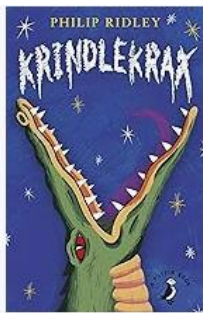


Hadley Wood Primary School's
Literature Spine

The books in Year 3 have been selected to create a living library within the childrens' minds. They are a collection of essential reads that help children engage at a deeper level and enter the world of the story. They promote a range types of texts that children should have access to in order to successfully navigate reading with confidence as well as covering themes and issues that are pertinent to modern society. Many of these books are complex beyond a lexical level and demand more from the reader than other types of books.

Autumn 1

Kindlekrax
Phillip Ridley

Ruskin Splinter is small and thin, with knock-knees, thick glasses and a squeaky voice, and the idea of him taming a dragon makes the whole class laugh. Big, strong Elvis is stupid but he looks like a hero. So who is more likely to get the big part in the school play? But when the mysterious beast, Kindlekrax, threatens Lizard Street and everyone who lives there, it is Ruskin who saves the day and proves he is the stuff that heros are made of after all.

Autumn 2

The Creakers
Tom Fletcher

Lucy Dungston has woken up to find all the grown-ups in her town have disappeared. **Lucy's friends are thrilled** there are no more grown-ups. They're running wild! They're building roads of trampolines, and eating cereal for every meal.

But Lucy wants her mum back, and nothing is going to stop her. Even if it means having to venture into the strange, upside-down world of the mysterious monsters under her bed!
And the upside-down world isn't the most hygienic of places . . .

Spring 1

The Stolen Spear

By Saviour Pirotta

'Weakness of any kind is frowned upon... Only bravery is admired. I pray to the spirits every day to make me brave.' --- Wolf struggles to fit into his village. He is not strong like his brother or a natural leader like his father. Every day he just tries to keep his head down. That is until a sacred spear head is stolen. Wolf is cast out, seen as the reason for its disappearance. With no one but his trusty dog, Shadow, to join him, Wolf vows to find the stolen spear and restore his honour. But Wolf has never left the village before and the world beyond the sea is a complete unknown... where will this journey take him and what secrets will he uncover? Join Wolf on his hunt for the spear, as he journeys from the village now known as Skara Brae to a wider, ancient world on the cusp of a new age.

Spring 2



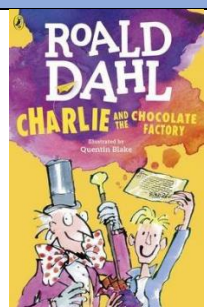
Ways to Make Sunshine

Renée Watson

Ryan Hart and her family live in Portland, Oregon, and her dad lost his job a while ago. He finally got a new one, but it pays less, and he'll have to work nights. Therefore, they're selling the second car and moving to an (old) new house.

The Harts are an everyday family – a family with siblings who bicker, parents who don't always get it right, but a family that loves. A family working hard to make it in tough economic times, a family with traditions and culture, a family that tries new things. This is a black family growing up in middle class America. And Ryan is a girl who has much on her mind – school, family, friends, self-image – but who knows how to make sunshine out of setbacks.

Summer 1



Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Roald Dahl

Every day, Charlie Bucket walks past Wonka's mysterious chocolate factory, with its heavenly smells wafting out. When the eccentric chocolatier Mr Willy Wonka announces that there are five Golden Tickets to be won, and the prize is a visit to his wonderful factory itself, children everywhere rush to buy his products. He never dreams he'll have the chance to see the inside of the factory for himself - but then his dreams unexpectedly comes true.

Summer 2

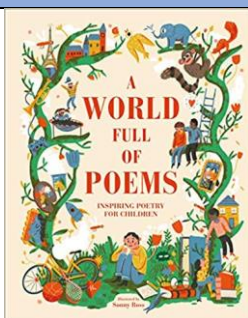


The Demon Headmaster

Gillian Cross

Scarlett's in big trouble after a BIG FEELINGS episode leads to a runaway hamster getting into the vicar's trousers at her Aunty's engagement party. If she loses her temper ONE MORE TIME, she's going to miss out on her trip to Mega Awesome Sicky Fun World, the best theme park on the planet! But feelings are like slime in a party bag. No matter how much someone tells you to keep it in, it'll always find its way out. And very soon, Scarlett notices that every time she pushes her feelings down, something explodes. Like ... really, properly explodes. It might be her teacher's slimy green smoothie. A huge pot of purple paint. Or a massive pile of elephant poo at the zoo. And let's hope Scarlett doesn't get mad at Aunty's wedding - that wedding cake is HUGE ...

Poetry



A World Full of Poems

This thoughtfully crafted anthology is perfect for children new to verse and for young poetry fans seeking out new favourites. Explore poetry from a diverse selection of contemporary and historical poets, covering a broad range of topics--from personal subjects like emotions and family, to the wonders of the natural environment. Carefully selected works encourage children to see the poetry in everything and to embrace the beauty of their everyday lives.