



Thoresby Vale
Primary Academy

Reading

**Our reading spine of books for
reading for joy**

2025 - 2026

Our reading spine of books for reading for pure joy is a carefully woven tapestry of stories designed to ignite a lifelong passion for reading.

We believe reading should be a source of pure joy, and our selected texts reflect this.

Each day our staff will take the time to read these specially chosen books to our children - just for the joy of sharing a story together.

Key Stage 1

- **The Minpins** and the timeless charm of **Winnie the Pooh** introduce our children to imaginative stories that could play out in the environment around them. Could there be tiny people or bears playing in the forest?
- **The Street Beneath My Feet** and **The Rhythm of Rain** invite our children to explore the hidden magic of their everyday world, fostering a deep connection with nature. We want our youngest readers to discover the simple joy of a rainy day or the hidden world beneath their feet.
- **Inside the Villains** and **The Boy the Troll and the Chalk** add a dash of thrilling adventure to our reading spine, encouraging imaginative play and a love for diverse narratives.

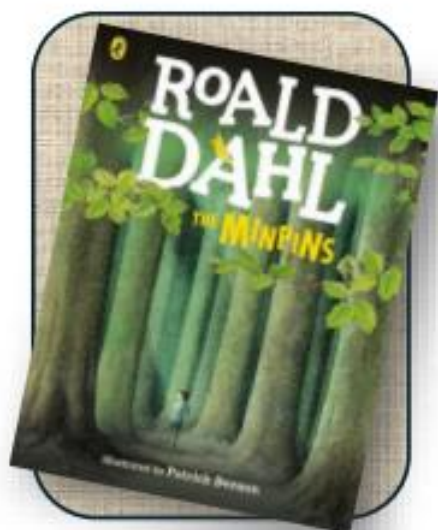
Lower Key Stage 2

- **A Year of Nature Poems** and **Island** encourage children to connect with and "find joy" in the natural world, fostering a sense of wonder and appreciation for the world.
- **The Boy in the Oak** and **The Wizard of Once** offer magical adventures in forest settings that spark imagination and creativity.
- **Robin Hood** and **The Boy Who Grew Dragons** provide exciting narratives that encourage a love of storytelling.

Upper Key Stage 2

- **Wonder** promotes empathy and understanding, fostering healthy personal development.
- **Robin Hood** and **The Final Year** explore themes of resilience and navigating challenges.
- **To Wee or Not To Wee** and **The Sky** encourage light-hearted exploration and wonder.
- **The Lost Spells** invites children to connect with the natural world and the find joy in the world around them.

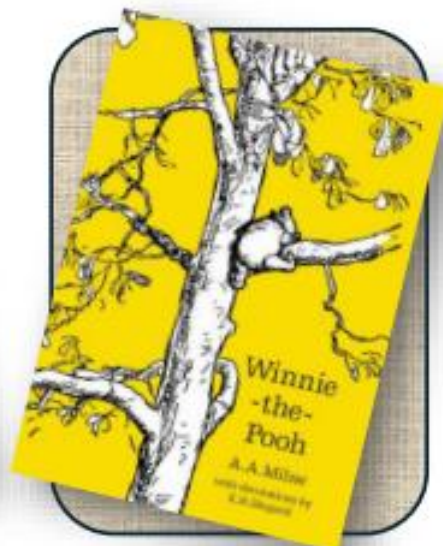
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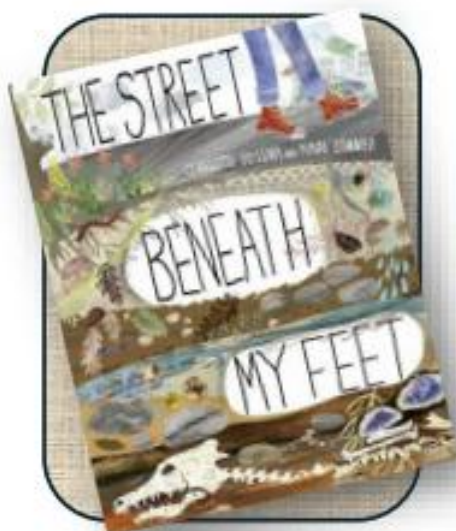
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Year Three and Four



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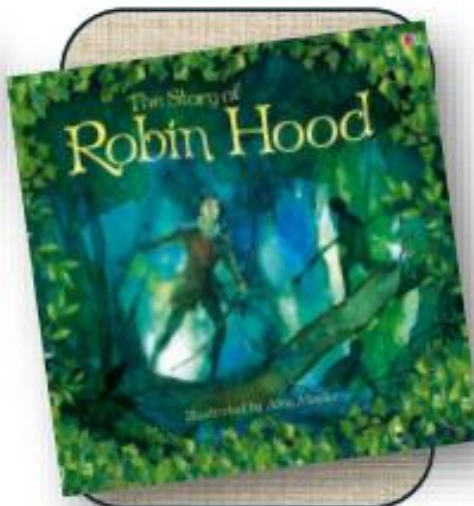
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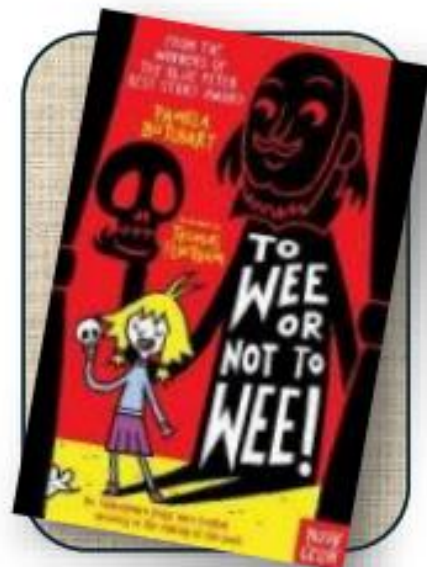
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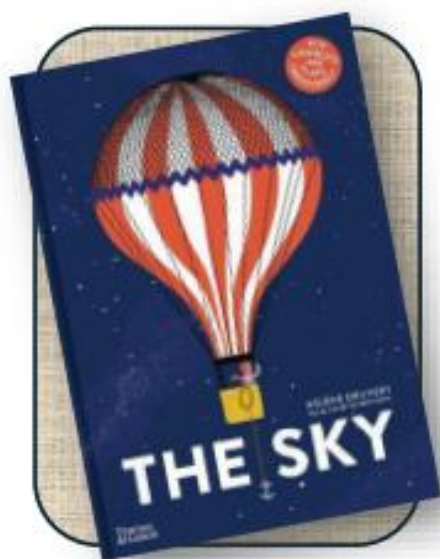
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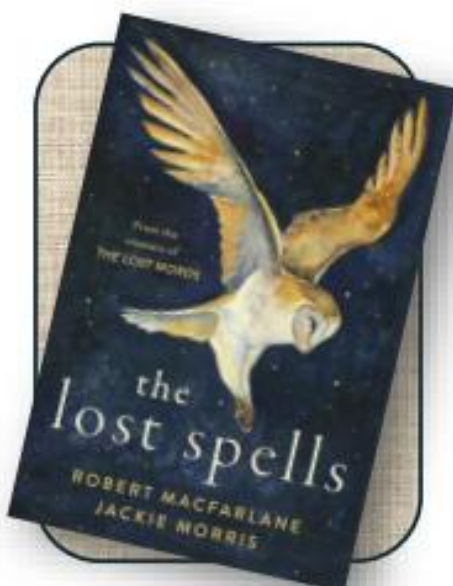
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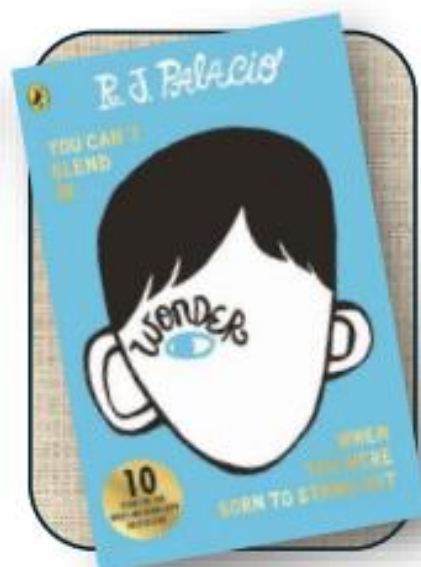
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