

St Gregory's Catholic Primary School



Reading Curriculum

Statement of Intent

The pupils at St. Gregory's study a range of texts in each year group. We use these texts to produce various genres of writing; encouraging our pupils to become avid readers and enthusiastic authors.

Our aim is to create readers who:

- have a positive attitude to reading and read a wide range of genres including fiction, non-fiction, poetry and plays.
- recommend books that they have read to their peers.
- make comparisons within and across books that they have read.
- draw inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives.
- prepare poems and plays to perform and learn a wide range of poetry by heart.
- participate in discussions about books they have read.
- ask questions to improve their understanding.

Reading Spines and Recommended Reading lists are also available for each Year Group which encourages the pupils to read widely across a range of genres. Pupils are given on opportunity to complete a 'Reading Quest' which enables them to write book reviews for each text that they have read. Bronze, Silver and Gold Bookmarks are given for each stage that have been completed. This is all available to view on the website.

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List of Books that are studied

Pre-School/Reception

The Tiger Who Came to Tea – Judith Kerr
The Gruffalo – Julia Donaldson
Handa's Surprise – Eileen Browne
I'm a Saint in the Making – Lisa M. Hendey
Where Do Chicks Come From? – Amy E. Sklansky
The Bog Baby – Jeanne Willis
The Three Little Pigs – Various Authors
The Night Pirates – Peter Harris
Mermaid Diary – Alan Durant

Year 1

Who's Our New Teacher? – Jeanne Willis
Class Two at the Zoo – Julia Jarman
Elmer – David McKee
On the Playground – Wes Magee (Poem)
The Mid-pie Makers' Rhyme – Janet Paisley (Poem)
When the Wind Blows – John Foster (Poem)
Who Lives Here? (e-book)
Beegu – Alexis Deacon
Man on the Moon – Simon Bartram
The Snowman – Raymond Briggs
All About Elephants (e-book)
Countdown – Eric Finney (Poem)
Down by the School Gate – Wes Magee (Poem)
Mary and the Twelve Months and other fairytales
Dougal's Deep Sea Diary – Simon Bartram
Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch - Ronda & David Armitage
The End – A.A. Milne (Poem)
Don't Tell – Irene Yates (Poem)
Peasy! – Brian Moses (Poem)

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Year 2

Silly Billy – Anthony Browne
Operation Night Monster – Paul Shipton
There's No Place Like Home (e-book)
Jack and the Beanstalk/Maximus and the Beanstalk – Damiam Harvey
Various poetry including Grasshopper One by Grace Nichols & James Carter
The Whole Truth – Joanna Nadin
All About Orang-utans (e-book)
The Baker's Boy and the Great Fire of London – Tom & Tony Bradman
Penny Dreadful and the Rat – Joanna Nadim
Does Chocolate Grow on Trees? (e-book)
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory – Roald Dahl

Year 3

A Bear called Paddington – Michael Bond
We are Britain – Benjamin Zephaniah
Ottoline and the Yellow Cat – Chris Ridell
Incredible Sports (e-book)
How to Train Your Dragon – Cressida Cowell
Was Tutankhamen Killed? (e-book)
Various poems from poets such as Christina Rossetti & Roger McGough
Storm – Kevin Crossley-Holland
Let's Go To...? (e-book)
Stone Age Boy – Satoshi Kitamura

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Year 4

Friend or Foe – Michael Murpurgo
WW2 Poetry from various poets
Christophe's Story – Nicki Cornwell
Animals on the Move (e-book)
The Goldfish Boy – Lisa Thompson
A Huge First Step (e-book)
Various poems from authors such as Grace Nichols & James Carter
The Iron Man – Ted Hughes
The Spiderwick Chronicles – Tony DiTerlizzi & Holly Black

Year 5

The Explorers – Katherine Rundell
Ultimate Explorers (e-book)
Cogheart – Peter Bunzi
Various poems from Charles Causley & Michael Rosen
Oranges in No Man's Land – Elizabeth Laird
Mission: Save Pompeii (e-book)
Inside the Museum of... (e-book)
Rumblestar – Abi Elphinstone
The Shang Dynasty (e-book)

Year 6

Eye of the Wolf – Daniel Pennac
Various poems by Ted Hughes
Greek Myths – Geraldine McCaughrean
Rooftoppers – Katherine Rundell
Blood (e-book)
The 1,000 Year-old Boy – Ross Welford
Malamander – Thomas Taylor
Hamlet – William Shakespeare