

At Green Lane, we awaken the inner reader in every child. We recognise that learning to read unlocks unlimited possibilities so from their very first day with us in Nursery, our pupils are given the skills to enable them to decode and understand language to ensure that they become independent, confident and fluent readers at the earliest possible stage.

Every one of our pupils will grow into life-long readers who take pleasure in learning from, or escaping in, a great book every day in school and at home. At our school, our children are surrounded by a plethora of engaging, informative, enjoyable and challenging texts across the curriculum and have access to stimulating reading environments which promote and celebrate a passion for reading. All our children enjoy the pleasure of being read to everyday. They are guided in finding and choosing books that they love as well as being introduced to exciting new authors, poets and topics to broaden and enrich their reading diet.

Throughout our curriculum, our pupils read, comprehend, interpret and respond to texts that inspire them, educate them, enrich their vocabulary, challenge their thinking, make them laugh, make them cry and most importantly, teach them to understand, empathise with and value different cultures, traditions and opinions- real or imagined.

Please note that the books highlighted in green are books that form part of our curriculum. To get the most out of learning, it would be helpful if the children have not read these core texts ahead of time.

Book Title	Author
Stig of the Dump	Clive King
The Iron Man	Ted Hughes
The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane	Kate DiCamillo
The Great Kapok Tree	Lynne Cherry
We Animals Would Like a Word With You	John Agard
Mr Popper's Penguins	Richard & Florence Atwater
The Winter Hedgehog	Ann & Reg Cartwright
Woof!	Allan Ahlberg
Clothes Horse and O	Allan Ahlberg
The Giant Baby	Allan Ahlberg
A Necklace of Raindrops	Joan Aiken
Fog Hounds, Wind Cat, Sea Mice	Joan Aiken
Play	Jonathan Allen
Daft Jack and the Bean Stack	Laurence Anholt
The Railway Cat	Phyllis Arkle
Wasim in the Deep End	Chris Ashley
Where the Forest Meets the Sea	Jeannie Baker
Keeping Henry	Nina Bawden
Ms Wiz Series	Terence Blacker
Whizziwig	Malorie Blackman
Mrs Armitage and the Big Wave	Quentin Blake
Freckle Juice	Judy Blume

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The Famous Five	Enid Blyton
The Magic Faraway Tree	Enid Blyton
Island of Adventure	Enid Blyton
St Clare's Series	Enid Blyton
Malory Towers	Enid Blyton
Michael Bond	A Bear called Paddington
Sam the Girl Detective	Tony Bradman
Dimarche Diller Series	Henrietta Branford
Flat Stanley	Jeff Brown
Arthur Baby-Sits	Marc Brown
Zoo	Anthony Browne
The Earth Giant	Melvin Burgess
The Midnight Fox	Betsy Byars
Mr Majeika	Humphrey Carpenter
Clarice Bean That's Me	Lauren Child
Ramona Series	Beverley Cleary
Storm	Kevin Crossley-Holland
The Magic Finger	Roald Dahl
My Naughty Little Sister Stories	Dorothy Edwards
Harriet the Spy	Louise Fitzhugh
Grandfather's Pencil and the Room of Stories	Michael Foreman
How to Write Really Badly	Anne Fine
Solo	Paul Geraghty
Spook Summer	Mary Hooper
The Falcon's Malteser	Anthony Horowitz
Amina's Blanket	Helen Dunmore
Willa and Old Miss Annie	Berlie Doherty
Jamela's Dress	Niki Daly
The Sea Piper	Helen Cresswell
Love that Dog	Sharon Creech
Cool	Michael Morpurgo
The Hundred Mile an Hour Dog	Jeremy Strong
Return of the Hundred Mile an Hour Dog	Jeremy Strong
The Littlest Viking	Sandi Toksvig

'Reading changes your life. Reading unlocks worlds unknown or forgotten, taking travellers around the world and through time. Reading helps you escape the confines of school and pursue your own education. Through characters – the saints and the sinners, real or imagined – reading shows you how to be a better human being.' - Donalyn Miller

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