

These are our carefully selected **Recommended Reads for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6**, which you can encourage your children to read! Please try to encourage your child to read a range of quality texts!

Look out for them in the library, books shops and add them to a Christmas / Birthday list!

1. Historical Fiction

A Twist of Fortune, Barbara Mitchelhill (Andersen Press)

Diary of Dorkius Maximus, Tim Collins (Buster Books)

Maisie Hitchins: The Case of the Stolen Sixpence, Holly Webb & Marion Lindsay (Stripes Publishing)

Red River Stallion, Troon Harrison (Bloomsbury)

Stay Where You Are and Then Leave, John Boyne (Doubleday)

The Amazing Tale of Ali Pasha, Michael Foreman (Templar)

2. Mystery & Horror

Liar and Spy, Rebecca Stead (Andersen Press)

Shadows of The Silver Screen, Christopher Edge (Nosy Crow)

Stitch Head: The Spider's Lair, Guy Bass (Stripes Publishing)

Lockwood and Co: The Screaming Staircase, Jonathan Stroud (Doubleday)

The Woebegone Twins, Christopher William Hill (Orchard Books)

Young Werewolf, Cornelia Funke and David Roberts, Ills. (Barrington Stoke)

3. Humour

Darcy Burdock, Laura Dockrill (Corgi)

Fortunately, the Milk, Neil Gaiman and Chris Riddell (Bloomsbury)

Granny Samurai, the Monkey King & I, John Chambers (Walker Books)

I am Not a Loser, Jim Smith (Egmont, Jelly Pie)

The Dragonsitter Takes Off, Josh Lacey and Garry Parsons, ill. Garry Parsons (Andersen Press)

Wings & Co: Three Pickled Herrings, Sally Gardner and David Roberts, Ills. (Orion Children's Books)

4. Adventure

Dear Scarlett, Fleur Hitchcock (Nosy Crow)

Ninja: Death Touch, Chris Bradford and Sonia Leong (Barrington Stoke)

Jedi Academy, Jeffrey Brown (Scholastic UK)

The Battles of Ben Kingdom: The Claws of Evil, Andrew Beasley (Usborne Publishing)

The Last Wild, Piers Torday (Quercus Books)

The Terrible Thing That Happened to Barnaby Brocket, John Boyne (Corgi)

5. Animals & The Wild

The Hungry Wolf, Lari Don and Melanie Williamson (Barefoot Books)

The Queen & Mr Brown: A Day for Dinosaurs, James Francis Wilkins (The Natural History Museum, London)

DFC Library: Vern and Lettuce, Sarah McIntyre (David Fickling Books)

A Rivets short story: War Dog, Chris Ryan (Franklin Watts)

Whale Boy, Nicola Davies (Corgi)

Dixie O' Day in the Fast Lane, Shirley Hughes and Clara Vulliamy, ill. (Bodley Head)

6. Science fiction & Fantasy

Goth Girl: and the Ghost of a Mouse, Chris Riddell (Macmillan Children's Books)

Out of This World, Ali Sparkes (Oxford University Press)

The Dark is Rising, Susan Cooper (Red Fox)

The Demon Notebook, Erika McGann (The O'Brien Press)

The Winter Sleepwalker and other Stories, Joan Aiken (Jonathan Cape)

Sky Run, Alex Shearer (Hot Key Books)

7. Film & TV

How to Betray a Dragon's Hero, Cressida Cowell (Hodder Children's Books)

Pig Heart Boy, Malorie Blackman (Corgi)

The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas, John Boyne (David Fickling)

Framed, Frank Cottrell Boyce (Macmillan Children's Books)

Feather Boy, Nicky Singer (HarperCollins)

MirrorMask, Neil Gaiman and Dave McKean (Bloomsbury)

8. Non-fiction

Deadly Diaries, Steve Backshall (Orion Children's Books)

Malorie Blackman Biography, Verna Wilkins (Tamarind Books)

The Secrets of Stonehenge, Mick Manning and Brita Granström (Frances Lincoln Children's Books)

Why Spacemen Can't Burp, Mitchell Symons (Doubleday)

The Barefoot Books World Atlas, Nick Crane and David Dean, ill. (Barefoot Books)

Marvellous Maths, Jonathan Litton and Thomas Flintham, ill. (Templar Publishing)