

Great Linford's Reading Spine

At Great Linford Primary School, we use the “Reading Spine” to encourage the love for reading and authors. Progressively sequenced, the reading spine outlines the authors that the children will be exposed to throughout their time at GLPS. Award-winning Literature and authors have been carefully selected to allow children to experience high quality texts and inspire creative writing. Preparing children for modern day Britain has also been considered when selecting authors and books for Great Linford's reading spine. Stories that tackle real-life, prominent issues have also been included in order for children to develop their sense of understanding, empathy and ability to discuss important topics. Authors have also been selected in order to represent the BAME community within stories. These have been chosen to ensure children see different cultures and backgrounds in their books and also themselves within books.

Spring 2 reading choices, have been dedicated to careers and each Year group will enjoy books/parts of books based on this theme. Preparing children for modern day Britain involves considering the pathways available to them following education. The books selected will focus on dreams and goals and present to children many career pathways and other people's journeys, obstacles and strategies to success following these pathways.

Authors have been highlighted in the corresponding colours above to represent why they have been selected.

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2 (Careers unit) Dreams and goals	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 1	Elmer Knuffle Bunny	Lost and Found Peace at last	Avocado Baby Beegu	Can't you sleep little bear? Cops and Robbers	Dogger Where the wild things are	The elephant and the lost baby The tiger who came to tea
Year 2	Gaspard the Fox Ellie and the Cat Willow Wildthing and the Swamp monster	Mr Penguin Once Upon a Tune The Barnabus Project	<u>Michael Rosen</u> Goldilocks and the three crocodiles Rigatoni the pasta cat Hampsted the hamster	Little People, Big dreams- Mary Anning Little People, Big dreams- Captain Tom Moore Little People, Big dreams- David Attenborough Iggy Peck Architect Rosie Revere engineer	<u>Drew Daywell</u> The day the crayons quit Epic adventures of Huggie and Stick The legend of rock paper scissors.	<u>Nathan Bryon ad Dapo Adeola</u> Look up Clean up! Speak up!
Year 3	<u>Dick King Smith</u> The Sheep Pig The Hedgehog The Queen's Nose	<u>Roald Dahl</u> Matilda James and the giant peach The Enormous Crocodile Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	<u>Zanib Mian</u> My Friend the alien Planet Omar series	Little People, Big dreams- Ernest Shackleton Little People, Big dreams- Jane Goodall Little People, Big dreams- Marcus Rashford What to do with an idea- Kobi Yamada	<u>Tom Nicoll</u> Level Up Level Up: Rock and Roll There's a dragon in my dinner There's a dragon in my backpack	<u>Tom Fletcher</u> The Creakers The Danger Gang The Space Band Brain Freeze
Year 4	<u>Anne fine</u> Bill's new frock Flour babies The diary of a Killer cat. The Killer cat's birthday bash	<u>Terry Pratchett</u> Dragons at crumbling castle. The time travelling caveman. The carpet People The Witch's vacuum cleaner	<u>David Walliams</u> Slime The world's worst children The ice Monster Grandpa's great escape Daemon dentist	Little People, Big dreams- Amelia Earhart Little People, Big dreams- Florence Nightingale Little People, Big dreams- Pele Women in Science- Rachel Ignatofsky	<u>Ben Miller</u> The Night We got Stuck In a story The Day I fell into fairy-tale. How I become a dog called Midnight The boy who made the world disappear	<u>David Baddiel</u> The boy who got accidentally famous Head Kid Future Friend The Taylor Turbo Chaser
Year 5	<u>Phillip Pullman</u> Clockwork The Firework Maker's Daughter Count Kalstein I was a rat	<u>Gillian Cross</u> The Daemon headmaster The monster snowman The Great elephant chase The dark behind the curtain (10+)	<u>Polly Ho-Yen</u> Boy in the tower The day no one woke up Where monsters lie How I saved the world in a week	Little People, Big dreams- Mary Shelley Little People, Big dreams- Michelle Obama Little People, Big dreams- Malala Yousafzai The newspaper club- Beth Varabel	<u>Frank Cottrell Boyce</u> Noah's Gold Sputnik's guide to life on Earth Runaway Robot Millions...the not so great train Robbery	<u>Onjali q raúf</u> The Boy at the Back of the Class. The Night Bus Hero The Star outside my Window
Year 6	<u>Michael Morpurgo</u> Billy the Kid Toro Toro The Butterfly Lion Kensuke's Kingdom	<u>Ross Welford</u> Time travelling with a hamster 1000 year old boy Into the sideways world The dog who saved the world	<u>Priscilla Mante</u> The Dream Team: Jaz Santos Vs. the World The Dream Team: Charligh Green vs. The Spotlight The Dream Team: Naomie Mensa vs. the Future	Little People, Big dreams- Charles Darwin Little People, Big dreams- Anne Frank Little People, Big dreams- Coco Chanel Break out- Kate Messner	<u>Sharna Jackson</u> The Good Turn High Rise Mystery Mic Drop-A High Rise Mystery Peak Peril	<u>Ross Mackenzie</u> The Nowhere Emporium The elsewhere Emporium Shadowsmith Evernight

