

St Dunstan's RC Primary School

Reading Progression Document

End of Reception	Pupils handle books correctly Pupils listen attentively to texts that are read to them.
Beginning of Year 1	Pupils talk about familiar stories confidently and can retell them in sequence. Pupils gain meaning from texts using words and illustrations, answering simple questions about texts.
	Pupils read most CVC words automatically and sound and blend words containing taught sounds. Pupils make simple predictions about stories

Year 1 By the end of year 1, pupils	Decoding/Reading Aloud	Reading Behaviour	Retrieval	Exploring and evaluating the author's language and viewpoint	Text structure and themes	Deduction and inference
read contracted forms of so blend adjacent consonants i combinations (e.g. CVCC, CC CCCVCC) read aloud showing some an punctuation develop an awareness of wh make sense, and begin to co begin to build up a repertoin heart read using their phoni to decode words	n words in a range of CVC, CCVCC, CCCVC, wareness of hen reading doesn't prrect their reading re of poems learnt by c knowledge and skills	listen to, begin to discuss and express views about a wide range poetry, stories and non-fiction which are read to them talk about texts, expressing their opinions about what they like and dislike in stories, poems and nonfiction texts become familiar with and retell a range of	retell well-known stories in sequence (significant events) answer simple questions and find information in response to questions about a text retell unfamiliar stories, giving the main events (beginning, middle and end) locate specific information on a given	and viewpoint begin to recognise simple recurring literary language in stories and poetry discuss their favourite words and phrases notice unfamiliar and interesting words	have an awareness of nonfiction books that are structured in different ways recognise a range of patterns in stories, poems and nonfiction texts (familiar story openings, layout features) begin to distinguish between fiction and non-fiction	make plausible predictions about the characters of unknown stories using their knowledge of the story and their own experiences express opinions about main characters and events in stories comment on obvious characteristics and actions of characters in
read accurately by blending read words of two or more s known graphemes read words containing comr -ed,-ful, -y) read some common excepti some of the Y1/2 list	syllables containing mon suffixes (e.ging,	stories ask and answer questions about a text as they read re-read books to build up fluency and confidence in reading	page in response to a question		discuss how items of information are related in a non-fiction text	stories use growing vocabulary to establish meaning when reading aloud

End of Year 1	Pupils use a wide range of phonic knowledge to decode and blend unfamiliar words.
	Pupils read most common exception words (e.g. he, they, I, the, were, are, so, do, was etc).
Beginning of Year 2	Pupils read an increasing quantity of words automatically and fluently.
	Pupils talk about texts by retelling stories, predicting events, answering simple literal questions and expressing basic opinions.

Year 2 By the end of year 2, pupils	Decoding/Reading Aloud	Reading Behaviour	Retrieval	Exploring and evaluating the author's language and viewpoint	Text structure and themes	Deduction and inference
Identify when reading doesn' correcting in order to make s decode automatically so that	ense of it.	listen to, discuss and express views about a wide range of poetry, stories and non-fiction which are read to them	discuss the sequence of events in books and how items of information are related (e.g. cause and	recognise simple recurring literary language in stories and poetry	are familiar with books that are structured in different ways	begin to use contextual clues to clarify the meanings of new words (using suffixes/root words/pictures)
be paid to gaining meaning fr	-	are increasingly familiar	effect, patterns in story)	discuss their favourite words and phrases in a	can recognise patterns in texts (e.g. poems,	make predictions about
read aloud with punctuation expression	(. ? !) and some	with and are able to retell a wide range of stories, fairy stories and traditional tales.	can locate specific	text discuss how different words and phrases	story openings, use of repetition) recognise simple	what might happen next using a range of clues (book title, blurb and personal experience)
continue to build a repertoire beginning to recite some usir intonation	•	talk about texts that they have read, or that have been read to	fiction texts using the layout to help (e.g. contents page, index)	affect meaning, including some literary techniques (e.g. repetition and	common features of non-fiction texts can identify similarities	provide simple explanations for events, sometimes using clues
read using their phonic know decode words	ledge and skills to	them, taking turns and listening to others' opinions	can summarise a story giving the main points in sequence	alliteration)	and differences between texts in terms of characters, settings and	in the story begin to read between
read words of two or more sy containing known graphemes	,	ask themselves simple	can find answers to		simple themes	the lines in a story to find reasons to discuss
read words with common suf	fixes and contractions	questions as they read to deepen their understanding of	questions (written and oral) after reading a text		can distinguish between fiction and non-fiction	thoughts, feelings and actions.
read all high frequency words the Y1/2 word list read most words quickly and accurately, without overt sou		the text re-read books to build up fluency and confidence in word				

End of Year 2	Pupils read most words fluently and accurately without the need for decoding and blending. Pupils read aloud with some expression, taking basic punctuation into account.
Beginning of Year 3	Pupils identify when reading doesn't make sense and attempt to try again in order to gain meaning from a text. Pupils gain meaning from texts through a widening vocabulary.
	Pupils make predictions about texts. Pupils summarise a story clearly in sequence. Pupils know the difference between fiction and non-fiction.

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Year 3	Decoding/Reading Aloud	Reading Behaviour	Retrieval	Exploring and evaluating the	Text structure and themes	Deduction and inference
By the end of year				author's language and viewpoint		
3, pupils		Retain to and discussion	hander alder over d	•		and the selected by the selected of the select
begin to apply their knowledg		listen to and discuss a	begin to skim read	identify author's	begin to use knowledge of text structure to	make plausible
root words, prefixes and suffi to understand the meaning o		wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or	texts to gather main ideas of a text	choice of language to create images and to build tension	locate information (headings/paragraphs)	predictions about what might happen from clues in
can read all of the Year 1/2 ex	xception words and	textbooks	summarise the main			the text based on
some of the Year 3/4 exception			points in a text	identify the language the author has chosen	understand the purposes of paragraphs	personal experience or clues in a text
read aloud fairly fluently show		read books that are	begin to scan texts to	to capture the reader's	and chapters	
through expression and inton		structured in different	find specific	interest		explain how and why
punctuation into account (inc	c. some commas and	ways and read for a	information		identify some	main characters act
inverted commas)		range of purposes	auroto dino eth duono	choose favourite	differences between the features of non-fiction	using evidence from the
read independently using a ra	and of stratogics of a	increase their familiarity	quote directly from the text to answer	words and phrases from texts and	text types	text
self-correcting, clarifying, sun		with a wide range of	simple questions	justify their opinions	lext types	explore potential
dictionaries to help them und		books, including fairy		justify their opinions	identify some	meanings of unfamiliar
		stories, myths and	begin to use text		straightforward	words based on the
prepare poems and play scrip	ots to read aloud and	legends, and retell some	marking techniques to		underlying themes in a	context
to perform, beginning to show		of these orally.	support retrieval		text	
through intonation, tone, vol	ume and action					identify reasons for
		discuss books that are				actions and events
		read to them and those				based on evidence in
		they can read for				the text
		themselves, including				
		the works of				begin to empathise with
		established authors				different characters to
		taking turns and				explain how they are
		listening to what others say				acting or feeling

begin to use dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read begin to ask themselves questions to improve their understanding of a text		begin to use clues from action, description and dialogue to establish meaning begin to work out the meaning of unfamiliar words from the context
make choices about which texts to read, expressing preferences and making comparisons		
check that texts make sense to them as they read and discuss their understanding		

End of Year 3 Pupils use a range of strategies to establish meaning from texts.		
	Pupils read aloud with intonation and expression, taking into account most punctuation and dialogue.	
	Pupils offer explanations and opinions using evidence from the text.	
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Year 4 By the end of year 4, pupils	Decoding/Reading Aloud	Reading Behaviour	Retrieval	Exploring and evaluating the author's language and viewpoint	Text structure and themes	Deduction and inference
apply their knowledge of ro and suffixes to read aloud a meaning of new words can read almost all of the Y	and understand the	listen to and discuss a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks.	skim read texts to gather the main ideas of a text identify main ideas	discuss words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination	recognise some different forms of poetry (e.g. free verse, narrative poetry)	make appropriate predictions using clues in the text
words read aloud fluently with int expression, taking into acco devices such as capital lette	onation and bunt presentational	read books that are structured in different ways and read for a range of purposes.	drawn from more than one paragraph and summarising these	identify author's deliberate language choices and begin to evaluate the effect of	use knowledge of text structure to locate information (headings/paragraphs)	begin to infer meaning, character's feelings and motivations from actions, description
almost all punctuation (including ellipsis, brackets,	·	increase their familiarity with a wide range of books, including fairy stories, myths	scan texts to find specific information	this explore the effects of different words to	identify the ways in which paragraphs are linked (e.g. use of	and dialogue begin to work out the
read confidently and indep of strategies e.g. self-correc summarising, questioning	, , ,	and legends, and retell some of these orally. discuss books that are read to	Refer to the text to support opinions and	create images (e.g. powerful verbs, similes)	pronouns). identify some differences between	meaning of unfamiliar words from the context
prepare poems and play sc to perform, showing under intonation, tone, volume an	standing through	them and those they can read for themselves, including the works of established authors taking turns and listening to what others say	predictions and begin to quote directly from texts begin to use text	begin to explore how the author uses language to affect/manipulate the	fiction genres compare structure of different stories to discover how they	begin to explore potential alternatives in stories begin to explain
		use dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read	marking techniques to support retrieval	reader	differ in pace (e.g. build up, resolution)	different characters' points of view

begin to ask relev questions to impu understanding of	ove their	begin to identify themes and conventions in a wider range of texts
check that texts r them as they read out loud strategie discuss their under	d (using think es) and	

End of Year 4	Pupils apply a range of strategies to establish meaning from texts, including skimming and scanning for clues, independently.
	Pupils read aloud with expression and intonation taking punctuation into account.
Beginning of Year 5	Pupils summarise/explain the main points of text. Pupils use knowledge of text structures to locate key information.
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	dge of root words, prefixes and ud and to understand w words	read a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference book	summarise the main points in a text, within and across paragraphs	discuss literal and figurative language and their effect	begin to compare and contrast different texts (style/characters/plot)	explore a character's feelings and motives, using clues from actions, dialogue and
	ce, fluency and expression, a range of presentational	increase their familiarity with a wide range of	locate and retrieve relevant information from different points in a	explore how author uses language to affect the reader	identify some features of different fiction genres (e.g.	description to support their opinions
can read all Year 3/ of the year 5/6 except	4 exception words and some tion words	fiction: myths, legends, traditional stories, modern fiction, fiction from our literary	text, across a range of texts begin to make reference	identify the point of view from which a text is written	fantasy/horror/adventure) begin to compare the structures and features of	make predictions about events in the text based on evidence
0 1	etry and plays by heart, re and perform these as d	heritage, and books from other cultures discuss books with peers and share text	to the text in order to support predictions, thoughts and opinions to justify their opinions.	begin to identify use of irony, humour and the author's intent	non-fiction texts begin to identify how structure and presentation	explore potential alternatives in texts (e.g. different endings) referring to
		recommendations justify their reading preferences and prepare short presentations/debates	skim and scan to find key information in texts use text marking techniques independently to support	discuss how an author builds a character through dialogue, description and action	contribute to meaning (e.g. flashbacks, comparing/contrasting in non-fiction)	the text to justify their ideas use inference and deduction skills to discuss themes,

on books they have read	retrieval	recognise and begin to	moods, feelings and
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		evaluate text features in	attitudes using clues
read books that are	record key points in note	nonfiction (e.g.	from the text
structured in different	form or write a short	presentation and	
ways and read for a	summary of a text	layout)	begin to develop
range of purposes			confidence reading
			between the lines in
ask appropriate			order to explore layers
questions as they read			of meaning
to improve their			0
understanding			work out meaning of
understanding			unfamiliar words from
check that texts make			the context
sense to them as they			
read and discuss their			distinguish between
understanding			fact and opinion
(including using a			
dictionary			begin to discuss,
independently)			comment on and
			evaluate characters'
			relationships with one
			another
			another

End of Year 5	Pupils clarify the meaning of words in different contexts. Pupils skim and scan texts to identify and retrieve information.
Beginning of Year 6	Pupils identify and discuss a range of fiction genres and share views and recommendations. Pupils compare and discuss information and ideas within and across texts.
	Pupils use inference and deduction to explore plot, character and mood. Pupils identify and discuss the use of imagery in texts.
	Pupils justify and elaborate on thoughts and opinions using evidence from the text. Pupils recognise the appeal of classic texts.

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suffixes to read alo the meaning of new read aloud with pa considering presen punctuation	dge of root words, prefixes and ud and to understand <i>w</i> words ce, fluency and expression, tation, author's intent and all ry word they encounter	read a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books increase their familiarity with a wide range of fiction: myths, legends, traditional stories, modern fiction, fiction from our literary heritage, and books from other cultures recommend books that they have read to their peers, giving reasons for their choices discuss books that have been read to them, or those that they have	summarise main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph or more than one text, identifying key details make reference to the text in order to support predictions, thoughts and opinions to justify their opinions skim and scan texts confidently for key information retrieve information from a range of text types use text marking techniques independently to support retrieval	identify how language, structure, and presentation contribute to meaning discuss and evaluate how authors use language, including figurative language, considering the impact on the reader identify and evaluate author's viewpoint in texts (bias in favour of certain characters, opinions) identify use of irony, humour and	identify key features of different fiction genres (e.g. fantasy/horror/adventure) dentify how structure and presentation contribute to meaning (e.g. flashbacks, comparing/contrasting in non-fiction confidently recognise and evaluate text features in nonfiction (e.g. presentation and layout) make comparisons within and across books (e.g. language, themes, characters, plot, style, structure)	explain a character's motives and feelings throughout a text and use evidence to support this evaluate the relative importance of characters, events and information in a text (e.g. if a character were not there, or acted differently) make predictions about what might happen from details stated and implied unpick layers of meaning in texts, considering the different

	read, building on their	record key points in note	the writer's intention	identify and discuss	events and use of
	own and others' ideas	form or write a short	(mockery, sarcasm)	themes and	language
	and challenging views	summary of a text		conventions in and across	
	courteously		Evaluate the success	a wide range of texts	confidently read
			of texts they have		between the lines,
			read, through		using clues from
	explain and discuss		discussion of style,	compare and contrast	action, dialogue and
	their understanding of		structure and	different texts	description to
	what they have read,		language.	(style/characters/plot)	interpret meaning
	including through				
	formal presentations		explore how the	compare the structures	evaluate relationships
	and debates		author uses language	and features of non-	between characters
			to affect the reader	fiction texts	using evidence from
	learn a wider range of				the text
	poetry and plays by		evaluate how an		
	heart, beginning to		author builds a		work out meaning of
	prepare and perform		character through		unfamiliar words from
	these as the author		dialogue, description		the context
	intended		and action		
					distinguish between
	read books that are				fact and opinion
	structured in different				where the distinction
	ways and read for a				is less clear
	range of purposes				
	check that texts make				
	sense to them as they				
	read and discuss their				
	understanding				
	(including using a				
	dictionary				
	independently)				
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End of Year 6	Pupils work out the meaning of unknown words using a range of strategies. Pupils read aloud with appropriate pace and expression. Pupils retrieve information from within and across texts to support ideas and opinions
Beginning of Year 7Pupils understand how point of view impacts on the reader.Pupils confidently infer and deduce meaning based on evidence from the text.	
	Pupils identify and explain the different structural devices and features a writer has used. Pupils evaluate the relative importance of characters, events, or information.