



Year Three Reading List

Some books will be ideal for children to read independently, others will be perfect for reading together. As ever with reading, what matters is what you enjoy. We hope this list provides some help for you in making your choices.

Of course, if you read something wonderful not on this list, let us know and we will add it to the next version!

It's a particularly wonderful thing to encourage your child to return to the picture books they enjoyed when they were little. Picture books are often rich in imagery, subtext and sometimes even metaphor and the best reward re-reading at any age.

Books marked * or ** are very difficult, challenging books, best read aloud to Y3 age children but which very confident readers might like to try.

*Winnie the Pooh – AA Milne

*The House at Pooh Corner – AA Milne

**The Wind in the Willows – Kenneth Grahame (the original is long and beautiful, but very challenging. There are many edited versions around)

**Alice in Wonderland – Lewis Carroll (as with the above book, this is difficult for a child to read alone)

*Just So Stories – Rudyard Kipling

Cautionary Tales – Hilaire Belloc

*The Borrowers – Mary Norton

*Five Children and It – E Nesbit

*Stig of the Dump – Clive King (recommended by a number of Moor Park teachers, who loved this book as children)

*The Secret Garden – Frances Hodgson Burnett

*The Railway Children – E Nesbit

*Charlotte's Web – EB White

The Faraway Tree - Enid Blyton

What Katy Did - Susan Coolidge

Angelina Ballerina – Katharine Holabird and Helen Craig

Peter Rabbit (series) – Beatrix Potter

Thomas the Tank Engine (series) – Rev W Awdry.

Mr Men and Little Miss (series) – Roger Hargreaves (These are a bit harder to read than you think. They are great to read with children because you can act parts of them out and do different voices!)

The Cat in the Hat - Dr Seuss

The BFG – Roald Dahl

The Magic Tree House (series) – Mary Pope Osborne (historical fiction)

Battersea Dogs' and Cats' Home (series)– Sarah Hawkins (animals storie)

The Trumpet of the Swan –EB White

Hairy Maclary - Lynley Dodd

The Large Family Collection - Jill Murphy

Charlie and Lola - Lauren Child

Hrry the Poisonous Centipede - Lynne Reid Banks

Flat Stanley – Jeff Banks

The Cat Who Lost His Purr - Michelle Coxon

Frightened Fred - Peta Coplans

The Adventures of Captain Underpants - Dav Pilkey

The Diary of a Killer Cat - Anne Fine

Mrs Wobble the Waitress - Allan Alhberg

George's Marvellous Medicine - Roald Dahl

Time Train to the Blitz – Sophie McKenzie – time travel and war history

The Giraffe, Pelly and Me - Roald Dahl

The Worst Witch – Jill Murphy

The Hundred Mile-an-hour Dog – Jeremy Strong

Fungus the Bogeyman – Raymond Briggs

Into the Forest – Anthony Browne

Sam's Duck – Michael Morpurgo

The Sheep Pig – Dick King-Smith

Revolting Rhymes – Roald Dahl

Horrid Henry's Big Bad Book – Francesca Simon

Aladdin and the Enchanted Lamp – Philip Pullman

Pippi Longstocking – Astrid Lindgren and Tony Ross

The Ice-Cream Dragon - Jenni Fleetwood

Whatever Next?! - Jill Murphy

The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark - Jill Tomlinson

Pongwiffy by Kaye Umansky

Fantastic Mr Fox – Roald Dahl

Angry Arthur – Hiawyn Oram

Changes – Anthony Browne

The Boy Who Grew Flowers – Jen Wojtowicz and Steve Adams (This is quite a challenging book in many different ways and is about difference)

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