

KS2 Reading Spine



At Rainford CE, reading is at the heart of our curriculum, and we ensure that reading for pleasure is a core part of every child's educational entitlement, whatever their background or attainment. Developing the ability to read well and to love reading is our highest priority, and our intent is that all children become independent, confident, and successful life-long readers.

The aim of our reading spine is to expose children to a wide range of high-quality texts which will develop their love of reading and enable them to develop culturally, intellectually, socially and spiritually. We believe it is the right of every children to learn to read but we also hope that our children will develop a deep love of reading that will stay with them as they go onto the next stage of their education.

The books on our reading spine are available for children to read independently in school or as their home/school reader and a selection will also be read as part of the curriculum and as whole-class readers. The books on the reading spine have been chosen with the following in mind:

- books which positively reflect children's interests and backgrounds
- books which deal with important themes
- books by significant children's authors
- traditional and contemporary 'classics' of children's literature
- stories from different cultural settings
- books which broaden children's knowledge of the world
- books which expose children to a rich vocabulary and language

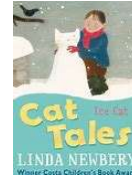
Year 3



The Iron Man
Ted Hughes



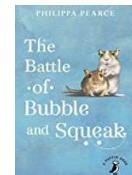
Charlotte's Web
EB White



Cat Tales: Ice Cat
Linda Newbery



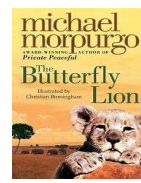
Cloud Busting
Malorie Blackman



The Battle of Bubble and Squeak
Philippa Pearce



Hansel and Gretel
Anthony Browne



The Butterfly Lion
Michael Morpurgo



The Accidental Prime Minister
Tom McLaughlin



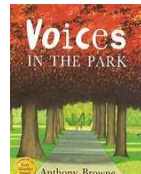
The Boy Who Grew Dragons
Andy Shepherd



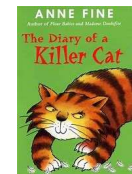
The Reluctant Dragon
Kenneth Grahame



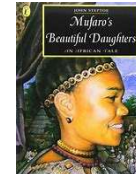
The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs
Jon Scieszka



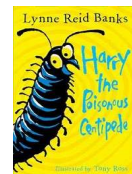
Voices in the Park
Anthony Browne



The Diary of a Killer Cat
Anne Fine



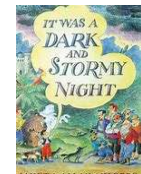
Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters
John Steptoe



Harry the Poisonous Centipede
Lynne Reid Banks



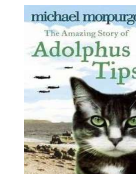
The Lost Thing
Shaun Tan



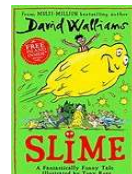
It Was a Dark and Stormy Night
Janet Ahlberg



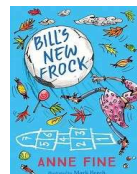
George's Marvellous Medicine
Roald Dahl



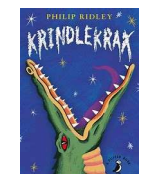
The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips
Michael Morpurgo



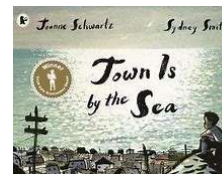
Slime
David Williams



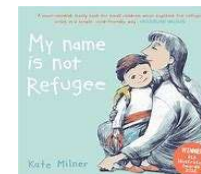
Bill's New Frock
Anne Fine



Krindlekrax
Philip Ridley



Town is by the Sea
Joanne Schwartz

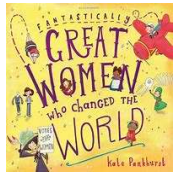


My Name is not Refugee
Kate Milner



FARThER
Grahame Barker-Smith

Year 4



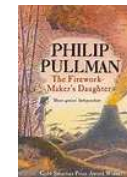
Great Women who Changed the World
Kate Pankhurst



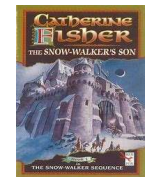
The Sheep-Pig
Dick-King-Smith



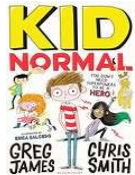
Why the Whales Came Michael
Morpurgo



The Firework - Maker's Daughter
Phillip Pullman



The Snow Walker's Son Catherine
Fisher



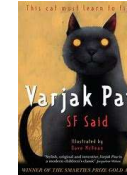
Kid Normal
Greg James



The Wild Robot
Peter Brown



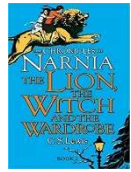
How to Train your Dragon Cressida
Cowell



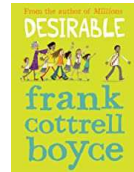
Varjak Paw
SF Said



The Extincts
Veronica Cossanteli



The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe
C.S Lewis



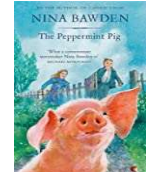
Desirable
Frank Cottrell Boyce



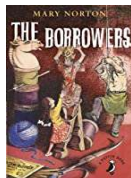
My Brother is a Superhero
David Solomons



The 13 Storey Treehouse
Andy Griffiths



The Peppermint Pig
Nina Bawden



The Borrowers
Mary Norton



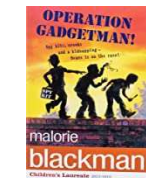
The Highland Falcon Thief
M G Leonard



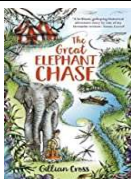
The Railway Children
E Nesbit



Matilda
Roald Dahl



Operation Gadgetman
Malorie Blackman



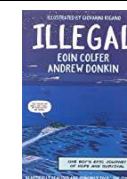
The Great Elephant Chase
Gillian Cross



Dragons at Crumbling Castle
Terry Pratchett



Cliffhanger
Jacqueline Wilson



Illegal
Eoin Colfer



The Girl who Stole an Elephant
Nizrana Farook

Year 5



Skellig
David Almond



Wolf Brother
Michelle Paver



Street Child
Berlie Doherty



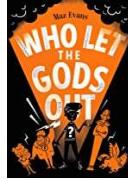
The Midnight Fox
Betsy Byars



Tom's Midnight Garden
Phillipa Pearce



The Nowhere Emporium
Ross MacKenzie



Who Let the Gods Out
Maz Evans



Beetle Boy
MG Leonard



Boy in the Tower
Polly Ho-Yen



Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone
J. K. Rowling



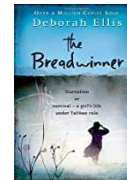
When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit
Judith Kerr



Brightstorm: A Sky-Ship Adventure
Vashti Hardy



Artemis Fowl
Eoin Colfer



The Breadwinner
Deborah Ellis



Stig of the Dump
Clive King



Moondial
Helen Cresswell



Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief
Rick Riordan



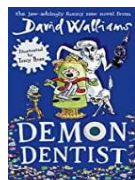
The House with Chicken Legs
Sophie Anderson



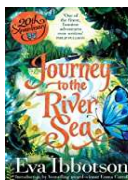
The Secret Garden
Frances Hodgson Burnett



Five Children and It
E Nesbit



Demon Dentist
David Walliams



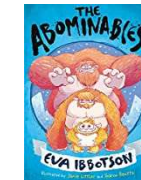
Journey to the River Sea
Eva Ibbotson



The Unforgotten Coat
Frank Cottrell Boyce

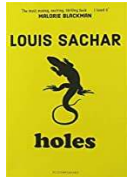


Oranges in No Man's Land
Elizabeth Laird

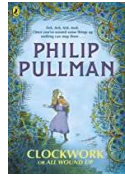


The Abominables
Eva Ibbotson

Year 6



Holes
Louis Sachar



Clockwork
Phillip Pullman



The Hobbit
J.R.R. Tolkien



Letters from the Lighthouse
Emma Carroll



Fireweed
Jill Paton Walsh



River Boy
Tim Bowler



The Arrival
Shaun Tan



Wonder
R.J. Palacio



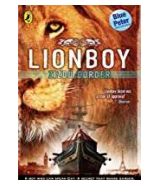
The Boy at the Back of the Class
Onjali Rauf



Goodnight Mr Tom
Michelle Magorian



The Girl of Ink and Stars
Kiran Millwood Hargrave



Lion Boy
Zizou Corder



A Boy Called Hope
Lara Williamson



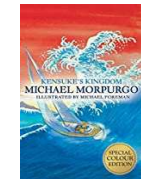
The Wolves of Willoughby Chase
Joan Aiken



Time Travelling with a Hamster
Ross Welford



Cogheart
Peter Bunzl



Kensuke's Kingdom
Michael Morpurgo



The Silver Sword
Ian Serraillier



The Wheel of Surya
Jamila Gavin



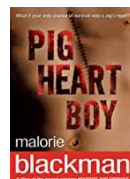
Malamander
Thomas Taylor



The Island
Armin Greder



The Explorer
Katherine Rundell



Pig Heart Boy
Malorie Blackman



Private Peaceful
Michael Morpurgo



The Terrible Thing that Happened to
Baraby Brocket John Boyne

