


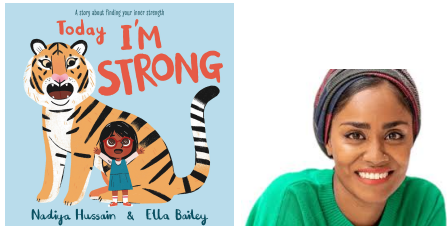
# Reading Spine

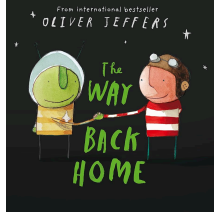

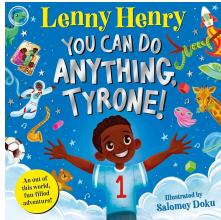

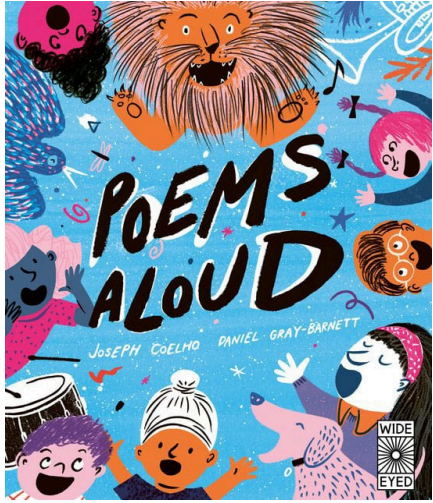
Year 1

Our reading spine is designed using books written by inspirational authors, which we value and want the children to have read by the time they leave primary education. The texts are purposefully selected to take the reader on a journey, from sharing picture books, to sharing a range of chapter books that gradually expose the reader to beautifully crafted storylines with evermore intriguing and challenging themes. Some books also fit with the year group’s Learning Quest and science topics.

Research shows that sharing quality narratives, which the children would not necessarily choose to read for themselves, develops not only a love of reading but improves vocabulary development and language skills, develops imagination and empathy, and enables children to learn about people, places and events outside of their own experience. In turn, this promotes achievement in all writing genres across the curriculum.

This pack contains your core texts, 1 per half term and a poetry anthology. The books should be kept in the zippy wallet and remain available in the classroom. Children should be read to for 15 minutes each day from the half termly text indicated on the reading spine. One reading session a week should be replaced with a poem from the year group poetry anthology.

Autumn 1		<p><b><u>The Kindest Red by Ibtihaj Muhammad</u></b></p> <p>When Faizah’s teacher asks her class to imagine what kind of world they want to live in Faizah imagines a world where everyone is kind to one another, and tries to create that world in the school playground. But what Faizah wants most is to be like her big sister, Asiya. Will Faizah’s classmates repay her kindness and find a way for her to match Asiya in time for school photo day?</p>
Autumn 2		<p><b><u>Today I am Strong by Nadiya Hussain</u></b></p> <p><i>I love to go to school. Well, most days I do. There are some days when what I really want is to stay at home with you.</i></p>
Spring 1		<p><b><u>Beegu by Alexis Deacon</u></b></p> <p>Beegu is not supposed to be on Earth. She is lost. She is a friendly little creature, but the Earth People don’t seem very welcoming at all. However, so far she has only met the BIG ones. The little ones are a different matter . . .</p>
Spring 2		<p><b><u>The Tiger Who Came to Tea by Judith Kerr</u></b> <b>Link:</b> Wonderful Weather</p> <p>The doorbell rings just as Sophie and her mummy are sitting down to tea. Who could it possibly be? What they certainly don't expect to see at the door is a big furry, stripy tiger!</p>
Summer 1		<p><b><u>The Way Back Home by Oliver Jennifers</u></b> <b>Link:</b> A Journey Into Space</p>

	 	<p>One day a little boy finds an aeroplane in his cupboard. Up, up and away he flies, high into the sky. He whizzes past clouds, stars and planets – until suddenly he runs out of petrol! Miles from earth, he crashes into the moon. Just as he is getting cold and lonely, a friendly martian appears, also with a broken aircraft. Together they come up with a super rescue plan. But will it work? Will the boy find his way back home to earth – and will the two friends meet again?</p>
<p>Summer 2</p>	 	<p><b><u>You Can Do Anything Tyrone by Lenny Henry</u></b></p> <p>Tyrone is going to build a brilliant rocket ship out of building blocks and go on an adventure to the moon! There's just one problem . . . the blocks won't work, and Tyrone quickly loses his temper. Luckily, Grandad Cleveland is on hand to show him that with self belief, a bit of determination and a lot of imagination, there's nothing Tyrone can't do. In fact, why stop at the moon when there's the rest of the world and a whole universe to explore!</p>
<p>Poetry Anthology</p>		<p><b><u>Poems Aloud by Joseph Coelho</u></b></p> <p>In this fantastic collection, Waterstones Children's Laureate Joseph Coelho shows us that poems are made to read OUT LOUD!</p> <p>In this wittily illustrated anthology of poems, designed to be read aloud, twenty poems arm children with techniques for lifting poetry off the page and performing with confidence.</p> <p>Perfect for confident children and shy readers alike, this book teaches all sorts of clever ways to perform poetry. Children will learn 20 techniques for reading aloud by trying out 20 funny and thoughtful original poems by the much-loved and award-winning performance poet, Joseph Coelho.</p> <p>There are tongue twisters, poems to project, poems to whisper, poems to make you laugh. There are poems to perform to a whole class and others to whisper in somebody's ear.</p>