## Dereham Church of England Junior Academy's



## Reading Spine Fiction

## **Rationale:**

## Our spine has been designed with <u>our</u> pupils in mind.

We have focused on choosing a small number of high quality texts which allow our children to see beyond what they know and experience in their lives and share in cultural experiences that are different to their own. This is why we have made sure to include books which feature BAME characters and/or are set in different locations around the world. Some of our books are the first within a series or written by authors who have published multiple works so that children may get inspired to read the whole story or further books by that author as part of their own personal reading for pleasure. For some of our books, we have chosen to link them to a topic that we study, in order to further support pupil's understanding, language development and empathy.

The books on our spine will make up our main 'class readers' for the year. This time is a non-negotiable which is timetabled in each class three times each week. We have chosen to keep our spine relatively small to allow for teachers to select other well-chosen, high-quality text which follow the children's interests or particular areas of enjoyment.







SPACE EXPLORER

