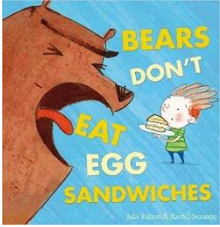
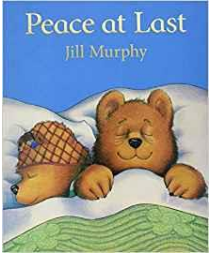
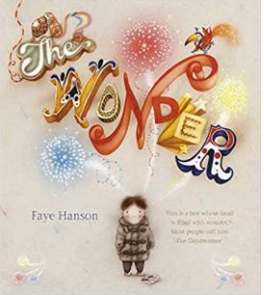
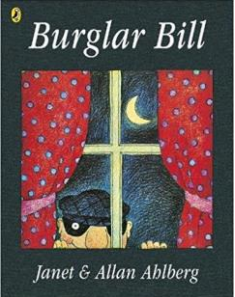
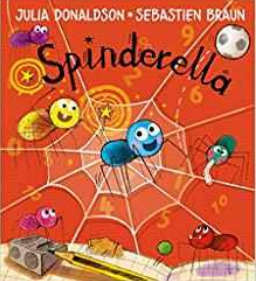
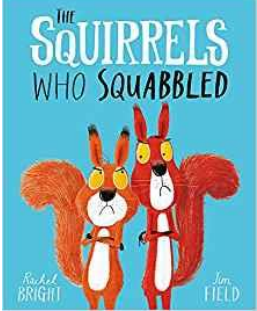


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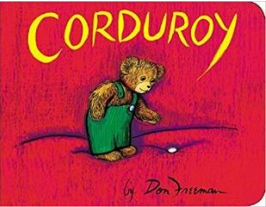
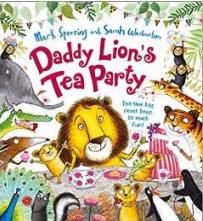

The following books are appropriate to be shared with children in FS2 and will help to develop a love of reading and books.

Book title	Author	Front cover	Description
Bears don't eat egg sandwiches.	Julie Fulton		<p>Jack loves egg sandwiches. But when a grizzly bear turns up at the door looking for lunch, it wants something more interesting than egg sandwiches to eat. Jack offers the bear several egg sandwiches, but he is insistent that “bears don’t eat egg sandwiches!” and asks for a big plate and a big spoon. But what is the bear going to eat for lunch?</p>
Peace at Last	Jill Murphy		<p>Peace at Last’ by Jill Murphy is a fantastic engaging picture book for children. The plot focuses on a family of bears; Mr Bear, Mrs Bear and Baby Bear. One particular evening daddy bear is struggling to fall asleep and so we follow his journey through the house trying to find somewhere comfortable and quiet to sleep. Throughout his journey we encounter a variety of different noises that disrupt daddy bear’s sleep. Once daddy bear finally finds somewhere to sleep it is morning and everybody else wakes up.</p>
The Wonder	Faye Hanson		<p>The Wonder by Faye Hanson is a sumptuous début picture book about a young boy whose head is full of daydreams which transform the humdrum world around him. Time and again adults tell him to get his head out of the clouds and come back to reality, but this is barely possible for a child who finds wonder, curiosity and delight wherever he looks. Finally in art class he’s able to let loose his imagination onto a blank sheet of paper delighting his teacher and filling his parents with pride.</p>

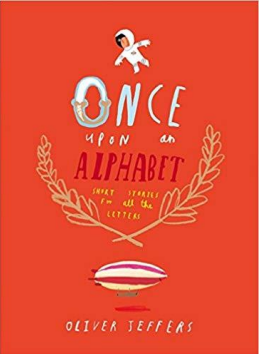
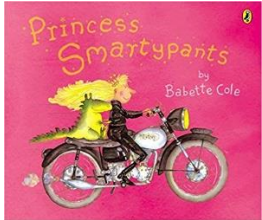

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<p>Burglar Bill</p>	<p>Janet and Allan Ahlberg</p>		<p>Burglar Bill is a thief and all of his possessions are stolen items, including the bed he goes to sleep in. On a typical night of thievery, Burglar Bill comes across a box with holes in, and takes it. Upon arriving home, he discovers that within the box is a baby.</p>
<p>Spinderella</p>	<p>Julia Donaldson and sebastien Braun</p>		<p>Spinderella the spider has a passion for football! She tries to play a match with her brothers and sisters but she doesn't know how many spiders should be on each team. Even worse, she can't count the goals! Luckily for Spinderella, her Hairy Godmother has a plan.</p>
<p>The Squirrels who Squabbled</p>	<p>Rachel Bright and Jim Field</p>		<p>Two greedy squirrels learn to share, in this hilarious rhyming adventure from the bestselling creators of The Lion Inside.</p> <p>Greedy squirrels Cyril and Bruce both have their sights on a very special prize: THE VERY LAST NUT OF THE SEASON! As the nut bounces crazily though the forest, the squirrels race after it, between the trees, over boulders, down the river and - ARGH! - right to the edge of a waterfall! Working together might be the only way to save themselves now ...</p> <p>A laugh-out-loud tale about friendship and sharing. Perfect for competitive friends and sibling rivals!</p>

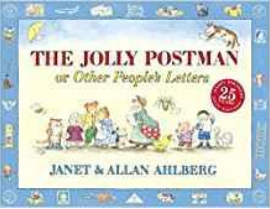
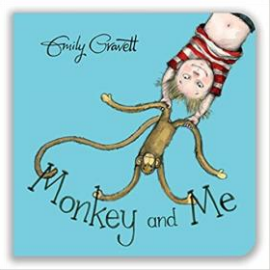
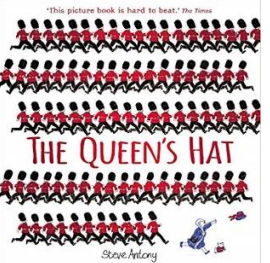
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Corduroy	Don Freeman		<p>The endearing story of Corduroy paints a picture of the adventures that might unfold (for a teddy bear at least) in such a situation. When all the shoppers have gone home for the night, Corduroy climbs down from the shelf to look for his missing button. It's a brave new world! He accidentally gets on an elevator that he thinks must be a mountain and sees the furniture section that he thinks must be a palace. He tries to pull a button off the mattress, but he ends up falling off the bed and knocking over a lamp. The night watchman hears the crash, finds Corduroy, and puts him back on the shelf downstairs. The next morning, he finds that it's his lucky day! A little girl buys him with money she saved in her piggy bank and takes him home to her room. Corduroy decides that this must be home and that Lisa must be his friend.</p>
Daddy Lion's Tea Party	Mark Sperring and Sarah Warburton		<p>Daddy Lion is having a polite and genteel tea party for his cubs. They want to invite all their friends but Daddy says no; he doesn't want the pot-bellied pigs hogging the cream buns or Skunk pooh, pong, stinking the place out! But things do not go quite as planned...</p>
The Something	Rebecca Cobb		<p>When a little boy's ball disappears down a mysterious hole in the garden, he can't stop thinking about what could be down there -- a little mouse's house? The lair of a hungry troll? Or maybe even a dragon's den. Whatever it may be, he's determined to find out!</p>

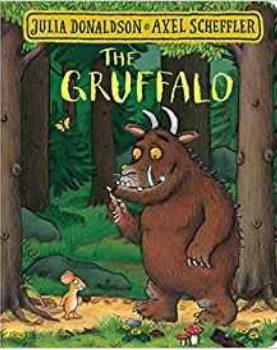
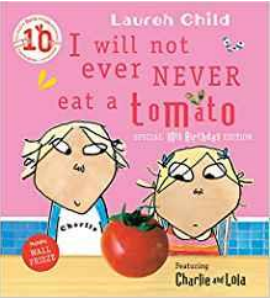

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Once upon an Alphabet	Oliver Jeffers		<p>What is the backstory behind every letter of the alphabet? Who are they really? Here, inspired picture book maker and seeming polymath Oliver Jeffers dares to imagine the E for Edmund, or an investigative duo of Owl and Octopus. He pushes behind the shapes and rhyme and substance to the possible, the imaginary, the wild and wonderful.</p>
Princess Smartypants	Babette Cole		<p>Princess Smartypants is a story about a princess who is not like all the other princesses you know in fairy tales. She rides a motorcycle, can roller skate, and keeps scary looking pets. She turns your old-fashioned ideas of princesses upside down. Yes, she is pretty and rich, and all the princes want her hand in marriage, but Princess Smartypants wants to be independent. So, she sets all sorts of death defying tasks to the princes of the land. Then, along comes Prince Swashbuckle, a smart, brave, and handsome prince. I wonder if he can win the heart and mind of Princess Smartypants.</p>
This is London	Miroslav Sasek		<p>'This is London' is a beautifully illustrated picture book depicting all things to do with the capital city. Miroslav Sasek shares his impressions of London with its beautiful buildings, historic monuments, bridges, parks, shops and Piccadilly Circus, black cabs, Horse Guards, and the famed Underground.</p>


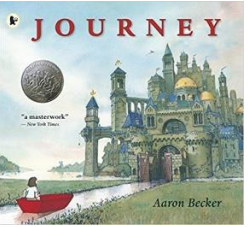
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The Jolly Postman	Janet and Alan Ahlberg		The Jolly Postman follows an unnamed mail carrier as he delivers letters by bicycle to characters from traditional children's stories that are well known in Britain. Following each sheet of narrative verse and illustration, there is one shaped like an envelope and containing one of the postman's deliveries.
Mokey and Me	Emily Gravett		Play along and guess the animals on a trip to the zoo. Perfect for cheeky monkeys everywhere! A mischievous little girl and her toy monkey swing irresistibly through the pages of this playful book. Children will love guessing the animals they pretend to be, before shouting out the answers as the pages are turned to reveal the real creatures. Soon everyone will be waddling like a penguin, jumping like a kangaroo and waving their arm like an elephant's trunk! Available in paperback and board book formats.
The Queen's Hat	Steve Antony		A sudden gust of wind sets off a marvellous adventure for the Queen, lots of Queen's men, and one very special hat. Just where will that hat land? Following a hysterical, epic hat chase, the Queen is reunited with her hat - and the royal baby!

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The Gruffalo	Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler		A magical tale of a mouse who takes a stroll through the woods. Encountering three predators who all wish to eat him - a fox, an owl and a snake - the plucky mouse has to use his wits to survive.
I will not ever never eat a tomato.	Lauren Child		Lola is a fussy eater who dislikes carrots, peas, potatoes, mushrooms, spaghetti, eggs, sausages, cauliflower, cabbage, baked beans, bananas, oranges, apples, rice, cheese, fish sticks, and absolutely TOMATOES! Unfortunately, her brother, Charlie, sometimes has to be in charge of her dinner and keeps an eye on her to finish eating this wild range of food. He has to find creative ways to turn disliked foods into tempting treats. So carrots become twiglets from Jupiter and peas become droplets from Greenland. Mashed potatoes become cloud fluff from the pointiest peak of Mount Fuji and fish sticks become ocean nibbles from the supermarket under the sea. The most disgusting food for Lola – tomatoes – now becomes moonsquirters! Smart Charlie successfully made her sister tempt to clean her plates.
Tiddler	Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler		Tiddler tells the story of a fish that enjoys telling tall tales. He is always late for school and always makes up an exciting story as to why he is late. One day, whilst dreaming up his latest excuse as to why he is late, he is caught by a fisherman's net which results in a real adventure.

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Little Mouse's Big Book of Fears	Emily Gravett		Young children will identify with the little mouse who uses the pages of this book to document his fears - from loud noises and the dark, to being sucked down the plughole. Packed with details and novelty elements including flaps, die-cuts and even a hilarious fold-out map, Little Mouse's Big Book of Fears by Emily Gravett is an extraordinary, award-winning picture book.
Journey	Aaron Becker		A lonely girl draws a magic door on her bedroom wall and through it escapes into a world where wonder, adventure, and danger abound. Red marker in hand, she creates a boat, a balloon, and a flying carpet that carry her on a spectacular journey toward an uncertain destiny. When she is captured by a sinister emperor, only an act of tremendous courage and kindness can set her free. Can it also lead her home and to her heart's desire?