

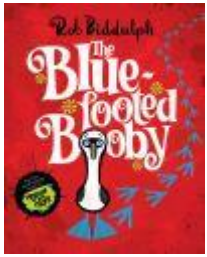

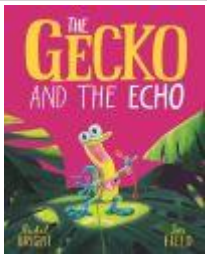
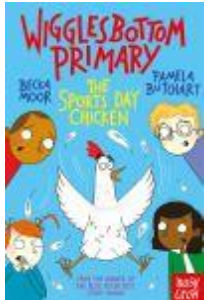
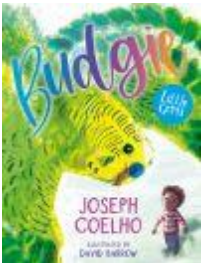


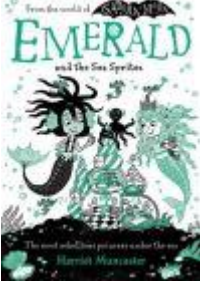

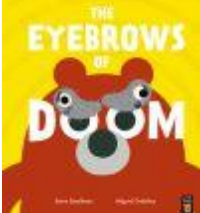


2023-24 RECOMMENDED READS YEAR 2

	Applebaum, Kirsty	The Best Princess	<p>Readers will love the familiar fairy tale feel of this early chapter book. Princess Minna has always been the best princess in the land and wishes Princess Sky Blue would leave her kingdom, but soon realises not to worry about being the best or the prettiest. Instead, she learns how to be a good friend and accept everyone's differences and skills.</p>	Developing Readers
	Bently, Peter	Pantemonium!	<p>A brilliant laugh out loud rhyming text that will entertain pupils as Fred's underpants cause all sorts of mayhem as he heads to the seaside to do a spot of fishing! Children will love seeing what Fred catches in his net next!</p>	Picture Book
	Biddulph, Rob	The Blue-footed Booby	<p>Desmond the red-footed booby has just baked a tart - but someone has stolen it! Who could it be? Follow the blue footprints through the book to discover the culprit, and that not all is as it seems. An hilarious and quirky interactive story that will entertain and surprise.</p>	Picture Book 
	Bright, Rachel	The Gecko and the Echo	<p>Welcome to Paradise, where Goldy the Gecko loves to perform, determined to be a star. Banished to the canyon after his friends are fed up with his singing, he hollers away to himself - but what is that awful sound - could it be an echo? A sparkling journey of self-realisation and being mindful of others, in the author's inimitable rhyming style.</p>	Picture Book
	Butchart, Pamela	The Sports Day Chicken	<p>Madcap adventures are never far away from the Year 2 pupils of Wigglesbottom Primary. Readers will delight in dancing chickens, strange ant antics and toxic slime. Imaginations run wild again as things are never as they seem in this amusing set of tales.</p>	Children's Fiction

	Coelho, Joseph	Budgie	<p>For a little book, this story certainly delivers some strong messages. We follow Miles, who has found a lost budgie that later dies despite Miles's best efforts. Discovering that the budgie belonged to his grumpy neighbour Mr Buxton, Miles wonders if they have more in common than they realise? Beautifully woven themes of bereavement, families, LGBTQ+ and animal care.</p>	Children's Fiction 
	Donnelly, Paddy	Fox & Son Tailors	<p>Rory and his dad are tailors of traditional tails, but Rory thinks they need to provide customers with more fun and flamboyant tails. Will Rory convince his dad that his new designs will work? A wonderful story about believing in yourself and your creativity and never giving up on your dreams.</p>	Picture Book
	Emmett, Catherine	Sammy Striker and the Football Cup	<p>When young Sammy is spotted by a football coach, she begins to live her footballing dream. But on match day her worries about scoring a winning goal get the better of her until she realises that her differences are what make her special. An excellent rhyming picture book that readers will love.</p>	Picture Book
	Falase-Koya, Alex	Marv and the Killer Plants	<p>School garden design competitions, supervillain Violet Vine and Marv, part boy, part superhero make this plant-based caper a fun read. It also has a great message about collaboration and not accusing people of things they didn't do. Supports ELSA and plant-based themes.</p>	Children's Fiction
	Fraser, Lu	The Littlest Yak: the new arrival	<p>Gertie knows she must be a caring big sister and goes about planning all she will do until she gets the wobbles and worries there won't be enough room in her mummy's heart for two 'Yaklings'. A beautifully poignant, reassuring, and heartfelt rhyming text about becoming a sibling.</p>	Picture Book 
	Gray, Kes	Brrr!: where did the Dinosaurs really go?	<p>The dinosaurs are getting worried - the Ice Age is coming and it's going to get cold, really cold. The only option is to ask the T-Rex dinos to knit them some jumpers - but who will be brave enough to ask them? A brilliant celebration of knitting, dinosaurs, community - and an unexpected outer-space ending!</p>	Picture Book

	Hattie, Ellie	The Upside-down Detective Agency	Two sloth detectives, a diamond thief and a race car driver - can you help the super sleuths spot the clues and solve the mystery? There's plenty to look at as you speed through the pages of this clever interactive adventure story.	Picture Book
	Irving, Ellie	Oh, Armadillo! This Party's all Wrong!	Armadillo understands the world differently and when he invites his jungle friends to a party they are in for a surprise – there is no real cake or party games as they know them. Soon they realise that while their friend may see the world differently, it doesn't mean he's wrong. A brilliant story about the acceptance of our differences. Great for Neuro-diverse characters.	Picture Book
	James, Laura	News Hounds: The Cow Calamity	Can Bunty save the day when Farmer Val hurts herself? This amusing farmyard tale will introduce children to many different farm animals and highlights the importance of teamwork.	Children's Fiction 
	Jones, Pip	Peggy Little-legs	In this delightful first chapter book, Peggy the Dachshund realises that being the fastest and the bounciest are not always the skills that are needed. Peggy struggles in all the races but when her pup friend gets stuck in a hole, she is just the pup for the job.	Children's Fiction 
	Kemp, Anna	Wild Wild Wood	Mole lives in a wild wild wood, content with his gentle life. One day however, the diggers arrive, threatening to destroy his beautiful home. It's time for action! How will one small mole make a difference? Great themes highlighting deforestation and environmental issues, and woodland animals are always appealing.	Picture Book
	MacDonald, Alan	Splash!	Dirty Bertie is trying to mind his own business at the waterpark, but nasty Nick is trying to get Bertie and his friends into trouble and it looks like it's working until Bertie hatches a plan! Pupils will love 'Splash' as well as the two other included short stories, 'Moggy' and 'Breakdance'. A great introduction to chapter books for younger readers.	Children's Fiction

	Muncaster, Harriet	Emerald and the Sea Sprites	<p>Emerald and Delphina are stepsisters who discover a way to bond over their excitement at discovering sea sprites after sneaking out of the palace! They soon realise that taking creatures from their natural habitat can have disastrous consequences. A delightful story about following your heart. Will work well with themes of split families and habitats.</p>	Children's Fiction
	Patton, Julia	The Fixer of Broken Things	<p>Bea is a fixer and mender of many broken things. She helps so many people that her skills are known far and wide. One day she comes across an object and cannot work out how to fix it, which makes her sad. A sweet, inclusive story with the familiar message that talking through problems with others can help in any situation.</p>	Picture Book
	Smallman, Steve	The Eyebrows of Doom	<p>The Eyebrows of Doom are causing havoc and mayhem wherever they land! They pounce on Dave the Bear, on animals in the zoo, and even a small child playing on the beach... but will they get their comeuppance when they land in an elephant's nose? A raucous and outrageous rhyming romp that young readers will adore.</p>	Picture Book



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