues and complex plots. Poems are often resistant.</p> 	<p>Traditional, chronological book. The reader sees the events of the story unfolding in the order in which they occurred.</p> 	<p>Books which encourage empathy and inclusion and can teach us about people and events that are all too often forgotten.</p> 









As new books are published, we will revise and update our reading spine to include those that will be beneficial for classes to use.

Reception:





Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
 <p>Kipper's Birthday – Mick Inkpen</p>	 <p>The Three Billy Goats Gruff- Mara Alperin</p>	 <p>The Gruffalo- Julia Donaldson</p>	 <p>The Cockrel, the Mouse and The Little Red Hen- Jess Stockham</p>	 <p>The Enormous Turnip by Irene Yates</p>	 <p>The Gingerbread Man – Estelle Corke</p>
 <p>Owl Babies – Martin Waddell</p>	 <p>The Jolly Christmas Postman- Janet and Allan Ahlberg</p>	 <p>Whatever Next- Jill Murphy</p>	 <p>Dear Zoo – Rod Campbell</p>	 <p>Jack and the Beanstalk- Mara Alperin and Mark Chambers</p>	 <p>Paddington at the Palace- Michael Bond</p>
 <p>Pumpkin Soup – Helen Cooper</p>	 <p>The Best Diwali Ever- Sonali Shah and Chaaya Prabhat</p>	 <p>We're Going on a Bear Hunt – Michael Rosen</p>	 <p>Handa's Surprise- Eileen Browne</p>	 <p>The Very Hungry Caterpillar – Eric Carle</p>	

Personal Development Texts

Protected Characteristics

 Disability	 Marriage or Civil Partnership	 Pregnancy or Maternity	 Sex	 Age	 Religion	 Race	 Diversity
Susan Laughs - Jeanne Willis A Superpower Like Mine What happened to you? My Must Daddies - Have Mum Splash Can Bears Ski? Abilities in me	My Magic Family My Family Your Family - Laura Henry-Allain	There's a House inside My Mummy - Giles Andreae and Vanessa Cabbam Nine Months - Before a Ba- is Born - Miranda Paul	My Shadow is Pink - Scott Stuart Jacob's New Dress My Shadow is Pink Julian is a Mermaid	I Remember - Jeanne Willis The Neighbour Hood Surprise I Remember - Jeanne Willis	Hats of Faith - Medeia Cohan In My Mosque The Kindest Red	The Proudest Blue - Ibtihaj Muhammad I am Brown The Can Caravan My Skin Your Skin - Laura Henry-Allain Hey You! - Dapo Adeola The Skin you live in	All are Welcome My Daddies The Same but Different Too

British Values

 Rule of Law	 Democracy	 Individual Liberty	 Mutual Respect and Tolerance
Can I play? - Nicola Kinnear	Out of the Blue - Robert Tregoning	My Shadow is Pink - Scott Stuart	The Proudest Blue - Ibtihaj Muhammad Little Glow - Katie Sahota

Emotions and Feelings

Happiness and Kindness	Sadness and Worry	Anger, Jealousy and Sharing
Fabulous Frankie Kind Be Kind Hugasaurus The World Made a Rainbow	Storm in a Jar Everybody worries Meesha Makes Friends What if pig? Ruby's Worry My Monster and Me	Ravi's Roar When Cucumber lost his cool Milo's monster Grumpy Hat Sharing a shell The sour grape

	Fiction	Curricular Fiction	Non-Fiction	Rhymes/Songs (Early Poetry)
Term 1 Me and My World	Elmer- David McKee Wiffy Wilson: The wolf who wouldn't go to School- Caryl Hart and Leonie Lord Starting School Allan Ahlberg Dinosaurs Start School Our Class is a Family Charlie and Lola- I am absolutely too small for school The Colour Monster The Colour Monster Goes to School Keeping Well – My Teeth The Night Before the Dentist Charlie and Lola My Wobbly Teeth A Superhero like You FunnyBones	A Pair of Socks by Stuart J. Murphy Seaweed Soup by Stuart J. Murphy The Button Box by Margarette S. Reid Beep Beep, Vroom Vroom! by Stuart J. Murphy Where's My Teddy? by Jez Alborough It's the Bear! by Jez Alborough The Blue Balloon by Mick Inkpen Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell My First Book of Patterns by Bobby and June George We're Going on a Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen • A-B-A-B-A – A Book of Pattern Play by Brian P. Cleary	Big Words for Little Experts – Body - Miles Kelly What Makes me Do the Things I do? - Molly Potter Wise About My Body: An introduction to the human body	Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes, One finger one thumb keep moving, Tommy Thumb Wind the Bobbin Up 1,2, 3, 4, 5. Once I caught a fish alive Five current buns Harvest song: I'm a Dingle Dangle Scarecrow

<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Term 2 Celebrations</p>	<p>Dear Santa The Night Before Christmas Harry and the Dinosaurs make a Christmas Wish The Very Noisy Night The Christmas Story The Christmas Eve Tree What the Ladybird Heard at Christmas Jesus' Christmas Party</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anno's Counting Book by Mitsumasa Anno • How to Count to One by Casper Salmon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goldilocks and the Three Bears • The Gingerbread Man • A Squash and a Squeeze by Julia Donaldson <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Three Billy Goats Gruff • Circle, Triangle, Elephant! A Book of Shapes and Surprises by Kenji Oikawa and Mayuko Takeuchi • Triangle by Mac Barnett and Jon Klassen • Shapes, Shapes, Shapes by Tana Hoban <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins • Witches Four by Marc Brown • Five Little Friends by Sarah Dyer • Pete the Cat and his Four Groovy Buttons by Eric Litwin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle • Stella to Earth! by Simon Puttock and Phillip Hopman <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bear in a Square by Stella Blackstone • Square by Mac Barnett and Jon Klassen • Night Monkey, Day Monkey by Julia Donaldson <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Fox in the Dark by Alison Green 	<p>Joy to the World!: Christmas Around the Globe It's Diwali! Celebrate the World: Diwali A Year Full of Celebrations and Festivals</p>	<p>The Twelve Days of Christmas Twinkle Twinkle Little Star, Five little ducks went swimming one day Five Little Monkeys jumping on the bed Five Cheeky Monkeys swinging in a tree</p>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Term 3 Exploration</p>	<p>I love Chinese New Year- Eva Wong Nava Can you Find My Eid Presents? Town and Country We Catch the Bus The Snail and the Whale Stickman A Stroll through the seasons The Naughty Bus The Troll Pirates love Underpants</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zero is the Leaves on the Tree by Betsy Franco <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None the Number by Oliver Jeffers • I Spy Numbers by Jean Marzollo • The Ugly Five by Julia Donaldson • Five Small Stars by Elizabeth Matterson and Madge Bugden <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Room on the Broom by Julia Donaldson • Who Sank the Boat? by Pamela Allen • Balancing Act by Ellen Stoll Walsh • A Beach for Albert by Eleanor May • Handa's Surprise by Eileen Browne • Sidney the Silly Who Only Eats 6 by M.W. Penn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Six Dinner Sid by Inga Moore • 1, 2, 3 to the Zoo by Eric Carle • Kipper's Toybox by Mick Inkpen • Quack and Count by Keith Baker • Simon Sock by Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Missing Mittens by Stuart J. Murphy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noah's Ark • Double Dave by Sue Hendra • Minnie's Diner by Dayle Ann Dodds • Two of Everything by Lily Toy Hong • Don't Forget the Bacon! by Pat Hutchins • The Snail and the Whale by Julia Donaldson 	<p>Lunar New Year Around the World - Amanda Li Lunar New Year - A First Look - Percy Leed China - Usborne Beginners - Leonie Pratt</p>	<p>A Sailor Went to Sea, Sea, Sea, Row, Row, Row your boat The Wheels on the Bus Five Little Men in a Flying Saucer London Bridge is Falling Down</p>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Term 4 Animals</p>	<p>Busy People – Teacher, Vet, Police Officer, Doctor, Librarian, Builder, Firefighter Rumble in the Jungle Giraffes Can't Dance Walking through the Jungle The Selfish Crocodile Monkey Puzzle Oi Frog Farmyard Hullabaloo What the Ladybird Heard Click, Clack, Moo- Cows that type Farmer Duck Farmer Clegg's night out Mr Wolf's pancakes The Easter Story - J. John The Rhyming Rabbit - Julia Donaldson Snuggle Time Easter Stories - Glenys Nellist</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superworm by Julia Donaldson • Actual Size by Steve Jenkins • Jim and the Beanstalk by Raymond Briggs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I Can Only Draw Worms by Will Mabbitt <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Titch by Pat Hutchins • Tall by Jez Alborough • Jack and the Beanstalk • The Giraffe Who Got in a Knot by Paul Geraghty and John Bush <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five Minutes' Peace by Jill Murphy • Mr Wolf's Week by Colin Hawkins • A Dark, Dark Tale by Ruth Brown • Jasper's Beanstalk by Nick Butterworth • Nine Naughty Kittens by Linda M. Jennings • Ten Little Fingers and Ten Little Toes by Mem Fox <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cockatoos by Quentin Blake • How Do Dinosaurs Count to Ten? by Jane Yolen • The 'Ten Little ...' series by Mike Brownlow <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One Duck Stuck by Phyllis Root • Mouse Count by Ellen Stoll Walsh • Ten in the Bed by Penny Dale • One Gorilla by Anthony Browne • Mr Willy-Nilly and Zoey's Dream by Ji-yun Shin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes, Changes by Pat Hutchins <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Naughty Bus by Jan Oke • Rapunzel • Kitten Castle by Ellen Weiss and Mel Friedman <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shapes, Shapes, Shapes by Tana Hoban <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pattern Fish by Trudy Harris • Pattern Bugs by Trudy Harris • Busy, Busy, Busy by Haneul Ddang • The Leopard's Drum by Jessica Souhami • Jamil's Clever Cat by Fiona French with Dick Newby • Pete the Cat and the Missing Cupcakes by Kimberly and James Dean <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ten Black Dots by Donald Crews • Two of Everything by Babette Cole • Double the Ducks by Stuart J. Murphy • One Odd Day by Doris Fisher and Dani Sneed 	<p>People Who Help Us – Police Officer, Lifeboat Crew, Firefighters, Ambulance and Air Ambulance Crew Let's Pretend – Fire Station & Animal Hospital Busy Spring, Nature Wakes Up Rosa's Big Sunflower Experiment</p>	<p>Miss Polly had a Dolly, Dr Foster went to Gloucester, Down in the Jungle where nobody goes Old MacDonald had a Farm Five Little Speckled Frogs</p>

Term 5
Grow

Jasper's Beanstalk- Nick Butterworth
 Jim's Beanstalk
 Oliver's Vegetables
 Luna loves Gardening
 The Tiny Seed
 The Secret Sky Garden
 The Gigantic Turnip
 Katie and the Sunflowers
 Eco Girl
 My Butterfly Bouquet
 Saving the Butterfly

- Monster Counting Book 1 to 20 by Frances Mackay
- 13 Ways to Eat a Fly by Sue Heavenrich
- The Real Princess by Brenda Williams
- One Moose, Twenty Mice by Claire Beaton
- 20 Big Trucks in the Middle of the Street by Mark Lee
 - Jack the Builder by Stuart J. Murphy
 - Monster Math by Anne Miranda
 - 1 is One by Tasha Tudor
 - Mouse Count by Ellen Stoll Walsh
- One Ted Falls out of Bed by Julia Donaldson
- My Granny Went to Market by Stella Blackstone
- Mr Gumpy's Outing by John Burningham
 - Splash! by Ann Jonas
 - Tad by Benji Davies
- The Shopping Basket by John Burningham
- Big Box of Shapes by Wiley Blevins
- Which One Doesn't Belong? by Christopher Danielson
- Mr Gumpy's Motor Car by John Burningham
- Tangram Cat by Maranke Rinck and Martijn van der Linden
- Three Pigs, One Wolf, and Seven Magic Shapes by Grace Maccarone
 - Mouse Shapes by Ellen Stoll Walsh
 - Pezzettino by Leo Lionni
- Jack and the Flumflum Tree by Julia Donaldson
 - Perfect Square by Michael Hall
 - Grandpa's Quilt by Betsy Franco
 - Color Zoo by Lois Ehlert
- Cubes, Cones, Cylinders, & Spheres by Tana Hoban
- Boxitects by Kim Smith

Caterpillar Butterfly
 Growing and Changing
 The Amazing Lifecycle of Plants
 Beastly Bugs, Butterflies, Minibeasts – Kingfisher
 Cora the Caterpillar

Baa baa black sheep,
 Little Bo Peep,
 Incy Wincy Spider
 Mary Mary Quite Contrary,
 Wiggly Woo

Term 6
Once Upon a Time

This Little Piggy
 Hey Diddle Diddle
 Jack and Jill
 Hickory Dickory Dock
 Round and Round the garden

- The Last Marshmallow by Grace Lin
- The Squirrels Who Squabbled by Rachel Bright
- One Hungry Cat by Joanne Rocklin
- The Doorbell Rang by Pat Hutchins
- Ness the Nurse by Nick Sharratt
- Bean Thirteen by Matthew McElligott
- Missing Mittens by Stuart J. Murphy
- Alison Hubble by Allan Ahlberg
- I See a Pattern Here by Bruce Goldstone
 - Pattern Fish by Trudy Harris
 - Pattern Bugs by Trudy Harris
- Art Forms in Nature by Ernst Haeckel
- What the Ladybird Heard by Julia Donaldson
 - Cockatoos by Quentin Blake
- Martha Maps It Out by Leigh Hodgkinson
- In Every House, on Every Street by Jess Hitchman
 - If I Built a House by Chris Van Dusen
 - The Secret Path by Nick Butterworth
- Me on the Map by Joan Sweeney
- Pirates Love Underpants by Claire Freedman
 - My Map Book by Sara Fanelli
 - Little Red Riding Hood
- The Once upon a Time Map Book by B.G. Hennessy
 - Billy's Bucket by Kes Gray
 - Mr Gumpy's Outing by John Burningham
 - How Many Legs? by Kes Gray
- Ants Rule: The Long and Short of it by Bob Barner
 - Mr Archimedes' Bath by Pamela Allen
 - Who Sank the Boat? by Pamela Allen
- You Can't Take an Elephant on the Bus by Patricia Cleveland-Peck

Step inside homes through History
 A Street through Time
 Little People, Big Dreams King Charles
 The Queen's wardrobe: The story of Queen Elizabeth II and her clothes