



Stalham Infant & Junior Schools Reading Spine



*Featured author (FA) / Inclusion & meeting needs of all (INC) / Mentally healthy & emotionally literate (MH)

Year Group	*	Core Books	Other recommended reads
Nursery	FA	Tales from Acorn Wood (6 titles) - Julia Donaldson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each, Peach, Pear, Plum - Janet and Allan Ahlberg • Where's Spot - Eric Hill • Come on Daisy - Jane Simmons • Dear Zoo - Rod Campbell • You Choose - Nick Sharrat and Pippa Goodheart • We're Going on a Bear Hunt - Michael Rosen
	FA	Peepo - Janet and Allan Ahlberg	
	MH	Kindness Makes Us Strong - Sophie Beer Barbara Throws a Wobbler - Nadia Shireen	
	INC	Who Are You? - Smriti Halls	
Reception	FA	Super worm & Stickman - Julia Donaldson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whatever Next - Jill Murphy • You Choose - Fairy Tales - Nick Sharrat and Pippa Goodheart • Farmer Duck - Martin Waddell & Helen Oxenbury • Six Dinner Sid - Inga Moore • Owl Babies - Martin Waddle & Patrick Benson
	FA	Each, Peach, Pear, Plum- Janet and Allan Ahlberg	
	MH	The Colour Monster - Anna Llenas Fabulous Frankie - Simon James Green	
	INC	Super Duper You - Sophy Henn	
Year 1	FA	Julia Donaldson - Gruffalo's Child & Zog.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Tiger who Came for Tea - Judith Kerr • Peace at Last - Jill Murphy • Elma - David McKee • Where the Wild Things Are - Maurice Sendak • Beegu - Alexis Deacon • The Elephant and the Bad Baby - Elfrida Vipont & Raymond Briggs
	FA	Funnybones- Janet and Allan Ahlberg The Jolly Postman	
	MH	We Feel Happy: A fantastic first book of feelings! - Katie Abey You Matter - Christian Robinson	
	INC	On Sudden Hill - Linda Sarah	
Year 2	FA	Julia Donaldson - The Smeds and the Smoos & Paper dolls.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meerkat Mail - Emily Gravett • Traction Man - Mini Grey • Amazing Grace - Mary Hoffman & Caroline Binch • The Barnabus Project - The Fan Brothers • Mr Penguin and the Lost Treasure - Alex T Smith
	FA	Burglar Bill - Janet and Allan Ahlberg The Jolly Christmas Postman	
	MH	An Emotional Menagerie: Feelings from A to Z - The School of Life	
	INC	The Invisible - Tom Percival	

Year 3	FA	Fantastic Mr Fox - Roald Dahl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hansel and Gretal - Anthony Browne ● The Abominables - Eva Ibbotson ● Llama Out Loud - Annabelle Sami ● The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe - C.S. Lewis ● The Legend of Podkin One Ear - Kieran Larwood ● Nims' Island - Wendy Orr ● Sunflower Sisters - Monika Singh Gangotra
	FA	Hope on the Horizon - Onjali Rauf	
	FA	Barney the Horse and Other Tales from the Farm - Michael Morpurgo	
	MH	After the Fall - Dan Santat	
	INC	The Proudest Blue: A Story of Hijab and Family - Ibtihaj Muhammad	
Year 4	FA	The Twits - Roald Dahl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bill's New Frock - Anne Fine ● The Girl who Stole an Elephant - Nizrana Farook ● The Outlaw Varjak Paw - S.F. Said ● Voices in the Park - Anthony Brown ● Why the Whales Came - Michael Morpurgo ● The Last Bear - Hannah Gold
	FA	The Great Foodbank Heist - Onjali Rauf	
	FA	The Butterfly Lion - Michael Morpurgo	
	MH	Being Me: Poems About Thoughts, Worries and Feelings - Liz Brownlee	
	INC	Sulwe - Lupita Nyong'o	
Year 5	FA	George's marvellous medicine - Roald Dahl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Wolf Brother - Michelle Paver ● Northern Lights - Philip Pullman ● Tom's Midnight Garden - Phillipa Pearce ● Freedom 1794 - Catherine Jonston ● Thief - Mallory Blackman ● The Cursed Child - J.K. Rowling
	FA	The Night Bus Hero - Onjali Rauf	
	FA	The Giant's Necklace - Michael Morpurgo	
	MH	The Mystery of the Colour Thief - Ewa Jozefkowicz	
	INC	Journey to Jo'Burg - Beverley Naidoo	
Year 6	FA	James & the giant peach - Roald Dahl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Hobbit - JRR Tolkin ● The Unforgotten Coat - Frank Cottrell-Boyce ● Skellig - David Almond ● A Web of Air - Philip Reeve ● River Boy - Tim Bowler ● Cogheart - Peter Bunzi ● A Kind of Spark - Elle McNicoll
	FA	The Lion Above the Door - Onjali Rauf	
	FA	An Elephant in the Garden - Michael Morpurgo	
	MH	The Red Tree - Shaun Tan	
	INC	George - Alex Gino	