

Ashlawn School Transition Summer
Reading Project 2024



Good Reading

Fiction books aren't the only sort of reading material that will help you improve your reading ability.

Reading these will help:



Newspaper

You could read newspapers or articles about topics that interest you—think about the sports or celebrity section.



Websites

You could read news websites like the BBC, Newsround or read your local news online. You could research topics that you are interested in.



Non-fiction

You could read whole autobiographies/biographies. Pick people who inspire you. In addition, you could pick instructional books that help you develop your skills or informative books.



Magazines

You could read a magazine about a topic you are interested in.



Graphic Novels

You could read a graphic novel which combines writing with pictures.



Audio Books

You could listen to an audio book (YouTube and Audible have some free books). You could listen while reading the book or on its own.

What Does The Summer Reading Challenge Involve?

To encourage frequent reading, we are setting some challenges for our students, with awards for those who do well.

2 Point Challenges:

- Read a book someone else has recommended
- Recommend a book that someone else then reads
- Discuss a book with someone else who has read it
- Read a book to someone else (e.g. brother or sister)
- Write a book review/ critique

3 Point Challenges:

- Learn a favourite poem by heart
- Read a sequel to a book you've already read
- Read a book from the Key Authors list
- Read a book and watch the film that goes with it

5 Point Challenges:

- Read a book from the Top 10 booklist
- Read your parent's/carer's favourite childhood book

10 Point Challenge:

- Read a book from the Classics list.

You can show that you have completed these challenges by completing any of the activities on the next page. Or you could be creative and come up with your own ways (a drama piece, a freeze frame etc.)

You must bring your completed activities with you on the first day of school in September and hand it in to your form tutor. You can complete them on plain paper, lined paper, Word or PowerPoint.

Evidence

Below are some ways that you could evidence the reading that you do over the summer. If you find another way and want to evidence it that way, you can! You could film a book review, create a drama piece, a tableau, a radio interview, a poster – be as creative as you can be.

Summarise the story in 150 words.	Write a review of the book.	Draw a picture of an event in the story you enjoyed.	Re-write the ending of the story.
Explain the themes (key ideas) and the moral message of the book.	Write a postcard from a character in the book to a friend.	Write the first chapter of the sequel to the book.	Re-write an event in the book, changing it from positive to negative or vice versa.
Write a diary entry from the point of view of one of the characters.	Redesign the book's front cover.	Write a poem inspired by a book you have Read.	Storyboard an event in the story you found interesting.
Write an event in the story as a play script.	Create a poster on the famous person you have read about.	Write a recommendation to a friend.	Write a letter to the author of the book telling them what you enjoyed.

Classics

Why not try something different and go for one of these older 'classic' texts? Or one of the recommended authors below?



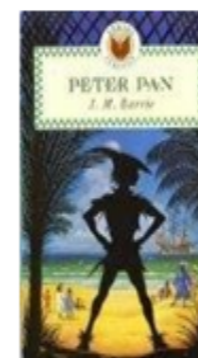
Alice's Adventures in Wonderland
By Lewis Carroll



The Hobbit
By J. R. R. Tolkien



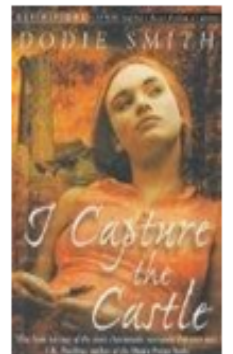
Just William
By Richmal Crompton



Peter Pan
By J. M. Barrie



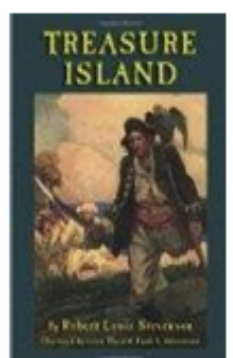
A Christmas Carol
By Charles Dickens



I Capture the Castle
By Dodie Smith



Mary Poppins
By Pamela L. Travers



Treasure Island
By Robert Louis Stevenson

Popular Authors



Malorie Blackman



Judy Bloom



Roald Dahl



Anne Fine



Anthony Horowitz



Michael Morpurgo



Robert Swindells



Jacqueline Wilson



Bali Rai



Alex Wheatle



Philip Pullman



Neil Gaiman

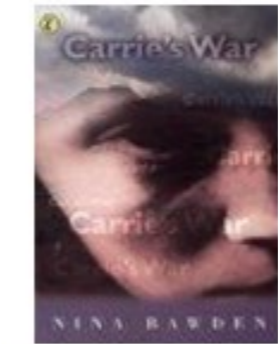
Top 20 Reading List



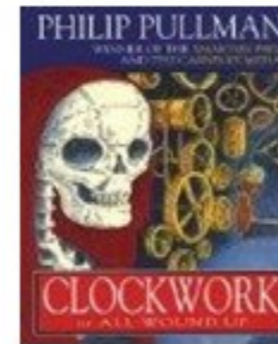
A Series of Unfortunate Events
By Lemony Snicket



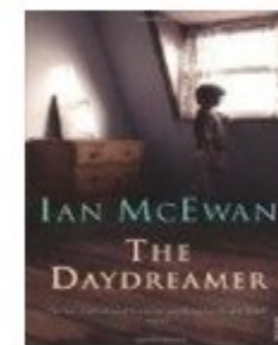
The Borrowers
By Mary Norton



Carrie's War
By Nina Bawden

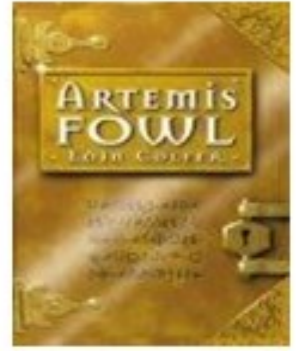


Clockwork
By Philip Pullman

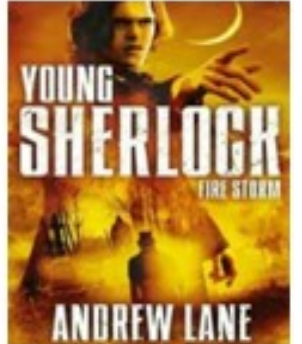


The Daydreamer
By Ian McEwan

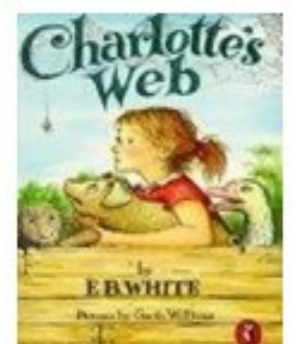
Artemis Fowl
By Eoin Colfer



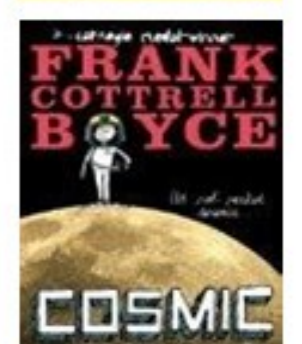
The Young Sherlock
By Andrew Lane



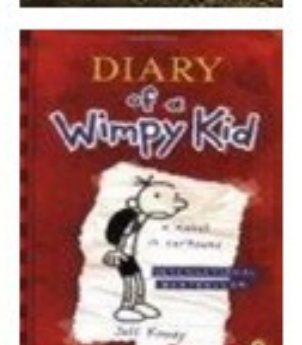
Charlotte's Web
By E. B. White



Cosmic
By Frank Cottrell Boyce



Diary of a Wimpy Kid
By Jeff Kinney



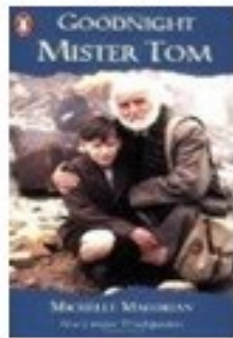
More Books!

Year 7 recommended reading list for children aged 11-12

The Year 7 reading list contains books suitable for children aged 11-12 in secondary school KS3 classes. These titles consist of a range of fiction and non-fiction for all ability ranges including the more able. This list of books is updated termly and contains stories by A.M Dassu, Mitch Johnson, Lisa Thompson, Gillian Cross, Malorie Blackman, R.J Palacio, Philip Pullman, Catherine Johnson, Michael Morpurgo and more.

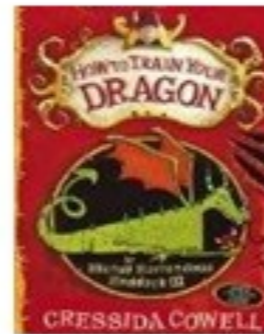
www.schoolreadinglist.co.uk

<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/reading-lists-for-ks3-pupils/suggested-reading-list-for-year-7-pupils-ks2-age-11-12/>



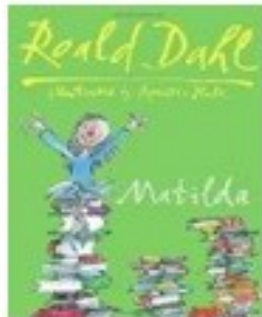
Goodnight Mister Tom
By Michelle Magorian

How to Train Your Dragon
By Cressida Cowell



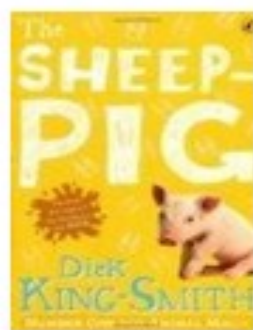
The Hunger Games
By Suzanne Collins

The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe
By C. S. Lewis



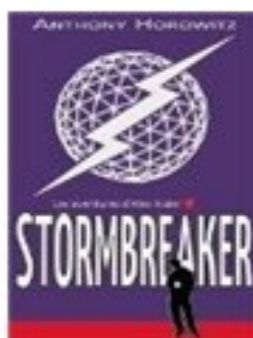
Matilda
By Roald Dahl

Private Peaceful
By Michael Morpurgo



The Sheep-Pig
By Dick King-Smith

Skellig
By David Almond



Stormbreaker
By Anthony Horowitz

There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom
By Louis Sachar

