

Woodston Primary School
Essential Reads for Class Story Time

Reference: 100 best books for children from the last 100 years by the Book Trust [100 best books for children | BookTrust](#)

Ultimately, teachers know their classes best and what books they might enjoy. When choosing books for class story time, please refer to the lists below for inspiration. In KS1, we would like you to read these 6 books during the school year alongside your own choices. In KS2, we would like to you read these 3 in addition to your own selections. This is because the KS2 texts tend to be longer novels which will take longer to read.

EYFS

- Where the Wild Things Are- Maurice Sendak
- Elmer- David McKee
- The Very Hungry Caterpillar- Eric Carle
- Peepo!- Janet and Allan Ahlberg
- Five Minutes Peace- Jill Murphy
- The Gruffalo- Julia Donaldson

Year 1

- Dave and the Tooth Fairy- Carl Pearce
- Cyril and Pat- Emily Gravett
- Dear Zoo-Rod Campbell
- Winnie the Pooh- AA Milne
- Dogger- Shirley Hughes
- The Tiger Who Came for Tea- Judith Kerr

Year 2

- The Day the Crayons Quit- Drew Daywalt
- The Faraway Tree- Enid Blyton
- A Bear Called Paddington-Peggy Fortnum
- Dog Man- Dav Pilkey
- Fungus the Bogeyman- Raymond Briggs
- Princess Smartypants-Babette Cole

Year 3

- Charlotte's Webb- E B White
- The Sheep-Pig-Dick King-Smith
- You're a Bad Man, Mr Gum!- Andy Stanton

Year 4

- The Borrowers-Mary Norton
- How to Train Your Dragon- Cressida Cowell
- The 13-Storey Treehouse- Andy Griffiths

Year 5

- Under the Moon and Over the Sea- John Agard and Grace Nichols
- Holes-Louis Sachar
- The Boy at the Back of the Class- Onjali Q Raúf

Year 6

- Skellig- David Almond
- The Silver Sword- Ian Serraillier (WW1 Link)
- The Boy in the Tower- Polly Ho-Yen