

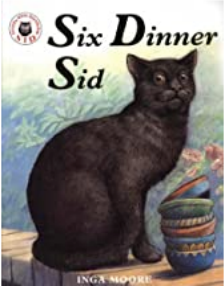
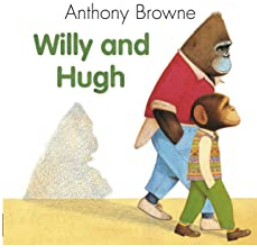
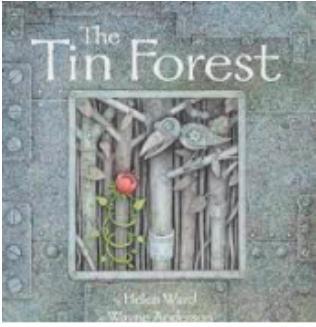
## Chesterfield Core Text

Year 2

Our reading spine is designed using books – written by inspirational authors – which we value and want the children to have read by the time they leave primary education. The texts are purposefully selected to take the reader on a journey, from sharing picture books, to sharing a range of chapter books that gradually expose the reader to beautifully crafted storylines with evermore intriguing and challenging themes. Some books also fit with the year group's Learning Quest and science topics.


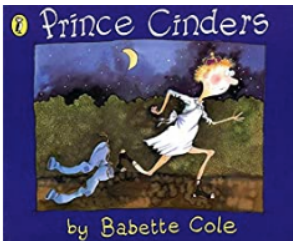
Research shows that sharing quality narratives, which the children would not necessarily choose to read for themselves, develops not only a love of reading but improves vocabulary development and language skills, develops imagination and empathy, and enables children to learn about people, places and events outside of their own experience. In turn, this promotes achievement in all writing genres across the curriculum.

This pack contains your core texts – 1 per half term – and a poetry anthology. Fairy stories should be revisited throughout the year. The books should be kept in the zippy wallet and remain available in the classroom. Children should be read to for 15 minutes each day. One reading session a week should be replaced with a poem from the year group poetry anthology.

1		<p><b><u>Six Dinner Sid by Inga Moore</u></b></p> <p>Sid is a cat who is addicted to having six meals a day and glories in this lifestyle. Manipulative, persuasive and a charmer he has wrapped everybody round his little paw - each owner believes that Sid belongs to them only . . . until the day he is found out!</p>
2		<p><b><u>Willy and Hugh by Anthony Browne</u></b></p> <p>Willy hasn't got any friends and no-one ever lets him join in with their games. He is lonely . . . until the day he bumps into Hugh Jape in the park.</p> <p>Willy and Hugh are very different but they make a great team!</p>
3		<p><b><u>The Tin Forest</u></b></p> <p>Helen Ward's tale of <i>The Tin Forest</i> follows an old man who tidies the rubbish in a junkyard and dreams of a better place. With faith, ingenuity and hard work, he transforms it into a wonderland in this poetic modern fable.</p>


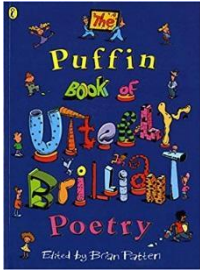
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4		<p><b><u>The Little Red Riding Hood</u></b></p> <p>Little Red Riding Hood loves to visit her Granny's cottage in the forest. Her mother warns her to go straight to Granny's, but when she meets a handsome grey wolf, she doesn't see the harm in stopping for a chat. Scottish storyteller Lari Don's retelling of this well-loved tale is lively and exciting with a wolf who is just scary enough for younger children to enjoy.</p>
5		<p><b><u>Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman &amp; Caroline Binch</u></b></p> <p>Grace loves to act out stories. Sometimes she plays the leading part, sometimes she is 'a cast of thousands.' When her school decides to perform <i>Peter Pan</i>, Grace is longing to play Peter, but her classmates say that Peter was a boy, and besides, he wasn't black... But Grace's Ma and Nana tell her she can be anything she wants if she puts her mind to it...</p>
6		<p><b><u>The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch by Ronda &amp; David Armitage</u></b></p> <p>Once there was a lighthouse keeper called Mr. Grinling. At night time he lived in a small white cottage perched high on the cliffs, and in the daytime he rowed out to his lighthouse to clean and polish the light. Every day Mr Grinling tucks into delicious lunch, prepared by his wife, Mrs Grinling. But Mr Grinling isn't the only one who enjoys the tasty food, so Mrs Grinling has to think of a way to stop the greedy seagulls from stealing the lighthouse keeper's lunch.</p>
7		<p><b><u>Prince Cinders by Babette Cole</u></b></p> <p>Prince Cinders leads a very hard life. Bullied by his three hairy brothers about his less-than-perfect looks, he spends all his time cleaning and tidying up after them. One Saturday night Prince Cinders' luck changes as a small, dirty fairy falls down the chimney and promises that his wishes shall come true. Not all the fairy's spells turn out as planned in this zany twist of a traditional story.</p> <p><b><u>Long Live Princess Smartypants by Babette Cole</u></b></p>

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		Princess Smartypants does not want to get married. She enjoys being a Ms. But being a rich and pretty princess means that all the princes want her to be their Mrs. Find out how Princess Smartypants fights to preserve her independence in this hilarious fairy-tale-with-a-difference.
Poetry Anthology		<b><u>A Puffin Book of Utterly Brilliant Poetry</u></b>  A celebratory anthology of the best of Puffin poetry publishing, including poems by Roger McGough, Michael Rosen, Charles Causley, Benjamin Zephaniah, Jackie Kay, Spike Milligan, John Agard, Brian Patten, Allan Ahlberg and Kit Wright. Each poet's work is illustrated by a different artist such as Emma Chichester Clark, Fritz Wegner and Korky Paul.

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