



## Year 5 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 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 (extracts year 4)
- *Platform 13* - Eva Ibbotson
- *The Boy in the Tower* - Polly Ho-Yen
- *Danny, Champion of the world* - Roald Dahl
- *The Bag of Bones* - Vivian French
- *Wolf Brother* - Michelle Paver
- *Goodnight Mr Tom* - Michelle Magorian
- *The Lottie Project* - Jacqueline Wilson

- *Aquila* - Andrew Norriss
- *The Voyage of the Dawn Treader* - C S Lewis
- *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban* - J K Rowling
- *Eye of the Wolf* - Daniel Pennac
- *The Doomspell* - Cliff McNish
- *A.N.T.I.D.O.T.E/Cloudbusting* - Malorie Blackman
- *The Wreck of the Zanzibar* - Michael Morpurgo
- *The Messenger Bird* - Ruth Easton
- *Street Child* - Berlie Docherty
- *Phantom Tollbooth* - Norton Juster
- *The Giver* - Lois Lowry
- *Peter Pan in Scarlett* - Geraldine McCaughrean
- *Millions* - Frank Cottrell-Boyce
- *Beowulf* - Kevin Crossley-Holland
- *Little House on the Prairie* - Laura Ingalls-Wilder
- *Wind in the Willows* - Kenneth Grahame
- *Kensuke's Kingdom* - Michael Morpurgo
- *Wolf Brother* - Michelle Paver
- *Inventions of Hugo Cabret/Wonderstruck* - Brian Selznick
- *Mary Poppins* - L H Travers

### Short Story Collections

- *The Princess Blankets* - Carol Ann Duffy
- *Seasons of Splendour* - Madhur Jaffrey
- *Arabian Nights* - Geraldine McCaughrean
- *Oscar Wilde's Stories for Children*
- *Beowulf* - Kevin Crossley Holland
- *Mystery Stories (Kingfisher Story Library)* - Helen Cresswell ed.
- *Beyond the Stars* - Sarah Webb ed.

### Poetry Collections

- *Enormous Smallness (together with selected e.e. Cummings)* - Matthew Burgess
- *Hot Like Fire* - Valerie Bloom
- *Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats* - T.s. Eliot
- *The Highwayman* - Alfred Noyes
- *Sensational* - Roger McGough

## *Suggested Poems*

- *The Bully Asleep* - John Walsh
- *Hot Cake* - Shu his (translated by Arthur Waley)
- *A Small Dragon* - Brian Patten
- *The Knight in Prison* - William Morris
- *My Blood* - Carolyn Ross
- *Lone Dog* - Irene McCloud

## *Books with high visual to text ratios to generate discussion*

- *Night of the Gargoyles* - Eve Bunting
- *The Lost Happy Endings* - Carol Ann Duffy
- *How to Live Forever* - Colin Thompson
- *Mirror* - Jeannie Baker
- *The Wreck of the Zephyr/ The Widow's Broom* - Chris Van Allsburg
- *Journey/Quest/Return* - Aaron Becker
- *Voices in the Park* - Anthony Brown
- *Greenling* - Levi Pinfold
- *The Whale* - Vita and Ethan Murrow
- *Train to Somewhere* - Eve Bunting
- *The Garden* - Dyan Sheldon and Gary Blythe
- *Snow White* - Josephine Poole and Angela Barratt
- *Where the Wild Things Are* - Maurice Sendak

## *Real life reading*

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