



BOREHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL



A Friendship School

'Daring to aim high, scale new heights, spread our wings and fly far'

Boreham Primary School's Recommended Reading Spine

At Boreham Primary School, children are encouraged to read, listen to, learn off by heart, perform and discuss a wide range of stories, non-fiction texts, poetry, plays and textbooks in order to experience texts that are structured in different ways and written for different purposes.

Alongside children's phonics learning, your child will be encouraged to evaluate texts, giving reasons for their opinions and by making comparisons with other texts.

As children develop their reading skills further, they will be encouraged to ask and answer questions about a text to further develop their understanding of what is going on. They will learn how to draw inferences about a character's actions, speech or motives and provide evidence from the text to support their ideas.

It is our intention to expose the children at our school to high quality texts that they will enjoy and will provide them with an appropriate level of challenge. We want our children to have access to great books from which they can develop their imagination and vocabulary.

Using Pie Corbett's reading spine as a starting point, we have created our own reading spine to build a common bank of texts that we recommend children are exposed to at home and at school throughout each year. Wherever possible, we have matched books to the key people including authors, scientists and historians and areas of study your child will be learning about in each year group. The reading spine should also be supplemented with other books of your child's choice to develop a love of reading.

Please see below our recommended books for children in Year 1.

Year One

The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson

Stickman by Julia Donaldson

Kipper's Toy Box by Mick Inkpen

Traction Man by Minnie Grey

Superworm by Julia Donaldson

Supertato by Sue Hendra

Oi Frog! by Kes Gray and Jim Field

The Mixed up Chameleon by Eric Carle



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Traditional Tale: Jack and The Beanstalk

The Night Pirates by Peter Harris

Where The Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak

The Tiger Who Came To Tea by Judith Kerr

Beegu by Alexis Deacon

Elmer by David McKee

Paddington by Michael Bond

I Am Too Absolutely Small For School by Lauren Child

The Cat in The Hat by Dr Seuss

The Snowman by Raymond Briggs

No Matter What by Debi Gliori

The Day The Crayons Quit by Oliver Jeffers

The Jolly Postman by Janet and Allan Ahlberg