

Merchant Taylors' Junior Boys' School

Year 3 - 6 Reading Lists



**MERCHANT
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For Boys and Girls
aged 4 to 18 years

The following lists are suggestions for Y3 to Y6 reading books. There are fiction, non-fiction and poetry lists from a variety of authors. A lot of these books are stocked in our Junior Library, whilst the others are widely available. These are not meant to be prescriptive lists; merely suggestions to help with reading choices for home and school.

I hope you find them beneficial.

HAPPY READING!

YEAR 3

FICTION

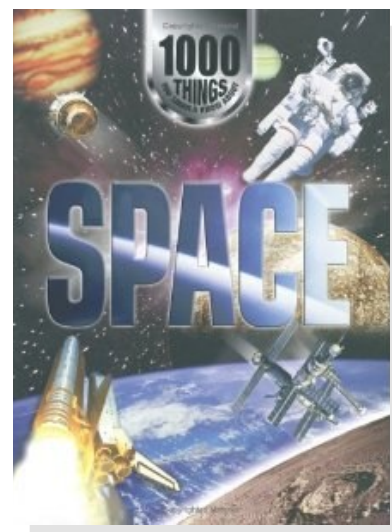
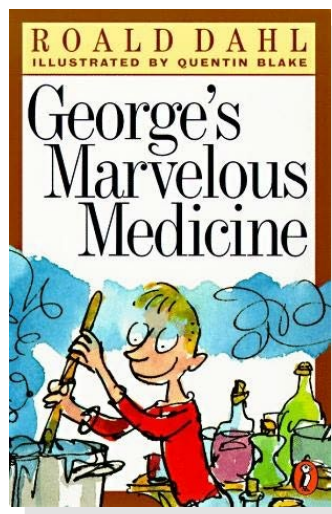
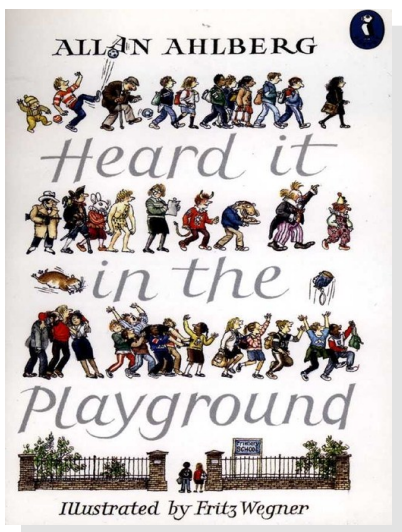
AUTHOR	TITLE		
A. Ahlberg	Better Brown books	D. Hendry	Fiona finds her Tongue
P. Arkle	The Village Dinosaur	M. Joy	The Allotment School books
L. Reid Banks	Harry the Poisonous Centipede	R. Kingsland	Crabtree Chronicles
T. Blacker	Ms Wiz books	R. McGough	The Stowaways
M. Blackman	Whizzwig books	A. Matthews	Mallory Cox books
E. Blyton	Secret Seven books	B. Mooney	I Know
	Famous Five books		I Don't Want To
T. Bradman	Dilly the Dinosaur books	M. Morpurgo	Butterfly Lion
L.J. Brisley	Milly Molly Mandy books		The Wreck of the Zanzibar
A. Brown	Smallpox Slayer		Mr Skip
J. Browne	Flat Stanley books		Cool!
H. Carpenter	Mr Majeika books		Toro! Toro!
R. Childs	The Big Match and other football books	J. Murphy	Billy the Kid
	Time Ranger books	B. Naidoo	The Worst Witch books
P. Clover	Shelie books	P. Pearce	Journey to Jo'Burg
S. Cole	Astrosaurus books	D. Pilkey	A Dog too Small
E. Colfer	Legend of Spud Murphy	J.G. Robinson	Captain Underpants books
H. Cresswell	Posy Bates books	F. Simon	Teddy Robinson books
G. Cross	The Roman Beanfeast	D. King Smith	Horrid Henry books
	Rent a Genius		Sophie books
R. Dahl	The Twits		The Sheep Pig
	Esio Trot	J. Strong	Dodos are Forever
	The Magic Finger		The Karate Princess
	George's Marvellous Medicine	J. Tomlinson	Lightning Lucy
T. Diterlizzi	Animal Ark books		The Viking books
P. Danziger	Amber Brown books	K. Umansky	The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark
A. Fine	Bill's New Frock		Quest for 100 Gold Coins books
	The Country Pancake	J. Wilson	Cat Mummy
	The Chicken Gave it to Me		The Werepuppy
	The Angel of Nitshill Road		Cliffhanger
J. Gavin	Someone's Watching, Someone's Waiting		Sleepover

NON-FICTION

AUTHOR/SERIES	TITLE
T. Deary	Horrible Histories: Rotten Romans; Vicious Vikings; York
B. Fowke	What they don't tell you about: Romans in Britain; Anglo-Saxons; Vikings
S. Anderson	Rob the Roman gets eaten by a lion
S. Ross	Coming Alive: Find King Alfred! Pub: Heinemann Info Search: Sea Creatures
"DK Readers"	Mohammed Ali Free at Last Joan of Arc
"Wild Lives"	Diving with Dolphins; Walking with Wolves, Talking to Tigers, Bonding with Bears, Spying on Lions; Swimming with Sharks
R. McCormick	Shooting Stars: Nutty Nature
S. Becklake	1000 things you should know about Space

POETRY

AUTHOR	TITLE
A. Ahlberg	Heard it in the Playground Please Mrs Butler
C. Bevan	Fairy Poems
Ed J. Foster; K.Paul	Dragons, Dinosaurs, Monster Poems
C.McNaughton	There's an awful lot of Weirdos in our Neighbourhood
C.McNaughton	Making Friends with Frankenstein
Pub: The Chicken House	Once Upon A Time



YEAR 4

NON-FICTION

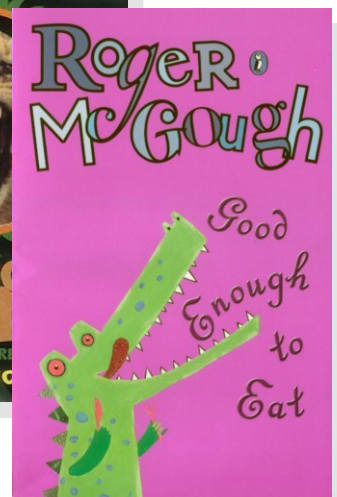
AUTHOR/SERIES TITLE

- Horrible Histories (any in the series) including:
 Awesome Egyptians;
 Groovy Greeks
 Dead Famous Cleopatra and
 her asp
- Horrible Geography (any in the series)
 T. Deary Top Ten Greek Legends
 M. Cox Top Ten Viking Legends
 M. Coleman The Knowledge: Foul Football
 What they don't tell you about
 Ancient Egyptians
 Living Things
 Olympics
- N. Arnold Speedy Reads:
 Moon Landing
- Explorers Wanted! (any in the series) including:
 On the South Sea Islands
 On Safari
- "Wild Lives" (any in the series) including:
 Bonding with Bears;
 Spying on Lions;
 Swimming with Sharks;
 Talking to Tigers;
 Diving with Dolphins;
 Walking with Wolves.
- S. Ross Coming Alive
 Athens is Saved
- Lost Diaries The Lost Diary of
 Tutankhamun's Mummy

POETRY

AUTHOR TITLE

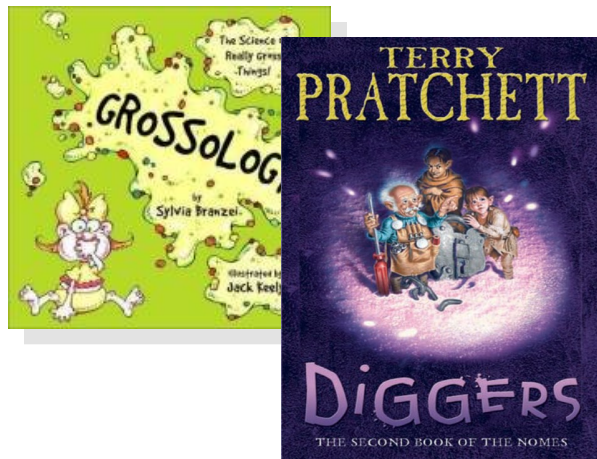
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|-----------------|------------------------------|
| T. Bradman | Smile Please! |
| ed P. Cookson | The Evil Doctor Mucus Spleen |
| | How to Embarrass Grown-ups |
| Give us a Goal! | Football Poems |
| ed J. Curry | Pet Poems |
| | Family Poems |
| | Spooky Poems |
| L. Phinn | It takes one to know one |
| R McGough | Good enough to Eat |



FICTION

AUTHOR	TITLE		TITLE
A. Ahlberg	The Giant Baby	J. Gavin	Grandpa Chatterji
	Woof	A. Gibbons	Total Football books
	The Bear Nobody Wanted	M. Gleitzman	Two Weeks with the Queen
K. Applegate	Animorphs books		Water Wings
E.D. Baker	The Frog Princess		Misery Guts
J. Blume	Superfudge books		Worry Warts
	Tales of a Fourth Grade	M. Hardcastle	Penalty
	Nothing		Puzzle
E. Blyton	Famous Five books	D. Hendry	The Harvey Angell books
A. S-Bondenbury	Little Vampire books	A. Horowitz	Granny
B. Byers	T.V. Kid		Groosham Grange books
	The Blossoms books		The Devil and his Boy
B. Cleary	Ramona books		Diamond Brothers series
S. Cole	Astrosaurus books	C. Hughes	Toots books
C. Cowell	How to train your Dragon	J. Jarman	The Time Travelling Cat
	How to be a Pirate	A. Jungman	Vlad the Drac
H. Cresswell	The Piemakers	G. Kemp	The Turbulent Term of Tyke
G. Cross	Gobbo the Great books		Tyler
	Twin and Super Twin	R. Kidd	The Giant Goldfish
	The Demon Headmaster	C. King	Stig of the Dump
	books	M. Lawrence	Nudie Dudie
R. Dahl	The BFG	C.S. Lewis	Chronicles of Narnia books
	Charlie and the Chocolate	L. Lowry	Anastasia books
	Factory	M. Morpurgo	Wreck of the Zanibar
	Charlie and the Great Glass	P. Pearce	The Battle of Bubble and
	Elevator		Squeak
	James and the Giant Peach	P. Ridley	Mercedes Ice
	Matilda		Dakota of the White Flats
	The Witches	K. Roberts	The Great Pyramid Robbery
	Danny, the Champion of the	J.K. Rowling	Harry Potter books
	World	D. Sheldon	Lizzie and Charlie go Shopping
L. Daniels	Animal Ark books	P. Shipton	Pig Scrolls
A. Digby	Trebizon books	L. Snicket	An Unfortunate Series of
F.W. Dixon	Hardy Boys books		Events books
E.B. Dyer	Chalet School books	K. Umansky	Pongwiffy books
A. Fine	The Granny Project	J. Ure	Becky Bananas
	The Genie Trilogy	E.B. White	Charlotte's Web
	Jennifer's Diary		Stuart Little
	The Angel of Nitshill Road	J. Wilson	Buried Alive
S. Gates	Killer Mushrooms Ate my Gran		Glubbslyme
	Snail Boy		Double Act

YEAR 5



NON-FICTION

AUTHOR/SERIES TITLE

- Horrible Science (any in the series) including:
 Space Stars & Slimy Aliens
 Really Rotten Experiments
 H. Brennan Space Quest
- Horrible Histories (any in the series) including:
 Terrible Tudors
 Slimy Stuarts
 Gorgeous Georgians
 England
- Horrible Geography (any in the series)
 'Dead Famous' (any in the series) including:
 Shakespeare & his Dramatic Arts
 Oliver Cromwell & his Warts
 Spartacus & his Glorious Gladiators
 Mary Queen of Scots
- 'What they don't tell you about' (any in the series) including:
 Living Things
 Planet Earth
 Henry VIII
 Shakespeare
 Tudors
 Gunpowder Plot
 Charles I
 Art
 The Story of Music
- My Story Diary series
 Anne Boleyn and Me
- L. Beatty
 Who was: Anne Boleyn, The Queen who lost her Head

The Knowledge (any in the series) including:

- Flaming Olympics
- Cracking Codes
- Riotous Robots
- Awesome Archaeology

S. Branzei
 'Top Ten' series
 'Heinemann profiles'

- Grossology
- Top Ten Shakespeare Stories
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- Roald Dahl, Diana, Princess of Wales, Anne Frank, Neil Armstrong

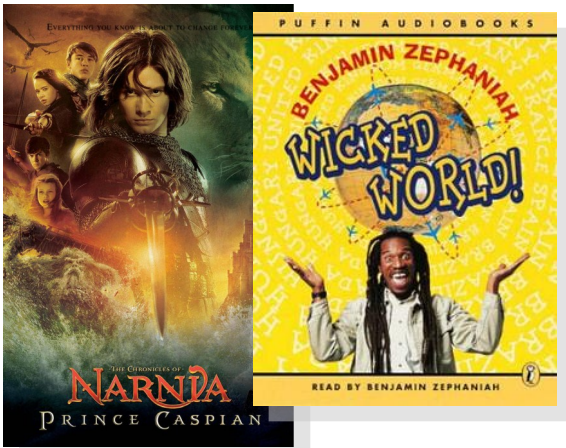
"How to" series
 How to Be a Genius
 How to Build a Rocket
 How to Live on Mars

POETRY

AUTHOR	TITLE
ed J. Berry	Classic Poems to Read Aloud
ed P. Cookson	Unzip your lips again
	Ha! Ha! 100 Poems to make you laugh
ed J. Foster	Excuses, Excuses
ed J. Foster & K. Paul	Never Say Boo to a Ghost
various	Another Day on your Foot
H. Belloc	Cautionary Verses
G. Phinn	Family Phantoms
B. Zephaniah	Talking Turkeys
Ed F. Waters	Why does my Mum always iron a crease in my jeans?

FICTION

AUTHOR	TITLE
D. Almond	Skellig
N. Bawden	The Peppermint Pig
M. Blackman	Hacker Thief
M. Booth	Midnight Saboteur POW
F.H. Burnett	The Secret Garden
B.Byers	The Midnight Fox Trouble River
G. Byng	Molly Moon books
L. Carroll	Alice in Wonderland
G. Cavendish	Lady Grace Mysteries
S. Cooper	The Boggart
R. Crompton	Just William
H. Cresswell	The Bagthorpes books Stonstruck Bag of Bones
G. Cross	The Great Elephant Chase Wolf
C. Dann	Farthing Wood books
B. Doherty	The Snake-Stone Daughter of the Sea
A. Fine	Flour Babies The Stone Menagerie Madame Doubtfire A Pack of Liars
L. Garfield	Smith
A. Garner	Owl Service Weirdstone of Brisingamen
M. Gleitzman	Toad Rage Toad Heaven
C. Haptie	Otto and the Flying Twins
D. Hendry	Double Vision
C. Higson	Young Bond books
R. Hoban	The Mouse and his Child
A. Horowitz	Alex Rider series Diamond Brothers mysteries
B. Jaques	Redwall Tales
R. Jarvis	The Deptford Mice books
P. Jennings	The Un books: Undone, Unmentionable, Unbearable, Uncovered, Uncanny, Unreal, Unseen, Unbelievable
T. Jones	The Knight and the Squire The Lady and the Squire
S. Jordan	The Hunting of the Last Dragon
N. Juster	The Phantom Tollbooth
K. Langrish	Troll Fell/Troll Mill
C. Lawrence	Roman Mysteries books
M. Lawrence	Maggot Pie Neville the Devil
C.S. Lewis	Narnia Chronicles books
P. Lively	The Ghost of Thomas Kempe
M. Mahy	Underrunners The Catalogue of the Universe
J. Mark	Thunder & Lightenings
M. Morpurgo	Waiting for Anya
E. Nesbit	The Phoenix and the Carpet
M. Norton	The Borrowers books
A. Norris	Aquila Bernard's Watch Matt's Millions
P. Pearce	Tom's Midnight Garden
K.M. Peyton	The Boy who wasn't there
A. Pilling	Black Harvest The Pit
T. Pratchett	Nomes books: Truckers; Diggers Wings
A. Ransome	Swallows & Amazons books
P. Ridley	Vinegar Street Krindlekrax
K. Roberts	The Olympic Conspiracy
J.K. Rowling	Harry Potter books
C. Ryan	Alpha Force books
I. Serrailier	The Silver Sword
L. Snicket	An Unfortunate Series of Events books
P. Stewart & C. Riddell	The Edge Chronicles books Muddle Earth Fergus Crane
N. Streatfield	Ballet Shoes
A. Temperley	Harry and the Wrinklies Ragboy
K. Thompson	Switchers Trilogy
J.R.R. Tolkien	The Hobbit
J. Ure	Hippo Ghost books
S. Waugh	Mennymys books
J. Wilson	Suitcase Kid Story of Tracy Beaker The Illustrated Mum Dare Game



YEAR 6

NON-FICTION

AUTHOR/SERIES TITLE

- Horrible Science (any in the series) including:
 - Really Rotten Experiments
- Horrible Histories (any in the series) including:
 - The 20th Century
 - The Vile Victorians
 - Frightful First World War
 - Woeful Second World War
 - Blitzed Brits
 - England
- Horrible Geography (any in the series)
- Dead Famous (any in the series) including:
 - Spartacus & his Glorious Gladiators
 - Al Capone & his gang
 - Horatio Nelson & his Victory
 - Winston Churchill
- The Knowledge (any in the series) including:
 - Flaming Olympics
 - Awesome Archaeology
 - Cracking Codes
 - Riotous Robots
 - A. Frank Diary of a young girl
- “How to” series
 - How to be a genius
 - How to Clone a Sheep
 - How to Live on Mars
- Pub: Scholastic Double Take:
 - Rivals for the Crown
- “What’s the Big Idea?” series
 - The Monarchy
 - Animal Rights
 - The Environment
 - Nuclear Power
 - Women’s Rights
- My Side of the Story series
 - Escape from War
 - Trouble at the Mill

- S. Adams Winston Churchill
- Adolf Hitler
- Nelson Mandela

My Story Diary (any in the series) including:

- Twentieth Century Girl
- Flying Ace
- Battle of Britain
- D-Day
- Titanic

R. Robinson

- Science Magic in the Bedroom
- Science Magic in the Kitchen
- Science Magic in the Bathroom
- Science Magic in the Living Room

K. Hubbard

Who Was..? Queen Victoria

B. Fowke

Who? What? When?

World War I/ World War II

J. Farman

Short & Bloody History of Spies

POETRY

AUTHOR

TITLE

R. Dahl

Rhyme Stew

T.S. Eliot

Old Possum’s Book of Practical

Cats

B. Zephaniah

Wicked World

Funky Chickens

Oxford

One Hundred Years of Poetry for Children

Ed B. Hollyer

Haven’t You Grown

B. Moses

The Works 2

ed R. McGough

Kingfisher Book of Comic Verse

ed J. Foster

Excuses, Excuses

ed J. Foster & K Paul

Never say Boo to a Ghost

ed R. McGough

Sensational!

H Belloc

Cautionary Verses

FICTION

AUTHOR	TITLE		
R. Adams	Watership Down	J. Masefield	The Box of Delights
J. Aiken	Wolves of Willoughby Chase	A. Masters	Twister
D. Almond	Fire Eaters	M. Morpurgo	Twist of Gold
L. Reid Banks	The Indian Trilogy		W. Nicholson The Wind Singer
N. Bawden	Carrie's War		Slaves of the Mastery
	The Witch's Daughter		Firesong
M. Blackman	Pig-Heart Boy	J. Nimmo	Midnight for Charlie Bone
M. Booth	Doctor Illuminatus		Time Twister
T. Bowler	Starseeker	G. Nix	Old Kingdom series (incl Sabriel)
G. Cavendish	Lady Grace Mysteries	R. O'Brien	Mrs Frisby and the Rats of Nimh
E. Colfer	Artemis Fowl books		
	The Supernaturalist	C. Poalini	Eragon books
S. Cooper	The Dark is Rising books	P. Pullman	Northern Lights, Subtle Knife, Amber Spyglass: His Dark Materials Trilogy
Z. Corder	Lion Boy		
G. Cross	Calling a Dead Man	T. Pratchett	The Nomes series
R. Dahl	The Wonderful Story of Henry Sugar	A. Ransome	Swallows & Amazons books
		P. Ridley	Mighty Fizz Chilla
P. Dickinson	The Kin books	J.K. Rowling	Harry Potter books
N. Farmer	Sea of Trolls	C. Ryan	Alpha Force books
A. Fine	Tulip Touch	A. Sewell	Black Beauty
	Goggle Eyes	A. Shearer	Bootleg
	Step by Wicked Step	L. Snicket	An Unfortunate Series of Events books
	The Stone Menagerie		
	Up on Cloud Nine	J. Spyri	Heidi
A Garner	Weirdstone of Brisingamen	R.L. Stevenson	Treasure Island
L Garfield	Shakespeare Stories	N. Streatfield	Ballet Shoes
A. Gibbons	Shadow of the Minotaur	R. Swindells	Abomination
	Caught in the Crossfire		Ruby Tanya
M Gleitzman	Once		Blitzed
F Hardinge	Fly by Night		Room 13
C. Higson	Young Bond books		The Thousand Eyes of Night
A. Holm	I am David	J.R.R. Tolkien	Lord of the Rings Trilogy
A. Horowitz	Alex Rider series	M. Twain	Tom Sawyer & Huckleberry Finn
B. Jacques	Redwall Tales		
R. Jarvis	The Deptford Mice books	R. Westall	Blitz
	The Deptford History books		Blitzcat
	Raven's Knot		The Machine Gunners
J. Kerr	When Hitler stole Pink Rabbit	H. Williamson	Tarka the Otter
K. Langrish	Troll Fell/Troll Mill	J. Wilson	Dustbin Baby
C. Lawrence	The Roman Mysteries books		Midnight
C.S. Lewis	Narnia Chronicles		Diamond Girls
M. Magorian	Goodnight Mr Tom		
M. Mahy	The Haunting		
	Underrunners		



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