

Ambleside Academy's Amazing Reading Spine

At Ambleside Academy, our Reading Spine has been created to ensure that our pupils are exposed to and can enjoy a wide, diverse range of texts throughout their learning journey at our school. These texts have been carefully selected to include stories and information that will encourage our pupils to become the kindest, most empathetic and most tolerant versions of themselves. These texts have also been chosen to address Doug Lemov's 5 Plagues of Reading, through which children can become resilient readers by engaging with texts where, for example, the author uses old-fashioned, archaic language or the narrators or chronology 'jump around'.

Key: Continuity of author Heritage Text Includes a BAME author or protagonist Strong female role model Addresses a social, moral or ethical issue Addresses a 'Plague of Reading'

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Year 1				
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Humorous contemporary poem Themes of temptation, overindulgence and forgiveness	Contemporary Picture Book Themes of <mark>empathy,</mark> friendship, acceptance and celebrating differences Complexity of Plot/Symbol	Contemporary Narrative Themes of <mark>resilience,</mark> compassion, following your dreams and individuality	Contemporary Narrative Female black protagonist who aspires to be an astronaut. Reference to Mae Jemison. Themes of family, siblings, self-doubt and enthusiasm	Classic Picture Book Complexity of Plot/Symbol Resistant Text Themes of <mark>being kind to others</mark> and overcoming problems cheerfully
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Twisted Traditional Tale Themes of <mark>female</mark> <mark>independence</mark>	Contemporary Narrative BAME protagonist Themes of dealing with emotions, anger, expressing your feelings	Classic Picture Book Continuity of author Themes of bedtime routines and family love.	Classic Picture Book Continuity of author Themes of <mark>anger, sibling jealously</mark> and family love	Contemporary Picture Book Themes of following your dreams and <mark>belonging</mark>
Year 2				
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y, Kathan Bryon - marrier in Dapa Addela				the Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark
Contemporary Narrative Continuity of author Female black protagonist. Reference to famous surfer, Imani Wilmot. Themes of sustainability and animal welfare.	Classic Picture Book Themes of belonging and the importance of having a special object to cherish.	Celebrates the customs and traditions from children around the world	Contemporary Narrative Continuity of author Themes of friendship, helping others and teamwork	Classic Narrative Themes of bravery and overcoming fear Complexity of Plot/Symbol Introduction to Archaic Language
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Year 3				
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Contemporary Narrative based on Real Life BAME female protagonist. Themes of <mark>inspiring change</mark>	Illustrated anthology of biographies of women who have had a significant impact in their lifetime including Mary Anning, Rosa Parks and Frida Kahlo. Themes of bravery, tenacity, resilience and ingenuity.	Contemporary Narrative Protagonist with a hearing disability. Themes of empathy, friendship and resilience Female author	Contemporary Comic Themes of <mark>empathy, kindness and</mark> resilience	Heritage Children's Text Essential cultural reference. Themes of kindness, family and coping with change Archaic Language
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Non-Fiction Continuity of author	Contemporary Picture Book Complexity of Narrator Themes of <mark>empathy</mark> and communicating issues effectively	Contemporary Picture Book Continuity of author Themes of <mark>bravery,</mark> ingenuity and feeling safe.	Contemporary Narrative Complexity of Plot/Symbol Themes of <mark>grief, hope and coping</mark> with change	<mark>Hertiage Children's Text</mark> Introduction to Archaic Language
Year 4				
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Classic Narrative Introduction to Archaic Language Themes of the power of imagination. Heritage Text	Contemporary Narrative Themes of <mark>friendship,</mark> empathy and belonging. Female author	Contemporary Narrative Themes of <mark>celebrating</mark> difference and tolerance.	Classic Narrative Continuity of author Non-Linear Time Sequence Themes of friendship, war and separation.	Classic Narrative Themes of friendship, adventure, helping others, resilience and loyalty. Introduction to Archaic Language
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Classic Narrative Continuity of author Themes of friendship, loyalty and perseverance Female author and protagonist	Contemporary Narrative Themes of <mark>friendship and</mark> acceptance Female author	Non-Fiction Continuity of author BAME <mark>female</mark> author. Themes of <mark>hardwork and</mark> perseverance	Non-Fiction Continuity of author BAME female author. Focus on a diverse collection of people fighting for change and justice in our world	Classic Narrative Heritage Text Complexity of Plot/Symbol Themes of <mark>bravery,</mark> prejudice, inclusion and tolerance.



Year 5				
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Contemporary Narrative Female author and protagonist Themes of facing fears, friendship and self-worth	Classic Poetry Complexity of Plot/Symbol Continuity of author Heritage Text	Contemporary Narrative BAME female author Resistant Text Complexity of plot/symbol A story told through poetry, with themes of friendship and prejudice	Contemporary Narrative Themes of <mark>morality, family belonging</mark> and ethnicity/heritage	Contemporary Comic Female author and protagonist Themes of <mark>friendship,</mark> growing up and resilience
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friendship and overcoming challenge	have had a significant impact in their lifetime.	Themes of <mark>good vs evil,</mark> friendship,mental health	achieving your dreams	female independence Archaic Language
Year 6	THE COSS AND A STREEMED AS	Provide a construction of the second of the	House with Chicken Jegs	JOURNEY Contraction Description
Contemporary Narrative Complexity of Narrator Themes of <mark>empathy,</mark> friendship, acceptance and celebrating differences	Contemporary Narrative of a Syrian refugee arriving in the UK Themes <mark>of bravery, sensitivity, community and friendship</mark> . Written by a female author.	Contemporary Narrative Complexity of Plot/Symbol Non-Linear Time Sequence Themes of <mark>fate, friendship,</mark> <mark>cruelty and history</mark>	Contemporary Narrative Themes of <mark>life and death, loneliness,</mark> <mark>love and betrayal</mark> Female author and protagonists	Contemporary Picture Book Female protagonists Complexity of Plot/Symbol
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Contemporary Narrative Complexity of Plot/Symbol Themes of <mark>friendship,</mark> sacrifice and redemption Female author and protagonist	Classic Narrative Complexity of Plot/Symbol Themes of prejudice, life and death and good vs. evil	Contemporary Narrative Female author and protagonist Themes of <mark>responsibility,</mark> respect and tolerance	Classic Narrative Female author and protagonists Archaic Language Themes of <mark>breaking free of gender</mark> stereotypes, family love and resilience.	Non-Fiction A collection of stories about a <mark>diverse</mark> range of inspirational humans. Themes of <mark>sustainability</mark> and responsibility



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Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?	A care de Pige Book	We're Going on a Bear Hunt	OI FROG!	Dankes
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Fox's Socks				Eric Hill The capacity of the fings truet.