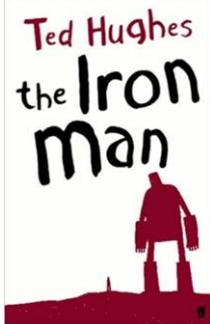
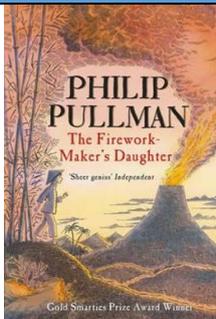


Hadley Wood Primary School's
Literature Spine

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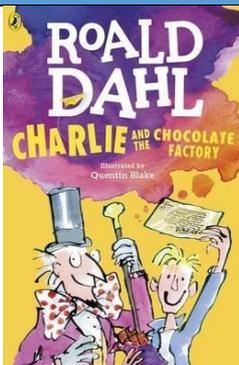
Autumn 1

The Iron Man
Ted Hughes

The Iron Man appears from nowhere at the brink of the cliff. He wreaks havoc on the countryside, eating a whole host of machinery, diggers and tractors. Hogarth, a local boy, is used as bait to trap the Iron Man in a pit where he is buried alive. The peace is broken once more though when the "Space-Bat-Angel-Dragon" arrives on Earth. They call on the Iron Man to help.

Autumn 2

The Firework Maker's Daughter
Philip Pullman

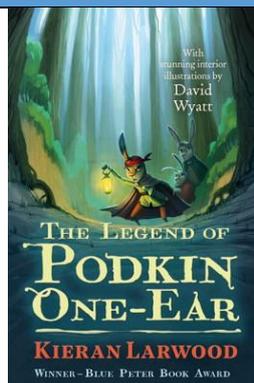
Lila doesn't just want to be a Firework-Maker's daughter, she wants to be a Firework Maker herself. But although she's learned a lot she still must get through the most difficult and dangerous part of her apprenticeship - and her father won't tell her what it is.

In search of this final Firework-Making secret, Lila heads off alone on a journey. It is a journey filled with dangers beyond anything she could have imagined, a journey on which she will learn so much more than the one secret she set out to find . . .

Spring 1

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
Roald Dahl

Every day, Charlie Bucket walks past Wonka's mysterious chocolate factory, with its heavenly smells wafting out. When the eccentric chocolatier Mr Willy Wonka announces that there are five Golden Tickets to be won, and the prize is a visit to his wonderful factory itself, children everywhere rush to buy his products. He never dreams he'll have the chance to see the inside of the factory for himself - but then his dreams unexpectedly comes true.

Spring 2

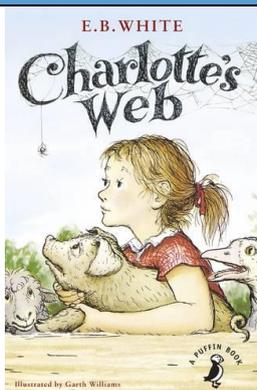


The Five Realms: The Legend of Podkin One-Ear

Keiran Larwood

Podkin is the son of a warrior chieftain. He knows that one day it will be up to him to lead his warren and guard it in times of danger. But for now, he's quite happy to laze around annoying his older sister Paz, and playing with his baby brother Pook. Then Podkin's home is brutally attacked, and the young rabbits are forced to flee. The terrifying Gorm are on the rampage, and no one and nowhere is safe. With danger all around them, Podkin must protect his family, uncover his destiny, and attempt to defeat the most horrifying enemy rabbitkind has ever known.

Summer 1

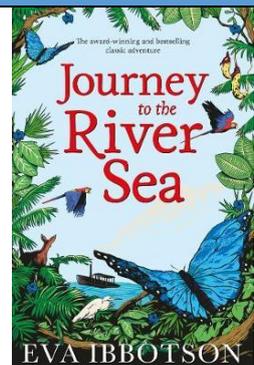


Charlotte's Web

E.B White

Wilbur the pig's life has already been saved by Fern, but when he is sold to her uncle, he realises his life is in even more danger. Enter Charlotte A. Cavatica, a beautiful large grey spider. Charlotte is determined to keep Wilbur from the chopping block, and comes up with an ingenious way to do just that.

Summer 2



Journey to the River Sea

Eva Ibbotson

It is 1910 and Maia, tragically orphaned at thirteen, has been sent from England to start a new life with distant relatives in Manaus, hundreds of miles up the Amazon. She is accompanied by an eccentric and mysterious governess who has secret reasons of her own for making the journey. Both soon discover an exotic world bursting with new experiences in *Journey to the River Sea*, Eva Ibbotson's highly colourful, joyous adventure.