

**Year 5- Recommended Reads**

Dear Parent / Carer,

The following list of books come recommended by a number of teacher and literacy experts as being engaging and appealing to young readers of this age.

We would advise parents to read a brief synopsis of any new novel before allowing their child to read it. This is to allow you to make an informed decision as to whether you believe the theme and language of the novel is currently appropriate for your child.

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| **Book Title**  | **Author(s)**  |
| Water Wings  | Morris Gleitzman  |
| Blabbermouth  | Morris Gleitzman  |
| Belly Flop  | Morris Gleitzman  |
| The Diddakoi  | Rumer Godden  |
| Stormbreaker  | Anthony Horowitz  |
| Walter and Me  | Michael Morpurgo  |
| Kensuke’s Kingdom  | Michael Morpurgo  |
| Mister Monday  | Garth Nix  |
| Aquila  | Andrew Norris  |
| Harry and the Wrinklies  | Alan Temperley  |
| The Story of Tracy Beaker  | Jacqueline Wilson  |
| Double Act  | Jacqueline Wilson  |
| Northern Lights  | Philip Pullman  |
| A Christmas Carol  | Charles Dickens  |
| Dragon Rider  | Cornelia Funke  |
| Journey to the River Sea  | Eva Ibbotson  |
| The Owl Service  | Alan Garner  |
| Pig Heart Boy  | Malorie Blackman  |
| Tom’s Midnight Garden  | Philippa Pearce  |
| Watership Down  | Richard Adams  |
| The Wizard of Earthsea  | Ursula K Le Guin  |
| Wolves of Willoughby Chase  | Joan Aiken  |
| Where the Red Fern Grows  | Wilson Rawls  |
| Little Women  | Louisa May Alcott  |
| The Secret Garden  | Frances Hodgson-Burnett  |
| Artemis Fowl  | Eoin Colfer  |
| The Wind in the Willows  | Kenneth Grahame  |
| Anne of Green Gables  | L M Montgomery  |
| Black Beauty  | Anna Sewell  |
| Holes  | Louis Sachar  |
| There’s a Boy in the Girls’ Bathroom  | Louis Sachar  |
| Vicky Angel  | Jacqueline Wilson  |
| The Other Side of Truth  | Beverley Naidoo  |
| Harry Potter series  | J K Rowling  |