

## Reading in Triumph Trust

*'Reading opens a magical doorway to a world of adventure and possibility.'*

*'Young children don't consciously know they need representation in books. But if every primary school classroom had a bookshelf full of diversity, and every reading list was inclusive, every child in the class would experience the joy of seeing themselves represented in the books they read'.*

*Chitra Soundar, author*

Within Triumph trust we believe that a love of reading is crucial for all children, if children love reading they will want to read more and if children read more their skills as a reader will develop and grow allowing them to secure a lifelong skill. We ensure that children develop this through regular reading opportunities across the curriculum. Our aim is to provide the children with texts that are both mirrors into their own lives and windows into the lives of others whilst encouraging the children to use their imaginations through texts that promote awe and wonder.

As a trust, our ambitious curriculum has an intent of talk, feel, question, reflect and it is our belief that this will be woven into all reading experiences our children will have. This will be done through the following ways:

- Talk – discussion about a text, author, theme, making a prediction prior to reading and throughout. Making links with prior learning and knowledge, have you read a book by this author before? Talking about common themes identified within texts.
- Feel – having an emotional hook, having texts that represent children's lives, allowing them to empathise with characters and allowing them to escape to other worlds.
- Question – questioning motives and character, the ability to question challenging ideas/themes, questioning authors choices, questioning their personal opinions/preconceived ideas – do they change from the reading experiences.
- Reflect – children are given opportunities to reflect on what they have read and this could be done through discussing big questions at appropriate times within a text.

All of the above will be achieved through our continuing focus on ensuring children are exposed to high-level vocabulary, which they can articulate, and use across the curriculum.

The following literary spine provides a list of texts that are provided for each class as story time readers and to enhance their class reading areas. This will ensure that children hear, enjoy and join in with quality texts. These texts are read to the children by skilled adults who will play the role of a storyteller, they can then select these or similar texts from their class reading area to read independently. It is the expectation that staff share these books and make links between authors and themes within the texts and guidance will be provided to support.

These texts have been carefully selected using a range of expert and recommended spines including the Pie Corbett, CLPE, RWInc and books for topic recommended lists. They are recommended to specific age groups of children therefore ensuring that they are pitched correctly in word reading ability and content. In addition to these texts, there are occasions where non-fiction and poetry texts are also shared and enjoyed to interest those readers who prefer these genres and to expose children to a breadth of genres.

Texts within the literary spine have been carefully selected for a range of reasons, these include:

- To expose the children to a range of key and classical authors throughout school.
- To represent the children of Triumph Trust; they include texts that are written by authors of colour and with key characters of colour as well as those with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities that are represented in school and beyond. They also include other experiences that we know some of our children have lived such as poverty, homelessness and being a refugee.
- To ensure that children are exposed to different genres including, adventure, fantasy, mystery, myth and legend, dilemmas, historical fiction, traditional tales and classical texts.
- To consolidate understanding of themes taught within the curriculum.
- To be exposed to texts and authors they may be unfamiliar with but allow them opportunities to engage with rich, high quality texts

Alongside our story time texts, which will be books that all children in our trust are read to before they leave our schools, we have also created a list of supplementary texts. These books will be displayed and kept in classrooms and within the school library to allow teachers to give children recommendations based on what they have read during story times. It will allow children further opportunities to widen their reading experiences and knowledge of authors. We will also ensure our libraries will include well-known key authors that children enjoy such as Alex Rider, David Walliams, Judy Blume, Quentin Blake, AA Milne, Cressida Cowell, JK Rowling and Terry Pratchett. Throughout the year, we will discuss with children the well-known key authors and ensure they are not limited in their knowledge.

The list of texts for each year group is as follows:

Early Years Foundation Stage

Nursery story time texts	Reception story time texts
<p>Are you there Bear? – Ron Marris            How do you feel? – Anthony Browne            Things I like – Anthony Browne            Brown bear – Bill Martin Jnr            When Emily woke up angry – Riana Duncan            Peace at Last – Jill Murphy            We’re going on a bear hunt – Michael Rosen            The Gruffalo – Julia Donaldson            The Gingerbread Man            There’s an elf in your book – Tom Fletcher            Polar bear, polar bear what do you hear? – Bill Martin Jnr            The Winter Fox – Timothy Knapman            Ridiculous – Michael Coleman            Celeversticks – Bernard Ashley            We’re going on a snowman hunt            The bad tempered ladybird – Eric Carle            The very busy spider – Eric Carle            The very hungry caterpillar – Eric Carle            I love my daddy – Giles Andrae            My Gumpys outing – John Burningham            Harry and the dinosaurs go to school – Ian Whybrow            Tip tap went the crab – Tim Hopgood            Smiley Shark – Ruth Galloway            Rainbow fish – Marcus Pfitzer            The very funny fish – Jack Tickle            Commotion in the ocean – Giles Andrae            The three Little Pigs            Goldilocks and the three bears</p>	<p>The Gruffalo – Julia Donaldson            Rosie’s walk – Pat Hutchin            Shhh! – Sally Grundell            Jabari tries – Gaia Cornwall            Romeo and Juliet (picture book version) – William Shakespeare            The mega magic hair swap – Rochelle Humes            Chappatti moon – Pippa Godhart            Owl babies – Martin Waddell            Whatever next – Jill Murphy            Handas surprise – Eileen Browne            Farmer duck – Martin Waddell            Six dinner Sid – Inca Moore            On the way home – Oliver Jeffers            Here we are – Oliver Jeffers            Elmer – David McKee            The Ghanayan Goldilocks            Poems out loud anthology            Marvellous me – Lisa Bullard            Ugly ducking            Rainbow fish – Marcus Pfitzer            Monkey puzzle – Julia Donaldson            Supertato - Sue Hendra            We’re going on a bear hunt – Michael Rosen            Bear in the cave – Michael Rosen            Goldilocks            Cendrillon – Robert Succi            The gingerbread man            Oliver’s vegetables – Alison Bartlett            What the ladybird heard – Eric Carle            Astro girl – Ken Wilson Max            Super duper you – Sophia Henn            The lion inside – Rachel Bright            Love makes a family wriggle and roar – S Beer            We’re all wonders – R J Palcio            Tad – Benji Davies            Big monster wants it all – Jeanne Willis</p>
<p>Personal development</p>	
<p>The family book – Todd Parr            You choose – Nick Sharrat            Mummy, mama and me – Leslea Newman            Blue chameleon – Emily Gravett            Red rockets and rainbow jelly – Sue Heap</p>	

Year 1

Story time texts	Personal development
<p>Jabari jumps – Gaia Cornwall                      Billy goats gruff                      How to catch a star – Oliver Jeffers                      Can't you sleep little bear? – Martin Waddell                      Knuffle bunny – Mo willems                      Eyes that kiss in the corners – Johanna Ho                      Storm whale – Benji Davies                      Chapatti moon- Pippa Godhart                      Peace at last – Jill Murphy                      Where the wild things are – Maurice Sendak                      Lost and found – Oliver Jeffers                      The tiger who came to tea – Judith Kerr                      The elephant and the bad baby – Elfrida Vipoint                      Avocado baby – John Burningham                      Bog baby – Jenny Willis                      Sona Sharma very best big sister – Chitra Soundar                      Amazing Grace – Mary Hoffman                      If all the world were – Joseph Coelho                      Look up – Nathan Byron                      It's a no money day – Kate Milner                      My name is not refugee – Kate Milner                      The name jar – Yangsook Choi                      Splash - Antiuke                      A first book of the sea anthology</p>	<p>Erol's Garden – Gillian Hibbs                      Going to the volcano – Andy Stanton                      My world your world – Melanie Walsh                      Max the champion – S Stockdale                      Ten little pirates – Mike Brownlow                      Elmer – David McKee                      That's not how you do it – Ariane Hofman - Maniyar</p>

Literacy texts – Courthouse Green	Literacy Texts – Alderman's Green	Supplementary texts and alternatives
<p>Cave baby – Julia Donaldson                      Humans vs dinosaurs – Matt Robertson                      Mad about dinosaurs – Giles Andrae                      How to wash a woolly mammoth – Michelle Robinson                      The town mouse and the country mouse</p>	<p>How to wash a woolly mammoth Michelle Robinson                      Stone underpants – Rebecca Lisle                      Cave Baby – Julia Donaldson                      Ug-a-lug – Jill Lewis                      Esme's Rock – Simon Philips</p>	<p>The dinosaur that pooped the past – Tom Fletcher                      Stone Age boy – Satoshi Kitamura                      The first Drawing                      Dinosaurs in underpants – Claire Freedman                      Dinosaur trouble – Dick King Smith</p>

Beegu – Alexis Deacon Meerkat mail – Emily Gravett Jack and the beanstalk Mary Anning	Harry and the dinosaurs – Ian Whybrow Mary Anning Dear dinosaur – Chae Strathie The Tiger Who Came to Tea – Judith Kerr The Beauty Contest at the Zoo – Kevin Price How to Hide a Lion – Helen Stephens I Want a Pet – Lauren Child Meg and Mog – Helen Nicholl	
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Year 2

Story time texts	Personal development
<p>Way back home – Oliver Jeffers  Mrs Armitage – Quentin Blake  Journey – Aaron Becker  What if – Samantha Berger  Traction man is here – Mini Grey  Fantastic Mr fox - Roald Dahl  The magic finger – Roald Dahl  The diary of a killer cat – Anne Fine  The faraway tree – Enid Blyton  The snow dragon – Vivienne French  The breakfast club adventures – Marcus Rashford  Marv and the pool of peril – Alex Valaise-Koya  Mufaro beautiful daughter – John Stepton  Greta and the giants – Zoe Tucker  Nimesh the adventurer – Ranjit Singh  Sonyas chickens – Phoebe Wail  Milo imagines the world – Mate De La Pina  Super hero’s are everywhere – Kamala Harris  Omar the bees and me – Helen Mortimer  Nowhere to call home – Kate Milner  My must have mum – Maudie Smith  Crazy mayonnaise mum poetry anthology</p>	<p>All are welcome – Alexandra Penfold  Amazing  Can I join your club – John Kelly  Just because – Rebecca Elliot  The great big book of families – M Hoffman  The first slodge – Jeannie Willis  The odd egg – Emily Gravett  What the jackdaw saw – Julia Donaldson  Blown away – Rob Biddulph</p>

Literacy texts – Courthouse Green	Literacy Texts – Alderman’s Green	Supplementary texts and alternatives
<p>The Queens Hat – Steve Antony  Paddington Bear – Michael Bond  The hodgeheg – Dick King Smith  Merrkat mail – Emily Gravett  The last tree in the city – Peter Carnavas  The worst witch – Jill Murphy</p>	<p>The day the crayons quit – Draw Daywalt  The Three Little Pigs  The Wolf’s Story by Toby Forward  Burglar Bill – Allan Ahlberg  The Knight and the dragon – Tomie dePaola</p>	<p>Paper bag princess – Robert Munsch</p>

Jim and the beanstalk – Raymond Briggs The knight who couldn't fight – Helen Docherty Winnie the witch – Korky Paul Gregory Cool – Caroline Binch	The knight who couldn't fight – Helen Docherty Rapunzel Mrs Armitage on wheels – Quentin Blake Amelia Earheart – Little People Pedal Power – Allan Drummond Meerkat Mail - Emily Gravett	
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Year 3

Story time texts	Personal development
<p>Quest – Aaron Becker            Here we are – Oliver Jeffers            Tin forest – Helen Ward            Antony and Cleopatra child version – William Shakespeare            Matilda – Roald Dahl            Zeraffa Geraffa – Dianne Hofmyer            Lion above the door- Onjali Q Rauf            The sheep pig - Dick King Smith            The abominables – Eva Ibbotson            The battle of bubble and squeak            George’s marvellous medicine – Roald Dahl            Planet Omar – Zanib Mian            Ramaysa – Radia Hafiza            Julian at the wedding – Jessica Love            Ellie and the cat – Majorie Blackman            Sulwe – Lupita Nyong            Exclamation mark – Any Crouse Rosenthal            Runaway robot – Frank Cotrell-Boyce            I don’t like poetry anthology</p>	<p>Beegu – Alexis Deacon            The Hueys in the new jumpers – Oliver Jeffers            We’re all wonders – R J Palcio            This is our house – Michael Rosen            Big Bob, Little Bob – James Howe            Two monsters – David McKee</p>

Literacy texts – Courthouse Green	Literacy Texts – Alderman’s Green	Supplementary texts and alternatives
<p>Esio Trot – Roald Dahl            Scarabs Secret – Nick Would            The moose belongs to me – Oliver Jeffers            Jumanji – Chris Van Allsburg</p>	<p>This moose belongs to me - Oliver Jeffers            The scarab’s secret - Nick Would            Shakespeare for children – Cleopatra            Cinderella of the Nile – Beverley Naidoo            Jumanji - Chris Van Allsburg</p>	<p>Egyptian Cinderella – Shirley Climo</p>



Year 4

Story time texts	Personal development
<p>HP and philosophers stone – J K Rowling            Midsummer nights dream child version – William Shakespeare            Wisp – Zana Fraillon            Flotsam – David Weisner            Wolves in the wall – Neil Gaiman            The snow walkers son – Catherine Fisher            Perry angels suitcase – Glenda Millard            Tuesday. -David Weisner            Why the whales came – Michael Morpurgo            Charlottes web – Evie White            The boy at the back of the class – Onjali Q Raulf            The miraculous of Journey of Edward Tulane - Kate DiCamillo            The borrowers – Mary Norton            Butterfly lion. – Michael Morpurgo            Return – Aaron Becker            Lailah’s lunchbox – Reem Farqui            Noah Scape can’t stop repeating himself – Guy Bass            Where zebras go poetry anthology</p>	<p>Red: A crayons story – Michael Hall            Aalfred and Aalbert – Morag Hood            Dogs don’t do ballet – A Kemp            King and king – L de Hann            The way back home – Oliver Jeffers            The Flower – John Light</p>

Literacy texts – Courthouse Green	Literacy Texts – Alderman’s Green	Supplementary texts and alternatives
<p>Escape to Pompei – Christina Ballit            The big Wave – Pearl S Buck            The sleeping giant            William Kamkwabe            Electrical Wizard</p>	<p>Escape to Pompeii - Christina Ballit            Harry Potter and The Philosopher’s Stone – JK Rowling            How to be an Anglo-Saxon in 13 easy steps – Scoular Anderson            Demon Dentist – David Walliams            The Extraordinary Life of Michelle Obama            King of the cloud forests - Michael Morpurgo</p>	<p>Bewoulf – Michael Morpurgo            Michelle Obama            Stig of the Dump</p>

Year 5

Story time texts	Personal development
<p>Firework makers daughter – Philip Pullman            What we'll build – Oliver Jeffers            FArTHER – Grahame Baker Smith            Varjak paw – S F Said            The day the war came – Nicola Davis            Journey to Johannesburg – Beverley Naidoo            Tom's midnight garden – Philippa Pearce            Journey to the river sea – Eva Ibbotson            The night bus hero – Onjali Q Raulf            The highway man – Alfred Noyes            The Kapok tree – Lynne Cherry            The boy who made everyone laugh – Helen Rutter            Over head in a tower block poetry anthology</p>	<p>How to heal a broken wing – Bob Graham            And tango makes three – L Richardson            The cow who climbed a tree – Gemma Merino            Rose Blanche - Ian McEwan            Where the poppies grow - H Robinson</p>

Literacy texts – Courthouse Green	Literacy Texts – Alderman's Green	Supplementary texts and alternatives
<p>Running Wild – Michael Morpurgo            Oranges in no mans land – Elizabeth Laird            Charity Delafiled – Ian Beck</p>	<p>The Lost Diary of King Henry VIII's Executioner – Steve Barlow            Tudor Tales – Terry Deary            Diver's Daughter – Patrice Lawrence            The actor, the rebel and the wrinkled Queen – Terry Deary            There's a Rang-Tan in My Bedroom – James Sellick            The Explorer – Katherine Rundell            Over and Under the Rainforest – Kate Messner</p>	<p>The last bear – Hannah Gold            Street child – Berlie Doherty            Rooftoppers – Katherine Rundell            Neil Armstrong            Mae Jenkinson            David Attenborough</p>

Year 6

Story time texts	Personal development
Clockwork – Philip Pullman Holes – Louis Sachar Skellig – David Almond Private Peaceful – Michael Morpurgo Macbeth child version – William Shakespeare All the things that could go wrong – Stewart Foster Wonder – RJ Palachoi Malala magic pencil - Malala Pocketful of stars – Aisha Busby Refugee boy – Benjamin Zephania Be the change poetry anthology	The island – Armin Greder My princess boy – C Kilodavis The whisperer – Greg Howard The thing – Simon Puttock Leaf – Sandra Dieckmann Dreams of Freedom – Amnesty International

Literacy texts – Courthouse Green	Literacy Texts – Alderman’s Green	Supplementary texts and alternatives
Kensukes Kingdom – Michael Morpurgo The best Christmas Present – Michael Morpurgo The Mozart question – Michael Morpurgo The tale of two brothers -	Friend or Foe - Michael Morpurgo Letters from the lighthouse – Emma Carroll Boy in the striped pyjamas (extracts) – John Boyne Kensuke’s Kingdom - Michael Morpurgo Adam Kay’s Anatomy Pig Heart Boy - Malorie Blackman Darwin’s Delight Charles Darwin's On The Origin Of Species - Sabena Radeva	Pig Heart boy – Malorie Blackman Once – Morris Gleitzmann Then - Morris Gleitzmann Now - Morris Gleitzmann Origins of the species – Sabina Redeva Amazing evolution – Anna Claybourne The lion, the witch and the wardrobe – C S Lewis River boy – Tim Bowler The arrival – Shaun Tan The star outside my window – Onjali Q Rauf The lion and the unicorn – Shirley Hughes The memory – Ruth Eastham Alexandaer Von Humboldt Anne Frank Greta Thundberg Malala Yousafzai

Texts for inspire to aspire, book day, core values days, transition

Proudest Blue

The Dot

Colour Monster

The worrysaurus

Ruby's Worry - Tom Percival

Rainbow

Shine

Invisible string

Ravi's Roar - Tom Percival

Meesha Makes Friends - Tom Percival

What do you do with an idea

The heart inside the bottle

The day the crayons quit

Tilda tries again - Tom Percival

Perfectly Norman – Tom Percival

Beautiful oops

All are welcome

The lion inside - Rachel Bright

The koala who could – Rachel Bright

The squirrels who squabbled - Rachel Bright

The way home for wolf - Rachel Bright

The whale who wanted more - Rachel Bright

What if...