Recommended Reads For Year 6





The Wolves of Willoughby Chase by Joan Aiken

There are wolves outside the walls of Willoughby Chase, but for cousins Bonnie & Sylvia, the real danger lies inside.



Skellig by David Almond

Exploring a ramshackle garage with his new-found friend, Mina, Michael discovers a strange, magical creature



Carrie's War by Nina Bawden During WW2, Carrie & her younger brother Nick

are evacuated to Wales & billeted with the fierce old Mr Evans and his mousy sister, Louise.



Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer

Twelve-year-old criminal mastermind Artemis Fowl hatches an ingenious plot to steal all the gold in fairy land.



Once by Morris Gleitzman

Morris Gleitzman brings heart & humour to the difficult subject of the Holocaust in this ground-breaking children's book.



Goodnight Mister Tom by Michelle Magorian Willie Beech, a lonely & deprived child, is

evacuated to a tiny English village just before the Second World War, & finds himself living with reclusive widower Thomas Oakley.



Private Peaceful by Michael Morpurgo Set during World War I, *Private Peaceful* charts eight hours in the life of Tommo, a young soldier at the Front.



A Monster Calls by Patrick Ness Connor's mum has cancer & life is changing. There is the nightmare, then there is school, where people avoid him, or persecute him. And then there is the immense, mythic Monster!



The Hobbit by J R R Tolkien This well-loved fantasy story has delighted readers

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Cogheart by Peter Bunzl

Lily's life is in mortal peril. Her father is missing and now silver-eyed men stalk her through the shadows. What could they want from her? With her friends, Lily is plunged into a murky and menacing world. Too soon Lily realizes that those she holds dear may be the very ones to break her heart...



Five Children & The Western Front by Kate Saunders.

This book is an incredible, heart-wrenching sequel to E. Nesbit's Five Children and It, set on the eve of the First World War.



The Borrowers by Mary Norton

The Borrowers are tiny people who live in the secret places of old houses - behind the mantelpiece, inside the harpsichord, under the kitchen clock.



Holes by Louis Sachar

Stanley Yelnats' family has a history of bad luck, so he is not entirely surprised when a miscarriage of justice sends him to the Camp Green Lake Juvenile Detention Centre.



Ballet Shoes by Noel Streatfeild

First published in the 1930s, this classic story of three very different girls who work hard to master their talents has captivated children's imaginations for decades



Eren by Simon P Clark

A deceptively dark story about a boy taken by his mum to live in the country after a family drama. Eren is the strange magical creature that lives in the attic. The strange & unpredictable twists will keep you reading until the end.



The Railway Children by E Nesbit

A classic story of adventure and loss. Three children & their mother leave London to live in the country. Will they discover the mystery of the disappearance of their father?



Lion Boy by Zizou Corder

Charlie can speak to cats –every type of catseven lion. He sets out on a perilous journey to find his kidnapped parents who have found a cure for asthma. Can his circus animal friends protect him from being captured before he finds



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The Other Side of The Truth by Beverley Naidoo

Sade & her brother Fami are "illegals". They have fled from Nigeria where their father has been persecuted only to find London harsh and unforgiving land.



The Silver Sword by Ian Seraillier.

Alone and fending for themselves in a Poland devastated by WW2, Jan & his three homeless friends cling to the silver sword as a symbol of hope. As they travel through Europe towards Switzerland, they encounter many hardships and dangers.

War Horse by Micheal Morpurgo

Set in WW1, the story follows Joey's extraordinary journey as he moves through the war, changing and inspiring the lives of all those he meets.

The Adventures of Robin Hood by Roger Lancelyn Green

The classic tale of the mischievous Master of Sherwood Forest, who bedevils the implacable Sheriff of Nottingham during the reign of Richard the Lionhearted.









Room 13 by Robert Swindells

There is no room 13 in the creepy Crow's Nest Hotel, where Fliss is staying. Or is there? For at the stroke of midnight, something peculiar happens to the door of the cupboard next to room I2 & something is happening to Ellie-May, too something very sinister . . .



The Girl of Ink & Stars by Kiran **Millwood-Hargrave**

The world beyond the walls is a monster-filled wasteland - & beneath the dry rivers & smoking mountains, a fire demon is stirring from its sleep. Soon, following Isabella's map, her heart & an

ancient myth, Isabella discovers the true end of her journey: to save the island itself.



The London Eye Mystery By Siobhan Dowd

When Ted & Kat watched their cousin get on board the London Eye, he turned & waved before getting on. After half an hour it landed & everyone trooped off -but not Salim. Where could he have gone?



The Wind Singer by William Nicholson In the walled city state of Aramanth, rules are everything. When Kestrel dares to rebel, her family are sentenced to the harshest punishment.

Desperate to save them, Kestrel learns the secret of the wind singer, & she & her twin set out on a

terrifying journey to the true source of evil that grips Aramanth.



Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar

Children by Ransom Riggs.

For more mature readers. Jacob discovers the ruins of Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children. As he explores its abandoned corridors, it becomes clear that the children who once lived

here, were more than just peculiar; they were dangerous! And, somehow, they may still be alive ...



Sabriel by Garth Nix

Desperate to find her father, & determined to help save the Old Kingdom from destruction by the evil undead, Sabriel endures almost impossible challenges whilst discovering her own supernatural abilities -- and her destiny.



Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz

Forcibly recruited into MI6 after the mysterious death of his guardian, 14-year-old Alex is sent to infiltrate the organization of a sinister billionaire. Within days he's gone from schoolboy to superspy -

& it looks like his first assignment may be his last...



Anne of Green Gables by LM Montgomery

The Cuthberts are in for a shock. They are expecting an orphan boy to help with the work at Green Gables - but a skinny red-haired girl turns up





Little Women by Louisa May Alcott The four March sisters couldn't be more different. But with their father away at war, & their mother working to support the family, they have to rely on one another.



Alice in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll

Alice follows the White Rabbit down a hole & finds herself in Wonderland. Faced with a mad hatter, a grinning cat & a noisy Queen, Alice doesn't know what will happen next.



The Secret Garden by Francis **Hodgson Burnett**

When orphan Mary Lennox is sent to live at lonely Misselthwaite Manor in Yorkshire, she discovers a magical world on the other side of a locked garden door.



The Making of Hugo Cabret by Brian Selznick

Orphan, clock keeper, & thief, 12-year-old Hugo lives in the walls of a busy Paris train station, where his survival depends on secrets & anonymity. But when his world suddenly interlocks with an eccentric girl & her grandfather, Hugo's

undercover life & his most precious secret, are put in jeopardy.



The Dark Is Rising by Susan Cooper It is Midwinter's Eve, the night before Will's 11th birthday. He is about to make a shocking discovery - that he is the last person to be born with the power of the Old Ones, & as a guardian of the Light he must begin a dangerous journey to

vanguish the terrifyingly evil magic of the Dark.



Eagle of the Ninth by Rosemary Sutcliff

For more mature readers. The Ninth Legion marched into the mists of northern Britain & they were never seen again. 4,000 men disappeared & their eagle standard was lost. It's a mystery that's never been solved, until now...

Northern Lights by Philip Pullman

Lyra & her daemon live carefree among scholars of Jordan College, Oxford. The destiny that awaits her will take her to the frozen lands of the Arctic, where witch-clans reign & ice-bears fight. Her extraordinary journey will have immeasurable consequences far beyond her own world...



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Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson

When Jim Hawkins sets sail in search of buried treasure & adventure, he finds himself caught up in a deadly mutiny where he must outwit the pirate Long John Silver in order to stay alive.

Eragon by Christopher Paolini

Overnight, the simple life of young farm boy, Eragon, is changed forever. After finding what appears to be a polished stone in the forest, a dragon is born & he is thrust into a perilous new world of destiny, magic and power.



A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle Criticised by her teachers for doing badly at school & worried about her missing father, Meg is struggling with how wrong her life is when events take a mysterious turn. Together with her friends, she stumbles upon a gap in time through which the

children embark on an amazing & dangerous adventure.

