

Hester's Way Primary School Reading Spine

Our HWPS Reading Spine is a list of age-related texts that we have chosen, to share with the children, as they move through the different year groups. There are a range of books, genres, themes, as well as texts with content considerate to difference and diversity. Teaching staff will share these books through English lessons or as part of story telling sessions.

Reception	Owl Babies – Martin Waddell
	The Gruffalo – Julia Donaldson
	Handa's Surprise – Eileen Browne
	Mr Gumpy's Outing – John Burningham
	Rosie's Walk – Pat Hutchins
	Six Dinner Sid – Inga Moore
	Mrs Armitage – Quentin Blake
	Whatever Next – Jill Murphy
	On the Way Home – Jill Murphy
	Farmer Duck – Martin Waddell
	Goodnight Moon – Margaret Wise-Brown
	Shhh! – Sally Grindley
	So much – Trish Cooke
	Two Homes - Claire Masurel
	Amazing – Steve Antony
	My Daddies – Gareth Peter and Garry Parsons
Year 1	Peace at Last – Jill Murphy
	Can't You Sleep Little Bear? – Martin Waddell
	Where the Wild Things Are – Maurice Sendak
	The Elephant and the Bad Baby – Elfrida Vipont and Raymond Briggs
	Avocado Baby – John Burningham
	The Tiger Who Came to Tea – Judith Kerr
	Lost and Found – Oliver Jeffers
	Knuffle Bunny – Mo Willems
	Beegu – Alexis Deacon
	Dogger – Shirley Hughes
	Cops and Robbers – Alan and Janet Ahlberg
	Elmer – David McKee
	The Three Billy Goats Gruff – Paul Galdone
	Grandpa – John Burningham
	The Very Smart Pea and the Princess to be – Mini Grey
	The Name Jar – Yangsook Choi
	Big Hair Don't Care – Crystal Swain-Bates
	Splash – Claire Cashmore
	Coming to England – Floella Benjamin
Year 2	Traction Man is Here - Mini Grey

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	Meerkat Mail – Emily Gravett
	Amazing Grace – Mary Hoffman
	Pumpkin Soup – Helen Cooper
	Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Book? – Lauren Child
	Dr Xargle's Book of Earthlets – Tony Ross
	Not Now Bernard – David McKee
	Tuesday – David Wiesner
	The Flower – John Light
	Gorilla – Anthony Browne
	Emily Brown and The Thing – Cressida Cowell
	Frog and Toad Together – Arnold Lobel
	The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark – Jill Tomlinson
	Fantastic Mr Fox – Roald Dahl
	The Hodgeheg – Dick King-Smith
	Flat Stanley – Jeff Brown
	Willa and Old Miss Annie – Berlie Dohearty
	The Magic Faraway Tree – Enid Blyton
	The Stinky Cheeseman and Other Fairly Stupid Tales – Jon Szieszk
	The Red Tree – Shaun Tan
	Look up – Nathan Bryon
	The Proudest Blue – Ibtihay Muhammad
	What happened to you – James Catchpole
	Sona Sharmar, very best big sister – Chittra Soundar
Year 3	Wolves – Emily Gravett The Iron Man – Ted Hughes
Teal 5	Cat Tales: Ice Cat – Linda Newberry
	The Sheep-pig – Dick King-Smith
	The Abominables- Eva Ibbotson
	A Christmas Carol – Charles Dickens
	The Battle of Bubble and Squeak – Philippa Pearce
	The Witches – Roald Dahl
	Topsy Turvy World – William Brighty Rands
	The Legend of Captain Crow's Teeth – Eoin Culfer
	Cookie – Konnie Hug
	The Lost Homework – Richard O'Neill
	The Dog that saved Christmas – Nicola Davies
	Planet Omar – Zanib Mian
Year 4	Bill's New Frock – Anne Fine
	Charlotte's Web – EB White
	Why the Whales Came – Michael Morpurgo
	The Firework Maker's Daughter – Phillip Pullman
	The Snow Walker's Son – Catherine Fisher Perry
	Brightstorm – Vashti Hardy
	Voices in the Park – Anthony Browne
	Cloud Busting – Malorie Blackman
	The Five Realms: The Legend of Podkin One-Ear
	Revolting Rhymes – Roald Dahl

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	Ellie and the cat – Malorie Blackman
	The suitcase kid – Jacqueline Wilson
	Malala's Magic Pencil – Malala Yousafai
Year 5	The Wolves of Willoughby Chase – Joan Aiken
	Varjak Paw – SF Said
	Wolf Brother – Michelle Paver
	Street Child – Berlie Doherty
	The Midnight Fox – Betsy Byars
	Tom's Midnight Garden – Phillipa Pearce
	FArTHER – Grahame Baker-Smith
	The Infinite Lives of Maisie day – Christopher Edge
	Who Let The Gods Out – Maz Evans
	The Tyger – William Blake
	The boy at the back of the class – Onjali Rauf
	High rise mystery – Sharna Jackson
Year 6	Holes – Louis Sachar
	Clockwork – Phillip Pullman
	The Hobbit – JRR Tolkien
	Skellig – David Almond
	Fireweed – Jill Paton Walsh
	River Boy – Tim Bowler
	The Arrival – Shaun Tan
	Wonder – R. J. Palacio
	Can you see me – Libby Scott
	No ballet shoes in Syria – Catherine Bruton
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