

Gilnow Primary School
Whole School Literacy Ladder



At Gilnow, we are committed to providing the skills and experiences for our children to develop into fluent readers, who enjoy books. We carefully plan our reading sequence to expose children to a wide range of texts, stories, poems and authors from different cultural and contextual backgrounds, so that children can both see themselves reflected in, and develop an appreciation of the diversity of the world, through their reading.

	Autumn 1 (Focus author)	Autumn 2 (Wider reading)	Spring 1 (Focus author)	Spring 2 (Wider reading)	Summer 1 (Focus author)	Summer 2 (Wider reading)
N	Trish Cooke**		Farhana Islam**	Vivien French**	Tim Hopgood **	
	So Much** Full, Full, Full of Love** Harry and the Dinosaurs The Colour Monster The Colour Monster goes to school I'm Sorry After the Storm Owl Babies	Goldilocks & the 3 Bears The Three Billy Goat's Gruff Little Red Riding Hood Jack and the Beanstalk The Gingerbread Man The Little Red Hen	Not Now Noor!** Funnybones The Growing Story Oliver's Vegetables Oliver's Fruit Salad Oliver's Milkshake Senses – Sparklers series	Busy People Series: Doctor, Firefighter, Police Officer Emergency! People Who Help Us Dora's Eggs	The Train Ride, Walking Through the Jungle Dear Zoo, Lost & Found We're Going on a lion hunt	Walter's Wonderful Web** Hooray for Hoppy** The Very Hungry Caterpillar Little Caterpillar Are you a snail? Mad About Minibeasts I am a duck Little Frog Ben plants a Butterfly Garden Little Bee
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	Anna Hibiscus ** Starting School The Colour Monster My Family and Other Families: Finding the Power in Differences How to Grow a Friend After the Storm Owl Babies	Goldilocks & the 3 Bears The Three Billy Goat's Gruff Little Red Riding Hood Jack and the Beanstalk The Gingerbread Man The Little Red Hen	Handa's Surprise ** Handa's Surprising Day** Funny bones Once there were Giants Handa's Surprise Oliver's Vegetables Healthy Me: Keeping Clean My Senses	Busy People Series Teacher Doctor Fire Police Officer All through the night: The people who work while we sleep Emma's Lamb	The Snail and the Whale** Handa's Hen** Martha Maps it out The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch Rumble in the Jungle We're Going on a Lion Hunt The Emperor's Egg On the Farm	We Plant a Seed/ The Tiny Seed** The Hungry Caterpillar** The Very Busy Spider** The Bad-Tempered Ladybird** Snail Trail The Big Bad Bug The Very Busy Spider The Pond in the Park Planting a Rainbow Lulu Meets the Bees

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Y1	Ibtihaj Muammad		Nathan Byron		Shirley Hughes	
	The Kindest Red	Wonky Donkey - Craig Smith	Look Up!	Kind - Axel Scheffler	Dogger	Freda Kahlo - Little People, Big Dreams
	The Proudest Blue		Rocket Rules!	The Dog and the Chicken Thief - Axel Scheffler	Out and About	Rosa Parks - Little People, Big Dreams
	The River - Tom Percival	The Squirrels who Squabble - Rachel Bright	Speak Up!	Flying Rabbits, Singing Squirrels - Axel Scheffler	Alfies Feet	David Attenborough - Little People, Big Dreams
	The invisible - Tom Percival	The Lion Inside - Rachel Bright	Clean Up!		The Trouble with Jack	Malala Yousafzai - Little People, Big Dreams
		The Koala who Could - Rachel Bright				
Y2	Clotide Perrin		Joseph Coelho		Shapna Haddow	
	Inside the Villain	Vlad and the Great Fire of London - Kate Cunningham	Poems Aloud	Hubert Horatio: How to raise your grown ups - Lauren Child	Dave Pigeon	Poodunnit: Track animals by their poo, footprints and more! -Hannah Wilson
	The same moment around the world		Smile out loud		Bad Panda	
Y3	Jeremy Strong		Zanib Mian		Andy Shepherd	
	Romans on the Rampage: Chariot Champions	Bill's New Frock - Anne Fine	Meet the Maliks – Twin Detectives: The Cookie Culprit	The Invisible Boy - Trudy Ludwig	The Boy Who Sang with Dragons	The Twits - Roald Dahl
	Armadillo and Hare and the Very Noisy Bear		Madrassah Mysteries: The Case of The Great Gerbil Escape		The Boy Who Flew With Dragons	
Y4	Cressida Cowell		Katie & Kevin Tsang		Frank Cottrell-Boyce	
	How to train your dragon – Cressida Cowell	The Wizard of Once – Cressida Cowell	Dragon Mountain - Katie & Kevin Tsang	Little Bad Man and the invasion of the Killer Aunties – Henry White and Humza Arshad	The Astounding Broccoli Boy - Frank Cottrell-Boyce	Amari and the Night Brothers – B. B. Alston
Y5	J K Rowling		Michael Morpurgo		Onjali Rauf	



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	Born to Run – Michael Morpurgo	The Solar System – Elizabeth Avery	Harry Potter and the Philosopher’s Stone	Robot Girl - Malorie Blackman	The Day We Met the Queen – Onjali Rauf	Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief - Rick Riordan
Y6	Malorie Blackman		Nizrana Farook		William Shakespeare	
	Pig-Heart Boy- Malorie Blackman	Rooftoppers – Katherine Rundell	Golden Horseman of Baghdad – Saviour Pirotta	The Girl Who Stole an Elephant	The Tempest- William Shakespeare	The Boy at the Back of the Class – Onjali Rauf

Each class has a focus author each term – information about this author should be displayed in the class Reading Area, including examples of other books by the same author that the children might choose to read independently. Each class also has a focus book for each half-term (3 of these would relate to the focus authors and the others selected by the teacher and / or children), which is read during daily class novel / story time. For younger classes, this would be supplemented by a range of other books and stories.