

Recommended titles for reading for pleasure

If anyone ever questions whether people still read books, all they need to do is watch the numerous TV interviews with medical professionals, politicians, journalists or celebrities from all walks of life; a large proportion are sat in front of huge bookcases groaning under the strain of books books books! There is your answer. People are still reading books and now more than ever is a great opportunity to re-ignite your child's interest in reading.

As I am sure you are aware, reading is one of the most important ways in which we can improve our children's literacy skills as well as connecting them with the world around them, taking them to places they will never visit in reality whilst allowing their imaginations to run wild at every turn of the page. Initially the challenge is to find the right book to ignite that spark of interest especially as there are so many other distractions around.

There is a book out there for everyone, but if your child is not enjoying a book then please don't force them to the end even if you really enjoyed the book yourself. It is important that students take pleasure in reading and associate it with a positive experience rather than a chore.

Here is a selection of books of all abilities that could be of interest to the students of Wey Valley Academy!

Some titles are available online through Amazon and many may already be on your bookshelf at home.

Additionally, there are some free online subscriptions that are being offered for the period of the lockdown such as DC and Marvel comics and the Beano among many.

We encourage you to promote reading for pleasure at home as it is such an important part of your child's progress at school

If you would like any further information or guidance on reading please don't hesitate to contact me.

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Here is a list of books that range in interest and ability

Anything by Roald Dahl

Chitty Chitty Bang Bang Flies Again by F. Cottrel

How To Train Your Dragon by C. Cowell

Fizzleburt Stump by A. F. Harold

Diary of a Wimpy Kid Series by J. Kinney

Captain Underpants by D. Pilkey

The Teenage Years (Dark Lord) by J. Thomson

Billionaire Boy by D. Walliams

Gangsta Granny by D. Walliams

Mr Stink by D. Walliams

Harry Potter series by J.K. Rowling

Anything by M. Morpurgo

Artemis Fowl series by E. Colfer

Thief! By M. Blackman

Dodger by T. Pratchett

The Hunger Games Trilogy by S. Collins

The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkein

The Young Sherlock Holmes Series by A. Lane

I Am Number Four by P. Lore

The Mortal Instruments Series by C. Clare

Sherlock Holmes by A. C. Doyle

The Boy in Striped Pyjamas by J. Boyne

Goodnight Mr Tom by M. Magorian

His Dark Materials Trilogy by P. Pullman

The Inheritance series by C. Paolini

The Invention of Hugo Cabret by B. Selznick

The Lord of the Rings by J.R.R. Tolkein

Wonder by J.R.Palacio

Anything by Jacqueline Wilson

Judy Moody series by A. McDonald
Fire Spell by L. Schlitz
Coraline by N. Gaiman
Stardust by N. Gaiman
The Gallagher Girls Series by A. Carter
Darke by A. Sage
The Book Thief by M. Zusak
Daughter of Smoke and Bone by L. Taylor
The Twilight Trilogy by S. Meyer
Divergent series by V. Roth
Tom Gates series by L. Pichon
Percy Jackson by R. Riordan
Heroes of Olympus by R. Riordan
Alex Rider series by A. Horowitz
Time Riders by A. Scarrow
Young Bond by C. Higgson
The Illuminati Series by D. Shan
Zom-B by D. Shan
Zom-B Underground by D. Shan
Skullduggery Pleasant series by D. Landy
Cherub series by R. Muchamore
Gone series by M. Grant
Lord of the Flies by William Golding

Here are some titles that are excellent reads while also being thought provoking ;

Once by Gleitzman
Can you see me? By Scott and Westcott
The Boy at the Back By OnJali Q Rauf
Bone Sparrow By Zana Fraillon
Wonder By R J Palacio
Pig Heart Boy By Malorie Blackman

All the Things that Could go Wrong by Stewart Foster

Classic Literature

Oliver Twist and Great Expectations by Charles Dickens

Black Beauty by Anne Sewell

Little Women by Louisa May Alcott

Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett

Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson

Call of the Wild and **White Fang** by Jack London

Moonfleet by JM Falkner

Pollyanna by EH Porter

Jungle Book by R Kipling

Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte

Wizard of Oz by F Baum

Sense and Sensibility by Jane Austin

The Railway Children by E Nesbit<https://www.freebooksy.com/read/genre/childrens/>

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