

CHILDREN'S BOOK LIST

As a school, we are often asked to recommend suitable reading material for specific age/year groups.

The following list, although by no means definitive, may help to provide parents/carers with some ideas of new books or authors to try. If your child is a more confident reader, then he or she could select from an older year group. If your child is less confident, they could choose from the year below.

Year 1

A Bear Called Paddington - Michael Bond
A Lion in the Meadow - Margaret Mahy
Avocado Baby - John Burningham
Cops and Robbers - Allan Ahlberg
Fungus the Bogeyman - Raymond Briggs
Jim - Hilaire Belloc, Mini Grey
Lost and Found - Oliver Jeffers
Man on the Moon - Simon Bartram
Mister Magnolia - Quentin Blake
My Cat Likes to Hide in Boxes - Eve Sutton, Lynley Dodd
Oh No, George! - Chris Haughton
The Berenstain Bears and the Spooky Old Tree - Stan Berenstain,
Jan Berenstain
The Cat in the Hat - Dr Seuss
The Dark - Lemony Snicket
The Django - Levi Pinfold
The Emperor of Absurdia - Chris Riddell
The Gruffalo - Julia Donaldson
The Hodgeheg - Dick King-Smith
The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark - Jill Tomlinson
There Are Cats in This Book - Viviane Schwarz
Three by the Sea - Mini Grey
Traction Man Is Here - Mini Grey
We're Going on a Bear Hunt - Michael Rosen
Where the Wild Things Are - Maurice Sendak

Year 2

Beaver Towers Witches Revenge The Witch's Revenge -

Nigel Hinton

Beegu - Alexis Deacon

Claude at the Circus - Alex T. Smith

Fungus the Bogeyman - Raymond Briggs

Gobolino, the Witch's Cat - Ursula Moray Williams

How the World Works - Christiane Dorion

Letters to Anyone and Everyone - Toon Tellegen

Mister Magnolia - Quentin Blake

Mrs. Wobble the Waitress - Allan Ahlberg

The Adventures of Captain Underpants - Dave Pilkey

The Berenstain Bears and the Spooky Old Tree - Stan

Berenstain, Jan Berenstain

The Dunderheads - Paul Fleischman

The Hodgeheg - Dick King-Smith

The Man Whose Mother Was a Pirate - Margaret Mahy

Year 3

Carbonel - Barbara Sleigh
Charlotte's Web - E. B. White
Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Book 1) - Jeff Kinney
Finn Family Moomintroll - Tove Jansson
Flat Stanley - Jeff Brown, Scott Nash
Horrid Henry's Big Bad Book Ten Favourite Stories - and
More! - Francesca Simon
If You Could See Laughter - Mandy Coe
Ivan the Terrible - Anne Fine
Mr Mumbles - Barry Hutchison
Mr. Majeika - Humphrey Carpenter
Noah Barleywater Runs Away - John Boyne
One Thousand and One Arabian Nights One Thousand and
One Arabian Nights - Geraldine McCaughrean
Ottoline at Sea - Chris Riddell
Please Mrs. Butler Verses - Allan Ahlberg, Julia Eccleshare
The Hundred-mile-an-hour Dog - Jeremy Strong
The Ogre of Oglefort - Eva Ibbotson
The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark - Jill Tomlinson
The Sam Pig Story Book - Alison Uttley

Year 4

Beowulf - Kevin Crossley-Holland
Eating Things on Sticks - Anne Fine
Emil and the Detectives - Erich Kastner
How to Train Your Dragon - Cressida Cowell
I Was a Rat! Or, the Scarlet slippers - Philip Pullman
Lost! The Hundred-Mile-An-Hour Dog - Jeremy Strong
Lunatics and Luck - Marcus Sedgwick
Mouse Bird Snake Wolf - David Almond
Mouse Noses on Toast - Daren King
Mr Gum and the Dancing Bear - Andy Stanton
Mr Stink - David Walliams
Oliver and the Seawigs - Philip Reeve
Ottoline and the Yellow Cat - Chris Riddell
Sophie and the Albino Camel - Stephen Davies
Stig of the Dump - Clive King
Swallows and Amazons - Arthur Ransome
The Battle of Bubble and Squeak - Philippa Pearce
The Butterfly Lion – Michael Morpurgo
The Dancing Bear -Michael Morpurgo
The Firework-maker's Daughter - Philip Pullman
The Great Hamster Massacre - Katie Davies
The Grunts In Trouble - Philip Ardagh
The Iron Man - Ted Hughes
The Little Prince - Antoine de Saint-Exupery
The Midnight Fox - Betsy Byars
The Orca's Song - Volke Gordon
The Savage - David Almond
Why is Snot Green? The Science Museum Question and Answer Book - Glenn Murphy
Woof! - Allan Ahlberg

Year 5

The Wolves of Willoughby Chase - Joan Aiken
Two Weeks with the Queen - Morris Gleitzman
A Boy and a Bear in a Boat - Dave Shelton
A Wizard of Earthsea - Ursula K. Le Guin
Artemis Fowl and the Eternity Code - Eoin Colfer
Black Hearts in Battersea - Joan Aitken
Cosmic - Frank Cottrell Boyce
Eagle of The Ninth - Rosemary Sutcliff
Krindlekrax - Philip Ridley
Matilda - Roald Dahl, Julia Eccleshare
Mortal Engines - Philip Reeve
Once - Morris Gleitzman
Pig Heart Boy - Malorie Blackman
Redwall - Brian Jacques
Sky Hawk - Gill Lewis
Stormbreaker - Anthony Horowitz
The Brilliant World of Tom Gates - Liz Pichon
The Eighteenth Emergency - Betsy Byars
The Mouse and His Child - Russell Hoban
The Owl Service - Alan Garner
The Turbulent Tyke Tiler – Gene Kemp
The Tail of Emily Windsnap - Liz Kessler

Year 6

A Hen in the Wardrobe - Wendy Meddour
Across the Barricades A Kevin and Sadie Story - Joan Lingard
Cosmic Disco - Grace Nichols
Goodnight Mister Tom - Michelle Magorian
Greyhound of a Girl - Roddy Doyle
Holes - Louis Sachar
I am David - Anne Holm
Private Peaceful - Michael Morpurgo
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry - Mildred D. Taylor
Rooftoppers - Katherine Rundell
Smith - Leon Garfield
Stoneheart - Charlie Fletcher
The Little Soldier - Bernard Ashley
The Machine Gunners - Robert Westall
The Tulip Touch - Anne Fine
The Unforgotten Coat - Frank Cottrell Boyce