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Dear Parents/ Carers,

As I am sure you are aware, as well as being an enjoyable pastime, reading impacts hugely on children's writing and learning. We encourage children to read as much as possible, both at home and in school. To assist with the difficult task of choosing a new book, we have put together a recommended reading list for each year group across the school.

This list represents a cross-section of books suitable for your child's year group. The different categories of books are closely linked to some of the core texts the children will be studying throughout the year. We know how difficult it can be to find captivating books that spark imaginations. Hopefully these lists will assist our children to select a book that will hook and inspire their thoughts and imaginations.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Jaques (Literacy Leader)

Year 6 recommended reading list

Animals

- Dumb Creatures - Jeanne Willis
- The Butterfly Lion – Michael Morpurgo
- Anna Sewell, Black Beauty
- The What on Earth? Wallbook Timeline of Nature – Christopher Lloyd
- The Crowstarver – Dick King-Smith
- Lionboy - Zizou Corder
- Tiger Wars – Steve Backshall

Spooky/Mystery

- The Haunting - Maragret Mahy
 - Mokee Joe Series - Peter J Murray
 - Cirque Du Freak - Darren Shan
 - The Vampire's Assistant - Darren Shan
 - Vampirates series - Justin Sompter
 - The Thousand Eyes of Night - Robert Swindells
 - Eren – Simon P Clark
 - Abomination – Robert Swindells
 - The Weathermonger – Pete Dickinson
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Humour

- Aliens Don't Eat Dog Food - Dinah Capparucci
- Killer Mushrooms Ate My Gran - Susan Gates
- Trust Me I'm a Trouble Maker - Pete Johnson
- Jones Charmed Life - Diana Wynne
- Night of the Living Veg - Phillip Reeve
- Night of the Living Dead - Phillip Reeve
- Harry and the Wrinklies - Alan Temperley
- Fruit and Nutcase – Jean Ure
- Granny – Anthony Horowitz
- The Secret Diary of Adrian Mole aged thirteen and three quarters – Sue

Townsend

Historical

- The Diary of Anne Frank
- I am David - Anne Holm
- When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit - Judith Kerr
- Tom's War - Robert Leeson
- Goodnight Mr Tom - Michele Magorian
- Blitz Boys - Linda Newberry
- Fly Away Home - Christine Nostlinger
- Dolphin Crossing - Jill Paton Walsh
- The Machine Gunners - Robert Westall Blitzcat
- Once – Morris Gleitzman
- The Silver Sword – Ian Serraillier

Fantasy

- Midnight is a Place - Joan Aiken
 - Heaven Eyes - David Almond
 - Artemis Fowl series - Eion Colfer
 - The Supernaturalist - Eion Colfer
 - The Dark is Rising sequence - Susan Cooper
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- Icefire - Chris D'Lacey
 - Shrinking Ralph Perfect - Chris D'Lacey
 - The Salt Pirates of Skegness - Chris D'Lacey
 - Ingo - Helen Dunmore
 - Inkheart - Cornelia Funke
 - Inkspell - Cornelia Funke
 - The Thief Lord - Cornelia Funke
 - The Owl Service - Alan Garner
 - Elidor – Alan Garner
 - Warriors of the Raven - Alan Gibbons
 - Little White Horse - Elizabeth Goudge
 - The Power of Five series - Anthony Horowitz
 - Warrior Cats series - Erin Hunter
 - Redwall - Brian Jaques
 - Tooth and Claw - Stephen Moore
 - The Wind on Fire Trilogy - William Nicholson
 - The Noble Warriors Trilogy – William Nicholson
 - Charlie Bone series - Jenny Nimmo
 - Measle and the Mallockee - Ian Ogilvy
 - Eragon - Christopher Paolini
 - Johnny and the Bomb - Terry Pratchet
 - Diggers - Terry Pratchet
 - The Amazing Maurice and His Educated Rodents - Terry Pratchet
 - His Dark Materials Series - Philip Pullman
 - Mortal Engines - Philip Reeve
 - Mighty Fizz Chilla - Philip Ridley
 - Harry Potter Series - J. K. Rowling
 - Holes - Louis Sachar
 - Small Steps – Louis Sachar
 - Septamus Flyte series - Angie Sage
 - Shapeshifter series - Ali Sparkes
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- The Edge Chronicles series - Paul Stewart and Chris Riddell
- Golem's Eye - Jonathan Stroud
- In the Nick of Time - Robert Swindells
- Shadowmancer - G. P. Taylor
- The Switchers Trilogy - Kate Thompson
- The Missing Link – Kate Thompson
- The Hobbit - J. R. R. Tolkein
- Lord of the Rings - J. R. R. Tolkein
- Dr Who story books
- Ms Swordhand is Singing – Marcus Sedgewick

Adventure/Action

- Treasure Island - R. L. Stevenson
- The Adventures of Tom Sawyer - Mark Twain
- Around the World in 80 Days - Jules Verne
- An Angel for May - Melvin Burgess
- The Young Bond books - Charlie Higson
- Alex Rider series - Anthony Horowitz
- Kensuke's Kingdom – Michael Morpurgo
- Orange's in No Man's Land – Elizabeth Laird

Well-loved Authors

- Witches - Roald Dahl
 - Tales of the Unexpected – Roald Dahl
 - Malory Towers Series – Enid Blyton
 - Five Find Outers Series – Enid Blyton
 - Oliver Twist – Charles Dickens
 - Northern Lights – Philip Pullman
 - The Amber Spyglass – Philip Pullman
 - Stop the Train - Geraldine McCaughrean
 - The Stones are Hatching - Geraldine McCaughrean
 - A Little Lower than Angels - Geraldine McCaughrean
 - Peter Pan in Scarlet - Geraldine McCaughrean
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- Private Peaceful - Michael Morpurgo
- Alone on the Wide Sea - Michael Morpurgo
- Adolphus Tips - Michael Morpurgo
- Why the Whales Came - Michael Morpurgo
- The Illustrated Mum - Jacqueline Wilson
- Vicky Angel - Jacqueline Wilson
- My Sister Jodie - Jacqueline Wilson
- E. Nesbit, The Railway Children
- The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe – C.S Lewis

Thought-provoking Books

- Tell Me No Lies - Malorie Blackman
 - The Kin - Peter Dickinson
 - Village by the Sea - Anita Desai
 - The Breadwinner series - Deborah Ellis
 - The Chinese Cinderella - Adeline Yen Mah
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