



Reading Long Term Plan Spine: 2024-25
'Excellence, Enjoyment and achievement together in a nurturing Christian Community'
'They will soar on wings like Eagles – Isaiah
40:31'





Reading at St. Helen's Intent:

Our vision for reading is for all our children to develop a love of reading and use reading skills to connect themselves with each other, their community, society and the world. We know that being an expert reader unlocks better life chances and closes the gap for children who experience disadvantage. Reading is a right for all not a privilege for a few. All our children get the best possible start by securing early reading skills through our phonics programme Read Write Inc. From here, all our children use their decoding skills to develop comprehension skills and broaden their understanding of the world through age-appropriate texts. Our children are inspired to value reading. Through the strategy, we ensure all children have reading confidence, so they are ready for the next stage of their education. We use a systematic approach to teaching reading that is built around the principles of the simple view: word reading (Read Write Inc phonics) and comprehension (Scarborough's reading rope) This reading sequence begins in EYFS with prioritising decoding through explicit teaching of phonics and book talk. In Year 2, children engage in high quality book talk about age-appropriate texts. This is priorities after children have completed their RWInc. programme, although book talk through develop a more in-depth understanding of quality texts and extracts linked to their curriculum theme through whole class reading that using an 'improving inference' teaching sequence. Our teachers know that reading a broad range of texts is a key component to using reading to develop a rich knowledge and understanding of the word. We ensure that throughout all our provision, teachers build reading relationships with children, offering recommendation and links to other authors. In doing this we are preparing for the next stage of their education.

Please note this is the reading spine of books that will be covered in English lessons and Connected Curriculum topics. The English overview – also includes the information around any stimuli that is used to inspire children including videos and animations. This English overview will also show the poetry that is covered. This plan below shows the reading books that our children will have opportunity to immerse themselves in.

	EYFS						
	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6	
Global	Peace and Conflict	Identity and Diversity	Rights and	Social Justice	Global Neighbours	Sustainable	
curriculum	How can we get	What makes me	Responsibilities	What is fair?	What can you see	Environmental	
theme	along?	special?	How do our actions	Meet foodbank	from your	Development	
Big	Cherry class charter	Nativity performance	make others feel?	and encourage	window?	How can we make a	
Question	Cooperation and	Communication	Interviewing a	donations	Video showing	difference to our	
Product	Conflict resolution	Making decisions	police officer	Self-awareness	what we see from	world?	
outcome	Empathy		Cooperation and	and reflection	our window	Litter pick and sort.	
Brave			Conflict resolution	Communication	Making decisions	Critical and creative	
changemake			Empathy		and cooperation	thinking	
r skills					and conflict	Managing change	
					resolution		
Provision	Marvellous me and	Being special	Superheroes brave	Once upon a	Let's go outside!	Under the sea	
theme	my friends		the cold!	time			
linked to							
GC, time of							
year and							
children's							
interests.							
Key texts	The Smartest Giant	The Colour Monster	Penguin	Jack and the	The Hungry	The Rainbow Fish	
May adapt	in Town	Rama and Sita/Binny's	Cops and Robbers	Beanstalk	Caterpillar	Pirates Love	
due to	The Gruffalo	Diwali	Supertato (Evil Pea	The Gingerbread	Farmer Duck	Underpants	
children's	Room on the Broom	Owl Babies	freezing)	Man	Norman the Slug	The Night Pirates?	
interests.	The Scarecrow's	The Elves and the		The Three Little	with the Silly Shell	Dear Greenpeace	
	Wedding	Shoemaker	A Superhero like	Pigs	Where the Wild	Somebody Swallowed	
	Book on	Stickman	you (NF link to a	Three Billy Goats	things are	Stanley	
	farming/harvest	The Jolly Postman	people who help us	Gruff		Barry the Fish with	
	(NF)	The Christmas Story	book)			Fingers	

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				Little Red Riding	Poles Apart by	The Coral Kingdom (NF)
		Little Glow (link to NF)		Hood	Jeanne Willis and	
				Goldilocks	Jarvis	
				Little Red Hen	NF?	
			YEAR 1			•
	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Connected	Peace and Conflict		Rights and Responsibilities		Global Neighbours	
Curriculum						
Reading in English Lessons:	FLYING DOCTORS JULIA DOLALISSON AVELS GIRFHER	OWL BABIES MARTIN WADDELL + PATRICK BENSON	Alba THE HUNDRED YEAR OLD FISH WHALE Benji Davo	GRACE DARLING VICTORIAN HEROINE	journey hom	e
RWI and						
Reading For						
Pleasure			YEAR 2			
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	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Connected	Peace and Conflict		Rights and Responsibilities		Global Neighbours	
Curriculum						



RWI and Reading For Pleasure: Just Read							
	YEAR 4						
	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6	
Connected Curriculum Reading in English Lessons	Peace and Conflict THE POLAR EXPRESS Autron Becker		Rights and Responsibilities Robert Swindells ICE PALACE		Global Neighbours THE IRON MAN Ted Hughes THE GOLD IN THE GRAVE		
Reading For Pleasure: Just Read							
YEAR 5							
	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6	
Connected Curriculum	Peace and Conflict The Path Machine Gunners ROBERT WESTALL		Rights and Responsibilities CHARIOTTE CRAIL KY COAFT		Global Neighbours PHILIP PULLMAN FIREWORK-MAKER'S DAUGHTER DAUGHTER THE FIREWORK AND A MAKER'S DAUGHTE		

Reading For Pleasure: Just Read	Winner of the Clineage Model TOMS MUDNIGHT GARDEN **Refer took Multi-Palmate* PHILIPPA PEARCE				
			YEAR 6		_
	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5
6			BOOK OF	The state of the s	Term 6
Connected Curriculum	Machine Guners ROBERT WESTALL		GREEK MYTHS	COGHEART	H
Reading For Pleasure: Just Read		ATER LAKE LAKE AND PLANT WITH DEPTHA E WESTOVER			