

CALDECOTE READING SPINE 2023-2024



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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 update it each 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?

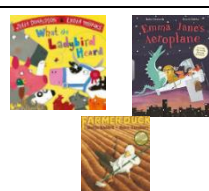
Emma Jane's Aeroplane –

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

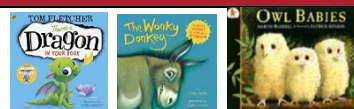
Owl Babies –

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



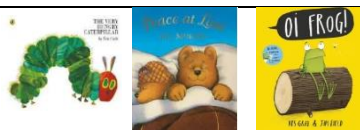
Oi Frog! Kes Grey

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 –

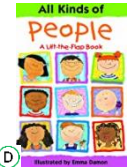


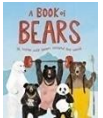
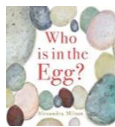
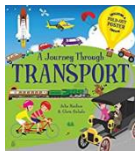
Eileen Browne

Trixie the Cat – Nick Butterworth



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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			
