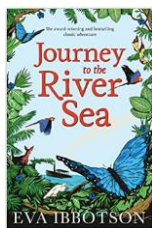


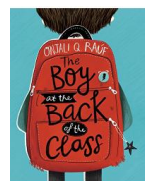
Dear Parents (and children),

These reading recommendations consist of a variety of fiction and non-fiction books for all ability ranges and interests. We recommend these authors, but they are only a selection of the latest titles available. We would love to see more children reading books so if you find a book that you would like to recommend, send a book review our way!



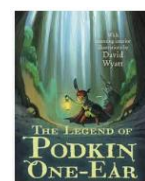
Journey to the River Sea by Eva Ibbotson

It is 1910 and Maia, tragically orphaned at thirteen, has been sent from England to start a new life with distant relatives in Manaus, hundreds of miles up the Amazon.



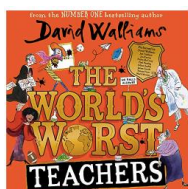
The Boy at the Back of the Class by Onjali Q. Rauf

There used to be an empty chair at the back of my class, but now a new boy called Ahmet is sitting in it. He is 9 years old, just like me but he is strange. He never talks and never smiles? I wonder what secret is he hiding?



Podkin One Ear by Kieran Larwood

Podkin is the son of the warrior chieftain. He knows that one day it will be up to him to lead his warren and guard it in times of danger.... Is that day today?



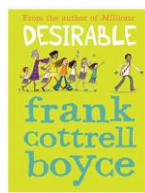
The World's Worst Teachers by David Walliams

You think your teachers are bad? Wait till you meet this lot. These 10 tales of the world's most splendidly sinister teachers will have you running for the school gates.



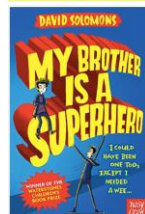
Max and the Millions by Ross Montgomery

A highly inventive story about a boy sent to a grim boarding school who discovers a miniature world filled with tiny people in a dusty caretaker's storeroom – a world which Max finds out only he can save.



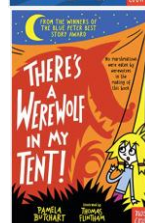
Desirable by Frank Cottrell Boyce

A funny story about George – unpopular at school – who receives an old bottle of aftershave from a relative for his birthday. Disappointed, George is stunned to find that the contents of the bottle change his life and suddenly everyone likes him.



My Brother is a Superhero by David Solomons

A prize-winning story about Luke who goes off to the toilet only to return to find his brother has been turned into a superhero by a passing alien.

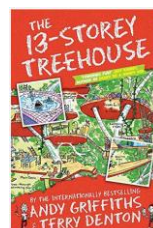


There's a Werewolf in My Tent by Pamela Butchart

When a group of friends camp out they think it's all going to be marshmallows and staying up late. But then the peculiar noises start, things go missing and full moon comes out....

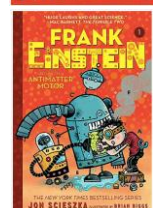
The 13 Storey Treehouse by Andy Griffiths

A cartoon-illustrated story about the most amazing treehouse ever! Secret science labs, catapults and a clever marshmallow machine are just some of the unexpected things found inside. Great for reluctant readers.



Frank Einstein and the Antimatter Motor by Jon Scieszka

A funny and clever story about Frank Einstein, who likes to take things apart and put them back together again in new and interesting ways.



Harry Potter Series by JK Rowling

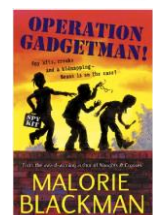
You may have started this series in Year 3 so why not continue the Harry Potter Novels and read all seven stories?

It is time for the Magic to continue!



Operation Gadgetman! By Malorie Blackman

Beans calls her dad 'Gadgetman' because of the amazing gadgets he invents – everything from exploding biscuits to Spy Kits.



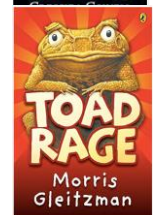
How to Train Your Dragon by Cressida Cowell

Follow the adventures of Hiccup and friends in Viking times, as they train dragons to be pets.



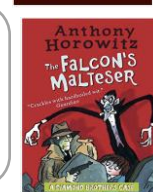
Toad Rage by Morris Gleitzman

Limpy's family don't think humans hate toads, but Limpy knows otherwise. He's spotted the signs: the stares, the nasty comments and the way they squash toads with their cars.



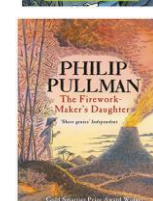
The Falcon's Malteser by Anthony Horowitz

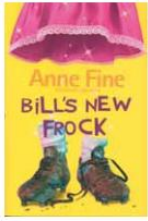
The first book in the Diamond Brothers series. When a lot of money is left in the hands of Tim Diamond, he suddenly has every criminal looking for him.



The Firework Maker's Daughter by Philip Pullman

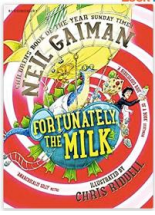
A long time ago lived a firework-maker named Lalchand and his daughter, Lila. Lila knows almost everything about fireworks, but there's one secret her father hasn't told her yet.





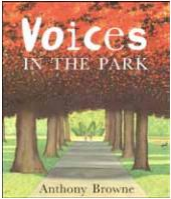
Bill's New Frock by Anne Fine

Bill Simpson wakes up to find he's a girl, and worse, his mother makes him wear a frilly pink dress to school. How on Earth is he going to survive a whole day like this?



Fortunately, the Milk! By Neil Gaiman

You know what it's like when your mum goes away on a business trip and Dad's in charge. She leaves a really, really long list of what he's got to do. And the most important thing is DON'T FORGET THE MILK!? Well this is the story of why it takes Dad so long to get milk from the corner shop.



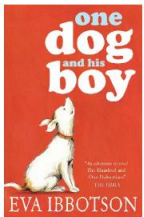
Voices in the Park by Anthony Browne

Four different voices tell their own versions of the same walk in the park. Explore the key themes in this through four different perspectives.



The Accidental Prime Minister by Tom McLaughlin

When Joe tells a local news reporter exactly what he would do if he were leader of the country, the video goes viral and Joe's speech becomes famous all over the world. Before long, people are calling for the current leader to resign.



One Dog and His Boy by Eva Ibbotson

All Hal ever wanted was a dog- but a dog would damage the expensive carpets in his parents' glamorous home, and they refuse to consider one. That's until they discover Easy Pets, a god- rental agency.

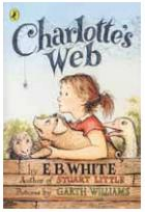


The Creakers by Tom Fletcher

Lucy's friends are thrilled there are no more grown-ups. They're running wild! But Lucy wants her mum back, and nothing is going to stop her! Even if it means having to venture into the strange, upside-down world of the mysterious monsters under her bed.

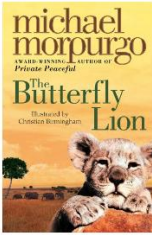
Charlotte's Web by EB White

Charlotte's spiderweb tells of her feeling or a little pig names Wilbur, who simply wants a friend.



The Butterfly Lion by Michael Morpurgo

Bertie rescues an orphaned white lion cub from the African veld. They're inseparable until Bertie is sent to boarding school far away in England and the lion is sold to a circus. Bertie swears that one day they will see one another again.



The House with Chicken Legs by Sophie Anderson

Marinka dreams of a normal life, where her house stays in one place long enough for her to make friends. But her house has chicken legs and moves on without warning.



The Boy Who Grew Dragons by Andy Shepherd

When Tomas discovers a strange old tree at the bottom of his Grandad's garden, he doesn't think much of it. But he takes the funny fruit from the tree back into the house and gets the shock and delight of his life when a tiny dragon hatches.



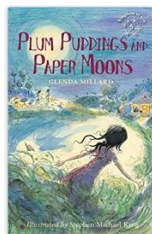
The Skies Above My Eyes by Charlotte Guillain

Have you ever looked up and wondered what's going on high up in the skies above your eyes? Take a journey up into the air, through the atmosphere, way out into space and back down to Earth in this richly illustrated concertina book.



Kingdom of Silk Series (Book 1) Plum Puddings and Paper Moons by Glenda Millard

When Anik tells Scarlet about the war in his home far away and of all the things he has lost, Scarlet is determined to make a difference. She decides to declare peace on Cameron's creek and maybe even the whole world....



Year 4 Challenging Reads

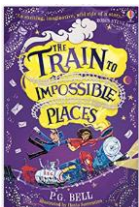


Explorer by Katherine Rundell

As the plane crashed into the canopy, Fred is suddenly left without a choice. With no hope of rescue, the chance of getting home seems impossible. Except, someone has been there before.

Sky Hawk by Gill Lewis

There's a secret hidden on Callum's family farm, a secret nestled in the forest, above the dark waters of the loch. Callum and Iona make a pact to guard the secret together and keep it safe from harm. The promises made will change their lives forever.



The Train to Impossible Places by PG Bell

When Suzy hears a strange noise in the middle of the night, she creeps downstairs to find a train roaring through her house. But this is no ordinary train. This is the magical delivery express for the Union of Impossible Places.

The Wild Robot by Peter Brown

When robot Roz opens her eyes for the first time, she discovers she is alone on a remote, wild island. Can a robot survive in the wilderness?

