

Reading at Stocksbridge Junior School

High-quality books

- We will ensure that your child has a reading book which is suitably pitched to build both confidence as a reader and fluency. Some pupils may bring home an additional 'phonics/fluency' book to read aloud to an adult at home throughout the week.
- In school, your child will take a Star Reading Test, which provides them with a Reading Range. The Reading Range is used to help pupils select texts with a suitable level of challenge. Reading Ranges are recorded in the back of the pupil diary and they are updated each time they complete a Star Reading Test. Most school reading books are labelled with the book level, enabling children to choose books which fall within their reading range.
- The website arbookfind.co.uk can be used to look up the 'book level' of most popular books. This is particularly helpful when children are choosing books from home, books without a label or books from the library. All books that are labelled or are listed on this website will have a quiz on Accelerated Reader which children are encouraged to take after reading their book.
- Children will also be given login details for myon.co.uk which children can use to access a range of e-books at home and at school. All books on myON are quizzable on Accelerated Reader.

Supporting your child

- Read at least 3 times a week with your child and record this in their pupil diary. Just 10 minutes a day can make a huge difference.
- Make reading time pleasurable by finding a quiet, comfortable space and giving your child your full attention.
- Ask your child simple questions as they read to check their understanding.
- Use positive language and praise their reading efforts.
- Find opportunities to read to your child. This builds vocabulary, feeds imagination and can even improve sleep patterns when done before bedtime.
- Ask them about books that they are reading at school.
- You may choose to sign up to Renaissance Home Connect. This allows you to view the results of Accelerated Reading quizzes that your child has taken. (A letter with login details will be sent home to you).

Reading is a key life skill. It is placed at the heart of our curriculum; we have carefully selected texts which will ignite children's imagination, inspire their curiosity and provide a window to the world.

School Routines

In school, children have daily opportunities to:

- Read a book of their choice for pleasure;
- Listen to their class book being read aloud by their teacher;
- Be taught comprehension skills in their reading lesson;
- Stamp their home-reads in their Pupil Diary. When pupils achieve 30 reads, they earn a postcard and a stamp in their Reading Passport. Children can earn up to 6 postcards (1 per half-term) each year.
- Use Accelerated Reader to quiz on their book once they have finished reading it - Accelerated Reader can also be accessed at home.

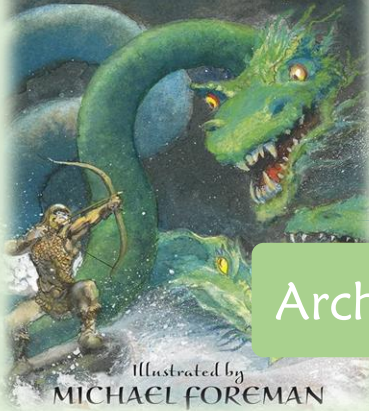
Here are some of our key texts that are studied throughout school:



Year 5 Class Readers

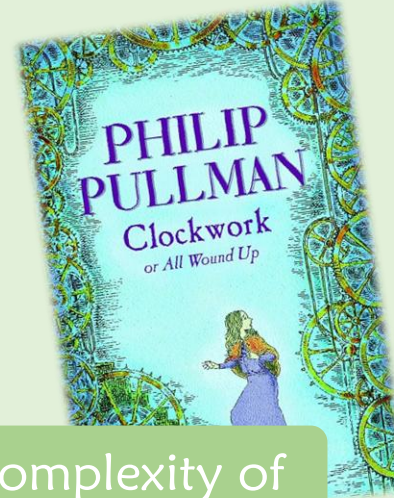
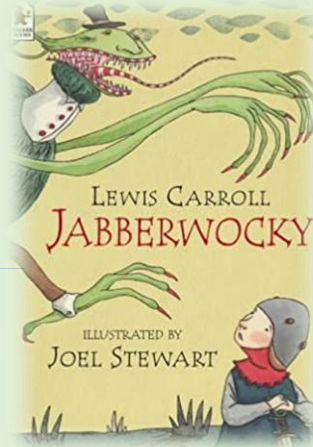
Novel Studies

MICHAEL MORPURGO
Beowulf



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Resistant Text

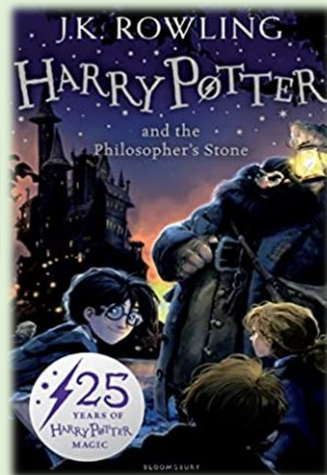


Complexity of
the Narrator



Archaic

Non-Linear
Time Sequence



Complexity
of the Plot

This book links to our
Geography learning:

