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**Havannah Reads**

At Havannah First School, we believe that all children should have experienced a wide variety of high quality texts and authors by the time they leave us in Year 4. We have devised a set of core texts for each class so that our children are able to successfully navigate reading with confidence. These texts have been chosen for their breadth and greater complexity, demanding more from the reader than other types of books.

We have chosen books using the ‘Pie Corbett Reading Spine’ and also the ‘Reading Reconsidered Reading Spine’ based on Doug Lemov’s ‘5 Plagues of the developing reader’. With our text selection, we have ensured that children are reading a wide range of text types such as:

* **Archaic texts**- where vocabulary is typically more complex than in books today, e.g. ‘Charlotte’s Web’ by E.B White
* **Books containing non-linear sequences**-where time moves back and forth. e.g. ‘Voices in the Park’ by Anthony Browne
* **Narratively complex texts**-when books are sometimes narrated by an unreliable narrator, non-human or multiple narrators, e.g.’ The Day the Crayons Quit’ by Drew Daywalt
* **Symbolic texts-**texts which happen on a symbolic level-E.g. ‘Where the wild things are’ by Maurice Sendak
* **Resistant texts-** texts written to deliberately resist easy meaning-making by readers. Perhaps half of the poems ever written fall into this category. You have to assemble meaning around nuances, hints, uncertainties and clues, e.g. ‘Not now Bernard’ by David McKee

Across the year, the chosen texts are shared with the children. Some texts are read purely for pleasure, while some are used as a stimulus in reading and writing lessons.

Our poetry spine contains collections of poems that will also be shared with children across the year. The books in our poetry spine introduce children to the joy of verse and build poetry into our everyday curriculum.

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| **Reception** |
| **Havannah Core Texts**  **Mr Gumpy's Outing: Amazon.co.uk: John Burningham: 9780099408796: Books**      **https://encrypted-tbn0.gstatic.com/images?q=tbn%3AANd9GcTcyCdY7kPuiGu0iHh1xVDMYVieHkVGG_ds59rEvEX6CMeWezEQSQmbW9TYZy4meYTP5OHu1SaV&usqp=CAc**  9780862642082Six Dinner Sid: Amazon.co.uk: Moore, Inga: Books |



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| **Year One** |
| **Havannah Core Texts**  See the source image[Fantastic Mr Fox by Roald Dahl and Quentin Blake](https://wordery.com/fantastic-mr-fox-roald-dahl-9780141365442?awc=9111_1574194124_4ce2a9bd57c0c5fd8a728f87f56c827a&utm_source=AWIN&utm_medium=affiliate&utm_campaign=176013#gallery)  Lost and Found  [Can't You Sleep, Little Bear? by Martin Waddell and Barbara Firth](https://wordery.com/cant-you-sleep-little-bear-martin-waddell-9780780763920?awc=9111_1574194643_f4ff3e11d46e34512a963ae5b96fdb16&utm_source=AWIN&utm_medium=affiliate&utm_campaign=176013#gallery)The Tale of Peter Rabbit by [Potter , Beatrix ]https://images-na.ssl-images-amazon.com/images/I/51DAFUeSN5L._SX434_BO1,204,203,200_.jpg  Grandad's Island[Avocado Baby](https://d3ddkgxe55ca6c.cloudfront.net/assets/t1496145307/a/22/e6/166683-ml-1392340.jpg)See the source image |



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| **Year Three** |
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| **Year Four** |
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| **Poetry Spine** | | | | |
| **Reception** | **Year One** | **Year Two** | **Year Three** | **Year Four** |
| **Hey, Little Bug!**  James Carter    **When We Were Very Young**  A.A. Milne    **Commotion in the Ocean**  Giles Andreae | **Here’s a Little Poem**  Various authors    **Out and About** Shirley Hughes    **Noisy Poems**  Collected by Jill Bennett | **Heard It In The Playground**  Allan Ahlberg    **Quick Let’s Get Out of Here**  Michael Rosen & Quentin Blake    **Crazy Mayonnaisy Mum**  Julia Donaldson | **Revolting Rhymes**  Roald Dahl    **Sensational!**  Chosen by Roger McGough    **The World’s Greatest Space Cadet**  James Carter | **Hot like Fire** Valerie Bloom    **The Lost Words** Robert Macfarlane Jackie Morris    **Paint Me a Poem**  Grace Nichols |

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