

## Year Two Core Book List

Our core book list supports the development of critical thinking skills, empathy, and cultural awareness by exposing children to a wide range of perspectives and experiences. These are books we believe will excite your child and bring what they are learning to life! We want your child to be immersed in a creative and imaginative world from the moment they start with us and we believe reading opens up the world for your child, giving them access to information, ideas and stories. Whilst some children may not be able to read all the books independently, an important function of the core book list is to give children access to a wider range of titles, authors and genres that they might not otherwise meet.

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| <p>Autumn<br/>Term<br/>Core<br/>Texts</p>   |    |    |     |    |    |    |
| <p>Spring<br/>Term<br/>Core<br/>Texts</p>   |  |  |   |  |  |  |
| <p>Summer<br/>Term<br/>Core<br/>Texts</p>   |  |  |   |  |  |  |
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## Reading for Pleasure

We want every child in Thomas A' Becket Infant School to be encouraged and experience reading for pleasure as well as developing their reading skills. We have created a list of books that we believe will not only entertain but also inspire a love of reading in Year 2! They are fun and imaginative stories and information that can be enjoyed independently or with family and friends. This type of book is vital for young children and lays the foundation for a lifelong love of reading and learning. We encourage you to read these book again and again with your child at home. Children love hearing the same stories over and over and it helps to develop their own vocabulary and lets them hear how language flows as it is read fluently.

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| <p>Books adults (and children) will love!</p>      | <p><b>The Book With No Pictures</b><br/>E.J. Novak</p>  | <p><b>THE COOL BEAN</b></p>   | <p><b>MARV AND THE DINO ATTACK</b><br/>Illustrated by ALEX PALASE-KOYA<br/>Story by PAULA BOWLES</p>                | <p><b>I say OOH You say AAH</b><br/>JOHN KANE</p>                            | <p><b>ROALD DAHL THE GIRAFFE AND THE PELLY AND ME</b><br/>Illustrated by CHRISTEN BILSON</p>  | <p><b>Clarice Bean That's Me</b><br/>Clarice Bean is fifteen<br/>Lauren Child</p> |
| <p>Books with Rhyming and Repeated Phrases</p>     | <p><b>THIS ROCK IS MINE!</b><br/>KAYE WINANSKY &amp; ALICE WINKEY</p>   | <p><b>A Squash and a Squeeze</b><br/>JULIA DONALDSON &amp; AXEL SCHEFFLER</p> | <p><b>NEIL GAIMAN PIRATE STEW</b><br/>Illustrated by CHRIS RIDDELL</p>  | <p><b>Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy</b><br/>Lizzy Dale</p>            | <p><b>GIRAFFES CAN'T DANCE</b><br/>No. 1<br/>GILES ANDREA &amp; GUY PARKER-REES</p>   |   |
| <p>Books to Inspire Empathy Acceptance Courage</p> | <p><b>AFTER FALL</b><br/>DAN SANTAT<br/>HOW HUMPTY DUMPTY GOT BACK UP AGAIN</p>                                     | <p><b>The Robot and the Bluebird</b><br/>DAVID LUCAS</p>                      | <p><b>WE'RE ALL WONDERS</b><br/>WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY RJ PALASE</p>  | <p><b>STICK AND STONE</b><br/>BETH FERRY &amp; TOM LICHTENHELD</p>           | <p><b>BARRY THE FISH WITH FINGERS</b><br/>SUE HENDRA &amp; PAUL LINNET</p>  |   |
| <p>Books with Familiar Characters:</p>             | <p><b>INSIDE THE VILLAINS</b><br/>CHRISTIE PERRI</p>  | <p><b>Mixed Up Fairy Tales</b><br/>Illustrated by KATE BROWN</p>              | <p><b>Hansel &amp; Gretel</b><br/>Bethan Woolvvin</p>   | <p><b>Little Red</b><br/>Bethan Woolvvin</p>                                 |   |   |
| <p>Non-Fiction Books we Love!</p>                  | <p><b>LIFE SAVERS</b><br/>SPEND A DAY WITH 12 REAL-LIFE EMERGENCY SERVICE HEROES<br/>EVEL BACH &amp; ANA ALEXIS</p> | <p><b>THE SKIES ABOVE MY EYES</b><br/>CHARLOTTE BOLAN &amp; ANNA ZOMER</p>    | <p><b>Counting on KATHERINE</b><br/>SUE KATHERINE JOHNSON &amp; APOLLO 13<br/>HELAINE BECKER &amp; DON PHUMIRUK</p> | <p><b>MEET THE OCEANS</b><br/>LET'S GO! GO! GO! ON A JOURNEY TO THE BLUE</p> | <p><b>First BIG Book of WHY</b><br/>WHY don't airplanes fly? WHY do we have a tooth? WHY does a pig squeal? WHY does a shark eat fish?<br/>The answers book of...</p> |   |