



Killamarsh Infant and Nursery School's Reading Spine

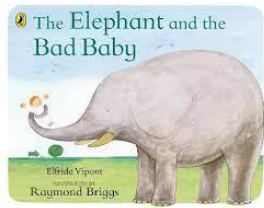
At Killamarsh Infant and Nursery School we have developed a 'Reading Spine' of core, high quality texts for each year group from Nursery to Year 2. It consists of wide range of books to inspire and enthuse children's reading.

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.

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. We have also included texts which are diverse, encourage oral storytelling and promote wellbeing.

Year 1

Book Title and Author	Book Description
 <p>Avacado Baby John Burningham</p>	<p>Modern Classic</p> <p>The Hargraves want their new baby to grow up big and strong. But the baby will hardly eat a thing. One day Mrs Hargraves finds an avocado in the fruit bowl and the baby gobbles it up. Soon, the strangest things start to happen. A book of humour that supports a discussion about being strong and weak.</p>



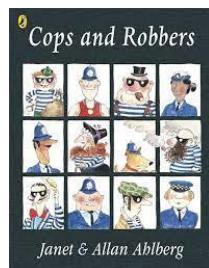
The Elephant and the Bad Baby
Elfrida Vipont and Raymond Briggs

Modern Classic

Follow along with the adventures of a giant elephant and a mischievous baby in this timeless picture-book story.

When an Elephant meets a Bad Baby and offers them a ride, it's the start of a wild adventure - going 'rumpeta, rumpeta, rumpeta' down the road, and helping themselves to ice creams, lollipops, and all manner of sweet treats.

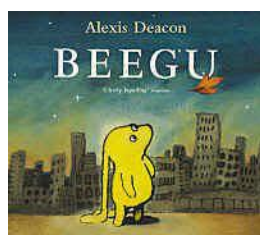
But as a long line of disgruntled shopkeepers and salespeople begin to follow them, Bad Baby learns the importance of saying 'please,' and all the trouble you can get into if you forget . . .



Cops and Robbers
Allan and Janet Ahlberg

Classic Picture Book

The robbers of London town plan a desperate crime one Christmas Eve - to steal all the toys they can lay their hands on! Fortunately, the robbers meet their match in brave office Pugh who leaps into action and arrests the villains - all except Grandma Swagg who manages to get away.



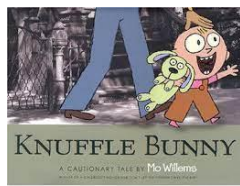
Beegu
Alexis Deacon

Classic Story Book

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 . . .

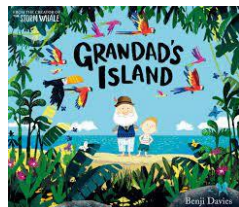
Re-read and track the ups and downs of what happens and what Beegu feels and might be thinking.



Knuffle Bunny
Mo Willems

Cautionary Tale

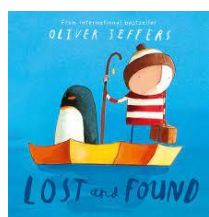
This is the brilliantly true-to-life tale of what happens when Daddy's in charge and things go terribly, hilariously wrong. The visually striking story follows Daddy, Trixie and Knuffle Bunny on their trip to the neighbourhood Laundromat. But their adventure takes a dramatic turn when Trixie realizes somebunny's been left behind... And no matter how hard she tries to tell dad, he just doesn't understand!



Grandad's Island
Benji Davies

Modern Classic

At the bottom of Syd's garden, through the gate and past the tree, is Grandad's house. Syd can let himself in any time he likes. But one day when Syd comes to call, Grandad isn't in any of the usual places. He's in the attic, where he ushers Syd through a door, and the two of them journey to a wild, beautiful island awash in color where Grandad decides he will remain. So Syd hugs Grandad one last time and sets sail for home. Visiting Grandad's house at the bottom of the garden again, he finds it just the same as it's always been — except that Grandad isn't there anymore. Sure to provide comfort to young children struggling to understand loss, Benji Davies's tale is a sensitive and beautiful reminder that our loved ones live on in our memories long after they're gone.



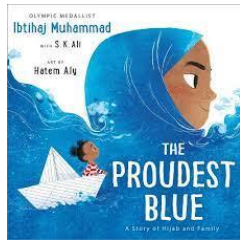
Lost and Found
Oliver Jeffers

Modern Classic

A magical story from award-winning international bestselling picture book creator, Oliver Jeffers

There once was a boy and one day a penguin arrives on his doorstep. The boy decides the penguin must be lost and tries

to return him. But no one seems to be missing a penguin. So the boy decides to take the penguin home himself, and they set out in his row boat on a journey to the South Pole. But when they get there, the boy discovers that maybe home wasn't what the penguin was looking for after all.



The Proudest Blue

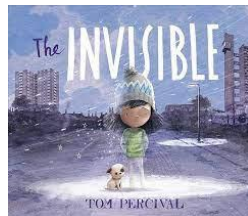
Ibtihaj Muhammad and S. K. Ali

Modern Picture Book

Asiya's hijab is like the ocean and the sky, no line between them, saying hello with a loud wave.

It's Faizah's first day of school, and her older sister Asiya's first day of hijab – made of a beautiful blue fabric. But not everyone sees hijab as beautiful. In the face of hurtful, confusing words, will Faizah find new ways to be strong?

This is an uplifting, universal story of new experiences, the unbreakable bond shared by siblings and of being proud of who you are, from Olympic medallist Ibtihaj Muhammad.



The Invisible

Tom Percival

Modern Picture Book

A moving, powerful story that shines a light on those that feel invisible in our world - and shows us that we ALL belong.

The Invisible is the story of a young girl called Isabel and her family. They don't have much, but they have what they need to get by. Until one day, there isn't enough money to pay their rent and bills and they have to leave their home full of happy memories and move to the other side of the city.

It is the story of a girl who goes on to make one of the hardest things anyone can ever make...a difference. We all belong.



The Great Big Book of Families
Mary Hoffman and Ros Asquith

Non-Fiction

Mary Hoffman takes a look through children's eyes at the wide varieties of family life: from homes, food, ways of celebrating, schools and holidays to getting around, jobs and housework, from extended families, languages and hobbies to pets and family trees - and she concludes that, for most people, their own family is the best one of all!



The Puffin Book of Fantastic First Poems
June Crebbin

Poetry

A great first poetry book; the poems span time, from Robert Louis Stevenson and Walter de la Mare right up to date with Roger McGough and Michael Rosen. Themes covered, such as mealtimes, playtime, animals, family and bedtime, really appeal to young readers. A truly lovely collection of all-time favourite poems.



The Wolf Story: The Real Story of Little Red Riding Hood
Toby Forward

Traditional Tale – Retold!

The real story of Little Red Riding Hood – told by the Wolf himself!

Recounted in the confidential, conversational voice of a New York wheeler-dealer, this funny version of the Grimm Brothers' Little Red Riding Hood is retold from a fresh perspective – the Wolf's! Full of humorous revelations and surprises, the story shows, as it unfolds, how a series of misunderstandings and accidents leads to his vilification.