**Finstall First School**

**Reading Spine Books**

**for Reception to Year 4**

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| Finstall First School | **At Finstall First School, we want our School to be a place where children are read to, enjoy, discuss and work with high quality books. The 'Reading Spine' is a core of books that create a living library inside a child's mind. It is a store of classics and essential reads that help children engage at a deeper level and enter the world of the story. The books sometimes link to our topics but not always. They are shared with all of the children in different ways – they may be read to the children, used a stimulus for writing in English lessons or as a guided reader whereby children read and respond to them in a small group.**  |

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| **Year 4 Recommended Reading List** |
| **Author** | **Title** |
| Nina Bawden | The Peppermint Pig  |
| Cressida Cowell | How to train your dragon  |
| Gillian Cross | Demon Headmaster |
| Vince Cross | Blitz |
| Roald Dahl | Charlie and the Chocolate Factory  |
| Roald Dahl | BFG  |
| Roald Dahl | Georges Marvellous Medicine  |
| Michael Foreman | War Game  |
| Reinhardt Jung | Bambert's Book of Missing Stories |
| Clive King | Stig of the Dump |
| Satoshi Kitamura | Stone Age Boy |
| Mary Norton | The Borrowers |
| Ian Ogilvy | Measle and the Wrathmonk |
| Philip Pullman | I was a rat |
| Philip Pullman | The Firework Makers Daughter |
| Michelle Robinson | How to wash a woolly Mammoth |
| David Walliams | Billionaire Boy  |
| EB White | Charlottes Web  |
| Jacqueline Wilson | Cliffhanger  |
| Jacqueline Wilson | The Suitcase Kid  |



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| **Year 3 Recommended Reading List** |
| **Author** | **Title** |
| Enid Blyton | The Faraway Tree |
| Jeff Brown | Flat Stanley  |
| Anthony Browne | King Kong  |
| Anthony Browne | Voices in the Park  |
| Betsy Byars | The Midnight Fox |
| Roald Dahl | Fantastic Mr Fox  |
| Lucy Daniels | Dog in the Dungeon  |
| Kenneth Grahame | The Reluctant Dragon  |
| Ted Hughes | The Iron Man  |
| Eva Ibbotson | The Abominables  |
| Dick King-Smith | The Hodgeheg |
| Dick King Smith | George Speaks |
| Dick King Smith | The Sheep Pig |
| Rudyard Kipling | Just so stories |
| CS Lewis | The Lion the witch and the wardrobe  |
| Jenny Nimmo | The Witches’ Tears |
| Philip Pullman | Aladdin and the Enchanted Lamp |
| Philip Pullman | Puss in boots |
| Dr. Seuss | Oh, the Places You'll Go |
| Andy Stanton | You’re a bad man, Mr. Gum! (series) |
| Jeremy Strong | Romans on the Rampage |
| Marcia Williams | Greek Myths |
| Jeanne Willis | Who’s in the Loo?  |
| Jacqueline Wilson | Hetty Feather |
| Charles Dickens  | A Christmas Carol (abridged version) |
| Juliet Desailly | Ma’ats feather |



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| **Year 2 Recommended Reading List** |
| **Author** | **Title** |
| Allan Ahlberg | The man who wore all his clothes |
| Ronda & David Armitage | The Lighthouse Keeper’s lunch |
| Antonia Barber  | The Mousehole Cat |
| Enid Blyton | The Enchanted Wood  |
| Raymond Briggs | Fungus the Bogeyman  |
| Anthony Browne | Gorilla |
| Anthony Browne | Hansel & Gretel |
| Humphrey Carpenter | Mr Majeika  |
| Roald Dahl | The Enormous Crocodile |
| Roald Dahl | The Magic Finger  |
| Roald Dahl | The Giraffe the peley and me  |
| Roald Dahl | Revolting Rhymes |
| Drew Daywalt | The day the crayons quit  |
| Lynley Dodd | Hairy Maclary from Donaldson’s dairy |
| Julia Donaldson | A squash and a squeeze |
| Julia Donaldson | The Smartest Giant in Town |
| Julia Donaldson | Tiddler |
| Max Eilenberg | Cinderella |
| Jan Fearnley | Mr Wolfs Pancakes  |
| Anne Fine | The Diary of a Killer Cat  |
| Emily Gravett | Meercat Mail  |
| Emily Gravett | Wolves |
| Kes Graey | Billys Bucket |
| Mairi Hedderwick | Katie Morag’s Island Stories |
| Shirley Hughes | Dogger |
| John Light | The Flower |
| Margaret Mahy | A Lion in the Meadow |
| Lemony Snicket | The Dark |
| Jill Tomlinson | The owl who was afraid of the dark  |
| Martin Waddell | Owl Babies |



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| **Year 1 Recommended Reading List** |
| **Author** | **Title** |
| Alan and Janet Ahlberg | Cops and Robbers  |
| Raymond Briggs | Jim and the Beanstalk |
| Eileen Browne | Handa’s Surpise |
| Eileen Browne | Handa’s Hen |
| John Burningham | Avacado Baby |
| Nick Butterworth | The Whisperer |
| Rod Campbell | Dear Zoo |
| Lauren Child | Charlie and Lola |
| Helen Cooper | Pumpkin Soup |
| Alexis Deacon | Beegu  |
| Lynley Dodd | The Other Ark |
| Minnie Grey | The Princess and the Pea |
| Shirley Hughes | Alfie |
| Pat Hutchins | Don’t Forget the Bacon |
| Simon James | The Wild Woods |
| Oliver Jeffers | Lost and Found  |
| Judith Kerr | The tiger who came to tea  |
| Geraldine McCaughrean | Unicorn, Unicorn |
| David McKee | Not Now, Bernard |
| David McKee | Elmer |
| Michael Morpurgo | The Silver Swan |
| Inga Moore | Six Dinner Sid |
| Jill Murphy | Peace at Last  |
| Jill Murphy | On the way home |
| Korky Paul | The Fish Who Could Wish |
| Marcus Pfister | Rainbow Fish |
| Maurice Sendak | Where the Wild Things Are |
| Dr Seuss | The Cat in the Hat |
| Aleksei Tolstoy | The Gigantic Turnip |
| Martin Waddell | Farmer Duck |
| Martin Waddell | Can’t you sleep Little bear  |



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| Reception Recommended Reading list |
| Author | Title |
| Allan Ahlberg | Each peach, pear plum  |
| Allan Ahlberg | Monkey Do |
| Nick Barrett | Percy the Park Keeper |
| Byron Barton | Little Red Hen  |
| Anthony Browne | My Amazing Mum  |
| Eric Carle | The Very Hungry Caterpillar |
| Eric Carle | Slowly, Slowly, Slowly said the Sloth  |
| Emma Chichester | Where are you, Blue Kangaroo  |
| Emma Chichester | I love you, Blue Kangaroo  |
| Roald Dahl | Esio Trot  |
| Julia Donaldson | What the Ladybird Heard  |
| Julia Donaldson | The Gruffalo  |
| Julia Donaldson | Scarecrows Wedding |
| Julia Donaldson | Smeds & Smoos  |
| Julia Donaldson | Sharing A Shell  |
| Jonny Duddle | Pirates of Scurvy Sands  |
| Susan Gates | Run! Run! It’s Scarypoo!  |
| Judith Kerr  |  The Tiger who came to tea  |
| Robert N. Munsch | Love You Forever  |
| Jill Murphy | Peace at Last  |
| Jill Murphy | Whatever Next!  |
| Michael Rosen | We‘re going on a bear hunt  |
| Raynhill Scomel | The Wish Cat  |
| Oscar Seaworthy | Portside Pirates  |
| Nick Sharratt | Pirate Pete |
| Kaye Umansky | Yo Ho Ho! A Pirating We’ll Go!  |
| Martin Waddell | Owl babies |
|  | The Three Little Pigs  |
|  | Goldilocks and the three bears |
|  | The Enormous Turnip |



 **Year group Book Spines**

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| **Year 3** | **Book title** | **Class study**  | **Read to class** | **Linked to class topic** | **Books that are the class topic** | **Books available in class library** |
| **Autumn 1** | **Howard Carter’s Diary entries** **The Iron Man****The lion the Witch and the Wardrobe****Flat Stanley****Fantastic Mr Fox****Ma’ats Feather** | yes | Yesyes | Yesyes | Yesyes | YesYesYesyes |
| **Autumn2** | **Roald Dahl – The Twits.****The Hodgeheg****Just so Stories****Harry the Poinsonous Centipede****Charlottes Web****Gangsta Granny** | yes | yes |  |  | YesYesYesYesyes |
| **Spring 1** | **Coming of the Romans.****The sheep pig****King Kong****The Abominables****Whos in the Loo** | Yes | Yes | yes | yes | Yes |
| **Spring 2** | **Escape from Pompeii****Magic Box by Kit Wright.****Romans on the Rampage****The Witches tears****Puss in Boots****Aladdin and the Enchanted Lamp** | YesYes | YesYesYesYesyes | YesYesYes | Yesyes |  |
| **Summer 1** | **Study of performance poetry****Hetty Feather****A Christmas Carol****Voices in the park****Dog in the Dungeon****The Reluctant Dragon****George Speaks** | Yes | YesYesYes | YesYesYes | yes | Yes |
| **Summer 2** |  **Wallace and Gromit The Wrong Trousers****The Midnight Fox****The Faraway Tree****Oh the places youll go****Youre a bad man Mr Gum****How to train your dragon** | Yes | Yes | Yes | yes |  |

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| **Autumn 1** | **Poetry about Ourselves and the senses**:**Hairy Maclary** **Peace at last** **Owl Babies** **The Very Hungry Caterpillar** **I Hear a Pickle and smell, see touch and taste it too.****Cops and Robbers****Beegu** | Yes | YesYesYesYesYesYesYesYes | YesYesYesYesYesyes | yes | yesyesyesyesyes |
| **Autumn 2** | **Non fiction books with instructions****Can’t you sleep Little Bear****On the way home** **The Tiger comes to Tea** **The Wild Woods by** **Charlie and Lola** **The Rainbow Fish** | Yes | YesYesYesYesYesYesyes | YesYesYesYesYesYesyes | yes | YesYesYesYesYesyes |
| **Spring 1** | **fairy stories and traditional tales****Goldilocks and the Three Bears.****Hansel and Gretel****Three Little Pigs****Gingerbread Man****Little Red Riding hood****Cinderella****Snow White and the Seven Dwarves.****Dick Whittington****Peter Pan****The Frog Prince****The Billy Goats Gruff****Rumplestiltskin****Rapunzel****Jack and the Beanstalk****Beware of the Bears Mr Wolf’s Pancakes****Jim and the Beanstalk** **The Gigantic Turnip** **The Princess and the Pea**  | Yes | Yes | Yes | yes | Yes |
| **Spring 2** | **To read and write poetry about animals****Animal poems – poems from Commotion in the ocean****Dear Zoo by** **Six Dinner Sid** **Lost and Found****Elmer** **The Whisperer** **The Silver Swan** | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes  | yes |
| **Summer 1** | **Read a text from a different culture.** **Handa Surprise** **Avocado Baby** **Handa’s Hen** **Fantasy world stories****The Cat in the hat** **The bear under the stairs** **Where the Wild things are** **Not now Bernard** **The fish who could wish**  | YesYes | Yesyes | Yesyes | Yes yes | YesYesYesYesYesyes |
| **Summer 2** |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Year 2** | **Book title** | **Class study**  | **Read to class** | **Linked to class topic** | **Books that are the class topic** | **Books available in class library** |
| **Autumn 1** | **The Sea Monster’****Katie Morag books Lighthouse Keeper stories****Billys Bucket****Tiddler****My mum and dad make me laugh.****Dogger****Alfie and Annie stories****There’s a lion in the meadow.****The Mousehole cat** | YesYesyes | YesYesYesYesYesYesYesYesYesyes | YesYesYesYesYesyes | YesYesyes | YesYesYesYesYesyes |
| **Autumn 2** | **Space Man Bob****Wallace and Gromit****Harvey Slumphenburgers Christmas Present**. | YesYesYes | YesYesyes | Yesyes |  |  |
| **Spring 1** | **3 Billy Goats Gruff****Tiger Child****How Rabbit Stole the fire****LRRH****Charlies Superhero Underpants.****A squash and a squeeze** | YesYesYesYesyes | YesYesYesYesyes |  | YesYesYesyes | Yesyes |
| **Spring 2** | **Wolves****Gorilla****The Enormous Crocodile****The Giraffe the peley and me****Hairy Mclary****Meercat Mail** | Yes | yes | yes | yes | YesYesYes |
| **Summer1** | **Jack and the Beanstalk****Percy the Park Keeper****The owl who was afraid of the dark****The Flower** | Yesyes | YesYesYesyes | YesYesYesyes | Yesyes |  |
| **Summer 2** | **Robin Hood****The Magic Finger** | Yesyes | Yesyes | yes | yes |  |

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| **Year 4** | **Book title** | **Class study**  | **Read to class** | **Linked to class topic** | **Books that are the class topic** | **Books available in class library** |
| **Autumn 1** | **Stone Age Boy****How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth****The DreamGiver****The Water Cycle****Stig of the dump****The peppermint pig****The demon headmaster** | YesYesYesyes | YesYesYesYesYesyes |  | YesYesYesyes | yes |
| **Autumn2** | **BFG****The Shirt Machine – animation****Billionaire boy****How to train your dragon** | YesYes | yes | yes | Yesyes | Yesyes |
| **Spring1** | **Beowulf** **The Firework Makers daughter****I was a rat** | Yes | YesYes |  | yes |  |
| **Spring 2** | **Goodnight Mister Tom** | Yes | yes | yes | yes |  |
| **Summer1** | **War Game****Blitz****The Borrowers** |  | Yesyes | YesYesyes |  | YesYesyes |
| **Summer2** | **The suitcase kid** |  | yes |  |  | yes |
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