

Reading list

Biology Department

Age Range 10+

Earth Matters David de Rothschild

Any book by Gerald Durrell

King Solomon's Ring Konrad Lorenz

Chemistry Department

Age Range 14+

The Radioactive Boy Scout Ken Silverstein

Classics Department

Age Range 10/11+

The Eagle of the Ninth Rosemary Sutcliffe

It is a historical adventure novel for children written by [Rosemary Sutcliff](#) and published in 1954. The story is set in [Roman Britain](#) in the 2nd century AD, after the building of [Hadrian's Wall](#).

Adapted for film and released in 2011.

English Department

Age Range 10/11+

Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation

Troublesome Words Bill Bryson

Accommodating Broccoli in the Cemetery (or why can't anybody spell?) (sic) Vivian Cook

I before E (except after C): Old-school ways to remember stuff Judy Parkinson

My Grammar and I (or should that be "me"?): Old-school ways to sharpen your English Caroline Taggart and J.A.Wines

Eats, Shoots and Leaves Lynne Truss

Talk to the Hand Lynne Truss

Grammar Mary Budzik

Geography Department

Never Eat Shredded Wheat Christopher Somerville (Geography of Britain – written primarily for adults, but easy to follow)

History Department

Age Range 10/11+

The Story of Britain Patrick Dillon

Take me Back Julie Ferris

The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas John Boyne

I am David Anne Holm

When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit Judith Kerr

The Silver Sword Ian Serraillier

Making History by Stephen Fry (14+)

Maths Department

Age Range 10/11+

The Number Devil Hans Magus Enzenberger

Why do buses come in threes? Rob Eastaway

How long is a piece of string? Rob Eastaway

How many socks make a pair? Rob Eastaway

The number mysteries Marcus du Sautoy

1089 and all that David Acheson

Religious Studies Department

Age Range 10/11+

Please note the ages refer to the lower limit – many of the titles are suitable reading for young people and adults.

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe C S Lewis (A must read at each age range, allegory of Christian faith)

The Diary of Anne Frank Anne Frank (Thirteen year old's account of Nazi persecution)

I Am David Anne Holm (Personal courage and faith)

Iggie's House Judy Bloom (Race relations)

Blabbermouth Morris Gleitzman (Overcoming prejudice & disability)

Whispers in the Graveyard Teresa Breslin (A young person's struggle with dyslexia)

Bully Ivone Coppard (Prejudice & disability)

Lord of the Flies William Gerald Golding (A novel about survival and the nature of humankind)

The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas John Boyne (Challenging book about friendship and humanity)

The Boy in the Dress David Walliams (Enjoyable read about prejudice and difference)

Pig Heart Boy Malorie Blackman (Friendship, prejudice and society)

Finding Violet Park Jenny Valentine (Examines the nature of relationships and family)

Broken Soup Jenny Valentine (Excellent look at family relationships)

Library Fiction Recommendations

Jackdaw Summer David Almond

Millions Frank Cottrell Boyce

London Eye Mystery Siobhan Dowd

Once Morris Gleitzman

Asterix Rene Goscinny

Shadow Forest Matt Haig

Journey to the River Sea Eva Ibbotson

Diary of a Wimpy Kid series Jeff Kinney

Love, Aubrey Suzanne LaFleur

Lost Riders Elizabeth Laird

Young Sherlock Holmes series Andrew Lane

The Iron, the Switch and the Broom Cupboard Michael Lawrence

Goodnight Mister Tom Michelle Magorian

The Amazing Maurice and his Educated Rodents Terry Pratchett

Holes Louis Sachar

HIVE series Mark Walden

Gangsta Granny David Walliams

Treasure Island Robert Louis Stevenson

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time Mark Haddon

Wonder by R J Palacio

After Tomorrow by Gillian Cross

Greyhound of a Girl by Roddy Doyle

Fearless by Cornelia Funke

The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman

Theodore Boone series by John Grisham

We were Liars by E Lockhart

Girl, Missing and Running for Her Life by Sophie McKenzie

Mister Creecher by Chris Priestley

Constable and Toop by Gareth P Jones

Itch series by Simon Mayo