



Booklist and tips for helping your child with their reading.

Following many requests, we present our school booklist. Some books are old classics, much loved by generations of children; others are modern, contemporary fiction. Often one book is listed. However, the author has probably written many books that will be of interest to your child/children. Although the books are presented in age order, the lists are flexible. For example, a child in Year 3 might want to read a book from the Foundation Stage/Key Stage One list. Alternatively, a child in Year 4 may wish to read books from the Year 5 and 6 list.

Accompanying the lists is some useful guidance from award winning author, Jeremy Strong. We hope you find the lists useful and informative. We hope to run a parents session later in the year. Any comments can be sent to us at sw17@deanshanger.northants.sch.uk and e.neville@deanshanger.northants.sch.uk.

Many thanks, Sarah Webb and Emma Neville (English and Phonics co-ordinators).

Useful websites:

<http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk>

Oxford Owl is an award-winning free website with 250 FREE tablet-friendly eBooks and activities to help you support children's learning.

For dyslexic children:

<http://www.barringtonstoke.co.uk>

Barrington Stoke is an independent publisher dedicated to cracking reading. We know that every parent wants their child to become a reader, and every teacher wants their students to make the jump from learning to read to loving to read. Our books are commissioned, edited and designed to break down the barriers that can stop this happening, from dyslexia and visual stress to simple reluctance.

<http://www.booktrust.org.uk/books/children>

Foundation Stage/KS1 Booklist

Aliens Love Underpants! - Claire Freedman
Dear Zoo - Rod Campbell
Elmer - David McKee
Farmer Duck - Martin Waddell
Giraffes Can't Dance - Giles Andreae
Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy - Lynley Dodd
Horrid Henry and the Football Fiend -Francesca Simon
I Will Not Ever Never Eat a Tomato -Lauren Child
Lost and Found - Oliver Jeffers
Meerkat Mail - Emily Gravett
Mr Big - Ed Vere
One Winter's Day - M. Christina Butler, Tina MacNaughton
Peace at Last - Jill Murphy
Penny Dreadful is a Magnet for Disaster - Joanna Nadin
Shark in the Dark - Nick Sharratt
The Cat in the Hat - Dr Seuss
The Highway Rat - Julia Donaldson
The Gruffalo - Julia Donaldson
Zog - Julia Donaldson
The Pirates Next Door - Jonny Duddle
The Snowman Story Book - Raymond Briggs
The Tiger Who Came to Tea - Judith Kerr
The Unbelievable Top-Secret Diary of Pig - Emer Stamp
The Very Hungry Caterpillar - Eric Carle
The Worst Princess - Anna Kemp
Whatever Next! - Jill Murphy
Where the Wild Things Are -Maurice Sendak
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
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 Dark - Lemony Snicket ,Jon Klassen
The Django -Levi Pinfold
The Emperor of Absurdia - Chris Riddell
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
Beegu - Alexis Deacon
Claude at the Circus - Alex T. Smith
Gobolino, the Witch's Cat - Ursula Moray Williams
How the World Works - Christiane Dorion
Mrs. Wobble the Waitress - Allan Ahlberg
The Adventures of Captain Underpants - Dav Pilkey
The Dunderheads - Paul Fleischman
The Man Whose Mother Was a Pirate - Margaret Mahy
Black Dog - Written and illustrated by Levi Pinfold
My Big Shouting Day - Written and illustrated by Rebecca Patterson
Toys in Space - Written and illustrated by Mini Grey
This Moose Belongs to Me - Written and illustrated by Oliver Jeffers

Superkid - Written by Claire Freedman and illustrated by Sarah McInyre
 The Paper Dolls - Written by Julia Donaldson and illustrated by Rebecca Cobb
 Just Ducks - Written by Nicola Davies and illustrated by Salvatore Rubbino
 Lunchtime - Written and illustrated by Rebecca Cobb
 Books Always Everywhere - Written by Jane Blatt and illustrated by Sarah Massini
 The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark - Jill Tomlinson
 The Slightly Annoying Elephant by David Walliams
 Monkey Nut - Simon Rickerty
 Harry and the Dinosaurs Go to School - Ian Whybrow
 Kipper -
 Percy the Park Keeper - Nick Butterworth
 Owl Babies - Martin Waddell
 Mog - Judith Kerr

Year 3 and 4 Booklist

Araminta Spook: My Haunted House - Angie Sage
 Boffin Boy and the Forest of the Ninja - David Orme
 Coraline - Neil Gaiman
 Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Book 1) - Jeff Kinney
 Gangsta Granny - David Walliams
 Krazy Kow Saves the World - Well, Almost - Jeremy Strong
 Krindlekrax - Philip Ridley
 Matilda - Roald Dahl
 Mondays are Murder - Tanya Landman
 Mr Gum and the Secret Hideout - Andy Stanton
 Ottoline and the Yellow Cat - Chris Riddell
 Taff in the WAAF - Mick Manning, Brita Granstrom
 The Abominables - Eva Ibbotson
 The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips - Michael, M.B.E. Morpurgo
 The Diary of a Killer Cat - Anne Fine
 The Dragonsitter - Josh Lacey
 The Great Hamster Massacre - Katie Davies
 The Perfect Hamburger - Alexander McCall Smith
 The Story of Tracy Beaker - Jacqueline Wilson
 The Terrible Thing That Happened to Barnaby Brocket - John Boyne
 The Worst Witch Saves the Day - Jill Murphy
 War Game Village Green to No-man's-land - Michael Foreman
 Charlotte's Web - E. B. White
 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
 Please Mrs. Butler Verses - Allan Ahlberg, Julia Eccleshare
 The Hundred-mile-an-hour Dog - Jeremy Strong
 How to Train Your Dragon - Cressida Cowell
 Lunatics and Luck - Marcus Sedgwick
 Mouse Bird Snake Wolf - David Almond
 Mouse Noses on Toast - Daren King
 Mr Stink - David Walliams
 Oliver and the Seawigs - Philip Reeve
 Sophie and the Albino Camel - Stephen Davies
 The Battle of Bubble and Squeak - Philippa Pearce
 The Butterfly Lion - Michael, M.B.E. Morpurgo
 The Firework-maker's Daughter - Philip Pullman
 The Grunts In Trouble - Philip Ardagh

The Iron Man - Ted Hughes
 The Midnight Fox - Betsy Byars
 The Orca's Song - Volke Gordon
 Five on a Treasure Island - Enid Blyton
 Weasels - Written and illustrated by Elys Dolan
 A Laureate's Choice: 101 Poems for Children - Edited by Carol Ann Duffy and illustrated by Emily Gravett
 Operation Bunny: Wings & Co - Written by Sally Gardner and illustrated by David Roberts
 The Great Big Book of Feelings - Written by Mary Hoffman and illustrated by Ros Asquith
I Am Still Not a Loser - Jim Smith
 Wendy Quill is a Crocodile's Bottom - Written by Wendy Meddour and illustrated by Mina May
 Pirates 'n' Pistols: Ten Swashbuckling Pirate Tales - Written and illustrated by Chris Moulds
 Mariella Mystery: The Ghostly Guinea Pig - Written and illustrated by Kate Pankhurst
 Fantastic Mr Dahl - Written by Michael Rosen and illustrated by Quentin Blake
 The Sleepwalkers - Written and illustrated by Viviane Schwarz
 Claude in the Spotlight - Written and illustrated by Alex T Smith
 Ophelia and the Marvellous Boy by Karen Foxlee
 Beast Quest series - Adam Blade
 Spy Pups - Andrew Cope
 Gladiator Boy - David Grimstone

Year 5 and 6 Booklist

The Boy Who Swam with Piranhas - Written by David Almond and illustrated by Oliver Jeffers
 The Great Ice Cream Heist - Written by Elen Caldecott
 Darcy Burdock - Written and illustrated by Laura Dockrill
 Wild Boy - Written by Rob Lloyd Jones
 Binny for Short - Written by Hilary McKay
 The Poison Boy - Written by Fletcher Moss
 Oksa Pollock: The Last Hope - Written by Anne Plichota and Cendrine Wolf
 Rooftoppers - Written by Katherine Rundell
 Liar & Spy - Written by Rebecca Stead
 The Dark Lord: The Teenage Years - Written by Jamie Thompson, illustrated by Freya Hartas
 Carrie's War - Nina Bawden
 A Dog Called Homeless - Sarah Lean
 Artemis Fowl and the Eternity Code - Eoin Colfer
 Dead Man's Cove - Lauren St. John
 Diamond - Jacqueline Wilson
 Fearless - Cornelia Funke
 Foul Play - Tom Palmer
 Greyhound of a Girl - Roddy Doyle
 H.I.V.E. (Higher Institute of Villainous Education) - Mark Walden
 Hero on a Bicycle - Shirley Hughes
 Hetty Feather - Jacqueline Wilson
 Holes - Louis Sachar
 I am David - Anne Holm
 I Was a Rat! Or, the Scarlet slippers - Philip Pullman
 I, Coriander - Sally Gardner
 Millions - Frank Cottrell Boyce
 Muddle Earth - Paul Stewart, Chris Riddell
 My Name is Mina - David Almond
 Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief - Rick Riordan
 Ratburger - David Walliams
 Rubbish Town Hero - Nicola Davies
 Secrets of The Fearless - Elizabeth Laird
 Shadows of the Silver Screen - Christopher Edge
 Skulduggery Pleasant - Derek Landy
 Sky Hawk - Gill Lewis

Socks Are Not Enough - Mark Lowery
 Tales of Terror from the Tunnel's Mouth - Chris Priestley
 The Bad Beginning - Lemony Snicket
 The Boy in the Dress- David Walliams
 Journey to the River Sea -Eva Ibbotson
 The Graveyard Book - Neil Gaiman
 The Great Escape - Megan Rix
 The Hunger Games - Suzanne Collins
 The Ingo Chronicles: Ingo - Helen Dunmore
 The Killer Underpants - Michael Lawrence
 The Unforgotten Coat - Frank Cottrell Boyce
 The Wolf Princess - Cathryn Constable
 Twelve Minutes to Midnight - Christopher Edge
 Young Sherlock Holmes 3: Black Ice - Andrew Lane
 A Boy and a Bear in a Boat - Dave Shelton
 Mortal Engines - Philip Reeve
 Once - Morris Gleitzman
 Pig Heart Boy - Malorie Blackman
 Redwall - Brian Jacques
 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 Tail of Emily Windsnap - Liz Kessler
 The Wolves of Willoughby Chase - Joan Aiken
 A Hen in the Wardrobe - Wendy Meddour
 Cosmic Disco - Grace Nichols
 Goodnight Mister Tom - Michelle Magorian
 My Sister Lives on the Mantelpiece - Annabel Pitcher
 Private Peaceful - Michael, M.B.E. Morpurgo
 Rooftoppers - Katherine Rundell
 The Machine Gunners - Robert Westall
 The Penalty - Mal Peet
 The Tulip Touch - Anne Fine
 Skellig - David Almond
 Northern Lights - Philip Pullman
 Noughts and Crosses - Malorie Blackman
 Shackleton's Journey - William Grill
 Jane, the Fox & Me by Fanny Britt - Illustrated by Isabelle Arsenault. Translated by Christelle Morelli
 and Susan Ouriou
 The Executioner's Daughter by Jane Hardstaff
 Knightley and Son by Rohan Gavin
 A monster calls - Patrick Ness
 The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe - CS Lewis
 Truckers - Terry Pratchett
 Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone - JK Rowling
 The Hobbit - JRR Tolkien
 Whale Boy - Nicola Davies
 Midnight for Charlie Bone - Jenny Nimmo
 The Spiderwick Chronicles - Holly Black/ Tony DiTerlizzi
 Look into my eyes - Ruby Redfort
 Wonder - R. J. Palacio
 Mission Survival: Claws of the Crocodile - Bear Grylls
 Young Samurai - Chris Bradford
 Soldier Dog - Sam Angus
 Discworld series - Terry Pratchett
 Young Bond - Charlie Higson
 The Wolves of Willoughby Chase - Joan Aiken

From 'Read for My School'

1. Historical Fiction

- *A Twist of Fortune*, Barbara Mitchelhill (Andersen Press)
- *Diary of Dorkius Maximus*, Tim Collins (Buster Books)
- *Maisie Hinchins: The Case of the Stolen Sixpence*, Holly Webb and Marion Lindsay, ill. (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. Real Life

- *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)

Tips for parents

Bestselling author Jeremy Strong on reading with your children

My first tip is to keep helping your child learn to read quite separate from reading for pleasure. Eventually the two will become one of their own accord as your child becomes a more confident reader and the great thing about this is that the vast majority of children can learn a lot about reading without even realising that that is what is happening.

This is how it's done, and it's so utterly simple and pleasurable you may well find yourself looking forward to it. All you have to do is -

1. Read to Your Child.

The more you can read to your child, the better, but the evening bedtime story is often the most appropriate, easiest and most enjoyable moment. Ten minutes is enough with a young child but if you can manage fifteen that would be even better. This is the time to settle on the bed with the child, cuddle up and enjoy whatever book has been chosen. The downside to this, if it is a downside, is that your child will soon pick up favourite books and demand that they are read over and over and over again until you are utterly bored - but your child will love it. Every time you read your child will be hearing new words in the context of a story that makes their meaning clear. They will see the print on the page. I am well aware that you and your partner may have been working all day but is ten to fifteen minutes really too much to ask? You will be giving your child an essential life-long skill - and pleasure.

2. Do not mix learning to read with bedtime reading or reading for pleasure.

Bedtime reading is a time for complete relaxation and preparation for sleep. Imagine for a moment that you are a child still struggling with reading. Your parent is reading a lovely story to you and all of a sudden hands the book over and says: 'Now you read the next page'. Excuse me? Is that a bedtime story? No, it's bedtime torture. Not only does it instantly put the child under pressure, it also destroys the comfy atmosphere you have built up and worst of all it encourages the child to associate pressure and failure with reading books. So many children are put off reading in this way.

3. The right book.

Bedtime reading. Let your child choose the book and don't worry about reading the same one again and again. You can always make an agreement that you should take it in turns to choose a book. If a new book is being introduced and it is quite apparent that the child is not really responding to it, put it aside for another time. It may be too old for them. For example Treasure Island is a great, classic story but hard going for most children under seven, not to mention some older ones too.

4. Don't worry.

Don't worry if your child keeps choosing what you think are very simple books. You are building up their confidence all the time. Children feel safe with much loved books. Reading for pleasure is NOT about pushing your child on to the next reading rung at school. It's about what it says on the tin - that word 'pleasure'.

5. What books to choose.

Staff in good bookshops are usually pretty helpful. You can ask them for advice. If you already have some idea about what kind of stories your child likes then that helps.

6. Letting your child choose a book.

When I go into a school to speak about reading and writing there is often a book sale at the end of the day. On several occasions I have seen a child eagerly pick up a book that excites them only for the parent to say: 'Put it back, it's too hard/easy for you'. It makes me want to yell and shout! I don't of course. Sometimes, if the parent has told the child it's too hard I say: 'It would be great for bedtime reading. You can read it to your child. It's not difficult for them to understand.'

And then again, if the parents says it's too easy I sometimes ask the parents if they ever read easy books or magazines. Do they always try to choose something that they think will be good for them or stretch them in some way? What do they read on the beach?

There are only a few times when a parent should prevent a book being read: when it is obviously way too old for them or when the content is inappropriate. (Quite often these two go hand in hand.) No book is too silly or too young. Lots of pictures? No problem. Our country publishes the best children's books in the world and our picture books are wonderful. If you find your child engrossed in one don't take it away because you think it's too young. Talk to them about why they like it so much. Feed their enthusiasm, don't stamp on it!

Sometimes it's good to discuss the book with your child. Talk about the pictures and what's

happening? What's your favourite part? Why do you think so-and-so felt like that/did that/said that? Just don't let things get too heavy!

7. The Pleasure Principle.

I can't say this often enough. Reading for pleasure should be exactly that. Show how much you enjoy books. Make sure your child sees you and your partner if you have one, reading. Dads have a particularly important role to play here with boys. If you want your boy to enjoy reading, enjoy it yourself. What do you do to get your boy interested in your favourite football team? Maybe you take him to matches. So you want your boy to read. Read to him. It's the same principle.

8. What's the point?

The point is very simple. I hope you can see that reading with your child can be such a lovely, easy and positive experience, especially at bedtime. Your child will feel safe with reading and gradually the educational side of reading will fade away as your child becomes a strong, competent reader. Finally, you can be proud of what *you've* done. You have given your child a wonderful foundation to build on and a love of books that will last for the rest of their lives; a love that will open doors, broaden their horizons, help them make friends and inform every minute of their lives from there on.

An afterword for parents with dyslexic children.

Most of the above advice also applies to dyslexic children. After all, you are reading to your child. However, there are books available specifically for dyslexic children, written by excellent authors who produce stories that are not the least bit patronising. Barrington Stoke are a publisher that specialise in this and have been hugely successful. They have a good website.

100 BEST BOOKS Which is your number 1?

0-5 years

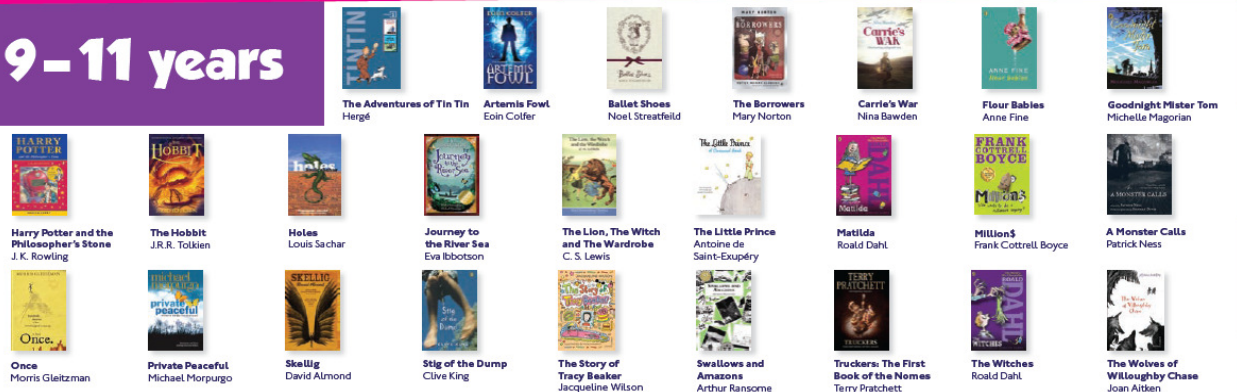


6-8 years

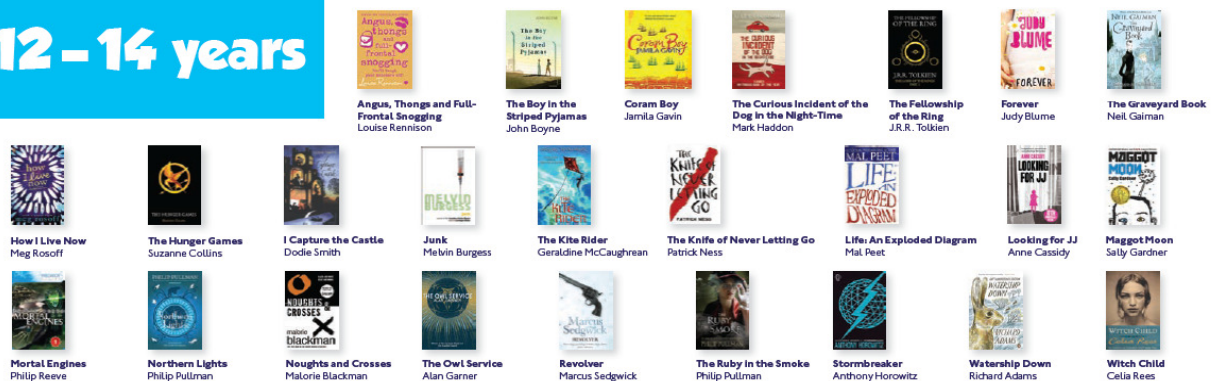


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9-11 years



12-14 years



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