

Reading Curriculum

At The Duston School, we know that reading is the key to success for all children. When a child reads fluently, for enjoyment and purpose, a whole world of opportunities will open for them and their vocabulary, sentence structures and knowledge of the world expands. We aim to teach children to read fluently and with understanding and to promote a love of reading.

The school aims to:

- Provide children with the skills and strategies necessary to develop into competent and fluent readers
- Encourage the enjoyment of books so that the children develop a life-long love of reading
- Develop reading for purpose so that children can find the information they need to enhance their learning/interest
- Develop a critical appreciation of the work of authors, poets and illustrators in order to emulate these skills in their own writing
- Ensure that children are immersed in a range of rhymes, fiction and non-fiction texts that are diverse and reflect the world around them

Curriculum Map and Key Knowledge Goals						
Year 2	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
	Tell me a Dragon & The Night Dragon Fiction Dragon extracts	Living Things and their Environment Non-fiction	Electricity Non-Fiction	The Tudors Non-fiction	Northern Europe Non-Fiction	Malala's Magic Pencil <i>Powerful Voices and writing</i>
	Tell me a Dragon & The Night Dragon Poetry Dragon extract	My Shadow & Billy McCool Poetry	Georges Marvellous Medicine (WCS) Fiction	Plants <i>(Science – plants)</i>	Materials and Matter Non-fiction	Powerful Voices – Rosa Parks (WCS) <i>Powerful Voices and writing</i>
	Instructions and Recipes Geography and instruction	Alternative fairytale Japanese Fairytale	The Twits Fiction - author study	Hansel and Gretel (WCS) Fiction – traditional tales	Twelfth Night Fiction – play	Jack's Quest Fiction – Alternative adventure
	The Human Body Non-Fiction	Romans in Britain Non-fiction		Rumpelstiltskin Fiction - Traditional Tale	When I Grow Up from Matilda Fiction – song	
Lower Key Stage 2						
Year 3	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
	The Human Body Non-fiction	Ancient Egypt Non-Fiction	Cinderella of the Nile Fiction	Plants Non-fiction	Iron Man Fiction	Peter Pan Fiction
	Stone age to the Iron Age Non fiction	Christmas Songs (concert) Fiction – songs	A Chase in Time Sally Nicholls	My shadow by Robert Stevenson Classic Poetry	Little People, Big Dreams: Marcus Rashford Non-fiction - Biography	Richard III (WCS) Fiction – play
	Stone Age Boy (WCS) fiction – action	'Twas the night before Christmas Classic Poetry Recital	Wangari's Trees of Peace Non-fiction	The Velveteen Rabbit by Margery Williams Classic Children's Literature Fiction	Varjak Paw (WCS) Contemporary Literature Fiction	Asia: India and China Non-fiction
	The Owl and the Pussy-cat by Edward Lear Classic Poetry	How Far I'll Go (Moana) Fiction – song	Rivers Non-fiction	Count On Me by Bruno Mars Fiction – song		
Year 4	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
	Children who Changed the World Marcia Williams Non-Fiction extracts	The Boy at the Back of the Class Onjali Rauf Fiction	Somewhere Over the Rainbow – song	Are video games good for us? (Online safety) Non-fiction	The Man That Walked Between Two Towers Fiction	The Gunpowder Plot Non-Fiction
	The Eagle Alfred Tennyson Poetry	Invictus William Ernest Headly Poetry	The Wonderful Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum Fiction	Sound Non-fiction	London Non-Fiction	Electricity Non-fiction
	Greece Myths Non-fiction	Alice in Wonderland Fiction	Life in Ancient Rome Non-fiction	How to Train Your Dragon (WCS) Fiction	Buckingham Palace AA Milne Poetry	Julius Caesar (including speech for recital) Fiction – play

	Little People Big Dreams Malala Non-fiction		The Last Bear Hannah Gold fiction	The Secrets of Sleep Non-fiction	Real-Life Mysteries Non-fiction	The Wind in the Willows Kenneth Grahame Fiction
	Upper Key Stage 2					
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 5	The House of Chicken Legs Sophie Anderson Fiction	Silent Music PKC (Fiction	Shakespeare biography non-fiction Macbeth extract fiction Much Ado About Nothing fiction	Wolf Wilder Katherine Rundell Fiction extract	Speech – As an abolitionist Martin Luther-King Barack Obama Non-fiction	StreetChild (WCS) Berlie Doherty fiction
	Should the UK ban Domestic Flights? Non-fiction	The Lost Thing Fiction – Characterisation	The Fall of the Blade Fiction extract	White Fang Jack London Fiction extract	Dragon Mountain – Katie and Kevin Tsang. Fiction – extract	Meteorology Non-fiction books
	The Hill We Climb – Amanda Gorman Poetry	The Ice Man Non-fiction – information Independent	Living Things Non-fiction science booklet	The Wolves of Willoughby Chase Joan Aiken Fiction	Daffodils William Wordsworth Poetry + recital	
	History of Baghdad Non-fiction	Cold mountain Poetry Sir Winter Poetry			Fallen Space Rock Found (KH) Non-fiction	
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 6	Kensuke’s Kingdom Michael Morpurgo Fiction	Animals in WW1 PKC Non-fiction – Information	Rose Blanche Ian McEwan Fiction extract	WW1 and The Holocaust Non-Fiction extracts and sources	Little House in the Big Woods Fiction	Romeo & Juliet William Shakespeare Fiction
	Tom’s Midnight Garden Philippa Pearce Fiction	Poetry WW2 Flander’s Field Poetry (for recital)	I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings Maya Angelou Non-fiction	The Tyger William Blake Poetry	SATs practice	Darwin’s Dragon KH Non-fiction
	Human Body Non-fiction science booklet	Skellig David Almond Fiction	North America North America Non-Fiction Geography booklet.	The Week that Changed History Non-fiction History booklet	The Railway Children E Nesbitt Fiction	Holes (WCS) Louis Sachar Fiction
			Letters from the Lighthouse Emma Carroll Fiction extracts	Once (WCS) Morris Gleitzman Fiction	The Importance of Empathy Non-fiction	The History of Human Rights Non-Fiction