



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have created a list of books to help you support your child's reading development. There is a wealth of children's literature out there, with hundreds of great new reads being published every week. This list is meant as a guide and is by no means exhaustive. This selection has been chosen because these books support children learning to read and in their development as readers. The selection includes a variety of modern and contemporary picture books, short chapter books by celebrated children's authors, quality non-fiction, traditional tales and poetry.

## **Year 1 Recommended Booklist**

The Very Hungry Caterpillar – Eric Carle  
The Bad-Tempered Ladybird – Eric Carle  
We're Going on A Bear Hunt – Michael Rosen  
Lullabyhullaba – Mick Inkpen  
Peace at Last – Jill Murphy  
Funny Bones – Allan Ahlberg  
Cops and Robbers – Allan Ahlberg  
The Gruffalo – Julia Donaldson  
The Smartest Giant in Town – Julia Donaldson  
The Paper Dolls – Julia Donaldson  
A Bear Called Paddington – Michael Bond  
A Lion in the Meadow – Margaret Mahy  
Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Diary by Lynley Dodd  
Owl Babies – Martin Waddell  
A Kitten Called Moonlight – Martin Waddell  
The Emperor of Absurdia – Chris Riddell  
There are Cats in this Book – Viviane Schwarz  
Mister Magnolia – Quentin Blake  
Mrs Armitage on Wheels – Quentin Blake  
Katie Morag's Island Stories by Mairi Hedderwick



My Friend Bear – Jez Alborough  
Avacado Baby – John Burningham  
The Tiger who came to Tea – Judith Kerr  
Meg and Mog – Helen Nichol  
Not Now Bernard – David McKee  
A Dark, Dark Tale – Ruth Brown  
Dogger – Shirley Hughes  
The Trouble with Jack – Shirley Hughes  
I Want My Hat Back – Jon Klassen  
The Dark – Lemony Snicket  
You Can't Take an elephant on the Bus – Patricia Cleveland Peck  
Penguin – Polly Dunbar  
You Choose! – Pippa Goodhart  
Stanley's Stick – Neale Layton  
What to Do If an Elephant Stands on Your Foot – Michelle Robinson  
How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth – Michelle Robinson  
Dinosaurs in the Supermarket! – Timothy Knapman  
The Hodgeheg – Dick King-Smith  
The Cat in the Hat – Dr Seuss  
Charlie and Lola – Lauren Child  
Don't Forget the Bacon – Pat Hutchins  
The Princess and the Pea – Minnie Grey  
The Whisperer – Nick Butterworth  
The Silver Swan – Michael Morpurgo  
The True Story of Three Little Pigs – Jon Scieszka  
The Grandad Tree – Trish Cooke  
Where's My Teddy? – Jez Alborough  
My Friend Bear – Jes Alborough  
What If? – A H Benjamin  
Man on the Moon – Simon Bartram



The Owl Who Was afraid of the Dark – Jill Tomlinson

Out for the Count – Anne Fine

Aliens Love Underpants - Claire Freedman

Dougal the Deep Sea Diver - Simon Bartram

Fairytale News - Colin Hawkins

Giraffes Can't Dance - Giles Andreae

Green Eggs and Ham - Dr Suess

Horrid Henry - Francesca Simon

How to Catch a Star - Oliver Jeffers

How to Hide a Lion - Helen Stephens

Lost and Found - Oliver Jeffers

Oliver's Vegetables - Vivien French

Peace at Last - Jill Murphy

The Scarecrow's Wedding - Julia Donaldson

Superworm - Julia Donaldson

The Blue Balloon - Mick Inkpen

The Christmas Postman - Allan Ahlberg

**Fantastic Picture Books for all:**

A bit lost by Chris Haughton

Man on the Moon (a day in the life of Bob), Simon Bartram

A Child of Books, Oliver Jeffers and Sam Winston

A Friend for Little Bear, Harry Horse

Again, Emily Gravett

Beegu, Alexis Deacon

Chalk, Bill Thomson

Christopher Nibble, Charlotte Middleton

Courtney, John Birmingham

Dogger, Shirley Hughes

Du Iz Tak?, Carlson Ellis



Edgar Gets Ready for Bed, Jennifer Adams  
Flotsam, David Weisner  
Meerkat Mail, Emily Gravett  
On a Magical Do-Nothing Day, Beatrice Alemagna  
Olga da Polga, Michael Bond  
Frog and Toad books by Arnold Lobel  
The Dot, Peter H Reynolds  
The Forest Child, Richard Edwards  
Open Very Carefully, Nick Bromley

### **Brilliant Non-Fiction**

A First Book of Animals, Nicola Davies  
A First, Book of Nature, Nicola Davies  
A is for Africa, Ifeoma Onyefulu  
Actual Size, Steve Jenkins  
Camille and the Sunflowers, Laurence Anholt  
Caterpillar, Butterfly, Vivian French  
Number Circus, Květa Pacovská  
Professor Astro Cat's Solar System, Dominic Walliman  
River Story, Meredith Hooper  
Shadow, Robie H Harris  
Stone Age Bone Age!, Mick Manning  
The Black Book of Colours, Menena Cottin  
The Rhythm of the Rain, Grahame Baker-Smith  
Tiny. The Invisible World of Microbes, Nicola Davies