

CALDECOTE READING SPINE 2022-2023



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"Early reading, whether it is in a parent's lap, on the carpet of a classroom, or in a snug reading corner, gently but indelibly imprints upon us the mould from which will cast a lifetime of communication in the world. "

Alex Quigley – Closing the Reading Gap 2020.

Welcome to the Caldecote Reading Spine. We have updated it for 2022-23 academic year. Teachers and pupils have contributed to some of the changes. This year we have added a collection of wordless books which encourages imagination and inference skills using pictures alone.

It is important to stress that the recommended books for each year group are **ideas to help guide** the children towards age appropriate books. We have included three levels of books dependent on your child's reading skills. We have considered many aspects when compiling this list:

- There is a picture book **(in red bold)** included in each year group. As your child becomes a more competent reader their decoding and fluency skills improve. Sometimes, in KS2, picture books can be judged as an 'easy read' however these books often carry complex themes which help develop children's inference and prediction skills. They are invaluable for discussion both within and out of the classroom setting.
- **D** Books with specific diversity theme,
- **W** Wordless books.
- Research has consistently shown that there is a gender gap in reading attainment with girls outperforming boys. Our list ensures that there are books that will encourage and enthuse both genders.
- We have included 'aspirational' reads. Books that are challenging including language and themes.
- We have used some titles recommended by educational experts such as Pie Corbett, The Book Trust, Books for Topics and prestigious children's book award nominations.
- Links to our 'cultural capital' – exposing our children to different cultures and childhood experiences.
- A reading rich school embraces all our community. We need to work together to inspire our children to engage in the love of reading.

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EYFS

EYFS and Y1 are pivotal year groups for developing the skill of reading and emerging children in the wonder of stories. The teaching staff align all the different reading experiences every child has when they join our school. Some children will have daily exposure to stories while others, little introduction to the world of children's literature. At Caldecote, we have chosen some key picture books that will help lay the foundation for engagement and enjoyment towards reading. For the class books, the teachers have chosen one of many books that they use to enrich the EYFS and Y1 curriculum.

Red Class - EYFS Reading Spine Class Books

Autumn 1 – Me and My Amazing

World

Never Take a Bear to

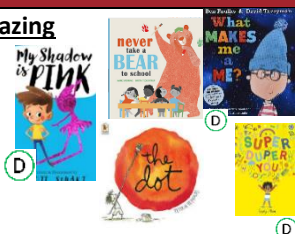
School – Mark Sperring

Super Duper You – Sophie Henn

The Dot – Peter Reynolds

What Makes Me Me – Ben Faulks

My Shadow is Pink – Scott Stuart



Autumn 2 – Magical Moments

The Runaway Wok – Ying Chang

Compestine & Sebestia Serra

Alfie's Christmas - Shirley Hughes

A Letter to Father Christmas – Rose Impey

The Snowman – Raymond Briggs



Spring 1 – Toys

The Amelia Jane Collection –

Enid Blyton

Lost in the Toy Museum - David Lucas

Aliens Love Underpants Save the World - Claire Freedman

Mrs Armitage on Wheels – Quentin Blake



Spring 2 - Traditional Tales

The Story of Pinnocchio –

Katie Daynes

The 3 Wolves and the Big Bad Pig -

Eugene Trivizas



Summer 1 – Where Do They Live?

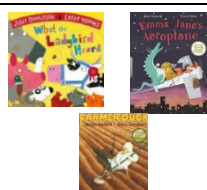
Emma Jane's Aeroplane –

Katie Haworth

What the Ladybird Heard –

Julia Donaldson

Farmer Duck - Martin Waddell



Summer 2 – Land, Sea and Sky.

You Can't Take an Elephant on a Bus –

Patricia Cleveland Peck

Lost and Found - Oliver Jeffers

The Train Ride - June Crebbin



Children's recommended Book List

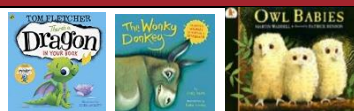
Owl Babies –

Martin Waddell

Wonky Donkey –

Craig Smith

There's a Dragon in your Book – Tom Fletcher



Press Here –

Herve Tullet

The Lion Inside

– Rachel Bright

We're Going on a Bear Hunt – Michael Rosen

Funnybones – Allan Ahlberg



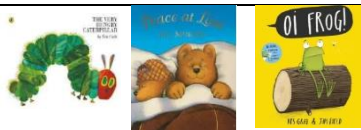
Oi Frog! Kes Grey

and Jim Field

Peace at Last –

Jill Murphy

The Very Hungry Caterpillar – Eric Carle



Mr Magnolia –

Quentin Blake

Supertato – Sue Hendra

You Choose Fairy Tales –

Nick Sharrot & Pippa Goodheart



Where the Wild Things

Are – Maurice Sendak

Olivia – Ian Falconer

I Will Not Ever Eat a

Tomato – Lauren Child



The Squirrels who

Squabbled – Rachel

Bright & Jim Field

Handa's Surprise –

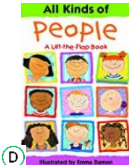

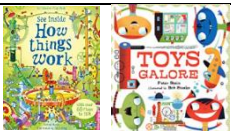

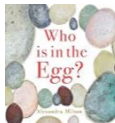
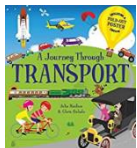
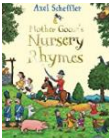
Eileen Browne

Trixie the Cat – Nick Butterworth



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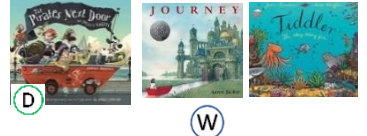
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EYFS Non-Fiction Books			
<u>Autumn 1 – Me and My Amazing World</u> All Kinds Of People – Emma Damon		<u>Autumn 2 – Magical Moments</u> Welcome To Our World – Moira Butterfield	
			
<u>Spring 1 – Toys</u> Toys Galore – Staake B Stein See Inside How Things Work – Conrad Mason		<u>Spring 2 - Traditional Tales</u> A Book Of Bears – Katie Viggers	
			
<u>Summer 1 – Where Do They Live?</u> Big Book Of Blue – Yuval Zommer Who Is In The Egg? – Alexandra Milton		<u>Summer 2 – Land, Sea and Sky.</u> A Journey Through Transport – Chris Oxlade	
			
Poetry			
Classic poem to learn: The Big Ship Sails on the Ally Ally oh! - Anon			
Mother Goose's Nursery Rhymes – Axel Sheffler			
			

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YEAR 1

Blue Class - Year 1 Reading Spine	
Class Books	
<p>Autumn 1 – Space</p> <p>Beegu – Alex Deacon</p> <p>The Way Back Home – Oliver Jeffers</p> <p>How to Catch a Star – Oliver Jeffers</p> <p>Look Up – Nathan Bryon</p> <p>The Colour Monster – Anna Llenas</p> 	<p>Autumn 2 – Into the Mixture</p> <p>George's Marvellous Medicine – Roald Dahl</p> <p>Revolting Recipes – Roald Dahl</p> <p>What happened To You? – James Catchpole</p> 
<p>Spring 1 – A Pirate's Life for Me!</p> <p>The Night Pirates – Peter Harris</p> <p>The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch – Richard Armitage</p> <p>Wave – Suzy Lee</p> <p>Grandad's Island – Benji Davies</p> 	<p>Spring 2 – Africa</p> <p>Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain – Verna Aardema</p> <p>Lila and the Secret of Rain – David Conway</p> <p>Masai and I – Virginia Kroll</p> <p>We're Going on a Lion Hunt – David Axtell</p> <p>Yours Sincerely Giraffe – Megumi Iwasa</p> 
<p>Summer 1 – Woodland Tales</p> <p>Wild – Emily Hughes</p> <p>Tree – Britta Teckentrup</p> <p>The Owl who was afraid of the Dark – Jill Murphy</p> 	<p>Summer 2 – Castles</p> <p>Rapunzel – Bethan Woollvin</p> <p>Zog – Julia Donaldson</p> <p>There's Not A Dragon In This Story – Lou Carter</p> <p>The Minpins – Roald Dahl</p> 
Year 1 Reading Spine	
Children's recommended Book List	
<p>Blue Balloon – Mick Inkpen</p> <p>I Want my Hat Back – Jan Klassen</p> 	<p>The Cat in the Hat – Dr Seuss</p> <p>The Polar Express – Chris Van Allsberg</p> <p>The Day the Crayons Quit – Oliver Jeffers</p> 
<p>The Pirates Next Door – Jonny Duddle</p> <p>Journey – Aaron Becker</p> 	<p>Elmer – David McKee</p> <p>The Bear and the Piano – David Litchfield</p> 
<p>The True Story of the Three Little Pigs – Jon Scieszka</p> <p>Tuesday – David Weisner</p> 	<p>My Pet Star – Corinne Averiss & Rosalind Beardshaw</p> <p>Dogger – Shirley Hughes</p> 

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Year 1 Non-Fiction Books	
<p>Autumn 1 – Space A Journey Through Space – Steve Parker</p> 	<p>Autumn 2 – Into the Mixture The Science of Goo – DK A Giant Dose of Gross – Andy Seed</p>  
<p>Spring 1 – A Pirate's Life For Me! Pirates Magnified – David Long Atlas of Ocean Adventures - Emily Hawkins</p>  	<p>Spring 2 – Africa Africa Amazing Africa – Atinuke & Mouni Feddag</p> 
<p>Summer 1 – Woodland Tales The Book of Trees – Piotr Socha Into The Forest – Christiane Dorion Look What I Found In The Woods - Moira Butterfield</p>   	<p>Summer 2 – Castles, Knights and Princesses See Inside Castles – Katie Daynes Castles Magnified - David long</p>  
Poetry	
<p>Classic poem to learn: Now We Are Six – AA Milne</p>	
<p>Poems To Perform – Julia Donaldson</p> 	

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YEAR 2

Year 2 is a transition year where children are going from emergent readers learning to decode and to acquiring more skills such as fluency and accuracy. The books included are to illustrate the range of reading skills our Y2 children have but also to challenge them, exposing them to new words and themes. The fiction books have been chosen to inspire, engage and enthuse our children on their literature journey through our primary school. It is imperative that children share the wonders of illustrations and key themes often included in picture books.

Yellow Class Year 2 Reading Spine Class Books & Novels	
Autumn 1 – Dinosaurs The Christmasaurus – Tom Fletcher Happy Hatchday – Rob Biddulph Bumpus Jumpus Dinosaurumpus – Tony Mitton	  
Autumn 2 – Rio The Great Kapok Tree – Lynne Cherry Quest – Aaron Becker The Dog That Saved Christmas – Nichola Davies	  
Spring 1 – Animals Charlotte's Web – EB White Diary of a Fly – Doreen Cronin	 
Spring 2 – Plants Traction Man – Mini Grey The BFG – Roald Dahl	 
Summer 1 – Great Fire of London The Great Fire of London – Emma Adams Vlad and The Great Fire of London – Kate Cunningham	 
Summer 2 – Houses and Homes The Boy who Grew Dragons – Andy Shepherd. The Spectacular City – Theresa Heapy	 
Year 2 Reading Spine Children's recommended Book List	
Gigantosaurus – Jonny Duddle Greek Myths – Marcia Williams Dinosaur Cove series – Mixture of authors	  
The Twits – Roald Dahl Emily's legs – Dick King Smith The Dog who Lost his Bark – Eoin Colfer	  
The Great Paper Caper – Oliver Jeffers Horrid Henry – Francesca Simon The Truth Pixie – Matt Haig	  
Amazing Grace – Mary Hoffman & Caroline Binch Captain Underpants – Dav Pilkey The Magic Faraway Tree – Enid Blyton	  
Emily Brown and the Thing – Cressida Cowell Lost – Eli Fountain	 
Meerkat Mail – Emily Gravett The Giraffe and the Pelly and Me – Roald Dahl The 13 Storey Tree House – Andy Griffiths & Terry Denton	  

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Year 2 Non-Fiction Books

Autumn 1 – Dinosaurs

Atlas of Dinosaur Adventures –

Emily Hawkins

Dinosaurium - Chris Womell



Autumn 2 – Rio de Vida

Amazon Adventure - Lonely Planet Kids



Spring 1 – Animals

The Book of Bees – Piotr

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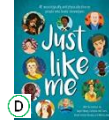
Bee Book - Charlotte Milner



Spring 2 – Plants

Little People, Big Dreams series

Just Like Me - Louise Gooding



Summer 1 – Great Fire of London

Street Through History - Steve Noon



Summer 2 –Houses and Homes

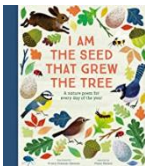
The Great Fire of London – Emma Adams



Poetry

Classic poem to learn: Nature Trail Poem – Benjamin Zephaniah






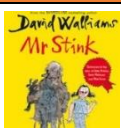

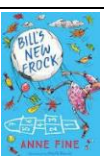


I Am The Seed That Grew The Tree – Fiona Waters



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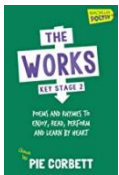
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YEAR 3

Orange Class - Year 3 Reading Spine Class Novels		
Autumn 1 – Prehistoric People Stone Age Boy – Satoshi Kitamura Stig of the Dump – Clive King	 	Autumn 2 – Prey and Predators Mouse Bird Snake Wolf – David Almond Zoo – Anthony Browne The Wild Robot – Peter Brown
Spring 1 – Weather and Climate Flood – Alvaro F. Villa Escaping the Giant Wave – Peg Kehret One World – Michael Foreman	  	Spring 2 – Vikings The Last Viking – Terry Deary How to Train a Dragon – Cressida Cowell
Summer 1 – Marvellous Metals The Iron Man – Ted Hughes The Wild Robot Escapes – Peter Brown	 	Summer 2 – Towns and Cities The Accidental prime Minister – Tom Mclaughlin The Lost Thing – Shaun Tan Ruby's Star – Maria Farrer
Year 3 Reading Spine Children's recommended Book List		
The Worst Witch – Jill Murphy Mr Stink – David Walliams Ottoline – Chris Riddel	  	Flat Stanley – Geff Brown The Boy Who Swam with Piranhas – David Almond The Butterfly Lion – Michael Morpurgo
Bill's New Frock – Anne Fine Shadow Forest – Matt Haig The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe – CS Lewis	  	The Hundred Hour Dog – Jeremy Strong Kid Normal – Greg James & Chris Smith
Is My Teacher a Robot – Dave Cousins Noah Barleywater Runs Away – John Boyne	 	Planet Omar Unexpected Super Spy – Zanib Mian Hansel and Gretel – Anthony Browne The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane – Kate DiCamillo

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Year 3 Non-Fiction Books			
<u>Autumn 1 – Prehistoric People</u> Explore Stone, Bronze and Iron Age – Sonya Newland The Street Beneath My Feet – Charlotte Guillian		<u>Autumn 2 – Prey and Predators</u> Predators – Scholastic Children's Books	
 			
<u>Spring 1 – Weather and Climate</u> Earth Shattering Events – Robin Jacobs See Inside Weather Climates – Katie Daynes		<u>Spring 2 – Vikings</u> The Viking Raiders, Traders and Adventures – Marcia Williams Viking Voyages – Jack Tite	
 		 	
<u>Summer 1 – Marvellous Metals</u> 100 Facts Planet Earth – Miles Kelly The Earth Book – Megan Kullis		<u>Summer 2 – Towns and Cities</u> The Story of Buildings – Patrick Dillon Big Book of U.K – Imogen Russell Williams	
 		 	
Poetry			
Classic poem to learn: From A Railway Carriage – Robert Louis Stevenson			
The Works KS2 – Pie Corbett			
			

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YEAR 4

Green Class - Year 4 Reading Spine	
Class Novels	
Autumn 1 – Rivers Why The Whales Came – Michael Morpurgo Big Blue Whale – Nichola Davies	 
Autumn 2 – Mixtures and Potions Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone – JK Rowling	
Spring 1 – Romans Varjak Paw – SF Said	
Spring 2 - Volcanoes The Firework Maker's Daughter - Philip Pullman	
Summer 1 – Animals and Humans Demon Dentist – David Walliams	
Summer 2 – Ancient Greece Greek Myths for Young Children – Heather Amery Return – Aaron Becker	 
Year 4 Reading Spine	
Children's recommended Book List	
The Creakers – Tom Fletcher The Witches – Roald Dahl Winnie Spells Trouble – Laura Owens	  
The Chicken Gave it to Me – Anne Fine Series of Unfortunate Events – Lemony Snicket Rotten Romans Cut Throat Celts Terry Deary	  
The Akimbo Adventures – Alexander McCall Smith The Legend of Podkin One Ear – Kieran Larwood	 
The Whisperer – Nick Butterworth Birthday Boy – David Baddiel Wed Wabbit – Lissa Evans	  
At the Beach – Roland Harvey When the Mountains Roared – Jess Butterworth The Elephant Thief – Jane Kerr	  
Cloud Tea Monkeys – Mal Peet & Elsbeth Graham Midnight for Charlie Bone – Jenny Nimmo	 

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Year 4 Non-Fiction Books

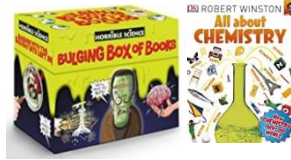
Autumn 1 – Mixtures & Potions

All About Chemistry –

Robert Winston

Bulging Box of Books –

Horrible Science



Autumn 2 – Rivers

The Where On Earth Book of

Rivers – Susie Brooks

Horrible Geography Raging

Rivers – Anita Ganeri



Spring 1 – Romans

So You Think You've Got It

Bad – Chae Strathie

You Wouldn't Want To Be A

Roman Gladiator – John

Malam



Spring 2 - Volcanoes

Everything Volcanoes and

Earthquakes – Kathy Furgang

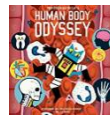
The Science of Natural

Disasters – Alex Woolf



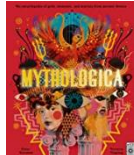
Summer 1 – Animals and Humans

Human Body Odyssey – Dominic Walliman



Summer 2 – Ancient Greece

Mythologica – Dr S.P Kershaw



Poetry

Classic poem to learn: Jabberwocky – Lewis Carroll

Big Book of Bad Things – Michael Rosen



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YEAR 5

Purple Class - Year 5 Reading Spine Class Novels	
Autumn 1 – Frozen Planet Shackleton's Journey – William Grill There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom – Louis Sachar  	Autumn 2 – Earth & Space The Many Worlds of Albie Bright – Christopher Edge 
Spring 1 – World War II Letters from the Lighthouse – Emma Carroll Unspoken – Henry Cole  	Spring 2 – Gardening & Growing The Lost Bear – Hannah Gold Varmints – Helen Ward  
Summer 1 – Scots & Anglo Saxons Versions of Beowulf 	Summer 2 – Animals & Humans The Explorer – Katherine Rundell 
Year 5 Reading Spine Children's recommended Book List	
Ice Age Monster – David Walliams The Abominables – Eva Ibbotson Skylark's War – Hilary McKay   	Gangsta Granny – David Walliams Who Let the Gods Out – Maz Evans Cosmic – Frank Cottrell-Boyce   
Rose Blanche – Ian McEwan The Boy at the Back of the Class – Onjali Q Rauf Kensuke's Kingdom – Michael Morpurgo   	Goth Girl – Chris Riddell 
To Be A Cat – Matt Haig Danny the Champion of the World – Roald Dahl The Bronze Axe – Katherine Fidler   	The Falcon's Malteser – Anthony Horowitz Suitcase Kid – Jacqueline Wilson The Girl Who Stole an Elephant – Nazrana Farook   

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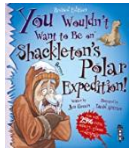
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Year 5 Non-Fiction Books

Autumn 1 – Frozen Planet

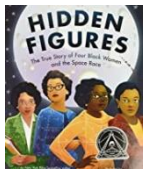
Shackleton's Journey – William Grill

You Wouldn't Want To Be On Shackleton's Polar Expedition – Jen Green



Autumn 2 – Stargazer

Hidden Figures Four Black Women and the Space Race – Margot Lee Shetterly
Planetarium – Raman Prinja



Spring 1 – World War II

Frightful First World War & Woeful Second World War – Horrible Histories



Spring 2 – Gardening & Growing

Botanicum – Kathy Willis
Lots – Mark Martin



Summer 1 – Scots & Anglo Saxons

The History Detectives Investigate Anglo Saxons – Neil Tonge



Summer 2 – Animals & Humans

Dragonology – Dugald Steel



Poetry

Classic poem to learn: Dulce Et Decorum Est – Wilfred Owen

Poems From The Second World War – Gaby Morgan



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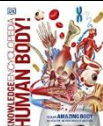
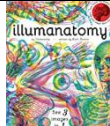

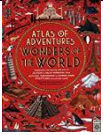

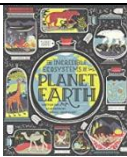
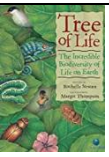

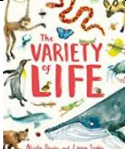
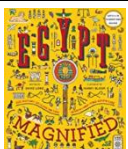
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Silver Class - Year 6 Reading Spine			
Class Novels			
Autumn 1 – It's a Revolution Pig Heart Boy – Malorie Blackman Sherlock Holmes and the Speckled Band – Sir Arthur Conan Doyle	  (D)	Autumn 2 – Mexico Holes - Louis Sachar	
Spring 1 – Blood & Heart Oliver Twist – Charles Dickens Cogheart – Peter Bunzl	 	Spring 2 – Globalisation Refugee Boy – Benjamin Zephaniah The Arrival – Shaun Tan	  (D)
Summer 1 – Charles Darwin Journey To The River Sea – Eva Ibbotson		Summer 2 – Pharaohs Can You See Me? - Libby Scott& Rebecca Westcott	 (D)
Year 6 Reading Spine			
Children's recommended Book List			
Running Wild – Michael Morpurgo Nevermore – Jessica Townsend Wonder – RJ Palacio	   (D)	Flotsam – David Wiesner Brightstorm - Vashti Hardy Rooftoppers – Katherine Rundell	   (W)
Troofriend – Kirsty Applebaum Floodland – Marcus Sedgwick	 	Northern Lights – Philip Pullman The Island at the End of Everything – Kiran Millwood Hargrave	 
Malamander – Thomas Taylor The Nowhere Emporium – Ross MacKenzie Once – Morris Gleitzman	  	A Monster Calls – Patrick Ness Asha and the Spirit Bird - Jasbinder Bila Evernight – Ross Mackenzie	  

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Year 6 Non-Fiction Books			
<u>Autumn 1 – ID and Blood Heart</u> Illumanatomy – Kate Davies Knowledge Encyclopaedia Human Body – DK	 	<u>Autumn 2 – Hola Mexico & the Mayans</u> Atlas of Wonders of the World – Ben Handicott The Genius of the Maya - _Izzi Howell	 
<u>Spring 1 – Industrial Revolution</u> The World Around Me – Charlotte Guillain		<u>Spring 2 – Biomes and Globalisation</u> The Tree of Life The Biodiversity of Life on Earth – Rochelle Strauss The incredible Ecosystems of Planet Earth – Rachel Ignotofsky	 
<u>Summer 1 – Darwin's Delights</u> The Variety of Life – Nicola Davies The Origin of Species – Sabina Ravidia	 	<u>Summer 2 – Pharaohs</u> Egypt Magnified – David Long	
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