

Reception Reading List – Summer Term 1

Topic: People who Help Us

Essential Question: Can you help us?

Dear Teacher by Amy Husband

Face your first day jitters with the perfect laugh-out-loud back to school comedy. Can Michael's imagination save him from the first day of school?

Dear Teacher is a hilarious collection of letters from Michael to his new teacher explaining why he can't go to class. From traveling to the pyramids of Egypt to getting attacked by pirates and going to the moon in a rocket ship, each letter is increasingly outlandish and covered with Michael's incredibly funny sketches from his many adventures.

When Michael's teacher writes back telling him how sorry she is he'll miss all of the exciting school activities planned for the year, Michael realizes all the fun he'd really miss out on.

Zog and the flying doctors by Julia Donaldson



Princess Pearl, Sir Gadabout and, of course, their trusty 'air ambulance', Zog the dragon, in this fabulously original sequel to the bestselling ZOG. There's much to do, as they fly around tending a sunburnt mermaid, a distressed unicorn and a sneezy lion. **But should princesses really be doctors?** Pearl's uncle, the King, doesn't think so - until he himself falls ill, and only Pearl knows how to cure him.

Tiger's toothbrush by Richard Dungworth



Follow a young girl as she and her teddy go on a wonderfully imaginative journey to the magical Land of Nod, where poor Tiger can't go to bed as he needs to find a toothbrush. Can they help him so Tiger can go to sleep?

People who help us - Police Officer by Rebecca Hunter

This book explains the roles of different people who help us every day in the community – in this book a police officer. Each book is based on a real person and follows them through a typical day at work. We learn about what they do, who they interact with, the equipment they use, and what they like about their jobs. Specially commissioned photography and clear text make the books friendly and accessible to young reader

Mr Men, Little Miss Fire Station by Adam Hargreaves



The Mr Men are off to work in this brand new picture book series.

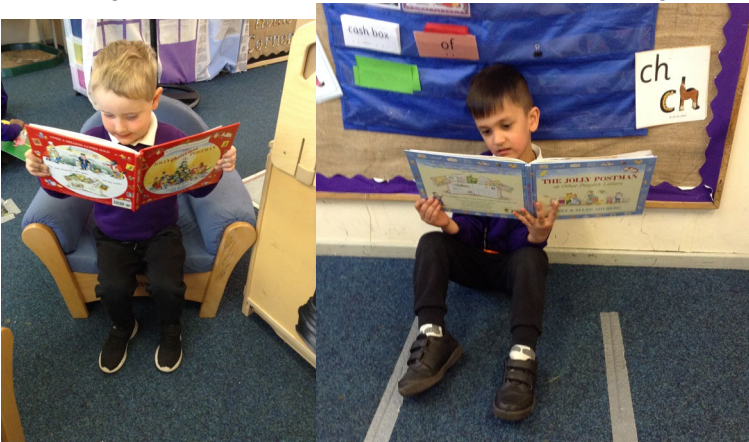
Mr Lazy is always falling asleep, but when he leaves his iron on during a nap, smoke is soon billowing out of his window! Will Officer Rush and the team of brave Mr Men and Little Miss firefighters come to his rescue in time?

Mr Wolfs Pancakes by Jan Fearnley

Join Mr Wolf in the kitchen as he gets into lots of trouble making pancakes in this funny, illustrated picture book from Jan Fearnley, perfect for pancake day or as a bedtime story all year round.

Mr Wolf fancies some tasty pancakes but he doesn't know how to make them! Asking his neighbours is of no use as they're a mean and horrible lot who refuse to help. Poor Mr Wolf! He has to work it out all by himself. But what happens when those nasty neighbours want to help Mr Wolf eat his delicious pancakes?

The Jolly Postman and Other Peoples Letters by Janet and Allan Ahlberg



*Once upon a bicycle, so they say
The Jolly Postman came one day . . .*

Join the Jolly Postman on his rounds as he delivers cards and letters to various fairy-tale characters. He has a letter of apology for the three bears from Goldilocks, a postcard from Jack for the giant, a solicitor's letter on behalf of Little Red Riding-Hood for the wolf who ate grandma, and more! This classic and innovative story includes six envelopes with pull-out letters and cards.

A day with the animal builders by Sharon Rentta

The penguins' dream home is going to be amazing, with an ice rink, a helter-skelter and a swimming pool on the roof. However, the animal builders' apprentice, Donkey, is turning out to be a bit of a disaster. His bricklaying is a mess; he's a positive danger behind the wheel of a dumper truck, and his plumbing is a catastrophe. But who saves the day when a runaway bulldozer threatens to flatten all the builders' hard work? Donkey does! So that's what Donkey is good at: being super-strong!

Mog and the V.E.T. by Judith Kerr



Share in fifty years of a really remarkable cat...

Mog is everyone's favourite family cat! Join her in this warm-hearted and funny escapade about Mog's sore paw, and her trip to the V. E. T....

The Shopping Basket by John Burningham



Steven is sent out for groceries on to the mean street of the city with only a shopping basket for protection. There are several shady characters about who are offering to lighten the load of the basket by helping themselves to his provisions! Stephen's having none of it and with the help of some of the city's less attractive sights he outsmarts all of them and makes it home in time for tea. With the pictures telling as much of the story as the text, children and adults alike will appreciate the humour and observations from this well known children's author.

The Rhyming Rabbit by Julia Donaldson and Lydia Monks

The Rhyming Rabbit loves to make up entertaining poems, inspired by everything he sees, but the other rabbits don't appreciate his talent for rhyme. Sad and lonely, the Rhyming Rabbit sets off one starry night all on his own – will he ever find someone to share his poems with? With brilliant rhyming verse, bright and distinctive illustrations and glitter on every page, this story is a delight to read aloud.