

York Road Nursery School & Pre-School Core books Philosophy

The Core Booklist has been created by the teachers at YRNS. It is a selection of carefully chosen texts for teachers to use when they are developing collections for their rooms, the library and as part of their emergent reading and phonics programmes. The list demonstrates the key role that children's literature can play across the curriculum, and in forwarding children's progress as readers. The books are chosen because they support children learning to read and in their development as readers.

This booklist draws on the book knowledge and reading expertise of YRNS staff. It contains books which have been tried, tested and found to work successfully, providing children with memorable and positive reading experiences. The Core Booklist is reviewed each year.

At YRNS we believe that the use of high-quality books within the reading curriculum is at the heart of our school's successful approach to engage and support children to become motivated and independent readers. If children enjoy reading, they read more frequently and become better readers. If teachers and those who work in schools know about the best children's literature available they will be able to share that with the children they teach and encourage them to be inspired as readers and motivated to read for themselves.

The Core Books list is shared with parents and carers and an overview is provided to help them to understand the rationale behind the books that have been chosen. Parents are also encouraged to read these stories at home with their children alongside other high-quality stories.