









#### Garras CP School Curriculum Overview

### Our thinking threads: 'here, there, then, now, next'

Barn Owls Cycle B

## Autumn Term

# Spring Term

## Summer Term

Julian is a

Mermaid

Love (Year

Jessica





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(Whole School)



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Ning and the Night Spirits Adriena Fong

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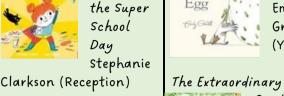
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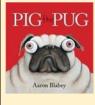
Egg

Emily

Gravett



Stanley's Stick John Hegley and Neal Layton (Year 1) @ **>** 



Pig the Pug Aaron Blabey (Year 1)



Lubna and Pebble Wendy Meddour (Year 1)





Rationale

Peace on Earth: This text is suitable across ages and will be used for the entire school to foster a shared learning experience around one text and to engender written outcomes. This text focuses on friendship. It ties into our school virtues. It sets a good tone for the year for each class based on postive relationships and the importance of them. This text will be used to create a sequence of learning to inform progression, assessment, and moderation.

<u>Bringing the Rain to</u> Kapiti Plain: This lyrical text is written in cumulative rhyme and will expose the children to African folktales. This book has strong links to geography (African geography, wildlife and understanding concepts such as drought), and history.

Leo and the Octopus: This text has PSHE and science links. The story shows a strong relationship between an octopus and a child with autism. This text explores issues around neurodiversity and provides opportunities for discussion as well as exploring strategies to cope in a neurotypical world. The story also encourages children to be curious and reflect on their relationship with the natural world.

Ning and the Night Spirits: This tale encourages children to find their voices and face their fears. The children will empathise with the main character Ning as he navigates the path to confronting the things that frighten him most and there is a strong message about taking action, no matter how small you feel. Links to the aspect of Expressive Arts and Design, as well as understanding aspects of other cultures around the world.

Super Milly and the Super School Day: This text has strong links to PSHE with a story that emphasises the importance of kindness. This text opens up discussions about superheroes in our community and how to make a difference in our daily lives. It also features a strong, positive female role model.

Billy and the Beast: This book has strong PSHE links. This text showcases a strong female protagonist who always meets and overcomes various challenges (encounters with beasts, dragons and pirates) through her problemsolving and quickthinking.

The Odd Egg: This text will provide opportunities to talk about different family structures and adoption. Furthermore, links can be made with the classification elements of science. Emily Gravett is a well-known author, and children will be encouraged to make links with other known titles.

The Extraordinary <u>Gardener:</u> This book will be used to make science links to growing/gardening. The children will explore seed dispersal, ecosystems, and the life cycle of a flower. This text also explores the importance of community.

Julian is a Mermaid: This text provides a context to discuss creativity, fashion, and expression, and is also a space where gender stereotypes and identity can be sensitively explored. Links to Art with our current focus, 'Woven Wonders'.

Stanley's Stick: This lyrical tale will show the children the power of imagination and what can be done with a little creativity and invention.

Pig the Pug: This visual literacy book focussing on learning to share. It has strong PSHE links, providing an engaging space to discuss sharing, collaborating and looking after each other. It will also lead to discussions about pets and taking care of living things.

<u>Lubna and Pebble:</u> This important text will explore friendship and kindness in an uncertain time. Lubna and Pebble subtly addresses the refugee crisis in a manner accessible to this age range. This is a story with powerful PSHE links to seeking comfort in uncertainty, generosity of spirit and selfless acts of friendship.

#### Additional reading

SCIENCE - Seasons



GEOGRAPHY What is it like here?



SCIENCE - Materials Booklife series: Plastic, Metal, Wood, Glass

GEOGRAPHY What is the weather like in the UK?



HISTORY How have toys changed?



HISTORY How have explorers changed the world?



SCIENCE - Classification



