



Our Literature Spine – St Mary’s (Endowed) CE VA Primary School

At St. Mary's are committed to sharing high quality books with our children. These texts have been mapped carefully to ensure a breadth of experiences, authors, texts and themes is addressed across the Primary years. In addition to these texts, there are core poems that each year group will study in detail. We follow the CUSP reading curriculum which provides opportunities for children to study these texts in depth. They will also cover other texts within reading sessions and the curriculum as a whole.

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Elm Class Y1/2 Cycle 1 (2023-24)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beegu • Where the Wild Things Are 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Storm Whale • The Owl and the Pussy Cat (<i>Edward Lear</i>) • Aesop's Fables – The Boy who Cried Wolf 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Tale of Peter Rabbit • Look Up! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Here We Are! • Chocolate Cake 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There's a Rangan in my Bedroom • And Tango makes Three 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Lion Inside • Aesop's Fables – The Hare and the Tortoise • The Proudest Blue
Elm Class Y1/2 Cycle 2 (2024-25)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grandad's Island • Aesop's Fables – The Goose who laid the Golden Eggs • Mrs Noah's Pockets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paddington • The Christmas Pine (<i>Julia Donaldson</i>) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Quangle Wangle's Hat (<i>Edward Lear</i>) • Coming to England • The Street Beneath my Feet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Rhythm of the Rain • Little People, Big Dreams (<i>David Attenborough</i>) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fantastically Great Women who Changed the World • Aesop's Fables – The Sun and the Wind 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fantastic Mr Fox
Beech Class Y3/4 Cycle 1 (2023-24)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greta and the Giants • The Pebble in my Pocket 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leon and the Place Between • 'Twas the Night Before Christmas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sam Wu is Not Afraid of the Dark • My Shadow (<i>Robert Louis Stephenson</i>) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operation Gadgetman 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Dancing Bear 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Magician's Nephew
Beech Class Y3/4 Cycle 2 (2024-25)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Queen's Nose • Young, Gifted and Black 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young, Gifted and Black • Caged Bird (<i>Maya Angelou</i>) • The Girl who Stole an Elephant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Girl who Stole an Elephant • The Boy at the Back of the Class 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Boy at the Back of the Class • Varjak Paw 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Varjak Paw • The Wind in the Willows 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Wind in the Willows • The Walrus and the Carpenter (<i>Edward Lear</i>) • The Raven (<i>Edgar Allan Poe</i>)



<p>Oak Class Y5/6 Cycle 1 (2023-24)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shackleton's Journey 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secrets of a Sun King • If <i>(Rudyard Kipling)</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Midsummer's Night Dream • I am not a Label 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boy in the Tower • Daffodils <i>(William Wordsworth)</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Explorer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five Children and It
<p>Oak Class Y5/6 Cycle 2 (2024-25)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rooftoppers • The Listeners <i>(Walter de la Mare)</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pig Heart Boy • How to Live Forever 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Aboard the Empire Windrush • The Island 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skellig • A Carol from Flanders <i>(Frederick Niven)</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Dickens – Oliver Twist 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dare to be You