



Pegasus Primary School
The best in everyone™
Part of United Learning



Orchard Meadow Primary School
The best in everyone™
Part of United Learning

Theme Read Directory

Theme Reads Directory

- ✓ Please see a full list of texts that are studied as part of 'Theme Read'.
- ✓ Theme Read supports pupils to contextualise knowledge and deepen topics taught in non-core subjects.
- ✓ This list is not exhaustive.

Year 1

Subject	Autumn	Spring	Summer
History	<p><i>Toys in Space/Traction Man is Here</i> – Mini Grey</p> <p><i>Kipper's Toybox</i> – Mick Inkpen</p> <p><i>The Teddy Robber</i> – Ian Beck</p> <p><i>Toys (What Was It Like in the Past?)</i> by Kamini Khanduri</p> <p><i>Toys and Games (Ways Into History)</i> by Sally Hewitt</p> <p><i>Toys in the Past</i> by Joanna Brundle</p> <p>The Forgotten Toys</p>	<p>Theme read:</p> <p><i>Queen Matilda</i> by Annie Fettu</p> <p>Empress Matilda of England (The Legendary Women of World History) - by Laurel A. Rockefeller</p> <p>Extracts from:</p> <p>What Were Castles for? by Phil Roxbee Cox and Sue Stitt</p> <p>The Middle Ages (Usborne History of Britain) by Abigail Wheatley</p> <p>A Brief History of Life in the Middle Ages (Brief Histories) by Martyn Whittock</p> <p>The Middle Ages (See Inside) by Rob Lloyd Jones and David Hancock</p> <p>The Adventures of Robin Hood by Adrian Mitchell and Emma Chichester Clark</p> <p>The Adventures of Robin Hood by Marcia Williams</p>	<p>Theme Read:</p> <p>Who was Neil Armstrong? By Roberta Edwards</p> <p>Who was Christopher Columbus? By Bonnie Bader</p> <p>Great explorers: Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong by C. Guillain (collins black cat)</p> <p>Extracts from:</p> <p>The Explorer – Katherine Rundell</p> <p>I am Neil Armstrong by Brad Meltzer</p> <p>Trailblazers: Neil Armstrong by Alex Woolf</p> <p>Explorers: Amazing tales of the World's Greatest Adventures by Nellie Huang & J. Hawke</p> <p>Alistair Humphrey's Great Adventurers by A. Humphreys and K. Ward</p> <p>Fantastic Female Adventurers – truly amazing tales of women exploring the world by L. Dyu</p>

		Illustrated Tales of King Arthur (Illustrated Story Collections) (Illustrated Stories) by Sarah Courtauld and Natasha Kuricheva Into the Castle by J.Crebbin	
Geography	<p>Rosie's Walk – Pat Hutchins</p> <p>A Walk in the Park – Anthony Browne</p> <p>Where's my teddy – Jez Alborough</p> <p>Ways into Geography: Our local area – Louise Spilsbury</p> <p>Ways in Geography: Using Maps – Claire Llewellyn</p> <p>City – Ruth Thompson Shops – Ruth Thompson School – Ruth Thompson</p>	<p>Katie in London – James Mayhew (Copies at Pegasus.)</p> <p>The Story of the Giant's Causeway – Ann Carroll</p> <p>A Monster Mistake – Oxford Reading Tree (available on Oxford Owl)</p> <p>The Town Mouse and the country mouse – Twinkl ebook</p> <p>(Extracts from) Paddington's Guide to London – Michael Bond</p> <p>The Big Book of the UK – Imogen Russell Williams and Louise Lockheart</p> <p>At the seaside – Read Write Inc. (available on Oxford Owl)</p> <p>The Mousehole Cat – Antonia Barber</p> <p>Extracts from Coming to England – Floella Benjamin. (Picture book edition.)</p>	<p>Ice bear – N.Davies</p> <p>Handa's Surprise / Handa's Hen – E.Browne</p> <p>Beegu – A.Deacon</p> <p>How the rabbit stole the fire – J. Troughton</p> <p>The seven continents – W. Mara</p> <p>Continents – what you need to know – J.Sherman</p> <p>This is how we do it: One day in the life of seven kids from around the world – M. Lamothe</p> <p>Around the world in 80 tales – S. Pirota</p> <p>Look inside our world - Usborne</p>
RE	The Nativity Story		
PSHE	T1:		
	T2: Lolo by N.Daly		

Year 2

Subject	Autumn	Spring	Summer
History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Florence Nightingale - 3.3 Young Reading Series Three - Lucy Lethbridge • DK Life Stories: Florence Nightingale • History Makers: Mary Seacole by Sarah Ridley • The Extraordinary Life of Mary Seacole - Extraordinary Lives by Naida Redgrave • Brave Nurses– Collins Black Cat • Life Stories – Florence Nightingale • Florence Nightingale and The Crimean War by Jane Shuter • Frog is a Hero 	<p>Vlad and the great fire of london Toby and the great fire of london Samuel Pepy’s diaries Newspaper reports Beginning History - Plague and Fire</p>	<p>Chronicles of Narnia: Lion, witch & wardrobe (chn evacuate WW2) Major Glad, Major Dizzy The lion and the unicorn by S.Hughes Rose Blanche</p>
Geography	<p>Frog and Toad All Year – Arnold Lobel (copies at Peg. Bringing the rain to Kapiti Plain – Verna Aardema (Copies at Pegasus) Ishtar and Tamuz – Christopher Moore and Christina Balit (copies at Pegasus) When will it be Spring – Catherine Walters (copies at Peg.)</p>	<p>Lost and Found – Oliver Jeffers (Copies at Pegasus) The Emperor’s Egg – Martin Jenkins (Copies at Peg.) Ponko and the South Pole – Meredith Hooper (Copies at Peg.) Meerkat Mail – Emily Gravett I wonder why the Sahara is cold at night – Jackie Gaff</p>	<p>The Tiger Child – Joanna Troughton (Copies at Pegasus.) Extracts from Eyewitness weather (Copies at Peg.) Percy the Parkkeeper After the storm – Nick Butterworth Gobble you up – Gita Wolf Seasons of Splendour – Madhur Jaffrey</p>

	<p>Wild Weather – Oxford Reading Tree (Oxford Owl.) What causes weather and the seasons? - Alejandro Algarra Wild Weather – Kingfisher Books You wouldn't want to live without extreme weather.</p> <p>Percy the parkkeeper books: One snowy night, After the storm, A Year in Percy's park. Tree: Seasons come, Seasons go The Squirrel's busy year</p> <p>Clouds What is Good Weather?</p>	<p>Polar climates/Desert climates – Cath Senker One Day on our blue planet: Antarctica – Ella Bailey Deep in the Sahara – Kelly Kunnanne Can I cross the Sahara desert in one day - Baby Professor</p>	<p>Grandma and the great gourd - Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni and Susy Pilgrim Waters Ganesha's sweet tooth – Sanjay Patel Pattan's Pumpkin: An Indian Flood story – Chitra Soundar Floods – Christine Thomas Alderman India – Susie Brooks</p>
RE	<p>The Miracles of Jesus for Kids by J & V Coy The Beginner's Bible</p>		
PSHE	T1:		
	T2: Ninja Kid by Anh Do		

Year 3

Subject	Autumn	Spring	Summer
History	<p>The First Drawing by Mordicai Gerstein The Cave Painter of Lascaux</p>	<p>If Stones could speak Stone Age Boy Stig of the Dump The Secrets of Stonehenge</p>	<p>The Shipwrecked Sailor by T. Bower How the Sphinx got to the museum by J. Hartland Hatshepsut by C. Andronik</p>

	The Secret Cave, discovering Lascaux, Emily Arnold McCully	The Amazing Pop-up Stonehenge Noni the Blacksmith (https://blackdownhillsaonb.org.uk/metal-makers/wp-content/themes/MetalMakers/noni_book/files/assets/basic-html/index.html#1) History detectives – stone age to iron age (in school library at OM) Hands on History – the celts Fact Cat – Stone Age to Iron Age	
Geography	Ice Palace – Robert Swindells Alastair Humphrey’s Great Adventurers – The Incredible Expeditions of 20 Explorers Journeys – Jonathon Litton Shackleton’s Journey – William Grill Maps - Aleksandra Mizielinska Extracts from Survivors – David Long Fantastic Female Adventurers – Lily Dyu	King of the Cloud Forests – Michael Morpurgo (Pegasus have copies) Extracts from Eyewitness weather (mountains) (Copies at Peg.) The Man who bought a mountain – Twinkl ebook European Mountain Ranges text - Twinkl The Abominables - Eva Ibbotson Relive Edmund Hillary’s Trek – Hamilton Trust Extracts from Ranulph Fiennes books Extracts from Touching the void – Joe Simpson	Polar Bears past bedtime – Mary Pope Osborne (Copies at Peg.) Race to the frozen north – Catherine Johnson Arctic White – Danna Smith The Polar Bear Son - Lydia Dabkovich (re-telling of traditional Inuit folk tale) Is there life in the arctic tundra? - Baby Professor Arctic Explorers Daily News – Twinkl text Sections from https://kids.kiddle.co/Inuit
RE	The Nativity Story The Beginner’s Bible		
PSHE	T1: T2: Too small Tola by Atinuke		

Year 4

Subject	Autumn	Spring	Summer
History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roman Diary – the journal of Iliona young slave • Escape Pompeii • <u>The Roman News (series)</u> • The Leopard in the Golden Cage (The Scar Gatherer Book 1) • Boudicca descriptions • Extracts from The Pirates of Pompeii 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beowulf (Usborne) RETOLD by M.MORPURGO • King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table by Marcia Williams • Anglo-Saxon Boy by Tony Bradman • <u>How To Be an Anglo-Saxon in 13 Easy Steps by Scoular Anderson</u> • Men, Women and Children in Anglo-Saxon Times by Jane Bingham • You Wouldn't Want to be an Anglo-Saxon Peasant! By Jacqueline Morley & David Antram 	Viking Boy – T. Bradman The Saga of Erik the Viking by T.Jones and M.Foreman The Dragon’s Hoard: Stories from the Viking Sagas by L.Don & C.James 100 facts: Vikings by F.MacDonald & R. Matthews DK Eyewitness: Viking Extracts from The Anglo-Saxon Chronicle
Geography	Eyewitness Volcano (Copies at Pegasus) Horrible Geography: Earth Shattering Earthquakes – Anita Ganeri (Copies at Peg.) The Firework Maker’s Daughter – Phillip Pullman Escape from Pompeii – Christina Balit Eight Days: A Story of Haiti - <u>Edwidge Danticat ?</u>	Trash – Andy Mulligan Fly me home – Polly Ho-Yen Journey to Jo’burg - Beverley Naidoo Settlements – Polly Goodman. Settlements - John Malam Prehistoric adventures Paperback (published March 2017) Settlements - Izzi Howell Fact planet Hardback (published December 2020) Settlements - Rebecca Kahn	Rivers (The Where on Earth? Book of) by Susie Brooks It's All About... Rushing Rivers - kingfisher books A River – Marc Martin Wht Is A River? by Monika Vaicenavičiene (Illustrator) Raging rivers - Anita Ganeri and Mike Phillips (published August 2019) Rivers of the United Kingdom - Catherine Brereton Great rivers Paperback (published January 2019)

	<p>The Pack of Pompeii ebook Twinkl</p> <p>Earth Shattering Events – Robin Jacobs (free to download from Booksfortopics.com)</p> <p>The science of natural disasters : the devastating truth about volcanoes, earthquakes and tsunamis - Alex Woolf and Andy Rowland (Illustrator) Science of... Paperback (published June 2018)</p> <p>Everything volcanoes and earthquakes - Kathy Furgang National Geographic kids : everything Paperback (published July 2018)</p>	<p>World feature focus Hardback (published September 2020)</p> <p>Settlements of the River Thames - Rob Bowden Rivers through time Hardback (published January 2005)</p>	<p>The city of secret rivers - Jacob Sager Weinstein and Euan Cook (Illustrator) Paperback (published March 2018)</p> <p>Sabryna and the river spirit – ebook Twinkl</p>
RE	Buddha and his friends by S. Dhammika		
PSHE	T1:		
	T2:What's that in Dog Years? B. Davis		

Year 5

Subject	Autumn	Spring	Summer
History	<p>Early Islamic Civilisation (Explore!) by Izzi Howell</p> <p>Early Islamic Civilisation (Great Civilisations) by Catherine Chambers</p> <p>The Science and Inventions of the Islamic Golden Age - Religion and Science Characteristics of Early Societies Grade 4 by Professor Beaver Tales from the Thousand and One Nights (Arabian Nights) (Penguin Classics) by William Harvey and N.J. Dawood</p> <p>The Golden Horsemen of Baghdad (Flashbacks) by Saviour Pirotta</p> <p>Sinbad the Sailor – Marcia Williams</p>	<p>Taylor and Rose Secret Agents: Perils in Paris – Katherine Woodfine</p> <p><i>A Little Princess</i> by Frances Hodgson Burnett</p> <p><i>A Vicarage Family</i> by Noel Streatfeild</p> <p>Pocket Guide to Edwardian England by Evangeline Holland</p>	<p>What do you do with an idea? Kobi Yamada</p> <p>Marveltown – Bruce McCall</p> <p>Girls think of everything – C. Thimmesh</p> <p>Extracts from Weaving the web: The original design and ultimate destiny of the World Wide Web by T. Berners Lee</p> <p>100 inventions that made history: Brilliant Breakthroughs that shaped our world – T.Turner, A.Mills & C. Gifford</p> <p>Great Inventors from A-Z by V.Vogato</p>
Geography	<p>Water Is Water: A Book about the Water Cycle - Miranda Paul</p> <p>The water cycle - Georgia Amson-Bradshaw</p> <p>Geographics Paperback (published June 2019)</p>	<p>Rooftoppers – Katherine Rundell</p> <p>The Northern Lights – Phillip Pullman</p> <p>Clockwork – Phillip Pullman</p> <p>The Silver Sword – Ian Serraillier</p>	<p>The boy at the back of the class – Onjali Rauf</p> <p>Editions of The Leys Newspaper http://leysnewsonline.co.uk/site/</p> <p>Recent news report regarding redevelopment of areas of BBL I.e: https://www.chg.org.uk/news/42874/new-</p>

	<p>Once Upon a Raindrop: The Story of Water - James Carter</p> <p>A Long Walk to Water – Linda Sue Park</p> <p>Extracts from Eyewitness Weather (Copies at Pegasus.)</p> <p>The River Singers – Tom Moorhouse (Copies at Peg.)</p>	<p>The cities book : a journey through 86 of the world's greatest cities - Livi Gosling and Tom Woolley Hardback (published September 2016)</p> <p>Learning about Europe – Roberta Baxter</p> <p>Europe (The Seven Continents) - Joana Costa Knufinke</p>	<p>plans-for-100m-blackbird-leys-redevelopment-revealed/ https://www.oxford.gov.uk/bblproject</p> <p>How to read a map – Melanie Waldron</p> <p>City – Ruth Thompson Shops – Ruth Thompson School – Ruth Thompson Progress in Geography Fieldwork: Key Stage 3</p>
RE	<p>The Grinch by Dr. Seuss</p> <p>Christmas around the world by L. Sims</p>		
PSHE	T1:		
	T2: Lost by E.Ainsworth The Crystal Hearted Princess (online)		

Year 6

Subject	Autumn	Spring	Summer
History	<p>Extracts from Plato's <i>Republic</i></p> <p>Greek Myths – Marcia Williams</p> <p>Who Let the Gods Out? - Maz Evans</p> <p>Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan</p> <p>The Iliad/The Odyssey – Homer (retold by Gillian cross and Neil Packer)</p> <p>A Visitor's Guide to Ancient Greece (Usborne Visitor Guides) by Lesley Sims</p> <p>You Wouldn't Want to Be a Slave in Ancient Greece!: A Life You'd Rather Not Have by Fiona MacDonald</p>	<p><i>My Dream of Martin Luther King</i> by Faith Ringold</p> <p><i>As Fast As Words Could Fly</i> by Pamela M. Tuck (online version: https://www.storylineonline.net/books/fast-words-fly/)</p> <p><i>I Have a Dream Speech</i> text excerpts</p> <p>The Extraordinary Life of Rosa Parks (Extraordinary Lives) by Sheila Kanani, Nan Lawson</p> <p>Civil Rights Then and Now: A Timeline of the Fight for Equality in America by Kristina Brooke Daniele</p>	
Geography	<p>A day and night in the Amazon rainforest - Caroline Arnold Paperback (published April 2016)</p> <p>Rainforests (Where on Earth?) - Susie Brooks Rainforest Diary</p> <p>Journey in the Rainforest Rainforests - Mike Clark Habitats & biomes Hardback (published May 2017)</p>	<p>Where the river runs gold – Sita Brahmachari</p> <p>Fair trade - Jillian Powell Explore! Paperback (published April 2014)</p> <p>Mapping money & trade - Madeline Tyler Maps and mapping Hardback (published May 2018)</p> <p>Fair trade & global economy - Charlie Ogden Our values Paperback (published January 2020)</p> <p>Trade and transport - Andrew Langley</p>	

	<p>Saving Earth's Biomes (Set of 4) Paperback (published January 2020) - peters.co.uk</p> <p>Habitats and biomes - Nancy Dickmann Earth by numbers Hardback (published July 2018)</p> <p>Forest biomes - Louise Spilsbury and Richard Spilsbury Earth's natural biomes Paperback (published December 2019)</p> <p>Temperate climates - Cath Senker Infosearch : climate zones Paperback (published May 2018)</p> <p>Tropical climates - Cath Senker Infosearch : climate zones Paperback (published May 2018)</p> <p>Journey to the river sea – Eva Ibbotson</p> <p>The Explorer – Katherine Rundell</p> <p>Amazon Diary – Hudson Talbott & Mark Greenberg (Copies at Pegasus.)</p>	<p>History of Britain Paperback (published April 1998)</p>	
--	---	--	--

RE	The Story of Islam by R.Lloyd-Jones Islam by I.Howell		
PSHE	T1:		
	T2: Peer Pressure by E. Raum Maybe he just likes you by B. Dee		