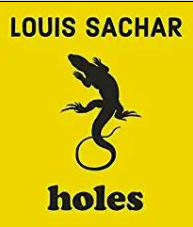
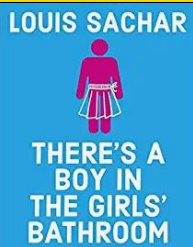
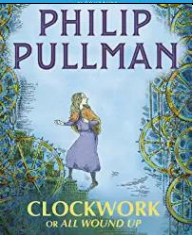
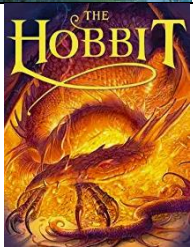

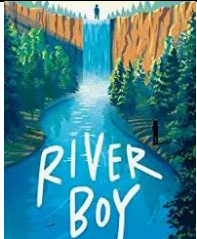
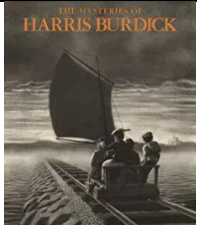
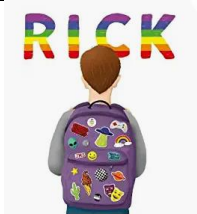
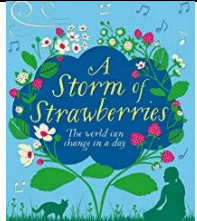
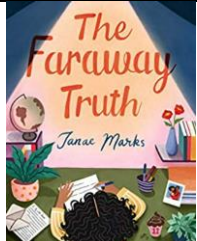
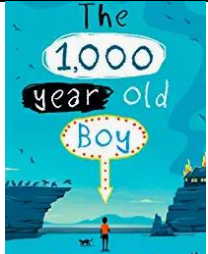
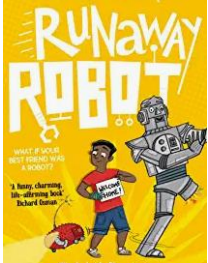



Year 6 Book Spine

Book	Title and author	Synopsis
	<p>Holes by Louis Sachar</p>	<p>Stanley's family has a history of bad luck, and a miscarriage of justice sends him to Camp Green Lake Juvenile Detention Centre. Every day he and the other inmates are told to dig a hole, five foot wide by five foot deep, reporting anything they find. Why? The evil warden claims that it's character building, but this is a lie. It's up to Stanley to dig up the truth.</p>
	<p>There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom by Louis Sachar</p>	<p>Meet Bradley Chalkers. He's the oldest child in the class. He tells ENORMOUS lies. He picks fights with girls. The teachers say he has 'serious behaviour problems'. And no one likes him ... Except Carla, the new school counsellor. She thinks Bradley is kind and generous, and she even enjoys his far-fetched stories.</p>
	<p>Clockwork or All Wound Up by Philip Pullman</p>	<p>It is a cold winter's night when Karl enters the White Horse Tavern looking like he's swallowed a thundercloud. His final task as a clockmaker apprentice is to make a new figure for the great clock of Glockenheim. He has not made the figure - or got any idea of what it could be, and the unveiling is tomorrow.</p>
	<p>The Hobbit by J. R. R. Tolkien</p>	<p>Bilbo Baggins enjoys a quiet and contented life, with no desire to travel far from the comforts of home; then one day the wizard Gandalf and a band of dwarves arrive unexpectedly and enlist his services – as a burglar – on a dangerous expedition to raid the treasure-hoard of Smaug the dragon.</p>
	<p>Fireweed by Jill Paton Walsh</p>	<p>Bill is a fifteen-year-old runaway evacuee, and he's finding that surviving on the streets of London is pretty easy, thank you very much. He's fed by a local cafe owner, he earns some cash as a barrow-boy in Covent Garden, and sleeping in the Underground air-raid shelters is cosy - if a bit smelly. However, things get more complicated for Bill with the arrival of Julie...</p>

			<p>River Boy by Tim Bowler</p>	<p>Grandpa is dying, but, stubborn as ever, refuses to stay in hospital. He's determined to finish his last painting, River Boy, before he goes. Jess becomes involved in the mysterious painting. And when she meets the river boy himself, she finds she is suddenly caught up in a challenge of her own that she must complete - before it's too late...</p>
			<p>The Mysteries of Harris Burdick by Chris Van</p>	<p>Who is Harris Burdick? Where did he disappear to? And how was he going to finish his stories?</p> <p>Chris Van Allsburg presents a series of loosely related drawings each accompanied by a title and a caption which the reader may use to make up his or her own story.</p>
			<p>Rick by Alex Gino</p>	<p>Rick hasn't given his own identity much thought. Now Rick's in middle school, and it's a place of new possibilities. With the help of his new friends that he meets at the Rainbow Spectrum club, Rick embarks on a journey to find out who he truly is.</p>
			<p>A Storm of Strawberries by Jo Cotterill</p>	<p>Darby has Down's syndrome. Her favourite things are music, chocolate, and her big sister Kaydee. When Kaydee brings a friend home for the weekend, suddenly the annual chocolate hunt and her favourite person are in danger of slipping away. To make things worse, the family's strawberry farm is hit by a tornado.</p>
			<p>The Faraway Truth by Janae Marks</p>	<p>Zoe Washington isn't sure what to write. What does a girl say to the father she's never met, hadn't heard from until his letter arrived on her twelfth birthday, and who's been in prison for a terrible crime? A crime he says he never committed. Could Marcus really be innocent? Zoe is determined to uncover the truth.</p>

	<p>The 1,000-year-old Boy by Ross Welford</p>	<p>Alfie Monk is like any other nearly teenage boy – except he’s 1,000 years old and can remember the last Viking invasion of England. So when everything Alfie knows and loves is destroyed in a fire, and the modern world comes crashing in, Alfie embarks on a mission to find friendship, acceptance, and a different way to live...</p>
	<p>Runaway Robot by Frank Cottrell Boyce</p>	<p>When Alfie goes to Airport Lost Property, he finds more than he bargained for. A lot more. Because there's a giant robot called Eric hidden away on the shelves. Eric has lost one leg and half his memory. He's super strong, but super clumsy. He's convinced that he's the latest technology, when he's actually nearly one hundred year's old and ready for the scrap heap.</p>
	<p>Windrush Child by Benjamin Zephaniah</p>	<p>Leonard is shocked when he arrives with his mother in the port of Southampton. His father is a stranger to him, it's cold and even the Jamaican food doesn't taste the same as it did back home in Maroon Town. But his parents have brought him here to try to make a better life, so Leonard does his best not to complain, to make new friends, to do well at school – even when people hurt him with their words and with their fists.</p>