

100 Essential Reads for KS2

Following World Book Day, I am delighted to inform you that we have launched an exciting, reading challenge for all pupils in KS2.

At the start of the year, pupils and teachers were asked to name their most loved children's books and all of the responses were compiled to make a list of '100 essential reads for Year 3 & 4' and '100 essential reads Year 5 & 6'.

The 200 chosen books have a little bit of everything! Pupils will find an inspiring mix of new and old classics - tales of trying to fit in, escaping to magical lands, facing prejudice, coming of age and fighting to survive. There are animal stories, pioneer sagas, science-fiction adventures and, of course, beloved classics; a perfect combination for instilling a love of reading in every child.

Our very generous PSA donated a large amount of money to KS2 to enable the school to buy all of the books for each class. We are encouraging all the children in KS2 to read as many of the books in the list as they can.

I have attached a list of the 200 books to help you encourage your child to read some of the books on the list. I hope that you and your child will be able to embrace this challenge.

Happy reading!

Mrs Wright

100 Essential Reads for Year 3 & 4

1. A Little Princess	Frances Hodgson Burnet
2. A World of Information	Richard Platt
3. Alison Hubble	Allan Ahlberg and Bruce Ingham
4. Bad Guys	Aaron Blabey
5. Belonging	Jeannie Baker
6. Bill's New Frock	Anne Fine
7. Billionaire Boy	David Walliams
8. Carbonel	Barbara Sleigh
9. Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	Roald Dahl
10. Charlotte's Web	E.B. White
11. Cliffhanger	Jacqueline Wilson
12. Dead Man's Cove	Lauren St John
13. Demon Dentist	David Walliams
14. Diary Of A Wimp Kid Collection	Jeff Kinney
15. Dragons at Crumbling Castle	Terry Pratchett
16. Eric Appleby: Zero to Hero	Dan Worsley
17. Erica's Elephant	Sylvia Bishop
18. Fairy Tales	Terry Jones
19. Fantastically Great Women Who Changed The World	Kate Pankhurst
20. Fergus Crane	Paul Stewart/Chris Riddell
21. Firebird	Saviour Pirotta
22. Flat Stanley	Jeff Brown
23. Fly, Eagle Fly!	Christopher Gregorowski
24. Frindle	Andrew Clements
25. Goodly and Grave	Justine Windsor
26. Gorilla	Anthony Browne
27. Goth Girl and the Ghost of a Mouse	Chris Ridell
28. Gregory Cool	Caroline Birch
29. Horrid Henry	Francesca Simon
30. How to Train Your Dragon	Cressida Cowell
31. I Am Not A Loser Collection	Jim Smith
32. Ice Palace	Robert Swindells
33. Krindlekrax	Philip Ridley
34. Lizzie Dripping	Helen Cresswell
35. Malkin Moonlight	Emma Cox
36. Mouse Noses on Toast	Darren Fletcher
37. Noah Barleywater Runs Aways	John Borne
38. Olga de Polga	Michael Bond
39. Oliver and the Seawigs	Phillip Reeve
40. Operation Gadgetman!	Malorie Blackman
41. Ottoline Collection	Chris Riddell
42. My Headteacher is a Vampire Rat	Pamela Butchart

43. Pippi Longstocking	Astrid Lindgren
44. Running On The Roof Of The World	Jess Butterworth
45. Secrets According to Humphrey	Betty G. Birney
46. Sky hawk	Gill Lewis
47. Stuart Little	E B White
48. Tales Of A Fourth Grade Nothing	Judy Blume
49. That Pesky Rat	Lauren Child
50. The 13-Storey Treehouse Collection	Andy Griffiths
51. The Accidental Prime Minister	Tom McLaughlin
52. The Adventures of Captain Underpants	Dav Pilkey
53. The Adventures of the Wishing-Chair	Enid Blyton
54. The Battle of Bubble and Squeak	Phillips Pearce
55. The Bookshop Girl	Sylvia Bishop
56. The Boy Who Biked The World	Alastair Humphreys
57. The Boy who swam with piranhas	David Almond
58. The Boy Who Went Magic	AP Winters
59. The Brilliant World of Tom Gates	Liz Pichon
60. The Butterfly Lion	Michael Morpurgo
61. The Cat In The Hat	Dr Seuss
62. The Children of Green Knowe	L.M.Boston
63. The Day I Swapped My Dad for Two Goldfish	Neil Gaiman
64. The Falcon's Malteser	Anthony Horowitz
65. The Firework-Maker's Daughter	Phillip Pullman
66. The Giggler Treatment	Roddy Doyle
67. The Great Chocoplot	Chris Callaghan
68. The Great Elephant Chase	Gillian Cross
69. The Hodgeheg HGE2	Dick King-Smith
70. The Hundred Mile an Hour Dog	Jeremy Strong
71. The Imaginary	A F Harrold
72. The Incredible Adventures of Professor Branestawn	Norman Hunter
73. The Iron Man	Ted Hughes
74. The Kick Off	Dan Freedman
75. The Last Castaways	Harry Horse
76. The Legend of Captain Crow's Teeth	Eoin Colfer
77. The Legend of Podkin One Ear	Kieran Larwood
78. The Moonshine Dragon	Cornelia Funke
79. The Person Controller	David Baddiel
80. The Phantom Tollbooth	Norton Juster
81. The Queen's Nose	– Dick King-Smith
82. The Railway Children	E Nesbit
83. The Reluctant Dragon	Kenneth Grahame
84. The Secret of Platform 13	Eva Ibbotson
85. The Silly Book of Side-Splitting Stuff	Andy Seed
86. The Snow Spider	Jenny Nimmo
87. The Sticky Witch	Hillary Mckay

88. The story of Tracy Beaker	Jacqueline Wilson
89. The Tale of Despereaux	Kate DiCamillo
90. The Tinderbox	Hans Christian Andersen
91. The Turbulent Term of Tyke Tiler	Gene Kemp
92. The Whisperer	Nick Butterworth
93. The White Giraffe	Lauren St John
94. The Wolf's Footprint	Susan Price
95. The Wolf wilder	Katherine Randall
96. The Worst Witch	Jill Murphy
97. The Year of Billy Miller	Kevin Henkes
98. Toad Rage	Morris Gleitzmann
99. Ug	Raymond Briggs
100. Varjak Paw	S F Said

100 Essential Reads for Year 5 & 6

1. 101 Poems for Children – Carol Ann Duffy
2. A Girl Called Owl – Amy Wilson
3. A Greyhound of a Girl - Roddy Doyle
4. A Library of Lemons – Jo Cotterill
5. A Long Walk to Water – Linda Sue Park
6. A Monster Calls – Patrick Ness
7. A Series of Unfortunate Events: The Bad Beginning – Lemony Snickett
8. Alex Rider (Storm Breaker) - Anthony Horowitz
9. Alice's Adventures in Wonderland – Lewis Carroll
10. Artemis Fowl – Eoin Colfer
11. Ballet Shoes – Noel Streatfeild
12. Beetle Boy – M.G. Leonard
13. Black Beauty – Anna Sewell
14. Black Powder – Ally Sherrick
15. Boy in the Tower- Polly Ho-Yen
16. Carrie's War – Nina Bawden
17. Clockwork – Phillip Pullman
18. Cloud Busting – Malorie Blackman
19. Cogheart – Peter Bunzi
20. Coraline – Neil Gaiman
21. Five Children and It – E. Nesbit
22. Five Children on the Western Front - Kate
23. Five on a Treasure Island – Enid Blyton
24. Floodland – Marcus Sedgewick
25. Flour Babies – Anne Fine
26. Gaslight – Eloise Williams
27. Goodnight Mr. Tom – Michelle Magorian
28. Grandpa's Great Escape – David Walliams
29. Groosham Grange – Anthony Horowitz

30. Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone – J.K. Rowling
31. Holes – Louis Sacher
32. Howl's Moving Castle – Diana Wynne Jones
33. Ingo – Helen Dunmore
34. Inside Out & Back Again – Thannha Lai
35. Journey to the River Sea – Eva Ibbotson
36. Kensuke's Kingdom – Michael Morpurgo
37. Letters from the Lighthouse - Emma Carroll
38. LionBoy – Zizou Corder
39. Matilda – Roald Dahl
40. Millions – Frank Cottrell-Boyce
41. Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children – Ransom Riggs
42. Mold and the Poison Plot – Lorraine Gregory
43. My Brother is a Superhero – David Solomons
44. Once – Morris Gleitzmann
45. Oranges in No Man's Land – Elizabeth Laird
46. Pax – Sara Pennypacker
47. Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief – Rick Riordan
48. Peter Pan – J.M. Barrie
49. Phoenix – S.F. Said
50. Rooftoppers – Katherine Rundell
51. Room 13 – Robert Swindells
52. Sad Book – Michael Rosen
53. Shadow Forest – Matt Haig
54. Skellig – David Almond
55. Skulduggery Pleasant – Derek Landy
56. Soldier Dog – Sam Angus
57. Stig of the Dump – Clive King
58. Strange Star – Emma Carroll
59. Street Child – Berlie Doherty
60. Swallows and Amazons – Arthur Ransome
61. Sweet Pizza – G.R. Gemin
62. Swimming to the Moon – Jane Elson ????
63. The Amazing Maurice and his Educated Rodents – Terry Pratchett
64. The Borrowers – Mary Norton
65. The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas – John Boyne
66. The Boy who Sailed the Ocean in an Armchair – Lara Williamson
67. The Bubble Boy – Stewart Foster
68. The Crossover – Kwame Alexander
69. The Demon Headmaster – Gillian Cross
70. The Diamond of Drury Lane – Julia Golding
71. The Diary of Anne Frank – Anne Frank
72. The DreamSnatcher – Abi Elphinstone
73. The Fantastic Flying Books of Morris Lessmore – William Joyce
74. The Girl of Ink and Stars – Kiran Millwood Hargraves
75. The Goldfish Boy – Lisa Thompson
76. The Hobbit – J.R.R. Tolkien
77. The Indian in the Cupboard – Lynne Reed Banks
78. The Last Wild – Piers Toarday
79. The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe – C.S. Lewis

80.	The London Eye Mystery – Siobhan Dowd
81.	The Many Worlds of Albie Bright – Christopher Edge
82.	The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane – Kate DiCamillo
83.	The Nowhere Emporium – Ross Mackenzie
84.	The Secret Garden – Frances Hodgson Burnett
85.	The Secret of Nightingale Wood – Lucy Strange
86.	The Suitcase Kid – Jacqueline Wilson
87.	The Wind in the Willows – Kenneth Grahame
88.	The Wind Singer – William Nicholson
89.	The Wolves of Willoughby Chase – Joan Aiken
90.	The Wonderful Wizard of Oz – L. Frank Baum
91.	The Worst Children’s Jobs in History – Tony Robinson
92.	There’s A Boy in the Girls’ Bathroom - Louis Sachar
93.	Time Travelling with a Hamster – Ross Welford
94.	Tom’s Midnight Garden - Phillipa Pearce
95.	Watership Down – Richard Adams
96.	What Katy Did - Susan Coolidge
97.	When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit – Judith Kerr
98.	Who Let The Gods Out? – Maz Evans
99.	Winter Magic – Stories by Various Authors
100.	Wolf Hollow – Lauren Wolk