



**Bangkok Patana School**

*The British International School in Thailand*

*Established 1957*

# **Student Inclusion for EAL Learners in the Primary School**

**Parent Workshop**

**26 January 2023**

# Inclusion Team

EAL

SFL

SALT

ENRICHMENT

COUNSELLING

# What does inclusion mean to us?

All our students are **capable** and **intelligent learners**, who are beginning to master their **home language(s)**. With the right type of support, they can **participate fully** in learning, **understand the concepts and skills** being taught, and **reach the same goals** as their English-speaking peers, as they develop full control of **academic English**.

# Aims

- Who are the Language Acquisition Team?
- How do we support learners inclusively at Patana?
- How do we assess EAL learners?
- What is the importance of home language(s) and how might you support your child with their language development?

# Who Are We?

Y1 + Y2



Diana  
DIHO



Nicki  
NITR



Sofie  
SODE



Kem  
TIBU



Noi  
POSA

Y3 - Y6



Eoin  
EOBE



Anthony  
ANCS



Alis  
ALGO



Mark  
MASD



James  
JABL




Binnie  
PALE



Luktaan  
PATK

# Who do we support?

Identify need for language acquisition support:

- FS Class Teachers and FS Language & Communication Specialist
- Communication with family: home language development and long term family goals
- Listening, speaking, reading and writing 
- Standardised assessment tools
- School reports



International schools have different standards and criteria for receiving EAL support



Inclusive - enrolment in the primary school is possible at all stages of language acquisition if we can support student needs.

# How do we support students?

A scenic landscape featuring a winding asphalt road that curves through a lush green valley. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow and long shadows across the hills. The sky is a clear, pale blue. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and inspiring.

**Two or more  
teachers**

**Planning together**

**Collaboration**

**Communication**

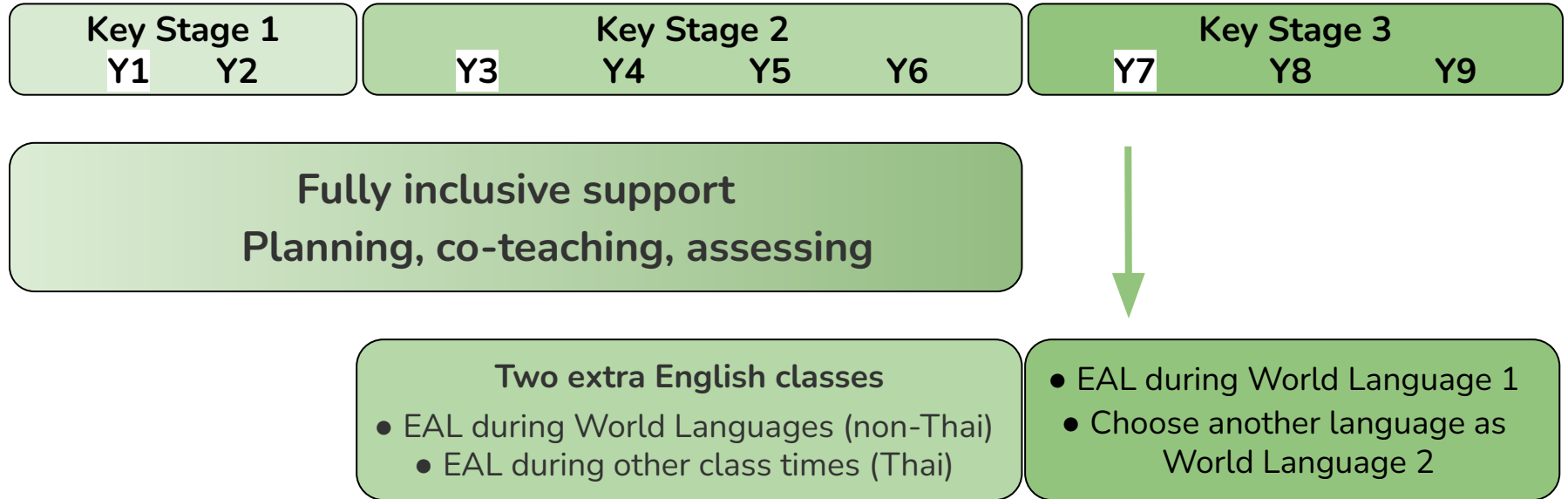
**In-class support**

**Assessment**

**Flexible groupings**

**Scaffolded learning**

# Overview of EAL (English as an Additional Language)





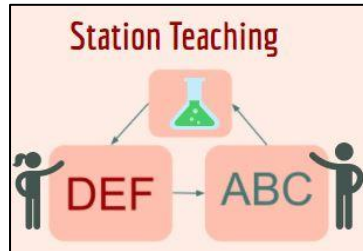
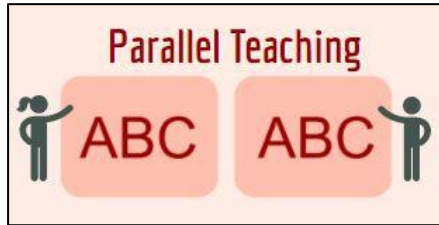
# How do we support?

## Behind the scenes

Co-plan with Leaders of Learning (Curriculum) and Class Teachers

## Teaching & Co-teaching

A flexible model of support based on research Team, parallel or station teaching are examples



### Benefits:

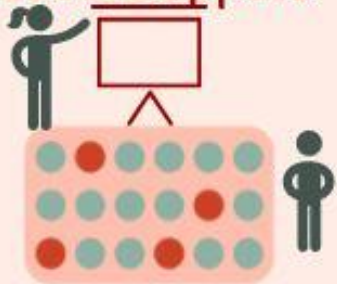
- ★ different strengths and areas of focus
- ★ smaller focus groups
- ★ opportunities for student talk / receive feedback
- ★ multiple ways to learn

### How this might look for your child?

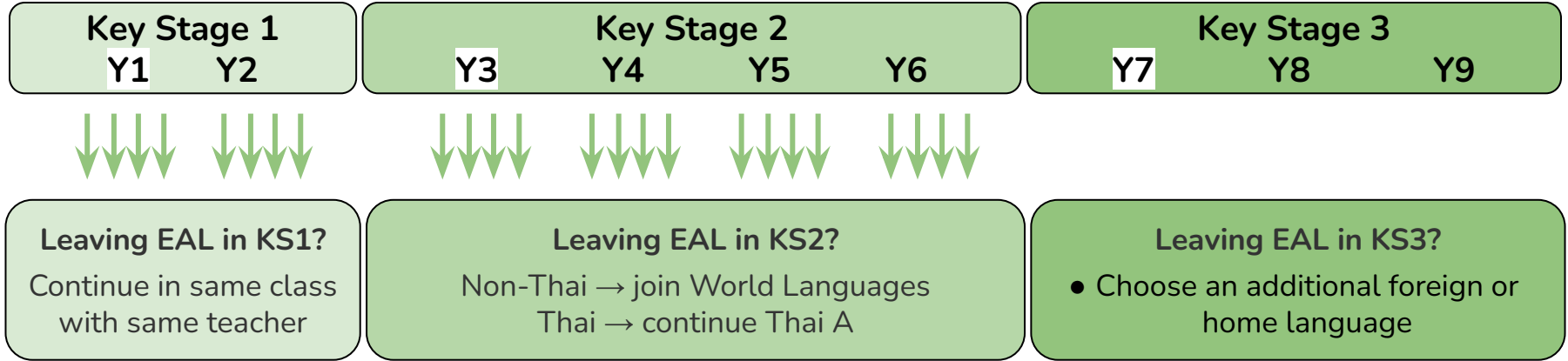
- ★ flexible or changing groups
- ★ two or more adults in the room
- ★ support in an inclusive manner

## Co-teaching example

Lead-Support



# What happens when EAL support is no longer needed?



# How do we assess?

## Language Learning Intentions (LLIs)

We assess the 4 skills of:

listening, speaking, reading and writing  
on a scale from level 1 to level 5+.

Not all children start on level 1.

Our Admissions' test helps us to decide  
where a child should start on the LLIs.

Speaking															
	Level 1 1+			Level 2 2+			Level 3 3+			Level 4 4+			Level 5 5+		
A	Produces single words or short phrases in familiar social and learning contexts			Correctly uses simple prepositions of place			Talks about immediate learning and experiences using conjunctions			Pronunciation does not impede comprehension			Employs more formal language to justify and defend opinions		
B	Uses some common adjectives			Describes pictures, classroom objects or familiar people using simple phrases with increasing grammatical accuracy			Accurately assigns pronouns related to gender			Forms a range of questions accurately			Shares experiences and events with age-appropriate detail		
C	Identifies and names some school and everyday objects			Provides a more extended <i>response to questions</i> using basic syntax & with some error.			Uses vocabulary independently that has been introduced in tasks and taught in lessons			Recounts information in different subject contexts detailing where, when, who and what			Participates in group activities and class learning without language scaffolding		
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The final date means the student is secure with that skill.

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# How do we use LLIs to plan in class support?

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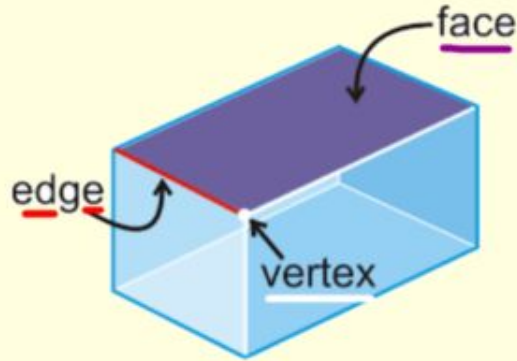
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## Can I identify and describe 3D shapes?



### SVA

This shape has...

It has...



### Maths language

vertex  
face  
edge

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# When does a student no longer need support?

Students are typically:

- meeting most LLIs (L4 / L5)
- largely accessing learning **without EAL support**
- meeting **most** year level age-related expectations

A range of evidence across different subjects.

External assessment tool to assess students' reading, writing, speaking and listening skills.



International schools have different standards and criteria for ending EAL support

		Reading														
		Level 1			Level 2			Level 3			Level 4			Level 5		
A		Begins to recognize basic high frequency words			Reads and pronounces common word endings clearly and distinctly most of the time			Recognizes a text or narrative with some details that indicate comprehension			Distinguishes between figurative and literal language including idioms etc.			Recognizes that a prefix or suffix has changed a word and infers the new meaning.		
		18/9/18	3/10/18	28/11/18	27/11/18	19/3/19	8/1/20	13/9/18	19/3/19	8/3/20	19/3/21				28/9/20	9/1/20
B		Recognizes names, similar words and labels of common objects			Can begin to answer simple questions about a very simple or illustrated text			Recognizes words and terms previously or expressions			Demonstrates appropriate phonetic awareness with increasing fluency			Gives detailed personal response to a text		
		18/9/18	3/10/18	11/10/18	12/9/18	27/11/18	19/3/19	19/3/19	18/2/20	10/2/20	12/1/20	28/1/20	12/2/20			
C		Knows that letters have names and sounds			Demonstrates awareness of punctuation (full stops, capital letters, exclamation and question marks)			Uses context clues and illustrations to determine meaning of words/phrases			Can answer simple inference-type questions			Demonstrates an understanding of text presented in different formats and from different sources which can include:		
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D		Answers questions from about wordless books using single words, simple phrases and gesture			Knows all single letter phonemes and assigns these correctly			Answers questions about subject-related texts including reports, diary entries, narratives, opinion pieces			Retrieves specific information from texts in response to prompts and questions			Identifies and explains figurative language and phrases used independently		
		8/11/18	19/3/19	26/9/19	27/11/18	11/12/18	19/3/19	13/11/19	3/1/20	11/2/20	28/1/20	12/1/20	5/2/21	12/11/20	5/2/21	
E		Allocates accurate meanings to letters and symbols			Reads and understands meanings of simple sentences			Engages with new vocabulary to support comprehension			Selects titles to match text			Summarizes information from a variety of sources		
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# EAL

**Excellent At Languages**

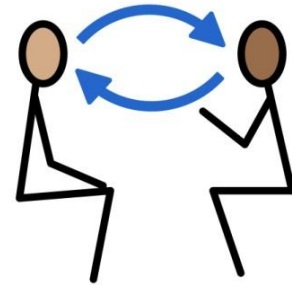
*Empower  
Ambitious  
Learners*

*Enable  
Academic  
Language*

*Encourage  
Accomplished  
Linguists*



Most children joining Patana  
need about 2 years to become  
proficient in English.



## Two Frequently Asked Questions



- My child is fluent, why are they still on EAL?
- How long will my child be on EAL?

# Second Language Acquisition

**BICS** - the language of the playground

- Social language to make friends
- A child who has developed BICS, can communicate fluently with friends in the playground, can ask and answer questions related to their family, how they feel etc.

*6 months to 2 years.*





## Second Language Acquisition

**BICS** - the language of the playground

*6 months to 2 years.*

**CALP** - the language of the classroom

*5 to 7 years.*



***BICS is to make friends. CALP is necessary to be successful at school.***

# How do students develop BICS?

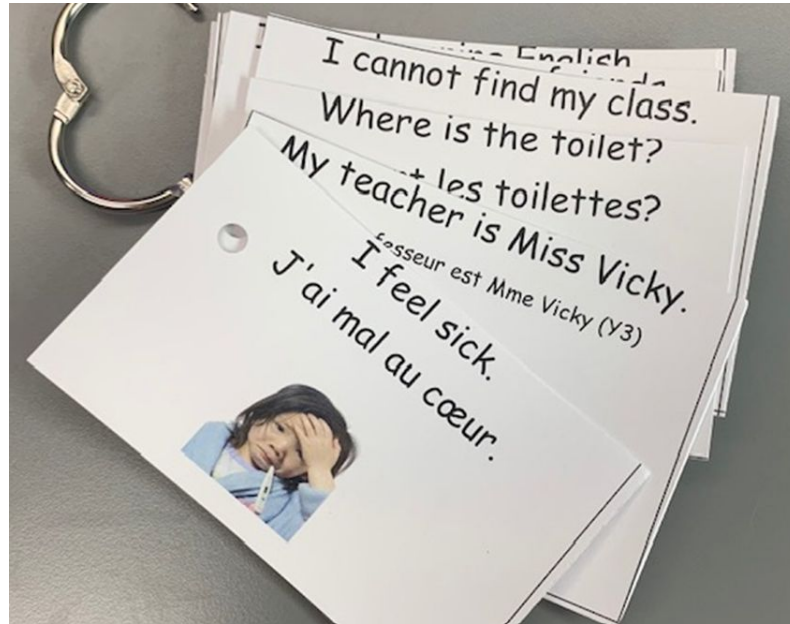


Immersed in water



English language immersion

# How do students develop BICS?



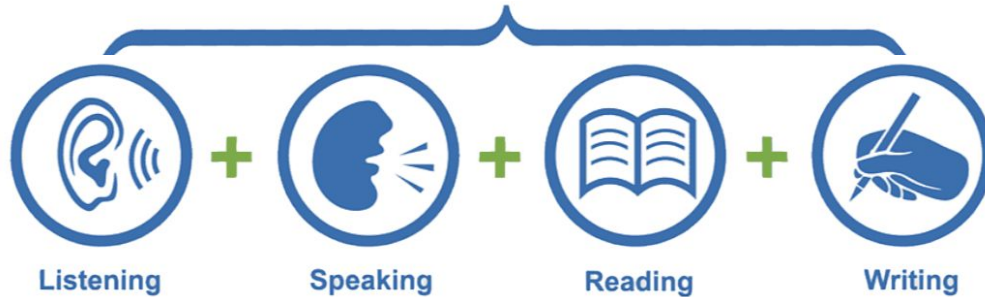
Immersion leads to fluency, but it doesn't lead to **grammatical accuracy** or **CALP** which require explicit teaching.



# What is CALP?

CALP (Cognitive Academic Language Proficiency) refers to the language skills a student needs to be successful at school.

To be successful at school, a student must be able to understand, discuss and write about **academic topics**.



We know CALP is something that **all students must develop** (first & second language learners), so it's a core part of our inclusive practice.

# What do we do to help support students' CALP?



Academic language



Shades of meaning

# What do we do to help support students' CALP?

## COMMON ENGLISH IDIOMS

**Cat got your tongue?**  
*Can't you speak?*



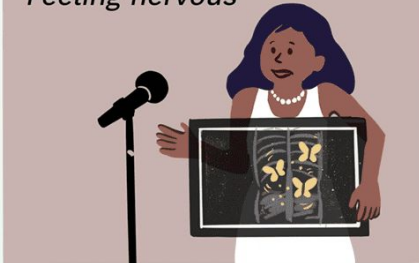
**Snug as a bug in a rug**  
*Warm and cozy*



**Go the extra mile**  
*Make an extra effort*



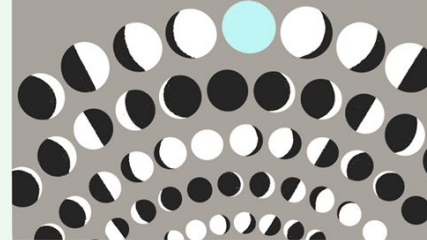
**Butterflies in my stomach**  
*Feeling nervous*



**To go down in flames**  
*To fail spectacularly*



**Once in a blue moon**  
*Rarely*

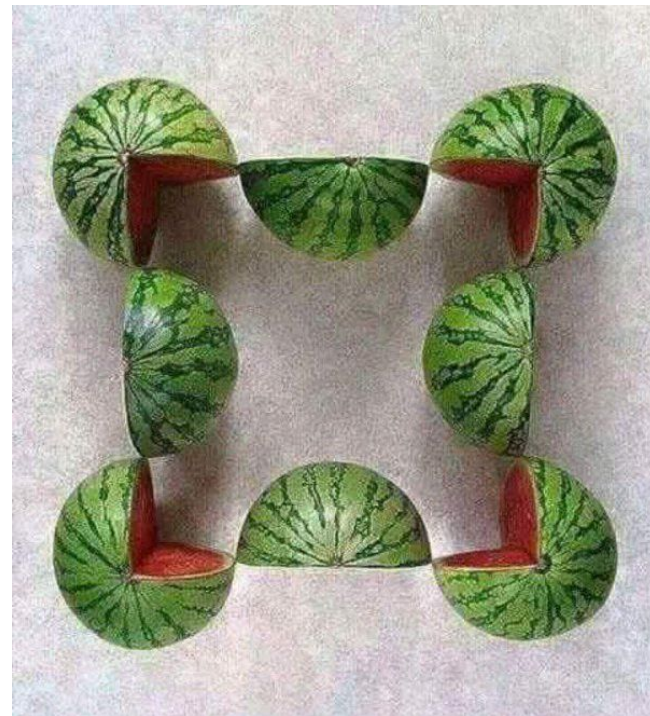


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# What do we do to help support students' CALP?

Developing students' oracy – their ability to speak academically.

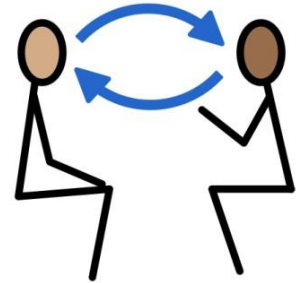
Students must be able to share their academic thinking grammatically accurately.



Number talk



When students can understand English and speak quite confidently, teachers should make sure they don't talk with friends in their home language in class.





# Home Languages (HOLA)



‘My home is my castle!’

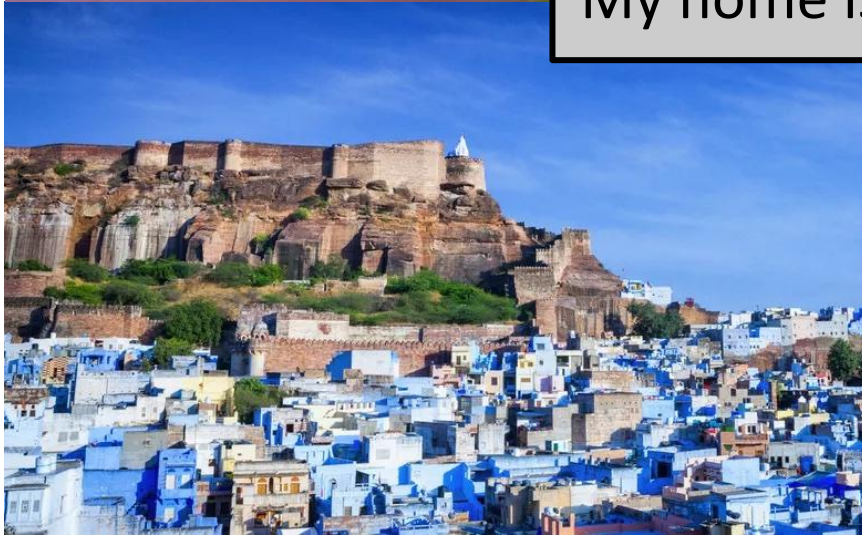


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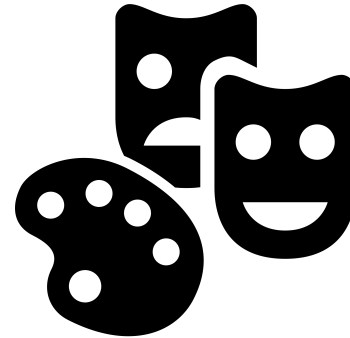
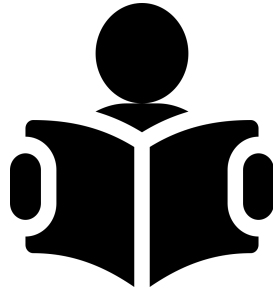




My home is my castle



# What do we know about the role of Home Languages (HOLA)?



# Home languages – how can parents help?



Bilingual books



Repeat language correctly,  
don't say it's wrong.



Audiobooks and podcasts



Create real life opportunities



Talking about learning in home  
language, not extra English



Reading to and with your child

# What can I do at home?

# Primar Library

Opening Times: Monday to Friday 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.



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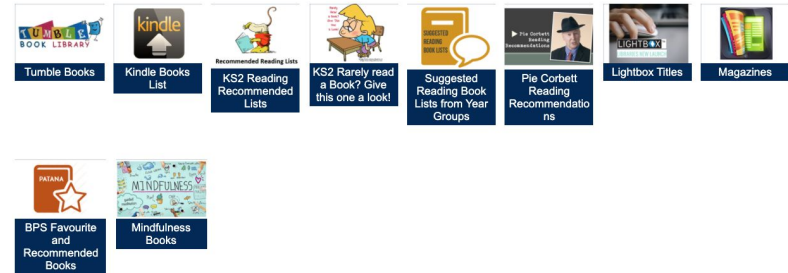
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## Our Collection



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