Our EYFS and KS1 Beloved Books

At St James we believe that our youngest children deserve to be exposed to the finest in young children's literature. These books are classics; stories that bind communities together and ones which encourage deeply imagined common experiences. Perhaps even more importantly than this, these are books we know our children will just love and will help to create a living library in their minds. These are our 'beloved books'. 12 in each year group to be shared again and again and remembered for a lifetime.

Nursery Beloved Books

Each Peach Pear Plum By Janet and Allan Ahlberg	Hug By Jez Alborough	Jasper's Beanstalk By Nick Butterworth and Mick Inkpen	Dear Zoo By Rod Campbell
Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? By Bill Martin Jr.	The Very Hungry Caterpillar By Eric Carle	The Train Ride By June Crebbin	Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy By Lynley Dodd
Where's Spot By Eric Hill	We're Going on a Bear Hunt By Michael Rosen	You Choose By Nick Sharratt	Come on, Daisy By Jane Simmons

Reception Beloved Books

Mrs Armitage on Wheels By Quentin Blake	Handa's Surprise By Eileen Browne	Goodnight Moon By Margaret Wise Brown	Mr Gumpy's Outing By John Burningham
The Gruffalo By Julia Donaldson	Shhh! By Sally Grindley	Rosie's Walk By Pat Hutchins	Six Dinner Sid By Inga Moore
On the Way Home By Jill Murphy	Whatever Next! By Jill Murphy	Farmer Duck By Martin Waddell	Owl Babies By Martin Waddell

Year 1 Beloved Books

Cops and Robbers By Janet and Allan Ahlberg	Avocado Baby By John Burningham	Beegu By Alexis Deacon	Dogger By Shirley Hughes
Lost and Found By Oliver Jeffers	The Tiger Who Came to Tea By Judith Kerr	Elmer By David McKee	Peace at Last By Jill Murphy
Where the Wild Things Are By Maurice Sendak	The Elephant and the Bad Baby By Raymond Briggs	Can't You Sleep Little Bear? By Martin Waddell	Knuffle Bunny By Mo Williams