



Year 4 Recommended Reading List

Suggested texts for children to read and discuss, both independently and with an adult

- *The Firework Maker's Daughter* - Phillip Pullman
- *The Boy in the Tower* - Polly Ho-Yen
- *The Ice Palace* - Robert Swindells
- *The Fastest Boy in the World* - Elizabeth Laird
- *Frindle* - Andrew Clements
- *Why the Whales Came* - Michael Morpurgo
- *Varjak Paw* - S. F. Said
- *Wolf Brother* - Michelle Paver
- *It was a Dark and Stormy Night* - Janet Ahlberg
- *Double Act* - Jacqueline Wilson
- *Stormbreaker* - Anthony Horowitz
- *Stig of the Dump* - Clive King
- *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* - J.K. Rowling
- *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe* - C.S. Lewis
- *Charlotte's Web* - E.B. White
- *Matt's Millions* - Andrew Norris
- *The Saga of Erik the Viking* - Terry Jones
- *The Minpins* - Roald Dahl
- *Noah Barleywater Runs Away* - John Boyne
- *Peter Pan in Scarlet* - Geraldine McCaughrean
- *The Secret History of Tom Trueheart* - Ian Beck
- *The Magician's Elephant* - Kate diCamillo
- *Arthur: The Seeing Stone* - Kevin Crossley-Holland
- *Beowulf* - K Crossley-Holland
- *Platform 13* - Eva Ibbotson

Poetry Collections

- *An Imaginary Menagerie* - Roger McGough
- *The Magic Box: Poems for Children* - Kit Wright
- *The Puffin Book of utterly Brilliant Poetry* - Brian Patten ed.
- *Where the Sidewalk Ends* - Shel Silverstein
- *Werewolf Club Rules* - Joseph Coelho
- *Michael Rosen's A to Z*

Suggested Poems

- *Hill rolling* - Andrew Taylor
- *The Marrog* - R E Scriven
- *Muddy boots* - Philip Paddon
- *How to catch newts* - John Walsh
- *The human tyrants* - Alison Murdoch
- *I am a wasp* - Michael Rosen

Books with high visual to text ratios to generate discussion

- *Leon and the Place Between* - Grahame Baker-Smith
- *Jumanji/The Polar Express* - Chris Van Allsburg
- *The Day I Swapped My Dad for Two Goldfish/ The Wolves in the Walls* -
- Neil Gaiman
- *Flotsam* - David Weisner
- *Gentle Giant* - Michael Morpurgo
- *Sinbad the Sailor* - Marcia Williams
- *The Stinky Cheese Man and other fairly stupid tales* -
- Jon Scieszka and Lane Smith
- *The Day of Ahmed's Secret* - Florence Parry

Real life reading

- *Newspapers* - *First News* / *The Week Junior*
- *Menus*
- *Leaflets*
- *Advertisements*
- *Websites*