**EYFS - Our Reading Spine**

At St. Julie’s Catholic Primary School, we want it to be a place where children are read to, enjoy listening to high-quality books and share their enjoyment of stories through discussion.

Our 'Reading Spine' is one element of the approach we take to foster a love for reading in our children. The spine is a core of books that create a living library inside our children's minds.  It is a store of classics and essential reads that help our children engage at a deeper level and enter the world of the story.  We have produced our very own 'Reading Spine' for every year group; giving children access to these high-quality texts.

Ultimately, while our children are continuing to enjoy a range of books throughout their school journey, they are also learning to become meta-cognitive readers.

We use the reading spine books in every year group over the school year.  From your child starting in Reception at St. Julie’s Catholic Primary School, to leaving in Year 6, they will have been immersed into 50 of the most fantastic books available to children!

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* Owl Babies – Martin Waddell
* We are Together – Britta Teckentrup
* Happy in our Skin – Fran Manushkin
* The Gruffalo – Julia Donaldson
* Mr Gumpy’s Outing – John Burningham
* Rosie’s Walk – Pat Hutchins
* Six Dinner Sid – Inga Moore
* Mrs Armitage – Quentin Blake
* Farmer Duck – Martin Waddell
* Peace at Last – Jill Murphy
* Lost and Found – Oliver Jeffers
* The Bog Baby – Jeanne Willis
* Shhh! – Sally Grindley
* Sharing a Shell – Julia Donaldson
* Beautiful Ooops- Barney Saltzberg
* You Choose – Pippa Goodhart
* Where’s the Starfish? – Barroux
* Shapes at Play – Sylvia Borando
* The Lion who Wanted to Love – Giles Andreae
* Kitchen Disco – Clare Foges
* Only One You – Linda Kranz
* Oliver’s Vegetables – Vivian French
* The Bad – Tempered Ladybird – Eric Carle
* We’re Going on a Bear Hunt – Michael Rosen
* The Very Hungry Caterpillar – Eric Carle
* Each Peach Pear Plum – Janet and Alan Ahlberg
* Green Eggs and Ham – Dr Seuss
* Seaside Poems – Jill Bennett
* First Atlas – Phillip Steele
* An Alphabet Fold Out A-Z – Oliver Jeffers
* 10 Things I can do to help my world- Melanie Walsh

The books from the ‘Reading Spine’ will be shared with the children during the year