Sacred Heart RC Nursery & Primary School



Progression in Reading Years 5 & 6

Year 5/6

The knowledge and skills that pupils need to comprehend are very similar at different ages. Pupils should continue to apply what they have already learnt to more complex writing and text types.

The focus comprehension skills for year 5/6 are: retrieve and explain; summarise, make connections; clarify, predict, infer and question.

RED: Guidance

BLACK: National Curriculum objectives

	Reading for Pleasure in Years 5 and 6	Implementation
Intent	Creating a culture where children are exposed to a range of high quality texts in a variety of contexts and have opportunity to browse literature as well as structured reading activities.	Library visits/ genre tracker
	Pupils should also have opportunities to exercise choice in selecting books and be taught how to do so, with teachers making use of any library services and expertise to support this.	BookFlix
	To build preferences in reading and choose to read To recognise authors and styles of reading that individuals enjoy	Reading lessons.
	Engaging in book discussions in a range of contexts, alongside adults and peers Sharing and recommending books.	Reading at the end of the day.
	Reading Aloud	Implementation
Intent	Exposing children to challenging and archaic texts, e.g. language and themes. Pupils should continue to have opportunities to listen frequently to stories, poems, non fiction and other writing, including whole books and not just extracts, so that they build on what was taught previously. In this way, they also meet books and authors that they might	Minimum of ten minutes reading to class a day using books from Spine below within
	not choose themselves.	reading lessons.

Pupils should be able to read aloud a wider range of poetry and books written at an age-appropriate interest level with accuracy and at a reasonable speaking pace.	Year 5: ZPD range: 3.0 5.0
Pupils should be able to read most words effortlessly and to work out how to pronounce unfamiliar written words with increasing automaticity. Pupils should be able to prepare readings, with appropriate intonation to show their understanding,	AR 4.9 + RA: 10+ Year 6: ZPD range: 3.0 6.0
	AR: 5.9+ RA: 11+
	Book Band: Sapphire/ Magenta/ free reader
Word Reading	Where is it explicitly taught
Apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes (morphology and etymology), as listed in the National Curriculum English Appendix 1, both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words that they meet.	

Children will be able to read fluently all common exception words for years 1, 2 3, 4, 5 and 6. Although word reading no longer needs to be taught explicitly, attention and teaching should be provided to those children that are not accurately word reading. However, attention to vocabulary should be provided in terms of meaning, morphology and etymology. Pupils should be encouraged to work out any unfamiliar word. They should focus on all the letters in a word so that they do not, for example, read 'invitation' for 'imitation' simply because they might be more familiar with the first word. Accurate reading of individual words, which might be key to the meaning of a sentence or paragraph, improves comprehension. When teachers are reading with or to pupils, attention should be paid to new vocabulary – both a word's meaning(s) and its correct pronunciation.	Common exception word assessments
Range of Texts	
Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what they read by continuing to read and discuss an increasingly wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks. In using reference books, pupils need to know what information they need to look for before they begin and need to understand the task. They should be shown how to use contents pages and indexes to locate information. Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what they read increasing their familiarity with a wide range of books, including myths, legends and traditional stories, modern fiction, fiction from our literary heritage, and books from other cultures and traditions. See coverage of genre fictions in text progression spine below and literature overview.	See English Overview for progression of genres. Reading Lessons linked to key text from reading spine
Learn a wide range of poetry by heart.	Genre Tracker.
Prepare poems and plays to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone and volume so that the meaning is clear to an audience.	
See poetry progression. Play to write and perform in year 5 only. See English overview and reading spine.	

	Comprehension	Where is it explicitly taught
Retrieve & Explain	Understand what they read by checking that the book makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and exploring the meaning of words in context .	Reading lessons
Elements in bold relate	Understand what they read by drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence . Use PEE (Point, Evidence, and Explanation) to support inferences.	Talk for Writing Sequence

directly to retrieval and explanation.	Understand what they read by predicting what might happen from details stated and implied . Understand what they read by summarising the main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph, identifying key details that support the main ideas . Using quotation to support illustration. Provide reasoned justifications for their views. Retrieve, record and present information from non-fiction. This can be linked to writing lessons and corresponding non-fiction writing sequence.	
	Explain and discuss their understanding of what they have read, including through formal presentations and debates, maintaining a focus on the topic and using notes where necessary This can be linked to writing lessons and corresponding non-fiction writing sequence.	
	The skills of information retrieval that are taught should be applied, for example, in reading history, geography and science textbooks, and in contexts where pupils are genuinely motivated to find out information, for example, reading information leaflets before a gallery or museum visit or reading a theatre programme or review	
Authorial Intent	Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what they read by reading books that are structured in different ways and reading for a range of purposes.	Talk for Writing Sequence
Structural choices	Understand what they read by identifying how structure and presentation contribute to meaning.	Reading lessons
Authorial Intent Linguistic choices	Understand what they read by identifying how language contributes to meaning. Discuss and evaluate how authors use language, including figurative language, considering the impact on the reader. <i>Commenting on writers' use of words, phrases and language features including figurative language. Alliteration, simile, metaphor, onomatopoeia, assonance, repetition and rhyme.</i>	Talk for Writing Sequence Reading lessons
	Pupils should be taught the technical and other terms needed for discussing what they hear and read, such as metaphor, simile, analogy, imagery, style and effect. See poetry progression for literary imagery devices. This includes how such devices are used to explore character and setting also within fictional texts as well as poetry.	Poetry progression
Form an Opinion	Distinguish between statements of fact and opinion Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what they read by recommending books that they have read to their peers, giving reasons for their choices.	Reading lessons

Summarise	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. <i>Pupils should have guidance about and feedback on the quality of their explanations and contributions to discussions.</i> Provide reasoned justifications for their views. Understand what they read by summarising the main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph, identifying key details that support the main ideas. <i>Using quotation to support illustration.</i>	BookFlix Class reader Book Talk Reading lessons BookFlix
Make Connections Theme and Conventions	 Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what they read by identifying and discussing themes and conventions in and across a wide range of writing. Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what they read by making comparisons within and across. Pupils should be taught to recognise themes in what they read, such as loss or heroism. See spine for year group with text themes. They should have opportunities to compare characters, consider different accounts of the same event and discuss viewpoints (both of authors and of fictional characters), within a text and across more than one text. Pupils should be shown how to compare characters, settings, themes and other aspects of what they read. See English overview for coverage of opportunity to explore characters, settings and themes within writing. Opportunities then need to be provided in reading lessons to compare these aspects of texts with other texts. 	Reading lessons Talk for Writing Sequence Book talk/ class reader
Clarify	Understand what they read by checking that the book makes sense to them. Discussing their understanding and exploring the meaning of words in context. Clarify concepts and ideas at sentence, paragraph, and whole text level.	Reading lessons Book talk/ class reader
Predict	Understand what they read by predicting what might happen from details stated and implied based on:	Reading lessons

	themes	Book talk/
	conventions	class reader
	what has been read so far.	
	knowledge about the author	
	• genres	
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	justifying inferences with evidence. Use PEE (Point, Evidence, and Explanation) to support inferences.	lessons
		Book talk/
		class reader
Question	Understand what they read by asking questions to improve their understanding.	Reading
	This may include questions regarding theme and authorial intent.	lessons

	Year 5 and 6 Reading Spine	Themes/ characteristics Opportunities can be used to explore the links between the		
		themes/ settings and characters. <mark>yellow</mark> : link to Gospel Values.		
Teachers of	Teachers can choose one of the texts below as the focus text within reading lessons. Teachers should attempt to align the text (in terms of theme, plot,			
setting, ch	aracter, imagery devices) with their writing sequence where possible.			
Year 5	The Wolves of Willoughby Chase by Joan Aitken	Adventure story set in alternative history of England in 1832. Historical		
		vocabulary.		
	Adventure/ historical	Can be compared with the film version (PG)		
	Link past to future.	Character: two brave and determined girls.		
		Theme: heroism, bravery, courage, friendship.		
	The NightBus Hero by Onjali Q Rauf	A story that will help children understand and think deeply about the		
		real human beings whose lives are impacted by homelessness – and the		
	Real Life/ current topical issues	power of kindness, friendship, empathy and how everyone has the		
		potential to change for the better.		
		Theme- <pre>bullying/ kindness compassion/ justice/homelessness/</pre>		
		perceptions.		
	Varjak Paw by SF Said	Adventure story- illustrations with gothic quality.		
		Character: Character of a cat. bravery, identity and difference.		
	Adventure	Difference between Varjak, the Elder Paw and the other cats.		
		Theme: freedom, difference, bullying, kindness, courage and		
		determination.		

		Description of setting: landscapes and city. Contrast of the inside of the
		house with outside in the city.
	Street Child by Berlie Doherty	Historical text. Set in Victorian England late 1800s. Link to life of street
		children. (modern day context) and year groups where children have
	Historical/ sensitive issues	studied Victorians.
		Prediction linked to advice of what main character could do after each
		chapter.
		Link to Bernardo's children's home (inspiration for story) courage and
		justice.
		Theme: Loss, overcoming adversity, justice.
		Description: Victorian England.
	The Midnight Fox by Betsy Byers	Wonder and experience of natures
		Character: changing attitudes.
	Differences of opinion/ sensitive issues	Alternative views: Perspectives of what Tom feels about the fox and his
	Different traditions.	father's view as a farmer. Discuss the tension between his father's and
		Uncle Fred's expectations and Tom's view. Viewpoints of main events
		from different character perspectives.
		Themes: hopes, fears, traditions. integrity
		Setting: farm and nature.
		Prediction from the first two paragraphs.
	Tom's Midnight Garden by Philippa Pearce	Complex timeline and shifting time. Ghost moving through a door into a
		different time.
	Shifting time patterns	Themes: loneliness and friendship (compassion and kindness)-
		relationship between youth and old age, transformation and nature of
		time.
		Description: Setting of garden.
		Links: Identify link with time travel (Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe.)
		Characters: Relationship between Hatty and Tom. Tom' strengths and
		weaknesses. Change of character.
		Links to: Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe portal/ travel to another time.
	FArTHER by Graheme Baker Smith	Complex picture book. Focus on war.
		Theme: loss , war, families and hope. peace
	Picture Book	Character: Father/ son relationship.
Year 6	Holes by Louis Sacher	Timelines of past and present events. Opportunity for comparison and
		exploration of different forms of plots. Comparison with the film (PG).
	Flashback/ timelines of past and present/ Shifting time patterns	
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	Themes: Choices fate and destiny. Friendship. Destructive nature of cruelty.
	Character: Empathy with character. Justifications for behaviour.
Clockwork by Philip Pullman	Traditional folktale (opening and ending) set in Germany. Opportunities
	to explore suspense. How does Phillip Pullman create suspense?
Tradition folktale	Complex story with opportunity to explore how characters and events
	interconnect.
	Themes: human nature, mortality, society. Good and evil (kindness)
	Character: Comparison of Karl and Fritz. unlikely hero (heroine).
	Motivation to resolve conflict.
	Setting: darkness, suspense and danger.
	Character links to Pinocchio and Frankenstein.
	Links to: Firemaker's daughter- modern fairytale.
Skellig by David Almond	Written from perspective of Michael: viewpoint of character, home life
Forten and	and events.
Fantasy novel	Alternative character: timeless being, part human and part angel.
Modern Fiction	Character: character development and description of fantastical
	character. How author keeps the reader guessing what the character is.
	Themes: life and death, friendship between Mina and Michael.
	Setting: Description of garage. Transformation of ordinary suburban street until the mystical creature is found.
	Links to: Ice Cat in year 3- mystical characters.
Fireweed by Jill Patton Walsh	Needs background knowledge of bombing of London in 1940s and
<u>Fileweed by Jill Pattoli Walsin</u>	evacuation. (non-fiction text).
Historical novel	Characters: Perspectives of two different characters: thoughts, hopes
	and motives. Different backgrounds.
	Setting: The blitz and war-torn London.
	Themes: survival, war WW2, friendship, co-operation. Class in the 1940s.
	Link to: Why the Whales Came (WW1) FaRTHER yr 5 (theme of war) and
	year 6 poetry theme.
River Boy by Tim Bowler	Mystery. Relationship between granddaughter and Grandfather. Leap
Sensitive issue of death of Grandfather	between the real and imagined. Poetic writing style.
	Theme: death and loss. Metaphor of the river.
Mystery/ sensitive issues	Character: River boy transitions from a presence to a real boy. Link
	between grandfather and the river boy. Relationship between
	granddaughter and Grandfather. Point of view of character.
	Links to: Tom's Midnight Garden- relationships between young and old.
	Cat Tales (yr 3) figurative manifestation for support.

Pig Heart Boy by Malorie Blackman Real life/ Science/ topical issues	Making difficult decisions/ Real life issues. Themes of trusting new procedures/ money issues/ metaphors for life/ opportunity for debates/ animal activism. Themes: Friendship, betrayal and forgiveness/ decisions/ morality.
The Girl of Ink and Stars by Kiran Millwood Hargrave	Themes : myth, magic and the power of friendship/ mystery/tension/ family/ kindness/ compassion.
Fantasy adventure	
The Arrival Shaun Tan	Immigration Opportunity to infer from pictures and make connections between
Picture Book/ topical issues	knowledge of immigration. Infer character feelings of events. Children add writing to the pictures.
	Links to: theme of evacuation. Fireweed/ FaTHER/ Why the Whales Came.