Lostwithiel Primary School

Stories for Storytime



At Lostwithiel Primary School, we are passionate about reading stories aloud to our children. Stories that inspire children to read for themselves. Children who choose to read, do well in school and in life. By reading aloud every day, we take children into a world that goes well beyond our typical everyday spoken language. The more children read, the more they know. The more they know, the more they read.

We believe that books are the central pillar in establishing all children's identity. All children should be seen and see themselves in picture books. We choose books that include diverse characters who are not defined solely by their ethnicity; strong stories with engaging illustrations.

Stories teach children to:

- Sustain attention
- Learn thousands of new words
- Deepen their knowledge of words on every retelling
- Hear exaggerated patterns in words and phrases
- Link thoughts from one part of the story to another
- Become familiar with complex and compound sentences
- Understand emotions and learn to empathise with others
- Build pictures in their minds from the words on the page
- Understand the nuance of humour
- Follow a plot with all its twists and turns
- Understand suspense and predict what's about to happen next.

How this works in our school

- In nursery, EYFS and year 1, we choose 30 diverse and high quality books to read over and over again to our children.
- In year 2, we choose 20 diverse and high-quality books to read alongside a short novel per half term.
- In every year group we re-read favourites from previous years.
- As a RWI school our list is made in consultation with recommendations from the Ruth Miskin training portal.

Nursery



30 Class Favourites		Nursery Rhymes
 The very hungry caterpillar - Eric Carle The Gruffalo - Julia Donaldson The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch - Ronda Armitage Lost and Found - Oliver Jeffers Aliens Love Underpants - Claire Freedman & Ben Cort Not Now Bernard - David McKee Lots of Dots - Pippa Goodheart & Anna Doherty Octopants - Suzy Senior & Claire Powell All the Nonsense in my Teeth - Mike Henson & Barbara Bakos Owl Babies - Martin Waddell Mr Big - Ed Vere Elmer - Davie McKee The Very Busy Spider - Eric Carle Rosie's Walk - Pat Hutchins Hairy Maclary - Lynley Dodd You Choose - Nick Sharratt Arlo The Lion who Couldn't Sleep - Catherine Rayner 	 Layla's Happiness -Mariahadessa Ekere Tallie & Ashleigh Corrin How Do You Make a Rainbow? - Caroline Crowe & Cally Johnson- Isaacs I Love Chinese New Year - Eva Wong Nava & Li Xin Lulu's First Day - Anna McQuinn & Rosalind Beardshaw All are Welcome - Alexandra Penfold and Suzanne Kaufman Love makes a family - Sophie Beer Incredible You - Rhys Brisenden and Nathan Reed Luna Loves Dance - Joseph Coelho and Fiona Lumbers Benjamin Zephaniah's Nature Trail - Nila Aye Not Now, Noor - Farhana Islam and Nabila Adani Mad about Minibeasts - Giles Andrae Tilda Tries Again: A Big Bright Feelings Book - Tom Percival Kindness Makes Us Strong - Sophie Beer 	 Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall Row row row your boat Incy Wincy Spider Five little monkeys Heads, shoulders, knees and toes Wind the bobbin up I'm a little teapot Five little men I am the baker man Twinkle twinkle little s





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 Funnybones - Allan Ahlberg The Tiger who came to tea - Judith Kerr The very busy spider - Eric Carle Farmer Duck - Martin Waddell Room on the Broom - Julia Donaldson The Snail and the Whale - Julia Donaldson Octopus Shocktopus! - Peter Bently & Steven Lenton The Lion Inside - Rachel Bright & Jim Field Tad - Benji Davis How to catch a star - Oliver Jeffers Find your happy - Emily Coxhead Handa's surprise- Eileen Browne Pattan's Pumpkin - Chitra Soundar & Frane Lessac Super Duper You! - Sophy Henn Clean Up! - Nathan Bryon & Dapo Adeola Eyes that Speak to the Stars - Joanna Ho & Dung Ho Astro Girl - Ken Wilson-Max 	18. The Best Diwali Ever - Sonali Shah & Chaaya Prabhat 19. My Hair - Hannah Lee & Allen Fatimaharan 20. What Happened to You? - James Catchpole & Karen George 21. My Daddies - Gareth Peter & Garry Parsons 22. My Magic Family - Lotte Jeffs & Sharon Davey 23. I am enough - Grace Byers 24. Omar, the Bees and me - Helen Mortimer + Katie Cottle 25. Grandad's Camper - Harry Woodgate 26. Under the Love Umbrella - Davina Ball 27. We're going to find the Monster - Malorie Blackman 28. The Girls - Lauren Ace and Jenny Loulie 29. The Boys - Lauren Ace and Jenny Loulie 30. Uncle Bobby's Wedding - Sarah S Brannen and Lucia Soto	 1,2,3,4,5 once a caught a fish alive Down at the station Hey diddle diddle Five currant buns 5 speckled frogs The bear went over the mountain I can sing a rainbow London Bridge 10 green bottles Hickory dickory dock

Year 1



30 Class Favourites

- 1. Man on the Moon Simon Bartram
- 2. The Oak Tree Julia Donaldson and Victoria Sandey
- 3. The Friendship Bench Wendy Meddour
- 4. Out of the Blue Robert Tregoning, Bloomsbury
- 5. Two Places to Call Home by Phil Earle
- 6. It's a No-Money Day by Kate Milner
- 7. The Squirrels who Squabbled Jim Field
- 8. The Invisible Tom Percivel
- 9. The Bear and the Piano David Litchfield
- 10. The Scarecrows' Wedding Julia Donaldson
- 11. Mog Judith Kerr
- 12. Leo and the Octopus Isabelle Marinov & Chris Nixon
- 13. Traction Man Mini Grey
- 14. Chocolate Cake Michael Rosen
- 15. A Bear's Guide to Beekeeping Pip Carnell & Alex G Griffiths

- 16. The Tiny Seed Eric Carle
- 17. Eyes that Kiss in the Corners Joanna Ho
- 18. Sulwe Lupita Nyong'o & Vashti Harrison
- 19. Amy Wu and the Patchwork Dragon Kat Zhang
- 20. Meesha Makes Friends Tom Percival
- 21. Night of the Moon: A Muslim Holiday Story Hena Khan & Julie Paschkis
- 22. Listen: How Evelyn Glennie, a Deaf Girl, Changed Percussion Shannon Stocker & Devon Holzwarth
- 23. I Am Nefertiti By Aneemarie Anang
- 24. Splash Claire Cashmore & Sharon Davey
- 25. The Pirate Mums Jodie Lancet-Grant & Lydia Corry
- 26. The Wall and the Wild Christina Dendy & Katie Rewse
- 27. Billy and the Beast Nadia Shireen
- 28. The Extraordinary Gardener Sam Broughton
- 29. Anna Hibiscus Song Atinuke and Lauren Tobia
- 30. Look up Nathan Bryon

Year 2



20 Class Favourites

- 1. Fantastically Great Women who Saved the Plant Kate Pankhurst
- 2. Captain Flinn and the Pirate Dinosaurs Giles Andreae & Russell Ayto
- 3. The Comet Joe Todd-Stanton
- 4. Darwin's Super-Pooping Worm Spectacular Polly Owen & Gwen Milward
- 5. Inside the Villains Clotilde Perrin
- 6. Greta and the Giants Zoe Tucker and Zoe Persico
- 7. Dear Earth Isabel Otter & Clara Anganuzzi
- 8. An Emotional Menagerie The School of Life
- 9. Ratty's Big Adventure Lara Hawthorne
- 10. Little People Big Dreams: Mary Anning Maria Isabel Sánchez Vegara

- 11. Billy and the Pirates Nadia Shireen
- 12. Aaron Slater Illustrator Andrea Beaty & David Roberts
- 13. The Fixer of Broken Things Julia Patton
- 14. Malala's Magic Pencil Malala Yousafzai
- 15. Masai and I Virginia Kroll
- 16. Hidden Figures Margot Lee Shetterly
- 17. My Beautiful Voice Joseph Coelho and Allison Colpyoys
- 18. Milo Imagines the World Matt de la Pena & Christian Robinson
- 19. Seal Surfer Michael Foreman
- 20. Little Glow Katie Sahota and Harry Woodgate

Class Readers

Marv and the Mega Robot



The Boy Who Grew Dragons



Flat Stanley



Einstein the



Leonora Bolt



An Alien in the Jam Factory

