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| English Curriculum PlanningBeing Our Best SelvesReading |
| **Year Group** | **Word reading** | **Comprehension** |
| **Red** | To use phonic knowledge to decode regular words and read them aloud accurately.To read some common irregular words.To read and understand simple sentences.To demonstrate understanding when talking with others about what they have read. | To listen to stories, accurately anticipating key events and respond to what they hear with relevant comments, questions or actions.To answer ‘how’ and ‘why’ questions about their experiences and in response to stories or events.To express themselves effectively, showing awareness of listeners’ needs. |
| **Orange** | To listen to stories, accurately anticipating key events and respond to what they hear with relevant comments, questions or actions.To answer ‘how’ and ‘why’ questions about their experiences and in response to stories or events.To express themselves effectively, showing awareness of listeners’ needs. | To check that a text makes sense to them as they read and to self- correct.To listen to and discuss a wide range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry at a level beyond that at which they can read independently.To link what they have read or have read to them to their own experiences.To retell familiar stories in increasing detail.To join in with discussions about a text, taking turns and listening to what others say.To discuss the significance of titles and events.To discuss word meaning and link new meanings to those already known.To begin to make simple inferences.To predict what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far.To recite simple poems by heart. |
| **Yellow** | To continue to apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words until automatic decoding has become embedded and reading is fluent.To read accurately by blending the sounds in words that contain the graphemes taught so far, especially recognising alternative sounds for graphemes.To accurately read most words of two or more syllables.To read most words containing common suffixes.To read most Y1 and Y2 common exception wordsTo read aloud books (closely matched to their improving phonic knowledge), sounding out unfamiliar words accurately, automatically and without undue hesitation.To reread these books to build up fluency and confidence in word reading.To read words accurately and fluently without overt sounding and blending, e.g. at over 90 words per minute, in age-appropriate texts. | To show understanding by drawing on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher.To check that the text makes sense to them as they read and to correct inaccurate reading.To participate in discussion about books, poems and other works that are read to them (at a level beyond at which they can read independently) and those that they can read for themselves, explaining their understanding and expressing their views.To become increasingly familiar with and to retell a wide range of stories, fairy stories and traditional tales.To discuss the sequence of events in books and how items of information are related.To recognise simple recurring literary language in stories and poetry.To ask and answer questions about a text.To make links between the text they are reading and other texts they have read (in texts that they can read independently).To discuss and clarify the meanings of words, linking new meanings to known vocabulary.To discuss their favourite words and phrases.To make inferences on the basis of what is being said and done.To predict what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far in a text.To continue to build up a repertoire of poems learnt by heartTo recognise that non- fiction books are often structured in different ways. |
| **Green** | To use their phonic knowledge to decode quickly and accurately (may still need support to read longer unknown words).To apply their growing knowledge of root words and prefixes, including in-, im-, il-, ir-, dis-, mis-,un-, re-, sub-, inter-, super-, anti- and auto- to begin to read aloud.To apply their growing knowledge of root words and suffixes/word endings, including -ation,-ly, -ous, -ture, -sure, -sion -tion, -ssion and -cian, to begin to read aloudTo begin to read Y3/Y4 exception words | To recognise, listen to and discuss a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks.To use appropriate terminology when discussing texts (plot, character, setting).To check that the text makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and explaining the meaning of words in context.To discuss authors’ choice of words and phrases for effect.To ask and answer questions appropriately, including some simple inference questions based on characters’ feelings, thoughts and motives.To justify predictions using evidence from the text.To prepare and perform poems and play scripts that show some awareness of the audience when reading aloud.To begin to use appropriate intonation and volume when reading aloud.To retrieve and record information from non- fiction texts. |
| **Blue** | To read most words fluently and attempt to decode any unfamiliar words with increasing speed and skill.To apply their knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes/word endings to read aloud fluently.To read all Y3/Y4 exception words. | To discuss and compare texts from a wide variety of genres and writers.To read for a range of purposes.To identify themes and conventions in a wide range of books.To refer to authorial style, overall themes (e.g. triumph of good over evil) and features (e.g. greeting in letters, a diary written in the first person or the use of presentational devices such as numbering and headings).To identify how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning.To identify main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarise these.Discuss vocabulary used to capture readers’ interest and imagination.To draw inferences from characters’ feelings, thoughts and motives that justifies their actions, supporting their views with evidence from the text.To justify predictions from details stated and implied.To recognise and discuss some different forms of poetry To prepare and perform poems and play scripts with appropriate techniques (intonation, tone, volume and action) to show awareness of the audience when reading aloud.To use all of the organisational devices available within a non- fiction text to retrieve, record and discuss information.To use dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read. |
| **Indigo** | To read most words fluently and attempt to decode any unfamiliar words with increasing speed and skill, recognising their meaning through contextual cues.To apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes/ word endings, including -sion, -tion, -cial, -tial, -ant/-ance/-ancy, -ent/- ence/-ency, -able/-ably and -ible/ibly, to read aloud fluently.To read most Y5/ Y6 exception words | To read a wide range of genres, identifying the characteristics of text types (such as the use of the first person in writing diaries and autobiographies) and differences between text types.To participate in discussions about books that are read to them and those they can read for themselves, building on their own and others’ ideas and challenging views courteously.To identify main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and to summarise these.To recommend texts to peers based on personal choice.To discuss vocabulary used by the author to create effect including figurative language.To evaluate the use of authors’ language and explain how it has created an impact on the reader.To draw inferences from characters’ feelings, thoughts and motives.To make predictions based on details stated and implied, justifying them in detail with evidence from the text.To continually show an awareness of audience when reading out loud using intonation, tone, volume and action.To use knowledge of texts and organisation devices to retrieve, record and discuss information from fiction and non-fiction texts. |
| **Violet** | To read fluently with full knowledge of all Y5/ Y6 exception words, root words, prefixes, suffixes/word ending and to decode any unfamiliar words with increasing speed and skill, recognising their meaning through contextual cues. | To read for pleasure, discussing, comparing and evaluating in depth across a wide range of genres, including myths, legends, traditional stories, modern fiction, fiction from our literary heritage and books from other cultures and traditions.To recognise more complex themes in what they read (such as loss or heroism).To explain and discuss their understanding of what they have read, including through formal presentations and debates.To listen to guidance and feedback on the quality of their explanations and contributions to discussions and to make improvements when participating in discussions.To draw out key information and to summarise the main ideas in a text.To distinguish independently between statements of fact and opinion, providing reasoned justifications for their views.To compare characters, settings and themes within a text and across more than one text.To analyse and evaluate the use of language, including figurative language and how it is used for effect, using technical terminology such as metaphor, simile, analogy, imagery, style and effect.To consider different accounts of the same event and to discuss viewpoints (both of authors and of fictional characters).To discuss how characters change and develop through texts by drawing inferences based on indirect clues.To confidently perform texts (including poems learnt by heart) using a wide range of devices to engage the audience and for effect.To use non-fiction materials for purposeful information retrieval (e.g. in reading history, geography and science textbooks). |