

Books shouldn't be daunting, they should be funny, exciting and wonderful; and learning to be a reader gives a terrific advantage."

- Roald Dahl



At Millfields Primary School, we want to ensure our children have a love of reading. Reading develops imagination, creativity, vocabulary and helps provide understanding of the world around them.

We believe it is important for all children to read a range of books, therefore we have created a suggested book list for each year group. This is by no means an extensive list but should be used as a starting point. The children should be able to read the books independently, within their year group, however we believe it would be a great opportunity for you to share and enjoy these books together at home.

Don't Forget...

"If you are going to get anywhere in life you have to read a lot of books."

- Roald Dahl



Happy Reading



Recommended Books for Reception



Author	Title
A.A.Milne	Winnie the Pooh 
Beatrix Potter	The Tale of Peter Rabbit 
Bill Martin Jnr	Brown Bear, Brown Bear. What Do You See?
David McKee	Not Now Bernard 
Eileen Browne	Handa's Surprise
Elfrida Vipont and Raymond Briggs	The Elephant and the Bad Baby
Eric Carle	The Very Hungry Caterpillar 
Eric Hill	Where's Spot
Fausten Charles and Mike Terry	The Selfish Crocodile
Hans Christian Anderson	The Princess and the Pea
Michael Rosen and Helen Oxenbury	We're going on a Bear Hunt 
Jez Alborough	Where's my Teddy
Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler	The Gruffalo 
Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler	A Squash and a Squeeze
Lauren Child	I will never eat a Tomato 
Marcus Pfister	The Rainbow Fish
Martin Waddell	Farmer Duck 
Martin Waddell and Patrick Benson	Owl Babies 
Martin Waddell and Penny Dale	Once there were Giants
Maurice Sendak	Where the Wild Things Are 
Nick Butterworth	Q Pootle 5 in Space
Nick Butterworth	One Snowy Night
Pam Adams	There was an Old Lady who Swallowed a Fly
Pat and Laurence Hutchkins	Rosie's Walk
Rod Campbell	Dear Zoo
Sam McBratney and Garth Williams	Guess How Much I Love You
Shirley Hughes	Dogger 










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Recommended Books for Year 1



Author	Title
Aleksei Tolstoy	The Gigantic Turnip
Alexis Deacon	Beegu 
Allan Ahlberg	Funny Bones 
Anthony Browne	Silly Billy
Arnold Lobel	Frog and Toad are Friends
Chris Haughton	Oh No, George!
Chris Riddell	Emperor of Absurdia
Dr Seuss	The Cat in the Hat
Hayley Acreman	Found You Rabbit!
Jez Alborough	My Friend Bear
Jill Murphy	The Large Family Collection
Jill Murphy	Peace at Last 
Jill Tomlinson	The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark
John Burningham	Avocado Baby
Jon Klassen	This is not My Hat
Judith Kerr	The Tiger Who Came to Tea 
Julia Donaldson	The Smartest Giant in Town
Julia Donaldson	The Gruffalo's Child
Julia Donaldson	What the Ladybird Heard
Lauren Child	Charlie and Lola series
Lemony Snicket	The Dark
Lynley Dodd	Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy 
Mairi Hedderwick	Katie Morag Series
Mary Hoffman	Amazing Grace 
Michael Bond	A Bear called Paddington 
Nick Butterworth	The Whisperer
Oliver Jeffers	Lost and Found
Quentin Blake	Mister Magnolia
Quentin Blake	Mrs Armitage on Wheels
Ruth Brown	A Dark Dark Tale 

The children could also read Traditional Nursery Rhymes, Traditional Fairy Tales and the Children's First Encyclopaedia.



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Recommended Books for Year 2



Author	Title
Allan Ahlberg	Mrs Wobble the Waitress
Allan Ahlberg and Janet Ahlberg	The Jolly Postman 
Anne Fine	The Diary of a Killer Cat
Anthony Browne	Zoo 
Anthony Browne	Voices in the Park 
Dav Pilkey	The Adventures of Captain Underpants
Dick King-Smith	The Guard Dog
Dick King-Smith	Emily's Legs
Drew Daywalk	The Day the Crayons Quit 
Dr. Seuss	Green Eggs and Ham 
Gareth Edwards	The Disgusting Sandwich
Ian Whybrow	Little Wolf's Book of Badness
Inga Moore	Six Dinner Sid
Jan Fearnley	Mr Wolf's Pancakes
Jeremy Strong	Pirate School: Just a bit of Wind
Judith Kerr	Mog Stories
Kim Lewis	Friends
Mary Hoffman and Caroline Binch	Grace and Family
Max Velthuijjs	Frog is Frog
Peta Coplans	Frightened Fred
Roald Dahl	The Magic Finger
Roald Dahl	George's Marvellous Medicine
Roald Dahl	The Giraffe, Pelly and Me
Robert Wells	IS a Blue Whale the Biggest Thing there is?
Sarah Bee	The Yes
Ursula Moray Williams	Gobbolino the Witch's Cat

The children could also read First Encyclopaedia of Science / Human Body / Animals / Seas and Oceans, as well as Watts famous People Series: Florence Nightingales or Louis Braille



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Recommended Books for Year 3



Author	Title
Allan Ahlberg	Please Mrs Butler
Anne Fine	Bill's New Frock
Caroline Binch	Gregory Cool
David Roberts	Dirty Bertie
Dick King-Smith	The Sheep-Pig 
Dick King-Smith	The Hodgeheg
E B White	Charlotte's Web
Enid Blyton	The Naughtiest Girl in the School (series)
Enid Blyton	Secret Seven (series)
Enid Blyton	Famous Five (series)
Enid Blyton	The Magic Faraway Tree 
Francesca Simon	Horrid Henry (series)
Humphrey Carpenter	Mr Majeika
Jacqueline Wilson	Lizzie Zipmouth
Jeff Brown	Flat Stanley 
Jeremy Strong	The Hundred Mile an Hour Dog
Jeremy Strong	Viking at School
Jeremy Strong	My Brother's Famous Bottom
Lucy Daniel	Animal Ark (series)
Lynne Reid Banks	The Indian in the Cupboard
Margery Williams	The Velveteen Rabbit 
Michael Morpurgo	Cool
Michael Morpurgo	The Butterfly Lion
Michael Morpurgo	Billy the Kid
Michael Morpurgo	The Gentle Giant
Phyllis Arkle	Railway Cat
Raymond Briggs	Fungus the Bogeyman
Roald Dahl	The Twits
Roald Dahl	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory 
Roald Dahl	George's Marvellous Medicine
Roald Dahl	The BFG
Roald Dahl	Esio Trot 



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Recommended Books for Year 4



Author	Title
Allan Ahlberg	It was a Dark and Stormy Night
Andrew Cope	Spy Dog
Andy Stanton	You're a Bad Man Mr Gum
C S Lewis	The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe 
Clive King	Stig of the Dump 
Colin Dann	The Animals of Farthing Wood
Cressida Cowell	How to Train your Dragon
Erich Kastner	Emil and the Detectives
Frank Cottrell Boyce	Chitty Chitty Bang Bang Flies Again
Gillian Cross	The Demon Headmaster
Heather Dyer	The Boy in the Biscuit Tin
Jeff Kinney	Diary of a Wimpy Kid 
Jill Murphy	The Worst Witch 
John Steptoe	Mufaro's Beautiful Daughter
Kenneth Grahame	The Reluctant Dragon
Kevin Crossley-Holland	Beowulf
Lauren Child	Utterly Me, Clarice Bean
Lewis Carroll	Alice's Adventures in Wonderland 
Michael Morpurgo	The Dancing Bear
Philip Pullman	The Firework-Maker's Daughter
Philip Reeve	Oliver and the Seawigs
Philippa Pearce	Dog so Small
Pippa Goodhart	Flow
Roald Dahl	James and the Giant Peach
Roald Dahl	Matilda 
Roald Dahl	Fantastic Mr Fox
Roald Dahl	Danny the Champion of the World
Robert Leeson	Smart Girls
Robert O'Brien	Mrs Frisby and the Rats of Nimh
Sally Gardner	Operation Bunny
Steve Cole	Magic Ink
Ted Hughes	The Iron Man 







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Recommended Books for Year 5



Author	Title
A F Harrold	Fizzlebert Stump
Alan Garner	The Owl Service
Anna Sewell	Black Beauty 
Anthony Horowitz	The Diamond Brothers (series)
Arthur Ransome	Swallows and Amazons
Beverley Naidoo	The Other side of Truth
Beverley Naidoo	Journey to Jo'burg
Charles Dickens	A Christmas Carol
Cornelia Funke	Dragon Rider
Cressida Cowell	How to Train your Dragon (series)
Eoin Colfer	Artemis Fowl
Eva Ibbotson	Journey to the RiverSea 
Garth Nix	Mister Monday
Jacqueline Wilson	The Story of Tracey Beaker
Jacqueline Wilson	Double Act
Jacqueline Wilson	Vicky Angel
Jacob Grimm and Wilhelm Grimm	Grimm's' Fairy Tales
Kenneth Grahame	The Wind in the Willows 
Lemony Snicket	A Series of Unfortunate Events
Liz Pichon	Tom Gates (series)
Louisa May Alcott	Little Women
Malorie Blackman	Pig Heart Boy 
Michael Morpurgo	Walter and Me
Michael Morpurgo	All Alone on a Wide, Wide Sea
Moris Gleitzman	Blabbermouth
Philip Pullman	Northern Lights
Philip Pullman	Aladdin and the Enchanted Lamp
Philip Pullman	The Adventures of the New Cut Gang
Richard Adams	Watership Down
Ross Montgomery	Alex, The Dog and the Unopenable Door
Tony DiTerlizzi and Holly Black	The Spiderwick Chronicles
















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Recommended Books for Year 6



Author	Title
Alfred Noyes	The Highwayman 
Andrew Lane	Young Sherlock
Anthony Horowitz	Stormbreaker
Charles Dickens	Oliver Twist
Charlie Higson	Young Bond
Daniel Defoe	Robinson Crusoe
David Almond	Skellig
E Nesbit	The Railway Children 
Eoin Colfer	Artemis Fowl
F Baum	The Wizard of Oz
J M Barrie	Peter Pan
JRR Tolkien	The Hobbit 
Leon Garfield	Shakespeare Stories 
M Norton	The Borrowers 
Malorie Blackman	Cloud Busting 
Mark Haddon	The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time
Mark Twain	The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn
Michael Morpurgo	Private Peaceful
Michael Morpurgo	War Horse 
Michelle Magorian	Goodnight Mister Tom 
Morris Gleitzman	Boy Overboard
Neil Gaiman	Caroline 
Nina Bawden	Carrie's War
Otto Frank	Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl
Philip Pullman	Clockwork 
Rick Riordan	Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief 
Robert Louis Stevenson	Treasure Island 
Robert Louis Stevenson	Kidnapped 
Rudyard Kipling	Jungle Book
Suzanne Collins	The Hunger Games
Terry Deary	The Woeful Second World War



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*Recommended
Non-Fiction Books*



Year 3 and 4

Author	Title
Glenn Murphy	Why is Snot Green
John Foster and Korky Paul	Dragon Poems
Tracey Turner and Sally Kindberg	History of Space
Marcia Williams	Greek Myths for Young Children

Year 5 and 6

Author	Title
Adrian Dingle and Simon Basher	The Periodic Table
Andrew Marr	Who's in Charge
Anna Claybourne	100 Most Deadly Things on the Planet
Bradley Wiggins	My Story
DK	Everything you need to Know about Sharks
Dr Chris and Dr Xand	Operation Ouch: Your Brilliant Body
Jon Richards	The World in Infographics: Animal Kingdom
M Oliver	Off With their Heads
Marcia Williams	Three Cheers for Inventors
Michael Rosen	Fantastic Mr Dahl
Richard Dredge	World's Fastest Cars
Sally Tagholm	Brilliant Bugs
Scott Forbes	Not For Parents: Dinosaur Hunters
The Brainwaves	How Nearly Everything Was Invented
Tony Robinson	Tony Robinson's Weird World of Wonders