



# St Laurence's Reading & Writing Spine

Reviewed 2022

# Rationale

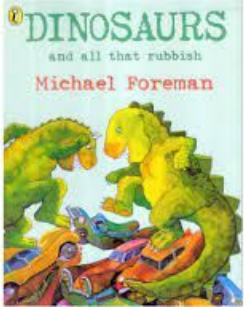
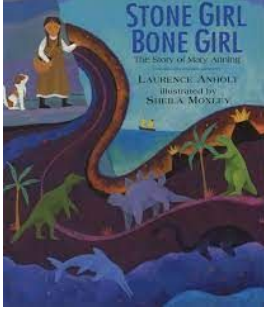
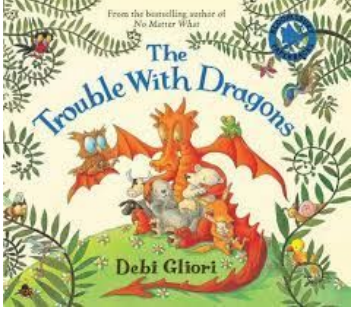
**Reading for pleasure** is a vital part of every child's educational entitlement. Developing a love of reading has huge benefits for children, contributing to pupils' educational achievement across the curriculum in addition to providing a lifetime of enjoyment. At St Laurence's Catholic Primary school, we believe in both the importance of developing children's discrete word-reading skills and comprehension, as well as the need to foster a love of books and reading. 'Reading widely and often increases pupils' **vocabulary** because they encounter words they would rarely hear or use in everyday speech. Reading also feeds pupils' imagination and opens up a treasure house of wonder and joy for curious young minds.' (National Curriculum). We recognise that these two elements are intertwined: each relies on the other if children are to become **life-long readers**. With so much competition for children's time and attention it is vital that we embed a culture of reading into the core of what we do as a school, helping every child to become a lifelong reader. At St Laurence's Catholic School we ensure reading is a **top priority** within all areas of the curriculum. We ensure **purposeful books and vocabulary focuses** are at the heart of everything we teach to ensure extensive reading and exposure to a wide range of texts make a vital contribution to every child's educational achievement, regardless of their personal background.

Autumn One




Our World



# Book Focus (Year 3 - Autumn 1) :

Literacy Lesson Focus	Cross Curricular Texts	Class Read / Poetry
 <p><b>DINOSAURS</b> and all that rubbish Michael Foreman</p>	 <p><b>STONE GIRL BONE GIRL</b> The story of Mary Anning LAWRENCE ANHOLT Illustrated by SHIRLA MEALEY</p>	 <p>From the bestselling author of <i>No Matter What</i> <b>The Trouble With Dragons</b> Debi Gliori</p>
<p>Children explore the themes and ideas in the story, such as dreams, desires and how to keep the earth a nice place to call home.</p>	<p>This book looks at the life of Mary Anning and fits in with our science and topic.</p>	<p>An important message told through poetry about sharing, caring and looking after the planet.</p>

# Writing Outcomes : Autumn 1

 Year Group	Entertain	Inform	Persuade	 Discuss
Three 	Setting descriptions Stories Poetry	Report about fossils Letters Instructions Recount	Poster Pamphlet	

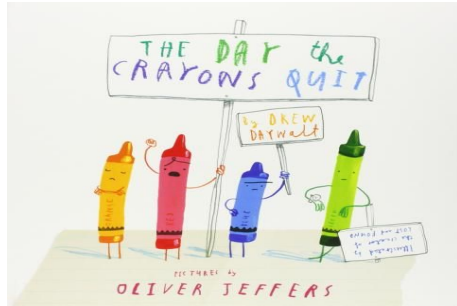


**Autumn Two**  
**Breaking  
Stereotypes &  
Fighting Adversity**



# Book Focus (Year 3 - Autumn 2) :

## Literacy Lesson Focus



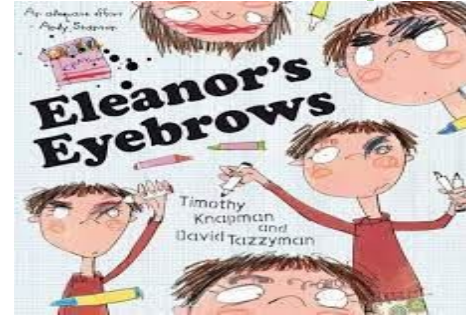
Fun and unique story of a box of crayons who write letters to Duncan as they are fed up with how they are being treated. How can  
\* Duncan help them.

## Cross Curricular Texts



To reflect on our role as citizens of the world. To develop our understanding of empathy and build empathy skills. Links to science which is animals including humans.

## Class Read / Poetry



Eleanor's eyebrows are not happy as she doesn't know what they are for so they leave her and explore other jobs.



# Writing Outcomes : Autumn 2

<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Entertain</b>	<b>Inform</b>	<b>Persuade</b>	<b>Discuss</b>
<b>Three</b>	Comic strips Story boards Wanted Posters	Reports Letters Recount	Letters Conscience alley Pamphlets Posters	



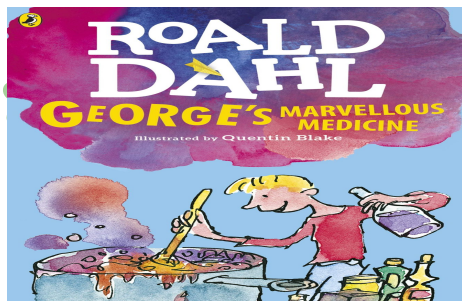
Spring One

# Favourite Authors



## Book Focus (Year 3 - Spring 1):

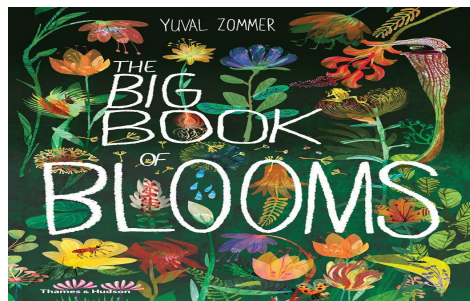
### Literacy Lesson Focus



A story of a mischievous boy and an old horrible granny. Children can relate to the boy and write instructions for their own medicine.

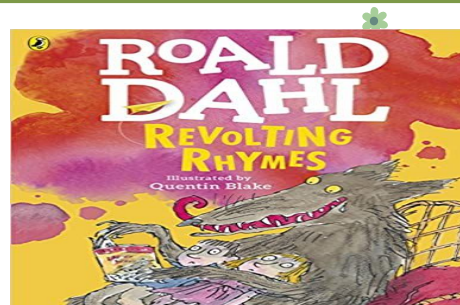


### Cross Curricular Texts



Great links to the topic of plants. This book is great to use in guided reading.

### Class Read / Poetry



A great poetry book that involves links to fairy tales and our favourite author.



# Writing Outcomes : Spring 1

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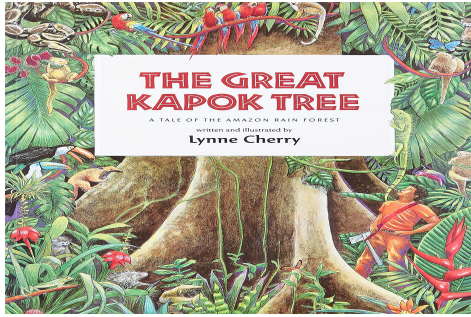
Spring Two

Other Cultures



# Book Focus (Year 3 - Spring 2 ):

## Literacy Lesson Focus



A man tries to chop down the Kapok tree but falls asleep. He is visited by the animals of the Rainforest who tell him why they should not chop the tree down

## Cross Curricular Texts



Will also use our library loans about Rainforests to build our understanding of this topic as well as supporting our non fiction writing and vocab.

## Class Read / Poetry



Jasmine works in a beautiful garden in India, when an elephant visits her and transports her to a magical garden. Should she take her family with her?

# Writing Outcomes : Spring 2

Year Group	Entertain	Inform	Persuade	Discuss
Three	Direct Recount Poetry Story boards Narratives Predcitions	Facts about the Rainforest Animals of the Rainforest	Diary	

Summer One

Classic Narrative &  
Poetry



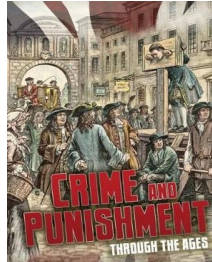
# Book Focus (Year 3 - Summer 1):

## Literacy Lesson Focus



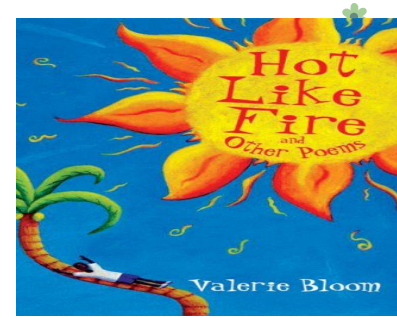
A beautiful story with great illustrations. Is magic real? Leon disappears in a magic box and meets all the items that disappear. A great book for prediction writing and using your imagination


## Cross Curricular Texts



Non fiction books with great links to Crime and punishment and forces in science.


## Class Read / Poetry






A great book of poetry split into two parts. Jamaican poems spoken in a Jamaican dialect and poems about fish and very strange neighbours. 



# Writing Outcomes : Summer 1



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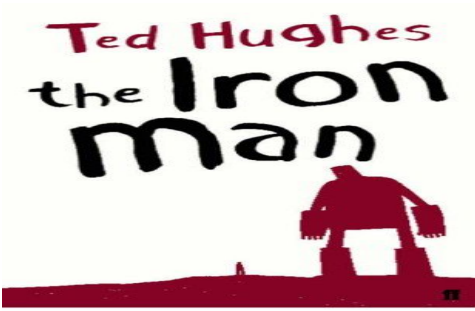





Summer Two

Growing Up



## Book Focus (Year 3 - Summer 2):

Literacy Lesson Focus	Cross Curricular Texts	Class Read / Poetry
		
<p>A classic, enjoyed by all children. Who is he? nobody knows, where has he come from nobody knows. Children can explore this book and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>the great illustrations</li></ul>	<p>Non fiction book linking to our science topic light.</p>	<p>A great class read, This can also be used in guided reading too.</p> 

# Writing Outcomes : Summer 2

Year Group	Entertain	Inform	Persuade	Discuss
Three	setting descriptions Stories Poetry	Reports Letters Instructions Recount Newspaper	Poster Pamphlet	

