

Mengham Junior School Subject: READING CURRICULUM 2025-2026



	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 3	Tin Forest by Helen Ward First Day (CLPE poetry) by Matt Goodfellow Stone Age Bone Age by Mick Manning	Iron Man by Ted Hughes Poems Aloud by Joseph Coelho	The Boy Who Grew Dragons by Andy Shepherd Be The Change poems to help you save the world by Liz Browne, Matt Goodfellow and Roger Stevens	Guardians of the Planet by Clive Gifford A First Book of Animals by Nicola Davies	A First Book of Animals by Nicola Davies Fantastic Mr Fox by Roald Dahl	Science in infographics Plants by Jon Richards Cloud Soup- The water in the glass you are holding right now (CLPE poetry) by Kate Wakeling
	Class texts: The Secrets of Stonehenge by Mick Manning, Rainforest by Julia Groves, CLPE poetry- School tomorrow excuses for mum by Joseph Coelho	Class texts: The Secret Time Machine and the Gherkin Switcheroo by Simone Lia, The Mountain Book by Dr Brian Knapp.	Class texts: Pet Dragon by M.P Robertson, Poems Aloud by Joseph Coelho	Class texts: Red Alert! By Catherine Barr, A First Book of Animals by Nicola Davies, Guardians of the Planet by Clive Gifford	Class texts: Planet Omar Unexpected Super Spy by Zanib Mian, It Starts with a Seed by Laura Knowle	Class texts: The River by Patricia Hegarty, The water in the glass you are holding right now (CLPE poetry) by Kate Wakeling
Year 4	Kevin by Rob Biddulph Voices in the park by Anthony Browne Sun is laughing (CLPE poetry) by Grace Nichols	Blodin the beast by Michael Morpurgo Charlotte's Web by E.B White	Black Dog by Levi Pinfold Ottoline and the Yellow Cat by Chris Riddell	What a waste by Jess French and The Majestic Plastic Bag (film) Fanatical about frogs by Davey Owen	La Luna (Pixar) Rubbish Town Hero by Nicola Davies	An anthology of intriguing animals by Ben Hoare Poetry mix (various authors including William Blake and Mary Howitt)
	Class texts: Volcanic Eruptions by Richard and Louise Spilsbury Voices in the park by Anthony Brown	Class texts: Runaway Robot by Frank Cottrell-Boyce, Once Upon a Raindrop by James Carter and Charlotte's Web by E.B White	Class texts: Little Badman and the Invasion of the Killer Aunties by Hamza Arshad and Ottoline and the Yellow Cat by Chris Riddell	Class texts: How to be Extra-ordinary by Rashmi Siredeshpande, Bodies (CLPE poetry) by Kate Wakeling	Class texts: Why don't eyeballs fall out? By Anna Claybourne, Rubbish Town Hero by Nicola Davies	Class texts: An anthology of intriguing animals by Ben Hoare What a Wonderful World by Leisa Stewart-Sharpe
Year 5	Being Me- The Quiet Child and Find Me (CLPE poetry) by Liz Brownlee An Emotional Menagerie by The School of Life	Perfect by Nicola Davies and I am not a label by Carrie Burnell Overheard in a Tower Block- There are Things that Lurk in the Library (CLPE poetry) by Joseph Coelho	Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo The Wolves in the Walls by Neil Gaiman	The Switch by Anthony Horowitz Earth Heroes by Lily Dyu and Amy Blackwell	The Switch by Anthony Horowitz A.N.T.I.D.O.T.E by Malorie Blackman	A.N.T.I.D.O.T.E by Malorie Blackman War Horse by Michael Morpurgo
	Class texts: Earthquake non-fiction texts (SLS), Isn't my name magical? (CLPE poetry) by James Berry	Class text: Frostheart by Jamie Littler, I am not a label by Carrie Burnell, Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo	Class text: Hardnuts of History by Tracey Turner, The boy, the mole, the fox and the horse by Charlie Mackesy	Class texts: The Mysteries of the Universe by Will Gater , The Problem with Plastic by Ruth Owen, The Switch by Anthony Horowitz	Class texts: Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly, Earth Heroes by Lily Dyu and Amy Blackwell and ANTIDOTE by Malorie Blackman	Class text: Aquila By Andrew Norris and Millions by Frank Cottrell-Boyce
Year 6	Jemmy Button by Alix Barzelay Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz	Holes by Louis Sachar Ice Trap Meredith Hooper Shackleton's Journey by William Grill	There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom by Louis Sachar The Highwayman by Alfred Noyes	There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom by Louis Sachar SATs prep (Hampshire resource)	SATs prep (Survivors by David Long) Wonder by R. J Palacio	Wonder by R. J Palacio Big Book of Bad Things- Words are ours (CLPE poetry) by Michael Rosen
	Class texts: Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz, A Year of Nature Poems, Goldilocks on CCTV (CLPE poetry) by John Agard, Greek Gazette by Fergus Fleming and Paul Downswell	Class texts: Holes by Louis Sachar, Ice Trap Meredith Hooper , Shackleton's Journey by William Grill Why the Whales Came by Michael Morpurgo	Class texts: There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom by Louis Sachar, RumbleStar by Abi Elphinstone, Great Adventurers by Alastair Humphreys	Class texts: Boy in the Tower by Polly Ho-Yen, What do we do with a variation? (CLPE poetry) by James Berry	Class texts: Survivors by David Long, Good News- why the world is not as bad as you think by Rashmi Sireshpande	Class texts: Wonder by R. J Palacio



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	Autumn 1 7 weeks	Autumn 2 7 weeks	Spring 1 6 weeks	Spring 2 6 weeks	Summer 1 6 weeks	Summer 2 7 weeks
Year 3	The Tin Forest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Setting description Diary entry How to wash a woolly mammoth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diary entry Procedural text/ instructions 	Jack and the baked bean stalk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How to grow a beanstalk Twisted fairy tale Theme park hook <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Persuasive text 	If all the world were... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nonsense poetry (poetry workshop ½ day) Dragon CCTV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interview with the dragon (linked to interview with a tiger) The boy who grew dragons (writing in role) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Narrative 	Alien landing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short burst writing Suspense narrative The Barnabus project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing to inform 	Pixar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Film reviews Scripts (performance focus) Character descriptions Arthur and the golden rope <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adventure narrative 	The Thames and tide club
Year 4	Leon and the Place Between <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Narrative Pirates of the Caribbean <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Setting description Character description Short narrative 	Switch zoo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short burst writing Non-chronological report The Promise <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short burst write Narrative in the style of the story 	Charlotte's Web <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Persuasive letter The street beneath my feet	Poetry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If I had wings (poetry workshop ½ day) Jurassic World conservation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Persuasive writing Diary entry 	La Luna (Pixar) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First person narrative Inside The Villains <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Job description Instructions 	Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short burst writing Suspense narrative David Attenborough <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Script (performance focus) Setting description in the style of Attenborough
Year 5	The Ridge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Setting description Persuasive advert Soar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Narrative with dialogue 	Joseph Coelho <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poetry and performing poetry (poetry workshop ½ day) Coming to England <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Narrative with dialogue The people awards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biography 	Ruin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Survival narrative 	Dragonology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-chronological report Gravenhunger <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short burst writes Persuasive text 	Lost Words Poetry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acrostic poems Setting descriptions King Kong <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short burst writes Newspaper report 	Plastic- should it be banned? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion text Future Hopes (eyeballs, tentacles and teeth) Help guide
Year 6	Pandora <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-chronological report Action narrative (including dialogue) Umbrella <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Narrative with dialogue 	Shackleton- Ice Trap and Shackleton's journey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Job advert Tension narrative Motivational speech Diary entry 	The Highwayman <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Character description Setting description Tragic love story Holes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter to the judge Diary 	The Whale <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Narrative with dialogue Re-drafting Pandora	Frankenstein <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Birth of a monster (1st person) Formal letter Re-drafting Shackleton	Wonder <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advice column (transition unit) Application writing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Choice unit