



Reading

Learning Journey

Our Vision:

The intent of the Reading curriculum at Grove Park is...

- To foster a love of reading for pleasure in all our pupils.
- To equip our pupils with the skills necessary to read easily, fluently through a sequential, coherent and rigorous phonics scheme.
- Through a skills based approach to reading (VIPERS), develop the ability of our pupils to comprehend texts with accuracy and insight.
- For our pupils to develop the ability to read with purpose and critique.
- To use the explicit teaching of vocabulary as a means of supporting all children, regardless of ability, to be able to access and make progress within the subject and across the wider curriculum in order tackle social disadvantage.
- To expose and to develop within our pupils a deep appreciation of all the great pieces of literary work that have ever been 'spoken, written or read.'
- To provide a means for developing the cultural capital of our pupils by ensuring our reading curriculum encompasses the voices and perspectives of people from diverse backgrounds and abilities, including authors from BAME and LGBTQ+ communities.
- To harness the power of a reading for pleasure approach in order to enhance writing for pleasure.



Nursery – Cycle 1

Book	The colour monster goes to school	Everyone is Welcome			We're going on a Bear Hunt	We're going on a leaf hunt	Autumn and Harvest
Autumn 1	Talk about myself and my new school.	Talk about how they are feeling			Retelling story using drama and movement	Identify signs of Autumn	What is a Harvest Festival?
Half Term							
Book	Non-fiction: Light and Dark	Non-fiction: Owls	Owl babies	It was a cold, dark night	Non-fiction: Nocturnal Animals	Whatever Next	Christmas
Autumn 2	Look at non-fiction texts	Find out some facts about owls	Re-tell the story	Look at animals that hibernate	Find 3 interesting facts about your favourite nocturnal animal	Discuss what would you take to space	Write a letter to Santa
Christmas Holidays							
Book	The Three Little Pigs	The Three Little Pig	Jack and the Beanstalk	Chinese New Year: Traditional Chinese story	Goldilocks and the three bears	Recipes	
Spring 1	Make a story map using pictures from the story	Make a list of the materials used by the pigs to build their houses	Make predictions about what will happen next in the story	Use words to describe one of your favourite animals	Join in with repeated refrains from the story	Make a shopping list for ingredients to make porridge	
Half Term							
Book	Zog and the Flying Doctors	My favourite Nursery Rhyme	Paula the Vet	Non-fiction: Informational text			Visitor from local community
Spring 2	Use words to describe one of the characters from the story	Discuss their favourite nursery rhyme		Describe what a vet does			
Easter Holidays							
Book	The Very Hungry Caterpillar	The Very Hungry Caterpillar	Super Worm			What the Ladybird Heard?	
Summer 1	Sequence events of the story	Name and describe the fruits that were eaten by the caterpillar	Identifying words that rhyme	Label characters from the story using initial sounds.	Identifying rhyming words	What animals live on a farm?	
Half Term							
Book	Oliver's Vegetables	Non-fiction: Growing	Oliver's Fruit Salad	Non-fiction: Food around the World	Ruby's Worry	Michele Recycle	Someone Swallowed Stanley
Summer 2	Initial sounds	How to grow a bean	Instructions to make a fruit salad using your favourite fruits	Identify where different fruits come from	To write about growing up	Identify what materials we need to recycle	Informational poster
End of the Year							

Nursery – Cycle 2

Autumn 1							
Book	The colour monster goes to school	Everyone is Welcome		We're going on a Bear Hunt	We're Going On a Leaf Hunt	Autumn and Harvest	
Autumn 1	Talk about myself and my new school.	Talk about how they are feeling		Retelling story using drama and movement	Identify signs of Autumn	What is a Harvest Festival?	
Half Term							
Book	Handa's Surprise	Non-fiction	Monkey Puzzle	There's a Tiger in the Garden	It Was a Cold Dark Night		Winter, non-fiction and fiction
Autumn 2	Retell the story and make a story map using pictures.	Making a list of animal facts	Think of words to describe each animal from the story	Compare fiction tigers to real tigers	What do hedgehogs need to stay warm and safe?	Look at animals that hibernate	Use words to describe winter
Christmas Holidays							
Book	Books about feelings Ravis Roar, Meesha make friends	The Three Billy Goats Gruff	The Three Billy Goats Gruff	Little Red Riding Hood	Little Red Riding Hood	The Great Race	
Spring 1	Discuss different feelings	Sequencing events of the story	Children to join in with the repeated refrains	Hot Seating	Character descriptions	Identify the characters from the story	
Half Term							
Book	The Hungry Caterpillar	The Amazing life cycle of butterflies	All about me: Growing up	The Tiny Seed	The Tiny Tadpole	The Tiny Seed	
Spring 2	Sequence events of the story	Understand the different stages of the life cycle	Past and present : How I've changed	Making predictions about what happens next in the story	Look at the life cycle of a frog	Make a list of things that will help to make a seed grow.	
Easter Holidays							
Book	Mr Gumpy's Outing	Local Area	Visit from a local business	Old and new Transport Mr Gumpy's Motorcar	London		
Summer 1	Hot Seating	Map and label local community Before and now	Questions to ask a local business owner	How do we get to school?	Landmarks and people		
Half Term							
Book	Oliver's vegetables	Snail and the Whale					
Summer 2	Initial sounds in words	Sequencing the events of the story			Identifying rhyming words		
End of the Year							

Reception – Cycle 1

Book:	The colour monster goes to school		Everyone is Welcome		We're going on a bear hunt	We're going on a leaf hunt	Autumn and Harvest
<u>Autumn 1</u>	Talk about myself and my new school.	Making a list of tidying up.	Making a list of who is in my class.	Making a list about the local area.	Retelling story using drama and movement	Making a list of the local environment.	Labelling initial sounds.
<u>Half Term</u>							
Book:	Non-fiction: Light and Dark	Non-fiction: Owls	Owl babies	It was a cold, dark night	Non-Fiction: Nocturnal animals	Whatever Next	Christmas
<u>Autumn 2</u>	Initial sounds	Initial sounds	Sequencing, Storytelling, Missing poster	Sequencing	Writing about nocturnal animals	Lists of things to take to space	Instructions: Salt dough Xmas decorations
<u>Christmas Holidays</u>							
Book:	The three little pigs	The three little pigs	Jack and the Beanstalk	Chinese New Year: Traditional Chinese story	Goldilocks and the three bears	Recipes	
<u>Spring 1</u>	CVC/ Caption writing Story Map	Plan and label house design	Sequencing and caption writing.	Comprehension: comparing	Hot seating	Writing instructions for making porridge	
<u>Half Term</u>							
Book:	Zog and the flying doctors	My favourite Poem	Paula the vet	Non-Fiction: Informational text	Amelia Earhart	Visitor from local community	
<u>Spring 2</u>	Writing about a character	Listen to a poem: What is a poem?	Write a rhyming poem	Writing about someone's job	Writing about something old and something new	Writing a question for someone to answer	
<u>Easter Holidays</u>							
Book:	The very hungry caterpillar	The very hungry caterpillar	Super worm		What the ladybird heard		
<u>Summer 1</u>	Writing my own story	Writing in sentences	Writing a rhyming poem	Writing my own story	Writing instructions to make a mini-beast house	Writing instructions for a map	
<u>Half Term</u>							
Book:	Oliver's vegetables	Non-Fiction: Growing	Oliver's fruit salad	Non-Fiction: Food around the world	Ruby's Worry	Michele Recycle	Someone swallowed Stanley
<u>Summer 2</u>	To write a letter to a character	Grow a bean: Instruction writing	To write instructions for making a healthy meal	To write to compare things (different foods)	To write about growing up	Write about what materials we need to recycle	Informational poster

Reception – Cycle 2

Half Term							
Book:	The colour monster goes to school	Everyone is Welcome		We're going on a bear hunt	We're going on a leaf hunt	Autumn and Harvest	
<u>Autumn 1</u>	Talk about myself and my new school.	Making a list of tidying up.	Making a list of who is in my class.	Making a list about the local area.	Retelling story using drama and movement	Making a list of the local environment.	Labelling initial sounds
Half Term							
Book:	Handa's surprise	Non-fiction	Monkey puzzle	There's a tiger in the garden	It was a cold, dark night		Winter Non-fiction and Fiction
<u>Autumn 2</u>	Retell the story and make a story map.	Making a list of animal facts	Finishing a nursery rhyme	Writing own version of a story.	Writing about nocturnal animals	Write a list of instructions for making gingerbread	CVC words winter poster
Christmas Holidays							
Book:	Books about feelings Ravis Roar, Meesha make friends	The three Billy Goat Gruff	The three Billy Goat Gruff	Little Red Riding Hood	Little Red and the Hungry Lion	The Great Race	
<u>Spring 1</u>	List of the Zones of Regulation colours	Sequencing and labelling	Instruction writing	Character writing	Create own little red riding hood story	Postcard writing	
Half Term							
Book:	The hungry caterpillar	The Amazing life cycle of butterflies	All about me: Growing up	The Tiny Seed	The tiny tadpole	The Tiny seed	
<u>Spring 2</u>	Sequencing	Observational labelling	Past and present : How I've changed	How to plant a seed writing?	Observational sentence	Observation sentence writing (How the seed has grown?)	
Easter Holidays							
Book:	Mr Gumpy's outings	Local area	Visit from a local business	Old and new Transport Mr Gumpy Motorcar	London	Mary Anning	
<u>Summer 1</u>	Writing my own story	Map and label local community Before and now	Letter writing	How do we get to school?	Landmarks and people	Letter writing	
Half Term							
Book:	Oliver's vegetables	Snail and the Whale	Snail and the Whale	Shared reading: Got it!	Ruby's Worry	Someone swallowed Stanley	
<u>Summer 2</u>	To write a letter to a character	Story map	Rhyming	Comparing city and seaside	To write about growing up	Write about what materials we need to recycle	Letter writing
End of the Year							

Year 1 Early Reading

<u>Autumn 1</u>	Basic sentence structure	Completing a story (Elmer)	Poetry – rhyming words	Writing an acrostic poem	Writing a ‘life doesn’t frighten me’ poem	Room on the Broom Writing instructions	
<u>Half Term</u>							
<u>Autumn 2</u>	Using adjectives in sentences (Room on a Broom)	Writing a letter (Jolly Postman)	Writing a postcard (Jolly Postman) Conjunctions	Traditional tales Retelling a narrative (Goldilocks and the Three Bears by Lauren Child)	Traditional tales Alternative stories	Writing a winter setting description	Lost and Found sequencing
<u>Christmas Holidays</u>							
<u>Spring 1</u>	Lost and Found Character description	Grammar Conjunctions/ prefix	I want my hat back (question and explanation marks)	I want my hat back (Creative writing)	Mental Health Week (Letter)		
<u>Half Term</u>							
<u>Spring 2</u>	Grammar Suffix endings/ plurals	Information text (Chicks)	Recount of Farm	Letters to Farm	Character Description (Wanted Poster)	Writing a story (Farmer Duck)	
<u>Easter Holidays</u>							
<u>Summer 1</u>	Writing a story (Rainbow Fish)	Writing a setting description (Rainbow Fish)	Writing a setting description (Where the Wild Things Are)	Comparing setting descriptions	Writing own setting description		
<u>Half Term</u>							
<u>Summer 2</u>	Character description (Aliens)	Writing a story (Inspired by an alien)	Writing an alternative opening to a story (the Gigantic Turnip & assessment)	Writing a newspaper report	Poetry	Poetry	
<u>End of the Year</u>							

Year 2

Autumn 1						
Half Term						
Autumn 2						
Christmas Holidays						
Spring 1	Fiction: Hansel and Gretel	Non – Fiction: Women In Science Fact File	Fiction: Ronald the Rhino	Non – Fiction: Amazing Antarctica	Non – Fiction: Shark Fact File	Mental Health Week Non – Fiction Texts
Half Term						
Spring 2	Fiction: The Tortoise and the Hare Non-Fiction: Hedgehogs fact file	Poetry: The Midnight Skaters Poem Crazy at the Zoo Poem	Fiction: Matilda	Fiction: Fantastic Mr Fox	Poetry: Sunflower Poem Newspaper article Non Fiction Text	Instructions Roald Dahl Biography Non –Fiction: Sea Turtles
Easter Holidays						
Summer 1	Fiction: Jungle Book	Poetry: Butterfly poem Non Fiction text: Leopards	Non- Fiction texts: Festivals and celebrations	Fiction: The Boy and The Rainbow Non- Fiction: Plastic Pollution	Fiction: Chapter book	Non- Fiction: Ducks and fossils
Half Term						
Summer 2	Non-Fiction text: All about the internet	Fiction: The Undersea Cleaning Spree	Non-Fiction: Mae Jemison	Non- Fiction: Otters Fact File	Non – Fiction: Wimbledon Tennis and Rainforests	Fiction: Story
End of the Year						

Year 3

<u>Autumn 1</u>	Ice Palace (fiction)	Ice Palace (fiction)	Ice Palace (fiction)	National Poetry Day (fiction poetry)	Ice Palace (fiction)	Ice Palace (fiction)
	The Colour Monster (fiction)	Harvest Festival (non-fiction)	Fossils Poem (non-fiction poetry)		Black History Month Text (non-fiction)	Recycling Week (non-fiction)
<u>Half Term</u>						
<u>Autumn 2</u>	Picture Books (fiction)	Forces (non-fiction)	Songs from musicals (fiction)	Countries (non-fiction)	Children's classics (fiction)	Christmas songs (non-fiction)
<u>Christmas Holidays</u>						
<u>Spring 1</u>	Charlotte's Web (fiction)	Charlotte's Web (fiction)	Charlotte's Web (fiction)	Charlotte's Web (fiction)	Charlotte's Web (fiction)	Charlotte's Web (fiction)
	New Year (non-fiction)	Animals (non-fiction)	Roald Dahl (fiction)	Romans (non-fiction)	Chinese New Year (non-fiction)	Safer Internet Day (non-fiction)
<u>Half Term</u>						
<u>Spring 2</u>	Videos (fiction)	Mexico (non-fiction)	World Book Day (fiction)	Spring (non-fiction)	Festivals (non-fiction)	Mental Health (non-fiction)
<u>Easter Holidays</u>						
<u>Summer 1</u>	Beatrix Potter (fiction)	Beatrix Potter (fiction)	Beatrix Potter (fiction)	Beatrix Potter (fiction)	Beatrix Potter (fiction)	Beatrix Potter (fiction)
	Environment (non-fiction)	Hearing (fiction – picture book)	Egyptians (non-fiction)	Plants (non-fiction)	Keeping Healthy (non-fiction)	Cultures (non-fiction)
<u>Half Term</u>						
<u>Summer 2</u>	Disney Songs (fiction)	Lights and shadows (non-fiction)	Poetry (fiction)	Rainforests (non-fiction)	Weather (fiction picture book & non-fiction)	Newspapers (non-fiction)
<u>End of the Year</u>						

Year 4

<u>Autumn 1</u>	The Boy at the Back of the Class – Fiction	Recycling week and coding week – Non-fiction. The Boy at the Back of the Class – Fiction	Refugee Fact File – Non-fiction. The Boy at the Back of the Class – Fiction	Black History Month – Non-fiction The Boy at the Back of the Class – Fiction	Moussaka Recipe – Non-fiction The Boy at the Back of the Class – Fiction	The Legend of Podkin One Ear – Fiction The Boy at the Back of the Class – Fiction	The Boy at the Back of the Class – Fiction
<u>Half Term</u>							
<u>Autumn 2</u>	The Boy at the Back of the Class – Fiction Bubbles – Narrative.	The Boy at the Back of the Class – Fiction. Jane Goddall – Non-fiction. How to Heal a Dragon – Fiction.	The Boy at the Back of the Class – Fiction Fortunately – Picture Book	The Boy at the Back of the Class – Fiction Electricity (Billy Elliot) – Song	The Boy at the Back of the Class – Fiction Thomas Edison – Non-fiction	The Boy who Ran Away and Joined the Circus - Fiction	Milk Bottle Fairies – Instructions.
<u>Christmas Holidays</u>							
<u>Spring 1</u>	A Midsummer Nights Dream New Years Eve	A Midsummer Nights Dream States of Matter	A Midsummer Nights Dream Chinese New Year	A Midsummer Nights Dream Environment	A Midsummer Nights Dream Celebrations		
<u>Half Term</u>							
<u>Spring 2</u>	A Midsummer Nights Dream 6 Nations Rugby	A Midsummer Nights Dream Poetry	A Midsummer Nights Dream Spring	A Midsummer Nights Dream St Patrick's Day	A Midsummer Nights Dream Habitats	A Midsummer Nights Dream	
<u>Easter Holidays</u>							
<u>Summer 1</u>	Varjak Paw Environmental Issues	Varjak Paw India	Varjak Paw Money	Varjak Paw Animal Rights	Varjak Paw Bees	Varjak Paw Disney Songs	
<u>Half Term</u>							
<u>Summer 2</u>	Varjak Paw Healthy Schools Week	Varjak Paw Sports Poeples	Varjak Paw Spies and Crime	Varjak Paw Teeth	Varjak Paw Comics	Varjak Paw	
<u>End of the Year</u>							

Year 5

<u>Autumn 1</u>	Cosmic	Cosmic Roald Dahl – non-fiction/narrative	Cosmic Tudors – non-fiction	Cosmic Tudor – non-fiction	Cosmic Personal interests - fiction	Cosmic BHM - poems	Cosmic BHM – non-fiction
<u>Half Term</u>							
<u>Autumn 2</u>	Cosmic Mountains – non-fiction	Cosmic	Cosmic Remembrance Day - fiction	Cosmic Forces – non-fiction	Cosmic Personal interest - poetry	Cosmic Christmas - poetry	Cosmic Christmas - fiction
<u>Christmas Holidays</u>							
<u>Spring 1</u>	Romeo and Juliet – play/performance	Shakespeare – narrative	Songs - poetry	Renewable energy – non-fiction	Shakespeare - poetry	Mental health week - fiction	
<u>Half Term</u>							
<u>Spring 2</u>	Non fiction- Fairtrade	Poetry focus	St David’s Day, Non fiction	First News – Newspapers	Biographies, Modern Myths	Fiction and Poetry Songs	
<u>Easter Holidays</u>							
<u>Summer 1</u>	Kensuke’s Kingdom Fiction extracts (compare to Kensuke)	Kensuke’s Kingdom Comics - fiction	Kensuke’s Kingdom Songs - poetry	Kensuke’s Kingdom Myths - fiction	Kensuke’s Kingdom livings things – fiction	Kensuke’s Kingdom Personal interest	Kensuke’s Kingdom
All VIPERS skills							
<u>Summer 2</u>	A different boy	A different boy	A different boy	A different boy	A different boy	A different boy	A different boy
<u>End of the Year</u>							

Year 6

<u>Autumn 1</u>	<i>Letters from the Lighthouse</i> and other texts – non fiction (climate change)	<i>Letters from the Lighthouse</i> and other texts - poetry	<i>Letters from the Lighthouse</i> and other texts – fiction and non-fiction (WW2)	<i>Letters from the Lighthouse</i> and other texts – non fiction (electricity)	<i>Letters from the Lighthouse</i> and other texts – Poetry (BHM)	<i>Letters from the Lighthouse</i> and other texts – Songs (BHM)	
<u>Half Term</u>							
<u>Autumn 2</u>	<i>Letters from the Lighthouse</i> and other texts - poetry	<i>Letters from the Lighthouse</i> and other texts - fiction	<i>Letters from the Lighthouse</i> and other texts – fiction and non fiction (climate change)	<i>Letters from the Lighthouse</i> and other texts – non fiction	<i>Letters from the Lighthouse</i> and other texts - poetry	<i>Letters from the Lighthouse</i> and other texts - fiction	<i>Letters from the Lighthouse</i> and other texts – non-fiction
<u>Christmas Holidays</u>							
<u>Spring 1</u>	<i>Cogheart</i> and other texts – non fiction	<i>Cogheart</i> and other texts - fiction	<i>Cogheart</i> and other texts – fiction and non fiction	<i>Cogheart</i> and other texts – non fiction	<i>Cogheart</i> and other texts - fiction	<i>Cogheart</i> and other texts - poetry	<i>Cogheart</i> and other texts - song
<u>Half Term</u>							
<u>Spring 2</u>	<i>Cogheart</i> and other texts – non fiction	<i>Cogheart</i> and other texts - poetry	<i>Cogheart</i> and other texts – non fiction	<i>Cogheart</i> and other texts - fiction	<i>Cogheart</i> and other texts - poetry	<i>Cogheart</i> and other texts – non fiction	<i>Cogheart</i> and other texts – SATs skills
<u>Easter Holidays</u>							
<u>Summer 1</u>	Final Year and other texts – non fiction	Final Year and other texts - fiction	Final Year and other texts - poetry	Final Year and other texts - songs	Final Year and other texts - fiction	Final Year and other texts – non fiction	Final Year and other texts - fiction
<u>Half Term</u>							
<u>Summer 2</u>	<i>When Stars are Scattered</i> and other texts – non fiction	<i>When Stars are Scattered</i> and other texts - poetry	<i>When Stars are Scattered</i> and other texts - poetry	<i>When Stars are Scattered</i> and other texts - fiction	<i>When Stars are Scattered</i> and other texts - fiction	<i>When Stars are Scattered</i> and other texts - songs	<i>When Stars are Scattered</i> and other texts - songs
<u>End of the Year</u>							