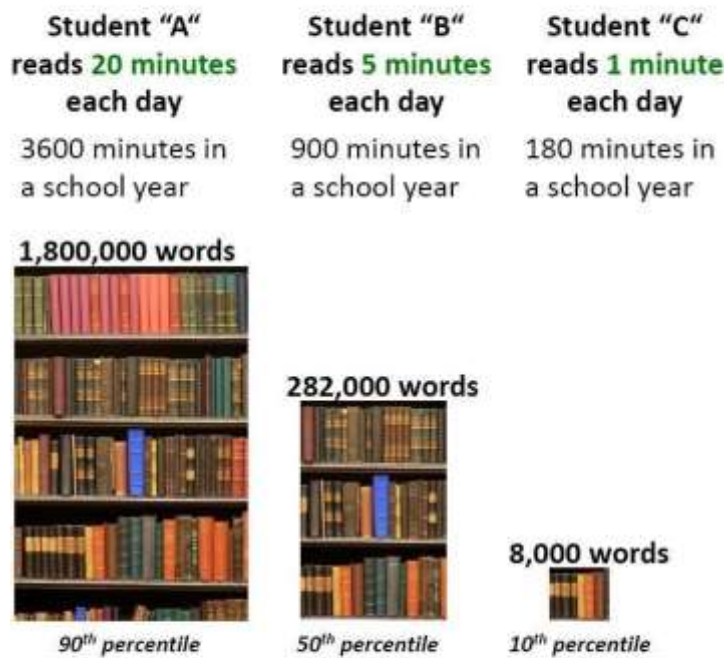


At BGJS, we are extremely passionate about inspiring a love of reading in all of our pupils. Encouraging reading for pleasure is at the forefront of our ethos of a school. Research finds that reading for pleasure can result in increased empathy, improved relationships with others and improved wellbeing. In addition to the health benefits, reading for pleasure has social benefits and can improve our sense of connectedness to the wider community. Reading increases our understanding of our own identity, improves empathy and gives us an insight into the world view of others. Reading regularly also improves pupils' academic potential:

Why Can't I Skip My 20 Minutes of Reading Tonight?



By the end of 6th grade Student "A" will have read the equivalent of 60 whole school days. Student "B" will have read only 12 school days. Which student would you expect to have a better vocabulary? Which student would you expect to be more successful in school...and in life?

(Nagy & Herman, 1987)

These Reading Lists are some *suggested*, age appropriate texts for your child to explore at home. As well as these texts, the following websites also regularly update their lists for recommended reads at KS2:

<https://www.lovereading4schools.co.uk/year-groups>

<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/category/reading-lists-for-ks2-school-pupils/>

<https://www.explorelarning.co.uk/blog/recommended-reading-lists/>

Equality & Diversity in Reading

We feel strongly at BGJS about Equality & Diversity; this is, and always will be, a key priority in our minds. We also feel that education around equality and black and ethnic minority cultures and histories is absolutely pivotal in giving children a range of learning experiences. We want our children to **all** see themselves in our curriculum. This is something that we feel passionately about and as a result we regularly audit the texts we use in school to ensure there are a range of cultures/ethnicities being represented.

Here are some great ideas for texts that celebrate all types of protagonist:



Here are some links with further ideas for books which promote Equality and Diversity:

<https://www.imagineforest.com/blog/one-world-week-childrens-books-about-diversity/>

<https://www.lovereading4kids.co.uk/blog/collections/diverse-voices-childrens-books-that-celebrate-difference-6090>

<https://literarycurriculum.co.uk/blog/post/books-to-reflect-inclusion-diversity-and-equality/>

Year 3

<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>
Please Mrs Butler (poetry)	Allan Ahlberg
Railway Cat	Phyllis Arkle
Where The Forest Meets The Sea	Jeannie Baker
Keeping Henry	Nina Bawden
Whizzwig	Malorie Blackman
The Naughtiest Girl in School	Enid Blyton
Secret Seven Series	Enid Blyton
Famous Five Series	Enid Blyton
Tales of A Fourth Grade Nothing	Judy Blume
Freckle Juice	Judy Blume
Fungus The Bogeyman	Raymond Briggs
Flat Stanley	Jeff Brown
Mr Majeika books	Humphrey Carpenter
Mystery Winklesea	Helen Cresswell
The Twits	Roald Dahl
James and The Giant Peach	Roald Dahl
Matilda	Roald Dahl
Charlie and The Chocolate Factory	Roald Dahl
Fantastic Mr Fox	Roald Dahl
Animal Ark series	Lucy Daniels
Bill's New Frock	Anne Fine
Horrid henry series	Francesca Henry
The Sheep Pig	Dick King Smith
The Hodgeheg	Dick King Smith
The Jenius	Dick King Smith
The Worst Witch series	Jill Murphy
A Dog So Small	Phillippa Pearce
Cool	Michael Morpurgo
The Butterfly Lion	Michael Morpurgo
Billy The Kid	Michael Morpurgo
The Battle of Bubble and Squeak	Phillippa Pearce
Mrs Pepperpot	Alf Proysen
The Indian In The Cupboard	Lynne Reid Banks
The Hundred Mile An Hour Dog	Jeremy Strong
The Return Of The Hundred Mile An Hour Dog	Jeremy Strong
Charlotte's Web	E.B. White
The Sam Pig Story Book	Alison Uttley

Year 4

<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>
The Clothes Horse	Allan Ahlberg
It Was A Dark And Stormy Night	Allan Ahlberg
Fog Hounds Wind Cat Sea Mice	Joan Aiken
A Pot of Gold	Jill Bennett
Gregory Cool	Caroline Binch
Superfudge	Judy Blume
Spacebaby	Henrietta Branford
Alice's Adventures In Wonderland	Lewis Carroll
The Sea Pip Crosser	Helen Cresswell
The Crazy Shoe Shuffle	Gillian Cross
The Demon Headmaster	Gillian Cross
Beowulf	Kevin Crossley-Holland
The BFG	Roald Dahl
My Naughty Little Sister series	Dorothy Edwards
Any Poetry	John Foster
Flow	Pippa Goodhart
The Reluctant Dragon	Kenneth Grahame
Katie Morag stories	Mairi Hedderwick
The Iron Man	Ted Hughes
Little House on The Prairie series	Laura Ingalls Wilder
Brother Eagle, Sister Sky	Susan Jeffers and Chief Seattle
Emil and the Detectives	Erich Kastner
Stig of the Dump	Clive King
The Invisible Dog	Dick King Smith
Saddlebottom	Dick King Smith
Smart Girls	Robert Leeson
Pippi Longstocking	Astrid Lindgren
Sara, Plain and Tall	Patricia MacLachlan
The Ghost Blades	Anthony Masters
The Orchard Book of Creation Stories	Margaret Mayo and Louise Brierly
The Dancing Bear	Michael Morpurgo
The Dragon's Child	Jenny Nimmo
Mrs Frisby and the Rats of Nimh	Robert C O'Brien
The Firework Maker's Daughter	Phillip Pullman
Swallows and Amazons	Arthur Ransome
Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters	John Steptoe
A Child's Garden of Verse	Robert Louis Stevenson
Double Act	Jacqueline Wilson
Lottie Project	Jacqueline Wilson
Suitcase Kid	Jacqueline Wilson
Take A Good Look	Jacqueline Wilson

Year 5

<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>
Watership Down	Richard Adams
Little Women	Louisa May Alcott
Johnnie's Blitz	Bernard Ashley
Pig Heart Boy	Malorie Blackman
Thief!	Malorie Blackman
The Midnight Fox	Betsy Byars
Alice Through The Looking Glass	Lewis Carroll
What Katie Did	Susan Coolidge
Danny the Champion of the World	Roald Dahl
A Christmas Carol	Charles Dickens
Dragon Rider	Cornelia Funke
The Thief Lord	Cornelia Funke
Blabbermouth	Morris Gleitzman
Belly Flop	Morris Gleitzman
Once	Morris Gleitzman
Waterwings	Morris Gleitzman
The Diddakoi	Rumer Godden
The Wind in the Willows	Kenneth Grahame
The Wizard of Earth Sea	Ursula. K Le Guin
The Secret Garden	Frances Hodgson Burnett
Journey to the River Sea	Eva Ibbotson
Just So Stories	Rudyard Kipling
The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe	C.S.Lewis
Back Home	Michelle Magorian
Goodnight Mr Tom	Michelle Magorian
The Girl Of Ink and Stars	Karen Millwood Hargrave
Friend or Foe	Michael Morpurgo
Walter and Me	Michael Morpurgo
War Horse	Michael Morpurgo
The Wreck of Zanzibar	Michael Morpurgo
The Other Side of Truth	Beverly Naidoo
Mister Monday	Garth Nix
Aquila	Andrew Norris
Bedknobs and Broomsticks	Mary Norton
The Borrowers	Mary Norton
Tom's Midnight Garden	Phillippa Pearce
The Amazing Maurice and his Educated Rodents	Terry Pratchett
Johnny Maxwell Trilogy	Terry Pratchett
Where the Red Fern Grows	Wilson Rawls
Harry Potter series	J.K. Rowling
Holes	Louis Sachar

Year 6

<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>
My Story series	Various authors
The Wolves of Willoughby Chase	Joan Aiken
Forgotten Voices of the Second World War	Max Arthur
Peter Pan	J.M.Barrie
Wizard of Oz	F.Baum
Carrie's War	Nina Bawden
Hacker	Malorie Blackman
Knife Edge	Malorie Blackman
Noughts and Crosses	Malorie Blackman
The Chalet School Series	Elinor.M.Brent Dyer
Artemis Fowl	Eoin Colfer
Framed	Franck Cottrell Boyce
Robinson Crusoe	Daniel Defoe
Oliver Twist	Charles Dickens
Children of Winter	Berlie Doherty
A Parcel of Patterns	Berlie Doherty
My Favourite Animal Stories	Gerald Durrell
Anne Frank	Otto Frank
Hitler's Daughter	Jackie French
Inkheart	Cornelia Funke
Boy Overboard	Morris Gleitzman
The Diamond of Drury Lane	Julia Golding
The Alex Rider series (Stormbreaker)	Anthony Horowitz
The Divide	Elizabeth Key
Jungle Book	Rudyard Kipling
Out of The Ashes	Michael Morpurgo
Private Peaceful	Michael Morpurgo
The Railway Children	E. Nesbit
Five Children and It	E. Nesbit
Sabriel	Garth Nix
Bridge to Terabithia	Katherine Paterson
Clockwork	Phillip Pullman
Northern Lights series	Phillip Pullman
The Silver Sword	Ian Serrailier
I Captured the Castle	Dodie Smith
Hurricane Summer	Robert Swindells
Stone Cold	Robert Swindells
The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn	Mark Twain
The Hobbit	J.R.R. Tolkien
Homecoming	Cynthia Voigt
Dragon Keeper	Carole Wilkinson
Chinese Cinderella	Adeline Yen Mah

Year 6 Advanced Readers

<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>
The Case of the Deadly Desperadoes	Caroline Lawrence
The Chronicles of Ancient Darkness	Michelle Paver
The Gods and warriors Series	Michelle Paver
The Inheritance Cycle	Christopher Paolini
The Last Dragon	Chris D'Lacey
White Dolphin	Gill Lewis
Feather Boy	Nicky Singer
Ballet Shoes	Noel Streatfield
Anne of Green Gables	L.M.Montgomery
The Eagle of the Ninth	Rosemary Sutcliffe
A Christmas Carol	Charles Dickens
When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit	Judith Kerr
Sky Hawk	Gill Lewis
Ravenwood	Andrew Peters
Itch	Simon Mayo
The Power of Five	Anthony Horowitz
Tiger Wars	Steve Backshall
The Young Samurai Series	Chris Bradford
Bodyguard:Hostage	Chris Bradford
Grace	Morris Gleitzman
The Sabriel Trilogy	Garth Nix
Moonfleet	J.Meade Faulkner
Treasure Island	R.L.Stevenson
Skellig	David Almond
Smith	Leon Garfield
The Devil in the Fog	Leon Garfield
The Dark is Rising Sequence	Susan Cooper
Watership Down	Richard Adams
The Sword in the Stone	T.H.White
Dolphin Island	Arthur C.Clarke
His Dark Materials Series	Philip Pullman
The Johnny Maxwell Series	Terry Pratchett
The Mortal Engines	Philip Reeve
The Owl Service	Alan Garner
Long Lankin	Lindsey Barraclough
The Troll Trilogy	Katherine Langrish
The Box of Delights	John Masefield
A Stitch in Time	Penelope Lively
Thursday's Children	Rumer Godden