



Clarendon Infants and Junior School's Reading Spine



Year 1

At Clarendon Infants School and Clarendon Junior School, we have developed a 'Reading Spine' of core, high quality texts for each year group from EYFS to Year 6. It consists of wide range of books to inspire and enthuse children's reading. We are incredibly passionate about providing children with high quality texts to help them become confident, lifelong readers. They are shared with all the children in different ways – they may be read to the children, used a stimulus for writing in English lessons or during Reading celebration days.

The books on the spine are a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry to ensure children explore a breadth of text types and genres to help them find their favourite. This spine has been inspired by the 5 plagues of reading which ensures children are exposed to different text types such as: archaic language, non-linear narrative, symbolism, complexity of narrator and resistant texts. We have also included texts which are diverse, encourage oral storytelling and promote wellbeing.

Book Title	Author(s)	Tick once read
Avacado Baby	John Burningham	
Elmer	David McKee	
The Elephant and the Bad Baby	Elfrida Vipont and Raymond Briggs	
The Tiger Who Came to Tea	Judith Kerr	
Traditional Tale: The Three Little Pigs	Various authors	
Dogger	Shirley Hughes	
Cops and Robbers	Allan and Janet Ahlberg	
Beegu	Alexis Deacon	
Black and White	David Macaulay	
Voices in the Park	Anthony Brown	
The Wolf Story: What Really Happened to Little Red Riding Hood	Toby Forward	
Knuffle Bunny	Mo Willems	
Grandad's Island	Benji Davies	
Lost and Found	Oliver Jeffers	
Mirror	Jeanne Baker	
The proudest Blue	Ibtihaj Muhammad	
My Must Have Mum	Maudie Smith	
The Invisible	Tom Percival	
The Heart and the Bottle	Oliver Jeffers	
The Sea Book	Charlotte Milner	
All Kinds of Homes	Emma Damon	
The Great Big Book of Families	Katie Hoffman	
Twinkle Twinkle Chocolate Bar	John Foster	
Hey! Little Bug	James Carter	
The Puffin Book of Fantastic First Poems	June Crebbin	

