



Books to have heard before I leave Great Orton:

Three Year Cycle (starting September 2022 – September 2025)

100 Acre Wood

Text Title	Author	Published	Link/Purpose	Age Group	Date Read
We're Going on a Bear Hunt (F)	Michael Rosen (M)	1989	Family-loved / classic	EYFS	Spring 2024
Handa's Surprise (F)	Eileen Browne (F)	1994	Cross-cultural	EYFS	
Rainbow Fish (F)	Marcus Pfister (M)	1992	Kindness/differences/sharing	EYFS	Spring 2023
Where the Wild Things Are (F)	Warner Brother Pictures	1963	Dealing with emotions	EYFS	
Rosie's Walk (F)	Pat Hutchins	1967	Classic	EYFS	
The Snail and The Whale (F)	Julia Donaldson (F)	2003	Rhyming tale	EYFS	Autumn 2024
Each Peach Pear Plum (P)	Allan Ahlberg (M)	1999	Fairy tales/classic poetry	EYFS	
After the Fall (F)	Dan Santat (M)	2018	Resilience	EYFS	
Shark in the Park (F)	Nick Sharrat (M)	2000	Repetition	EYFS	Autumn 2024
The Wonky Donkey (F)	Craig Smith (M)	2009	Rhyming Picture Book	EYFS	
The Runaway Wok (F)	Ying Chang Compestine (F)	2011	Chinese New Year	EYFS	
Five Minutes' Peace (F)	Jill Murphy (F)	2011	Family Life	Year 1	
Mrs Armitage on Wheels (F)	Quentin Blake (M)	1987	Humour	Year 1	
Harvey Slufenburger's Christmas Present (F)	John Burningham (M)	1993	Christmas	Year 1	
Jolly Postman (F)	Janet Ahlberg (F)	1986	Fairy Tale Journey	Year 1	
Beegu (F)	Alexis Deacon (F)	2004	Welcoming all	Year 1	Spring 2024
Good Little Wolf (F)	Nadia Shireen (F)	2011	Right choices/fairy tale twist	Year 1	
That Rabbit Belongs to Emily Brown(F)	Cressida Cowell (F)	2006	Classic/right or wrong.	Year 1	
Mr Magnolia (P)	Quentin Blake (M)	1980	Rhyming picture book	Year 1	Spring 2024
Dogger (F)	Shirley Hughes (F)	1977	Realistic fiction	Year 1	
I Want My Hat Back (F)	Jon Klassen (M)	2011	Humour	Year 1	
Questions and Answers about Dinosaurs (NF)	Katie Daynes (F)	2020	Engaging for all	Year 1	
Last Stop on Market Street (F)	Matt de la Pena (M)	2015	African America Culture	Year 1	



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The Way Back Home (F)	Oliver Jeffers (M)	2008	Friendship	Year 1	
The Storm Whale (F)	Benji Davies (M)	2013	Modern classic picture book	Year 1	
Make Way for Ducklings (F)	Robert McCloskey (M)	1941	Picture Book	Year 1 / 2	
Watercress (F)	Andrea Wang (F)	2021	Cultural reference	Year 1 / 2	Na
It's a Book (F)	Lane Smith (M)	2011	Humour	Year 1 / 2	
The Night Gardener (F)	Fan Brothers	2016	Orphans/family	Year 1 / 2	
The Invisible (F)	Tom Percival (F)	2021	Tackling hard themes	Year 1 / 2	
The Suitcase (F)	Chris Naylor-Ballesteros	2019	Immigration	Year 1 / 2	
Rabbityness (F)	Jo Empson (F)	2012	Dealing with loss	Year 1 / 2	
The Visitor (F)	Antje Damm (F)	2015	Friendship	Year 1 / 2	
Bedtime for Monsters (F)	Ed Vere (M)	2011	Humour	Year 1 / 2	Aut 23
The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark (F)	Jill Tomlinson (F)	1968	Family-loved/classic	Year 2	Spring 25
George and the Dragon (F)	Christopher Wormell (M)	2002	Traditional Tale	Year 2	
Not Now, Bernard (F)	David McKee (M)	1980	Picture Book	Year 2	
Flat Stanley (F)	Jeff Brown (M)	1964	Classic text/adventure	Year 2	
The Sheep Pig (F)	Dick King Smith (M)	1983	Classic text	Year 2	Sum 24
The Faraway Tree (F)	Enid Blyton (F)	1943	Classic text	Year 2	Aut 24
Mr Majeika (F)	Humphry Carpenter (M)	1984	Magic	Year 2	Autumn 2024
Puffin Book of Utterly Good Poems (P)	Brian Platten (M)	1999	Poetry	Year 2	



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The Dot (F)	Peter Reynolds (M)	2003	Art. Picture book.	Year 2	
Looking after our Ocean (NF)	Rosa Hall (F)	2022	PSHE. Geography. Flip book.	Year 2	

Four Year Cycle (starting September 2022 – September 2026)

Narnia / Kensuke's Kingdom					
Text Title	Author	Published	Link/Purpose	Age Group	Date Read
Bill's New Frock (F)	Anne Fine – female	1989	Belonging/classic text	LKS2	Autumn 2022
The Abominables (F)	Eva Ibbotson - female	2012	Adventure/ cliff hangers	LKS2	Spring 2024
The Borrowers (F)	Mary Norton - female	1952	Classic / family/ adventure	LKS2	Summer 2025
The Invisible Boy (Picture)	Trudy Ludwig - female	2013	Loneliness/ bullying	LKS2	Spring 2024
An Imaginary Menagerie (P)	Roger McGough - male	2011	Humour/poetry	LKS2	
The Iron Man (F)	Ted Hughes – male	2006	Modern Fairy Tale	LKS2	Autumn 2023
Battle of Bubble and Squeek (F)	Phillipa Pearce - female	2016	Friendship	LKS2	
Hansel and Gretel (F)	Anthony Browne - male	2008	Twist on classic	LKS2	
Charlotte's Web (F)	E. B White – male	1952	Classic tale	LKS2	Summer 2024
The Chronicles of Narnia (TLWW) (F)	C. S. Lewis – male	1970	Classic adventure	KS2	Spring 2023
The Girl who stole an Elephant (F)	Nizrana Farook – female	2020	Female heroine/diversity	KS2	
The Boy Who Grew Dragons (F)	Andy Shepherd - male	2018	Humour/perseverance	KS2	Autumn 2024
Heard it in the Playground (P)	Allan Ahlberg - male	1991	Poetry/ humour	KS2	



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Classroom 13 (F)	Honest Lee - male	2020	Humour. Relatable.	KS2	
Voices in the Park (Picture)	Anthony Browne - male	1998	Picture Book – PSHE link	KS2	
The Boy who Met a Whale (F)	Nizrana Farook – female	2021	Adventure in Sri Lanka	KS2	
By Ash, Oak and Thorn (F)	Melissa Harrison - female	2021	Power of nature	KS2	
Varjak Paw (F)	S.F Said - male	2003	Adventure/acceptance	KS2	Spring 2023
Kensuke’s Kingdom (F)	Michael Morpurgo – male	1999	Adventure/ friendship	KS2	Autumn 2024
Boy at the Back of the Class (F)	Pippa Curnick – female	2018	Refugee/inclusion	KS2	Spring 2024
Who Let the Gods Out (F)	Maz Evans - female	2017	Greek mythology	KS2	
Bright Bursts of Colour (P)	Matt Goodfellow - male	2020	Poetry / humour	KS2	
The Arrival (Picture)	Shaun Tan - male	2006	Journeys/ separation	KS2	
I Don’t Like Poetry (P)	Joshua Seigal - male	2016	Poetry	KS2	Spring 2025
Railway Children (F)	E. Nesbit - female	1993	Dealing with change/ classic	UPKS2	
The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane (F)	Kate DiCamillo - female	2006	Loss / character development	UPKS2	Summer 2025
Welcome to Nowhere (F)	Elizabeth Laird - female	2017	Refugees / loss	UPKS2	
Fireweed (F)	Jill Paton Walsh - female	1969	WW2	UPKS2	Summer 2025
Why the Whales Came (F)	Michael Morpurgo – male	1985	Journey	UPKS2	
Wonder (F)	R J Palacio – male	2012	Inclusion	UPKS2	Autumn 2023
My Dad’s A Birdman (F)	David Almond – male	2007	Grief / loss	UPKS2	



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