

## Year 6's Reading Spine

### **Class Texts:**

#### Fiction:

- Journey to the Centre of the Earth by Sarah Courtauld - based on the novel by Jules Verne
- Carrie's War by Nina Bawden
- Once by Morris Gleitzman
- Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo

#### Non-Fiction:

- Touching the Void by Joe Simpson

### **Books used in school to support learning:**

#### Fiction:

- Rose Blanche by Ian McEwan
- The Harmonica by Tony Johnston
- Goodnight Mr Tom by Michelle Magorian
- Now or Never - A Dunkirk Story by Bali Rai

#### Non-Fiction:

- Survivors by David Long & Kerry Hyndman
- Amazing Evolution: The Journey of Life by Anna Claybourne
- Charles Darwin's, On the Origin of Species - retold and illustrated by Sabina Radeva
- Everest: The Remarkable Story of Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay by Alexandra Stewart
- Winston Churchill by Katie Daynes
- Who Was Winston Churchill? By Ellen Labrecque

### **Suggested reading for children:**

Autumn Term - Topic: Mountains & Volcanoes

#### Fiction:

- Around the World in Eighty Days by Jules Verne

- The Hobbit by J.R.R Tolkien
- The Girl of Ink and Stars by Kiran Millwood Hargrave
- The Invention of Hugo Cabaret by Brian Seiznick
- Holes by Louis Sacher
- Sky Hawk by Gill Lewis

Non-Fiction:

- Recue by David Long & Kerry Hyndman
- The Big Earth Book by Lonely Planet Kids, Mark Brake
- Great Adventurers by Alastair Humphreys

Spring Term - Topic: World War Two

Fiction:

- The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas by John Boyne
- Letter from the Lighthouse by Emma Carroll
- When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr
- Tom's Midnight Garden by Philippa Pearce
- The Silver Sword by Ian Serraillier
- An Eagle in the Snow by Michael Morpurgo

Non-Fiction:

- Diary of a Young Girl by Anne Frank
- Utterly Unbelievable: WWII in Facts by Adam Frost
- Tales of Amazing Animal Heroes by Mike Unwin

Summer Term - Topic: Early Islamic Civilisation / High School Transition

Fiction:

- The Faraway Truth by Janae Mark
- The Curious Incident of a Dog in the Night-time by Mark Haddon
- Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson
- The Boy at the Back of the Class by Onjali Q. Raúf
- The Night Diary by Veera Hiranandani
- A to Z - the Best Children's Poetry from Agard to Zephaniah by Michael Rosen

## Non-Fiction:

- *Go Big: The Secondary School Survival Guide* by Matthew Burton
- *You Are Awesome* by Matthew Syed & Toby Triumph
- *Little People, Big Dreams* - a series of books that introduces young readers to inspiring people in history, politics, music, arts, design, science, and sports.