



Core Texts to Support Learning in Reception

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Purpose	Phase 2 phonics, story sequencing, character/setting talk, early writing inspiration.	Phase 3 phonics, digraphs in context, story retelling, character motivation, early inference.	Phase 4 phonics, fluency, inference, comparison, multi-sentence writing, transition to Year 1.
Texts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Little Red Hen • Funnybones - Allan Ahlberg • Owl Babies (revisited for deeper comprehension) • Peace at Last - Jill Murphy • Pumpkin Soup - Helen Cooper • Stick Man - Julia Donaldson • The Gingerbread Man 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jack and the Beanstalk • The Tiny Seed - Eric Carle • Handa's Surprise (revisited for deeper talk) • The Three Billy Goats Gruff • Supertato - Paul Linnet & Sue Hendra • The Enormous Turnip • Lost and Found - Oliver Jeffers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Very Hungry Caterpillar (revisited for life cycles) • What the Ladybird Heard - Julia Donaldson • The Snail and the Whale - Julia Donaldson • A Superhero Like You - Dr Ranj Singh • Farmer Duck - Martin Waddell • The Bog Baby - Jeanne Willis • The Koala Who Could - Rachel Bright • The Lion Inside - Rachel Bright