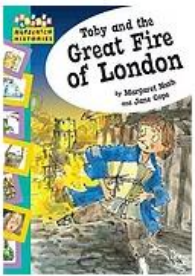
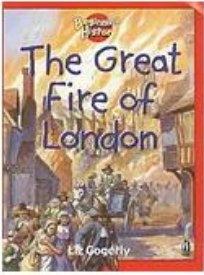
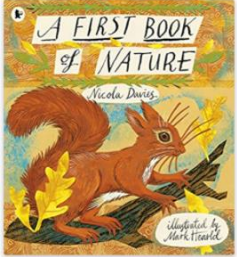

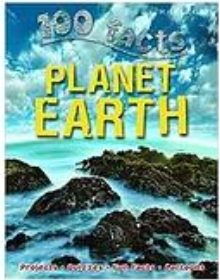
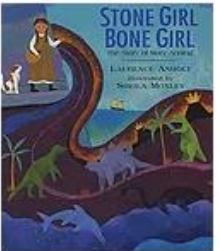


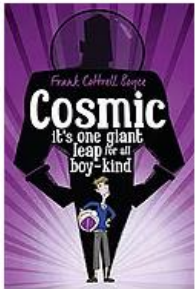
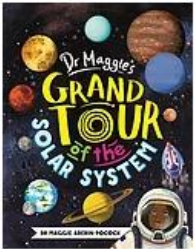
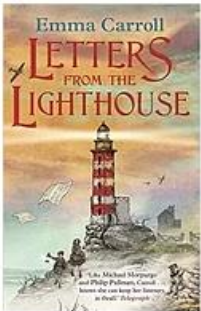



Suggested books for each topic - Spring 1

Year	Topic	Book	Synopsis
Year 1	Great Fire of London	 	<p>Toby and the Great Fire of London, by Margaret Nash and Jane Cope</p> <p>Toby and The Great Fire of London tells the story of Toby's experiences of the Great Fire of London. A great short story for KS1, with detailed cartoon-style images that bring the events of the Great Fire to life.</p> <p>The Great Fire Of London, by Liz Gogerly</p> <p>This non-fiction book was written especially for KS1 and is a good way of introducing the conventions of information texts, including a full glossary, captions and an index. The accessible text of The Great Fire Of London is accompanied by detailed illustrations and photographs of artefacts.</p>
Year 2	Animal Antics	 	<p>A First Book of Nature, by Nicola Davies</p> <p>From beachcombing to stargazing, from watching squirrels, ducks and worms to making berry crumble or a winter bird feast, this is a remarkable book - part poetry, part scrapbook of recipes, facts and fragments - and a glorious reminder that the natural world is on our doorstep waiting to be discovered. Mark Hearld's pictures beautifully reproduce the colours of the seasons on wood-free paper, and Nicola Davies' lyrical words capture the simple loveliness that is everywhere, if only we can look.</p> <p>English Farm Fables, by Stuart Crane</p> <p>Cherry Blossom Farm is a three hundred acre, mixed farm snuggled in the Brendon Hills close to the beautiful English village of Dunster in Somerset. Farmer David Lyndon and his wife Emma own and operate the farm with assistance from Bill and Basil their farm workers. Framed from January through the year, the exploits of farm animals reveal some to be wholesome, happy and often hilariously comical, yet some are seriously dramatic.</p>

<p>Year 3</p>	<p>Active Earth</p>	 	<p>100 Facts: Planet Earth, by Peter Riley This accessible information text offers a wealth of fascinating facts, projects and cartoons. Topics in 100 Facts: Planet Earth include volcanoes, earthquakes, rocks and fossils.</p> <p>Stone Girl Bone Girl, by Laurence Anholt and Sheila Moxley This book tells the true story of Mary Anning, who was made famous by discovering a fossilised sea monster when she was a little girl. This compelling story with its bright illustrations will engage your pupils and inspire them to become fossil hunters!</p>
<p>Year 4</p>	<p>European Study</p>	 	<p>The Invention of Hugo Cabret, by Brian Selznick. ORPHAN, CLOCK KEEPER, AND THIEF.</p> <p>Twelve-year-old Hugo lives in the walls of a busy Paris train station, where his survival depends on secrets and anonymity. But when his world suddenly interlocks with an eccentric girl and her grandfather, Hugo's undercover life, and his most precious secret, are put in jeopardy. A cryptic drawing, a treasured notebook, a stolen key, a mechanical man, and a hidden message from Hugo's dead father form the backbone of this intricate, tender, and spellbinding mystery.</p> <p>Learning about Europe, by Roberta Baxter Europe is a marvellous continent, made up of about fifty countries. But did you know that the smallest country in the world--Vatican City--is in Europe? Or that Europe is the only continent with no large deserts? Learn more about the diverse continent of Europe, from its people and countries to its landforms, economy, and more.</p>

<p>Year 5</p>	<p>Settlers, Explorers and Voyages</p>	 	<p>Cosmic, by Frank Cottrell Boyce and Steven Lenton A popular choice for upper KS2 from the award-winning author Frank Cottrell Boyce. This novel tells the story of Liam, an incredibly tall twelve-year-old who attempts to pass as an adult in order to accompany his friend Florida on a trip to space that she won in a competition. It has been likened to Charlie and the Chocolate Factory in a space setting, and contains discussion questions and bonus material for use in class.</p> <p>Dr Maggie's Grand Tour of the Solar System, by Dr Maggie Aderin-Pocock Real-life BBC presenter and renowned space scientist Dr Maggie Aderin-Pocock is an inspirational figure and in this non-fiction text she positions herself as tour guide. After initial orientation, the rest of the book blasts off into sections that provide vast amounts of information about the planets and stars in the solar system, communicated in a very accessible way. Some of the ideas explored are quite complex -why seasons are different on Mars; belts of gas on Jupiter; a six-sided jet stream at Saturn's north pole and oxygen in the exosphere of Callisto (one of Jupiter's moons) - but the text remains accessible and child-friendly throughout.</p>
<p>Year 6</p>	<p>Conflict through the ages</p>	 	<p>Letters from the Lighthouse, by Emma Carroll This delightful new book is an excellent text for encapsulating experiences of World War II from the viewpoint of children. It tells the moving story of Olive and her brother Cliff as they leave the heavily bombed streets of London and become evacuees on the coast of Devon, sent to live with an enigmatic lighthouse keeper. Soon Olive finds herself caught up in a dark mystery linking the disappearance of her sister Sukie with a strangely coded message. Letters from the Lighthouse is an incredibly empathetic story that not only portrays the hardships of life during the war but also poignantly explores the anguishing encounters of refugees looking for safety in new places while carrying with them the heartbreak of leaving a war-torn home behind.</p> <p>The Usborne Introduction to The Second World War: Internet-linked, by Paul Dowswell A comprehensive introduction to an important and fascinating subject, this exceptional new title is published to coincide with the 60th Anniversary of VE Day. Paul Dowswell's informative and accessible text will immerse readers in the era, and hand-coloured black and white photographs give a unique and atmospheric look. Provides a genuinely international perspective, showing how people all over the world were affected by the war.</p>