Year 5 Reading Spine - Kensington Community Primary School

Quality Read aloud texts	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Read to Write	**Where Once We Stood Christopher Riley and Martin Impey**	**FArTHER Graheme Baker Smith**	**The Hound of the Baskervilles Arthur Conan Doyle**	**The Promise Nicola Davies**	**Lost Book of Adventure Teddy Keen**	**King Kong Anthony Browne**
Similar Themes:	Space Reports	Fables Setting Letters	Victorians	Nature & Environment Myths and Legends	Adventure Survival	Gorillas Other cultures and Traditions
Wider reading linked to Read to Write book themes	Fiction: If I forget thee O Earth Arthur C Clarke Cosmic - Frank Cottrell Boyce The Time and Space of Uncle Albert – Russell Stannard	Fiction: Aesop's Fables - Michael Rosen The Orchard Book of Aesop's Fables Michael MorpurgoIcarus Greek myth (flying / wings) - *Link to DT focus: Mechanical systems - pulleys and Gears. Can you design, make and evaluate a toy vehicle?*	Fiction: The Enchanted Wood – Enid Blyton (pre-exposure/Y6 author) Cogheart – Peter Bunzl (pre-exposure/Y6 author) There May Be A Castle – Piers Torday Young Sherlock – Andrew Lane	Fiction: The Garden of Happiness Erika Tamar Seeds of Change: Wangari's Gift to the World - Jen Cullerton Johnson & Sonia Lynn Sadler King of the Sky – Nicola Davies	Fiction: Congo Michael Crichton The Explorer Katherine Rundell Survivors - David Long Explorers on Witch Mountain – Alex Bell	Fiction: Good Night, Gorilla Peggy Rathmann The Murderer's Ape Jakob Wegelius Little Beauty – Anthony Browne
	Non-Fiction: A Galaxy of Her Own: Amazing Stories of Women in Space - Libby Jackson	Non-Fiction: Discover the Remarkable Machines that made Possible Man's Quest to conquer the Sky. Andrew Nahum	Non-Fiction: A really short history of nearly everything – Bill Bryson Real Life Mysteries – Susan Martineau & Vicky Barker	Non-Fiction: The Lost Words Robert Macfarlane & Jackie Morris Plant: Exploring the Botanical World – Phaidon Editors	Non-Fiction: Unfolding Journeys – Amazon Adventure - Lonely Planet Kids. Atlas of Adventures Lucy Leatherland	Non-Fiction: Gorillas (Amazing Animals) Kate Riggs Gorilla Journal Carolyn Franklin

	The Skies Above My Eyes (Look Closer) Charlotte Guillain Hidden Figures – Margot Shetterly	The Balloon Factory: The story of the men who built Britain's first flying machines. Alexander Frater Flight (eyewitness) – Andrew Nahum	Book – John Agard	The Lost Words – Robert Macfarlane	Incredible Journeys – Levison Wood Bushcraft 101 – Dave Canterbury	Animals on the Edge – Anna Claybone Primates – Kim Ottaviani
	Poetry: Sun, you're a star – Grace Nichols from Cosmic Disco Comet – Kate Wakeling from Moon Juice The moon at Knowle Hill – Jackie Kay from Red Cherry Red	Poetry: Grandma and the sea – Kate Wakeling from Cloud Soup The songs my Father sings - By Michael Rosen from On the Move: Poems About Migration Skeletons - By Michael Rosen from On the Move: Poems About Migration	Poetry: The Satyr's Head – Joseph Coelho from werewolf Club Rules Why couldn't your dad – Kwame Alexander from Booked	Poetry: Apple Tree – George Szirtes Eastbourne – Joseph Coelho from Overheard in a towerblock Hope – Nicola Davies from Choose Love	Poetry: Night Walker – Phillip Gross from Dark Sky Park Aleppo Cat – Philip Gross from Dark Sky Park	Poetry: Tardigrade in its element – by Phillip Gross from Dark Sky Park Guillemot – John Hegley A special Badger – Matt Goodfellow from Bright Bursts of Colour
Author focus	**Helen Moss - Patron of Reading** - Patron of Reading - Misleading/Narratively Complex - Family Structure -The mystery of the midnight Ghost -The mystery of the missing MasterPiece		**Michael Morpurgo** - Traditional Texts - Some (archaic language) - pre-exposure to year 6 War Content -A medal for Leroy -Private Peaceful		**Rick Riordan** - Pupil Voice - Non-Linear Time Sequences - Resistant Texts -Percy Jackson series -Heroes of Olympus series	
RM5 extracts Show cross curricular/topic/ theme links	The Sun *(Science: why would we not survive on the moon?)* Still I Rise (Diversity and poetry week) My Shadow *(Science: why would we not survive on the moon?)*	The birth of the locomotive - Can you feel the force? (D.T) Feather Boy (anti-bullying) Daedalus and Icarus (English: FArTHER)	Where my wellies take me - introduction to focus author Sometimes When I'm Sad (Mental Health Week) Social Media and Online Safety (Mental Health)	Rainforests: Nat Geo - geography (what are the pros and cons of living in a mega city?) David Attenborough (Science Week) Red Riding Hood Newspaper (English link :	Water Cycle (Science / Geography: in what ways does the geography of South America Affect life in the Amazon?) Separating Solutions (Science: could you be the next CSI investigator?)	The day the war came - (pre-exposure to year 6 autumn themes). Chemical reactions (Science: could you be the next CSI investigator?) Ally LGBTQ+ (link to LGBTQ+ month)

		Lampie and the children of the sea (geography: How do oceans affect human behaviour and settlements?)		nature and the environment)	Graffiti Poem (Art: are all great stories written?) The Little Smuggler - link to Read to Write vehicle text themes	
Diversity books Links	Hidden Figures - Margot Shetterly *(Black History Month)*	Amari and the Night Brothers The Quiet Child – Liz Brownlee from Being Me: Poems about thoughts, worries and feelings (Poetry) – *Anti-Bullying Week*	Alien Nation	Life of Riley Water is water	The not so great outdoors Painted Skies *(LGBTQ+ Pride month)*	Song for a Whale
Reading for Pleasure – Recommended Texts	 *The full list of recommended reads can be found by following this link:* *https://cdn.schoolimprovementliverpool.co.uk/userfiles/files/free%20primary%20resources/SIL%20Y5%20and%206%20Recommended%20Reading%20List.pdf*					