

 **Holy Cross Catholic Primary School**

 KS2 Reading Spine: 2021 – 2022

At Holy Cross, we strive to develop ‘a love of reading’ in all of our children. As part of this, we have developed a ‘reading spine’. This is a core set of books that create a living library inside a child’s mind. These are not the only books that our children will read whilst they are at Holy Cross; they will encounter many other texts. The books, outlined below, will, on the most part, be enjoyed for pleasure. Each class teacher will read each text aloud to the class. As a staff team, we have carefully selected the texts that we believe our children should experience before they leave school.

Note: This is a working document which is subject to change.

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|  | **Autumn 1** | **Autumn 2** | **Spring 1** | **Spring 2** | **Summer 1** | **Summer 2** |
| **F1** | The Three Little PigsWe’re Going On a Leaf HuntFunny BonesRoom On The BroomNoah’s ArkDinosaur Starts SchoolWhat Makes Me Happy?And many more! | Goldilocks And The Three BearsDear SantaBeeguYou Choose SpaceThe Ugly DucklingWe’re GoingOn An Elf ChaseAnd many more! | We’re Going On A Bear HuntIn The CastleThe Knight And The DragonLittle Lost PenguinPenguin SmallCan’t You Sleep Little Bear?Desert Night Desert DayAnd many more! | The GruffaloIn Wibbly’s GardenJaspers BeanstalkDoras EggsIncy Wincy SpiderSuperwormThe BumblebearAnd many more! | Dear ZooI Love AnimalsWhat Makes A Rainbow?The Little RaindropDaisy’s Giant SunflowerPeppa’s Vegetable GardenWhy Should I Eat Well?And many more! | The Train RideWhen A Dragon Goes To SchoolThe Pirate CruncherYou Can Swim JimThe Beastly PiratesWhat Pirates Really DoMr Honey’s HolidayAnd many more! |
| **F2** | The Three Little PigsPuss In BootsAnd many more! | Whatever NextChristmas StoryAnd many more! | Aliens Love UnderpantsChinese New YearAnd many more! | The Hungry CaterpillarEaster StoryAnd many more! | Handa’s SurpriseSix Dinner SidAnd many more! | Commotion in the OceanRainbow FishAnd many more! |
| **Y1** | Avocado Baby – John Burningham | Knuffle Bunny – Mo WillamsFox Club Rescue – Julie Sykes | Dogger – Shirley HughesA Robot Squashed My Teacher – Pooja Puri | Elmer – David MckeeThe Treasure Under The Jam Factory – Chrissie Sains | Leonora Bolt – Lucy Brandt | Freddie The Superstar – Neill Cameron |
| **Y2** | Aesop’s Fables - Michael Morpurgo | The HodgeHeg - Dick King Smith | Percy Jackson Lightning Thief – Rick Riordan  | Fantastic Mr Fox - Roald Dahl | George's Marvelous Medicine - Roald Dahl | Fing – David Walliams |
| **Y3** | Fearless Fairy Tales – Konnie Huq | Esio Trot – Roald Dahl | Cat Tales – Linda Newberry | The Abominables – Dick King Smith | Hansel and Gretel – Anthony Browne | The Battle of Bubble and Squeak – Philippa Pearce |
| **Y4** | The Suitcase Kid – Jacqueline Wilson | The Last Castaways – Harry Horse | The Day I Fell Into a Fairy Tale – Ben Miller | Charlotte’s Wen – E B White | Beowolf - Michael Morpurgo | Bill’s New Frock – Anne FineThe Last Bear – Hannah Gold |
| **Y5** | Street Child – Berlie Doherty | Tom’s Midnight Garden – Phillipa Pearce | When the Sky Falls – Phil Earle | Thief – Malorie Blackman | The Week at World’s End – Emma Carroll | Freedom – Catherine Johnson |
| **Y6** | Fireweed – Jill Paton Walsh | The Boy at the Back of the Class – Onjali Q Rauf | Survivors – David Long  | Pig Heart Boy – Malorie Blackman | Skellig – Michael Almond  | Room 13 – Robert Swindells  |