



Southrop CoE Primary School English Reading Spine 2024/2025

At Southrop, our mission is to:

1. Teach every child, regardless of age, background or need
2. Choose the best books to read aloud so children might read them for themselves.
3. Seek ways to become a more diverse and inclusive school through literature.

Some of our book choices are informed by RWI Mirrors and Windows Booklist and Books for Topics.

This year - Our aim is to create a wishlist that parents can access and buy a book for our school from this list.

What we already do?

- We also work closely with the beautiful 'The Madhatters' bookshop' in Burford. We organise minibus trips to the bookshop for children each year so that the children are also involved in the choosing of our texts at Southrop.
- Each year Southrop, visits the Cheltenham and the Burford Literature Festival to see authors, illustrators and storytellers.
- We also choose books from this list to read and discuss in our book clubs, topics, English writing lessons and across the curriculum.

2024/2025

Our Author we are visiting at Cheltenham Lit Fest - YR - 2 Joseph Coelho, Y3&4 Michael Rosen, Y5&6 Sam Sedgman.

Our Illustrator we are visiting at Burford Lit Fest - Tweedy

World Book Day - Writing Workshop with author TBD

EYFS Stage

	<u>Term 1</u>	<u>Term 2</u>	<u>Term 3</u>	<u>Term 4</u>	<u>Term 5</u>	<u>Term 6</u>
General Theme	All About Me!	Terrific Tales!	Amazing Animals!	Come Outside!	Ticket to Ride!	Fun at the Seaside!
Possible texts	Owl Babies Once there were Giants The Smartest Giant The Colour Monster	Jack and the Beanstalk Three little Pigs Little Red Riding Hood	Farmer Duck The Emperors Egg The Very Hungry Caterpillar Aghh Spider!	The Tiny Seed Oliver's Vegetables Jack and the Beanstalk	The Snail and the Whale The Way back Home The Naughty Bus Mr. Gumpy's Outing The	Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch Under the Sea Non - Fiction P is for Passport The Journey Zoom

	The Rainbow Fish The Big Book of Families I am absolutely too small to go to school by Lauren Child What makes me a me? By Ben Faulkes and David Tazzyman Marvellous Me by Lisa Bullard Augustus and his smile by Catherine Rayner You Choose by Nick Sharratt and Pippa Goodhart	Hansel and Gretel Three Billy Goat's Gruff Little Red Hen The Ugly Duckling Goldilocks and the three Bears The Enormous Turnip Princess and the Pea The Gruffalo, by Julia Donaldson Rama and Sita: The Story of Diwali, by Malachy Doyle Let's Celebrate 5 Days of Diwali!, by Ajanta Chakraborty The Nativity The Nutcracker, by Jane Ray	Tiger who came to tea Diary of a wombat Elephant and the Bad Baby Pig in the Pon The Amazing Mrs Pepperpot by Alf Proysen and Hilda Offen The Bear's Winter House Handa's Surprise We all went on Safari	One Plastic Bag Jasper's Beanstalk Tree, Seasons come and seasons go Mr Wolf's Pancakes	Train Ride Bob, The Man on the Moon Beegu Oil Get off my train! The Queen's Knickers	Passport to Paris World Atlases The Giant Jam Sandwich Stanley's Stick
Literacy opportunities	Labelling	Christmas Lists Letters to Father Christmas	Fact files	Life cycles	Labelling maps Recount writing	Writing poems
Topic ideas AND important events	Starting school / my new class / New Beginnings Superheroes People who help us / Careers Staying healthy / Food / Human body How have I changed? My family / PSED focus What am I good at? How do I make others feel? Being kind / staying safe	Traditional Tales Little Red Hen - Harvest The Nativity At the Panto Christmas Lists Letters to Father Christmas Guy Fawkes Bonfire Night Diwali Hannukah Black History Month Road Safety Anti Bullying Week Children in Need	Life cycles Safari Animals around the world Climates / Hibernation Down on the Farm Mini Beasts Animal Arts and crafts Night and day animals Animal patterns David Attenborough Happy Habitats Lent Valentine's Dya Internet Safety	Plants & Flowers Weather / seasons Does the moon shine? The great outdoors Forest School Planting seeds Make a sculpture: Andy Goldsworthy Reduce, Reuse & Recycle Fun Science / Materials Easter time Mother's Day Queen's birthday	Around the Town How do I get there? Where in the world have you been? Where do we live in the UK / world? Fly me to the moon! Vehicles past and Present Design your own transport! Who was Neil Armstrong Start of Ramadan Eid D-Day	Visit to the beach Under the Sea - singing songs and sea shanties Fossil hunting Father's Day Heathy Eating Week World Environment Day Anniversary of the NHS Pirate Day Ice - Cream at the park

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Cycle One - Year One and Two

	<u>Term 1</u>	<u>Term 2</u>	<u>Term 3</u>	<u>Term 4</u>	<u>Term 5</u>	<u>Term 6</u>
Term Theme	Brave - The Celts.	Fire! Fire!	Famous for Five Minutes	Super Heroes Around the World - Geog Continents	Victorians	Eco Warriors
English Topics	Fiction - Stories with familiar settings	Non Fiction - Postcards and Letters - Dear Teacher by Amy	Non Fiction - Biography / Fact files	Fiction - Flat Stanley, adventure stories	Fiction - Royal stories	Letter writing - Dear Greenpeace

	Instruction writing - How to wash... Poetry - Traditional Poems <i>Heres the ladies knives and forks, Arabian Nights, A Sailor went to Sea, Sea, Sea, Row, row, row your boat.</i>	Husband and John Patrick McHennessy by John Burningham Fiction - Fables and Trad tales - The Little Red Hen Poetry - Songs and Repetitive Poems <i>Wings by Pie Corbett, See me walking by Clive Webster, The Magic Box by Kit Wright, London's Burning, Riding down to Boxland by Michael Rosen</i>	Shakespeare unit - focus Fiction - Traditional Tales with a twist Poetry - Using the Senses Five little Senses The Magic Box Kit Wright The Works P Corbett Sensational Roger McGough	Non - fiction - Recounts - Farmer Duck and Can't you sleep little bear	Non fiction - Information texts - dinosaurs Poetry	Poems about protecting our planet
Core books to refer to in English Lessons	Tiger who came to tea by Judith Kerr How to wash a Woolly Mammoth by Michelle Robinson and Kate Hindley Traditional Poems - <i>Heres the ladies knives and forks, Arabian Nights, A Sailor went to Sea, Sea, Sea, Row, row, row your boat.</i>	The GFOL by Liz Gogerly Samual Pepys by Paul Harrison The Gunpowder Plot by Gillian Clements Poetry - Giraffes can't dance, rumble in the jungle, room on the broom, Not last night but the night before, down by the cool of the pool.	Sir Tom Moore Little People book What's so special about Shakespeare by Michael Rosen	Adventure Stories - Flat Stanley / Supertato Farmer Duck Can't you sleep little bear? Wadell		Dear Greenpeace by Simon James Jed's really useful poem by Ragnhild Scamell Princess Beeatrice by Roslyn Brewster Dinosaurs and all that rubbish by Michael Foreman
Books to be read to class by CT/TA	Cave Baby by Julia Donaldson Littlenose collection The Explore by John Grant and Ross Collins (Iron Age)	Vlad and the Great Fire of London by Kate and Sam Cunningham Toby and the GFOL Margaret Nash and Jane Cope	The Penguin who wanted to find out by Jill Tomlinson The Great Explorer by Chris Judge	Flat Stanley series Supertato by Sue Hendra Eliot Midnight Superhero by Anne Cottringer	Queen Victoria's Underpants Fantastic Mr Fox by Roald Dahl	Princess Beeatrice by Roslyn Brewster Tidy by Emily Gravett Dinosaurs and all the Rubbish by Michael Foreman

	Starting School by Janet and Alan Ahlberg When a dragon goes to school by Caryl Hart I am absolutely too small to go to school by Lauren Child Freddie and the Fairy by Julia Donaldson (hearing) Little Glow Katie Sahota & Harry Woodgate Growth Mindset books - Bears don't read by Emma Chichester Clark Rosie Rever, Engineer by Andrea Beaty Frederick the Fox by Lisa Read and Kim (Burford Lit Fest) After the Fall by Dan Santat Giraffes can't Dance by Giles Andreae	Mr Fawkes, the King and the Gunpowder plot by Tom and Tony Bradman Finn's Little Fibs by Tom Percival <i>Grandad's Camper</i> by Harry Woodgate, Andersen Press Dream Snow by Eric Carle The Dog that Saved Christmas by Nicola Davies Silent Night by Lara Hawthorne Father Christmas needs a wee by Nicholas Allan Father Christmas by Raymond Briggs The Nutcracker <i>Mog's Christmas</i> by Judith Kerr	Tracey Corderoy - Shifty McGifty and Slippery Sam The Little Owl T Corderoy Shakespeare easy to read stories I don't like books. Never. Ever. The End by Emma Perry.	Super Duck by Jez Alborough	George saves the world by lunchtime by Dr Jo Readman It's a No-Money Day by Kate Milner Saving Mr Hoot by Helen Stephens,
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	Clean Up! Look Up! Speak Up! By Nathan Bryon Dapo Adeola. (Chelt Lit Fest) Smile Poetry by Joseph Coelho					
Books to support topics	Discover the Celts and the Iron Age - Everyday life. Britain in the past - The Iron Age		You wouldn't want to be on Shackleton's Polar Expedition Elizabeth I by Stephanie Turnbull and Colin King Little People Rosa Parks Little People David Attenborough Stephen Hawking Malala Yousafzai	On a Beam of Light, a story of Albert Einstein by Jennifer Berne	Darwin's Dragons by Lindsay Galvin What Mr Darwin Saw by Mick Manning You wouldn't want to be a Victorian School Child by John Malam Victorian House by Ruth Brocklehurst	One Plastic Bag by Miranda Paul Questions and Answers about Plastic by Katie Daynes and Marie Eve Tremblay

Cycle Two - Year One and Two

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Topic	Under the Sea	Blast off Space AND Christmas	Wild Africa	What makes Britain great? And Easter	Turrets and Tiaras	Percy the Park Keeper
English Topics	Stories with repetitive language - Tiddler Non-fiction topic Sharks and Polar Bears Poetry - Poems on a Theme Commotion in the Ocean Giles Andreae / Families M Rosen My mum / My Dad / Me and My Brother / Food / Chocolate cake / A first book of nature by Nicola Davies /	Recounts - Man on the Moon by Simon Bartram Reports - Beegu by Alexis Deacon Fiction - You Choose in Space by Nick Sharratt and Pippa Goodhart Christmas Letter writing - Harvey Slumfenburger	Traditional Tales from other cultures - Anansi the spider by Gerald McDermott Repetitive patterns - Handa's Surprise, Handa's Hen, Bringing the Rain to the Kapiti Plain, we all went on a safari, Letter writing - Meerkat Mail by Emily Gravett	Newspaper Reports - The Queen's Knickers Alternative Traditional Tales All are Welcome poetry unit - UK welcomes all	Fairy tales featuring castles Fantasy Stories - Dragons Non fiction - labelling a castle and its features Assessment piece: Label the features of Castles and write about different jobs in castles.	Information Texts - Park animals/flowers/plants /trees Poetry - Nature Recounts - Pittville Park Assessment piece: Write a recount based on trip to Pittville Park.

Core books to refer to in English Lessons	Tiddler / Snail and the Whale by Julia Donaldson Non-fiction books on seas and oceans The Great White Man Eating Shark The Rainbow Bear by Michael Morpurgo Ice Bear by Nicola Davies	You Choose in Space by Nick Sharratt and Pippa Goodhart Beegu by Alexis Deacon Man on the Moon by Simon Bartram Harvey Slumfenburger	Bringing the Rain to the Kapiti Plain by Verna Aardema Handa's Surprise and Hen by Eileen Browne We all went on a safari Meerkat Mail by Emily Gravett	Alternative Traditional Tales All are Welcome by Alexandra Penfold Making Friend's Emily learns about tolerance by Deborah Chancellor and Elif Balta Parks The Queen's Knickers by Nicholas Allan	Rapunzel by Sarah Gibb Non fiction books on Castles The Paper Bag Princess by Robert Munsch and Michael Martchenko The Egg by MP Robertson George and the Dragon by Christopher Wormell The Dragon Machine by Helen Ward	Non fiction books on animals, plants and trees Percy the Park keeper books Charlotte's Web by E.B. White
Books to be read to class by CT/TA	The lighthouse Keeper's Lunch by Ronda Armitage and David At the Beach by Roland Harvey - postcards Dougal's Deep Sea Diary by Simon Bartram The Storm Whale by Benji Davies Shark Lady by Jess Keating and Marta Alvarez Miguens - real life scientist	You can't eat a Princess! By Gillian Rogerson and Sarah McIntyre Hidden Figures - the true story of four black women and the space race by Margot Lee Shetterly and Laura Freeman Here come the Aliens by Colin McNaughton Aliens love underpants by Claire Freedman Whatever Next! By Jill Murphy	Anna Hibiscus by Atinuke Lila and the Secret of Rain by David Conway and Jude Daly All aboard for the Bobo Road by Stephen Davies and Christopher Corr Nelson Mandela - Little lives book	Compilation of Beatrix Potter books Jim Tomlinson collection Michael Rosen Poetry Paddington by Michael Bond Little People, Big Dreams - Captain Tom Moore Easter The Tale of Three Trees by Angela Elwell Hunt	The Boy who grew dragons by Andy Shepherd and Sara Ogilvie Dragon Poems by John Foster Zog by Julia Donaldson	All the Percy the Park Keeper stories The Enchanted Wood by Enid Blyton The Tiny Seed by Eric Carle When we went to the Park by Shirley Hughes The Bad tempered Ladybird by Eric Carle Owl Babies by Martin Waddell

	Mister Seahorse by Eric Carle Surprising Sharks by Nicola Davies A hole in the bottom of the Sea by Jessica Law The Whales' Song by Dylan Sheldon	The Snowman Michael Morpurgo The Crayons' Christmas by Oliver Jeffers and Drew Daywalt Leah's Star by Margaret Bateson Hill and Karin Littlewood Stick Man by Julia Donaldson Here we are by Oliver Jeffers		The Easter Story by Brian Wildsmith The Velveteen Rabbit by Margery Williams We're going on an egg hunt		
Books to support topics	A First book of the Sea by Nicola Davies and Emily Sutton	A Journey through Space by Steve Parker and John Haslem Look inside - Space by Rob Lloyd Jones and Benedetta Giaufret Space Poems by Gaby Morgan	Introducing Africa by Chris Oxlade One Day on our Blue Planet by Ella Bailey One Plastic Bag by Miranda Paul Africa is not a country by Mark Melnicove and Margy Burns Knight		Castles by Colin Thompson See inside Castles by Katie Daynes and David Hancock	Information texts on park animals, trees, plants and flowers.

Cycle One

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Topics	Vikings	How do settlements develop?	Ancient Greeks	Ancient Greeks	Victorians and the census	Saving our planet
English Topics			Myths and legends? Writing guide books	Script writing? Greek Myth Plays by	Adventure stories - The Highland Falcon Thief by M G Leonard.	Topic piece of writing using window by Jeannie Baker

				Carol Pugliano Martin Classics	Five go off to camp - Enid Blyton	
Core books to refer to in English Lessons			Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan A Visitor's Guide to Ancient Greece	Greek Myth Plays by Carol Pugliano Martin The Tale of Troy by Roger Lancelyn Green	The Railway Children by E Nesbit	Window - picture book no words - by Jeannie Baker
Books to be read to class by CT/TA	The Dragon's Hoard - stories from the Viking Sagas by Lari Don and Cate James There's a Viking in my Bed by Jeremy Strong		The Ancient Greek Mysteries by Saviour Pirotta and Freya Hartas (Good intro book)	Beasts of Olympus - Beast Keeper by Lucy Coats and David Roberts	Nowhere by Neil Gaiman 4.50 from Paddington by Agatha Christie	Aubrey and the Terrible Ladybirds by Horatio Clare and Jane Matthews A Planet full of Plastic by Neal Layton The Bee Book by Charlotte Milner
Books to support topics	The Saga of Erik the Viking by Terry Jones and Michael Foreman Vikings in 30 Seconds by Philip Steele and Melvyn Ev Viking Boy by Tony Bradman Viking Longship by Mick Manning		Who let the Gods out? By Maz Evans So you think you've got it bad? A kid's life in Ancient Greece by Chae Strathie and Marisa Morea	Leo and the Gorgon's Curse by Joe Todd Stanton	ON the Train by Carron Brown and Bee Johnson	The Lost Words by Robert Macfarlane and Jackie Morris This Moose belongs to me by Oliver Jeffers Fenn Halflin and the Fearzero by Francesca Armour Chelu

Cycle Two

	<u>Term 1</u>	<u>Term 2</u>	<u>Term 3</u>	<u>Term 4</u>	<u>Term 5</u>	<u>Term 6</u>
Topics	Power of the Earth	Why oceans matter	Rainforest	The Mayans	France	Through my window - Southrop

English Topics		Poetry - I am the Seed that grew the tree - nature poem for every day of the year by Fiona Waters	Debate drama - The Great Kapok Tree by Lynne Cherry	Mayan Folklore		
Core books to refer to in English Lessons			Running Wild by Michael Morpurgo	The Chocolate Tree - Mayan folklore		
Books to be read to class by CT/TA	Firework Maker's Daughter by Philip Pullman	Lost Whale by Hannah Gold	The Explorer by Katherine Rundell Journey to the River Sea by Eva Ibbotson	Middleworld by J P Voelkel The Queen's Nose by Dick King Smith	A hundred million francs by Paul Berna The Pear Affair by Judith Eagle and Kim Geyer?	
Books to support topics			The vanishing Rainforest by Richard Platt and Rupert van Wyk The Shaman's Apprentice by Lynne Cherry and Mark Plotkin Rainforests in 30 seconds by Jen Green and Stephanie Murphy	The History Detective investigates Mayan Civilisation by Clare Hibbert The Maya nad Chicchen Itza by Ben Hubbard (time travel guide)		History of Southrop book from the Hibberts (Thyme)

Cycle Three

	<u>Term 1</u>	<u>Term 2</u>	<u>Term 3</u>	<u>Term 4</u>	<u>Term 5</u>	<u>Term 6</u>
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Topics	Anglo Saxon	Crime and Punishment	Romans	Ancient Egyptians	We are Britain	Food and Energy
English Topics	Quest stories - Beowulf by Michael Morpurgo	Recounts	Descriptive writing			
Core books to refer to in English Lessons		My Secret War Diary by Flossie by Marcia Williams Goodnight Mr Tom Michelle Magorian	Escape from Pompeii by Christina Balit		What's so special about Shakespeare? By Michael Rosen	
Books to be read to class by CT/TA	Anglo Saxon Boy by Tony Bradman Freedom for Bron the boy who saved a kingdom by NS Blackman	Letters from the lighthouse by Emma Carroll	The Roman Quests: Escape from Rome by Caroline Lawrence	The Egyptian Cinderella by Shirley Climo The Red Pyramid by Rick Riordan Flat Stanley the great Egyptian grave robbery		
Books to support topics	King Arthur and the knights of the round table by Marcia Williams Men, women and children in Anglo Saxon times by Jane Bingham The Princess who hid in a tree by Jackie Holderness	The lion and the Unicorn picture book by Shirley Hughes When Hitler stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr What are we Fighting for poetry book	So you think you have it bad - a kid's life in Ancient Rome by Chae Strathie Romans on the Rampage by Jeremy Strong	The Legend of Tutankhamun by Sally Jane Morgan SO you think you've got it bad, a kid's life in Ancient Egypt		

Cycle Four

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Topics	Rivers	Space	Asia	Stone Age	Tudors - were Henry VIII and Elizabeth I good monarchs?	History of a theme
English Topics						
Core books to refer to in English Lessons		The War of the Worlds by HG Wells				

Books to be read to class by CT/TA	The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame Journey to the sea by Eva Ibbotson Riverboy by Tim Bowler	Fortunately the Milk by Neil Gaiman and Chris Riddell Amazing stories of women in Space by Libby Jackson		Stig of the Dump by Clive King The Boy with the Bronze Axe by Kathleen Fidler	Treason by Berlie Doherty Diver's Daughter by Patrice Lawrence	
Books to support topics	A River by Marc Martin The Where on Earth? Book of Rivers by Susie Brooks River Story by Meredith Hooper and Bee Willey What we'll build by Oliver Jeffers	Dr Maggie's Grand tour of the Solar System The international Space Station by Clive Gifford and Dan Schlitzkus		The History detective investigates stone age to iron age by Clare Hibbert	The Tudors, kings, queens, scribes and ferrets by Marcia Williams Elizabeth I Stephanie Turnbull and Colin King Terrible Tudors Horrible Histories	