

Spring | 2026



Reading Newsletter

Welcome back to Spring!

Spring Term 1 brings with it new stories, new knowledge, and new opportunities to enjoy reading together. Pupils will be immersed in a range of high-quality texts designed to inspire discussion, build vocabulary. We are grateful for the continued support from families in helping children develop their positive reading habits.

Stay, read and Relax

Exciting news!

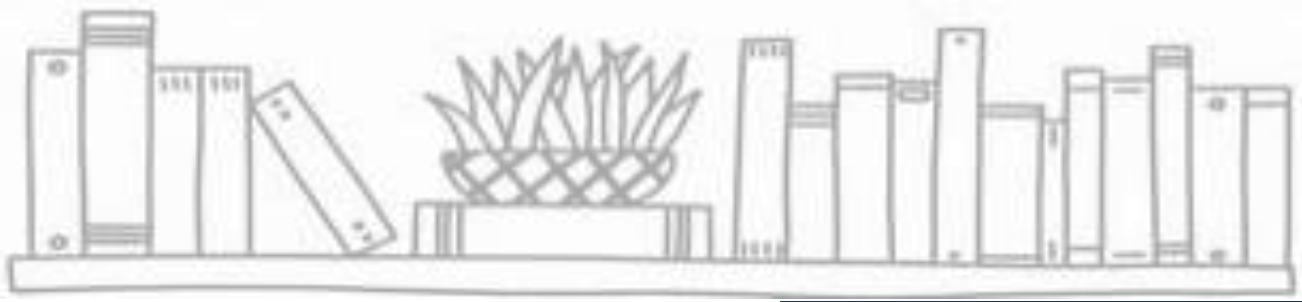
The Stay, Read and Relax has been extremely successful in year 3, with lots of engagement from parents and families. It will continue with all 3 classes in year 3. It will no longer continue in year 4 as there wasn't the desired engagement in Elm class.

Celebrating the National Year of Reading 2026

This year marks a very special moment in the UK as 2026 has been officially designated the National Year of Reading, a major campaign led by the Department for Education in partnership with the National Literacy Trust. The aim is to rekindle a love of reading across the nation by encouraging everyone to see reading not just as a skill, but as a way to explore the things they're passionate about.

We're excited to be part of this national movement and look forward to sharing opportunities throughout the year for pupils to read widely, read deeply, and read for joy here in school and at home.





The books we will
use this half term:

Great books
out now!

Year 3-

King Arthur and the Knights- Marcia Williams

Click the link below:

[King Arthur and the Knights' Round Table by Marcia Williams | Goodreads](#)

Year 4-

My name is Sunshine Simpson- G.M. Linton

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Year 5-

The Boy at the back of the class- Onjali K. Rauf

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Year 6-

Darwin's Dragons- Lindsay Galvin

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To view some of the best recommended picture, primary and secondary books, scan this QR code.

The Education Library Service has a team of fantastic librarians that put these lists together for children across the city.

