

**Recommended Reading List for 3rd Class**

# **If you like books about FRIENDS or SCHOOL, try these …**

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| Book Title  |   | Author  |
| Billy the Kid (and other titles)  |   | Michael Morpurgo  |
| Rotten School (Series)  |   | R. L. Stine  |
| Alfie Green (Series)  |   | Joe O’Brien  |
| Stink (Series)  |   | Megan McDonald  |
| Marvin Redpost (Series)  |   | Louis Sachar  |
| Hank Zipzer (Series)  |   | Henry Winkler  |
| Meet Just William (Series)  |   | Adapted by Martin Jarvis  |
| Shocking Shooting (and other titles)  |   | Michael Coleman  |
| Taking the Cat’s Way Home (and other titles)  |   | Jan Mark  |
| Cup Final Kid (and other titles)  |   | Martin Waddell  |
| Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Series)  |   | Jeff Kinney  |
| The Brilliant World of Tom Gates (Series)  |   | Liz Pichon  |
| Big Nate (Series)  |   | Lincoln Peirce  |
| Wayside School (Series)  |   | Louis Sachar  |
| Bill’s New Frock  |   | Anne Fine  |
| Harry Potter (Series)   |   | J. K. Rowling  |
| **If you like ANIMALS and HORSES, try these …**   |
| Book Title  | Author  |
| The Tiger Who Was a Roaring Success (and other titles)  | Don Conroy  |
| The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark (and other titles)  | Jill Tomlinson  |
| One Dog and his Boy  | Eva Ibbotson  |
| Babe the Sheep-Pig (and other titles)  | Dick King-Smith  |
| The Butterfly Lion (and other titles)  | Michael Morpurgo  |
| The World According to Humphrey (Series)  | Betty G. Birney  |
| Puppy Patrol (Series)  | Jenny Dale  |
| Animal Ark (Series)  | Lucy Daniels  |
| The Tale of Despereaux  | Kate Di Camillo  |
| The Underneath  | Kathi Appelt  |
| Dinosaur Cove (Series)  | Rex Stone  |

Kaspar Prince of Cats Michael Morpurgo

Charlotte’s Web E. B. White

Stuart Little E. B. White

**If you like A GOOD LAUGH, try these …**

# Book Title Author

Horrid Henry (Series) Francesca Simon

Stink (Series) Megan MacDonald

George’s Marvellous Medicine Roald Dahl

The Twits Roald Dahl The BFG Roald Dahl

The Enormous Crocodile Roald Dahl

Dirty Bertie (Series) David Roberts

The Giggler Treatment (Series) Roddy Doyle

The Hundred-Mile-An-Hour Dog (Series) Jeremy Strong

The Little Devil and Other Stories Pierre Gripari

I am not a Loser (Series) Jim Smith

The Boy Who Swam with Piranhas David Almond

Captain Underpants (Series) Dav Pilkey

Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Series) Jeff Kinney

Rotten School (Series) R. L. Stine

The Evil Hairdo / The Poison Factory Oisin McGann

Walter Speazlebud (Series) David Donohue

Nelly the Monster Sitter (Series) Kes Gray

The Legend of Captain Crow’s Teeth Eoin Colfer

You’re a Bad Man, Mr Gum! (Series) Andy Stanton

The Evil Hairdo / The Poison Factory Oisin McGann

Spy Dog (Series) Andrew Cope

Wayside School (Series) Louis Sachar

Granny (and other titles) Anthony Horowitz Do Not Read This Book (Series) Pat Moon

The Toilet of Doom (and other titles) Michael Lawrence

Little Darlings (Series) Sam Llewelyn

Snakes Elbows (and other titles) Deirdre Madden

Little Darlings (Series) Sam Llewellyn

Wolfgran (Series) Finbar O’Connor

How the Grinch Stole Christmas Dr Seuss

Pongwiffy (Series) (and other titles) Kaye Umansky

Little Wolf’s Book of Badness Ian Whybrow

**If you like MAGIC, try these …**

# Book Title Author

The Witches Roald Dahl

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Roald Dahl George’s Marvellous Medicine Roald Dahl Matilda Roald Dahl

The Enchanted Wood (Series) Enid Blyton The Wishing Chair (Series) Enid Blyton

Jinx The Magician’s Apprentice Sage Blackwood

Fortunately, The Milk Neil Gaiman

Hello? Is Anybody There? Jostein Gaarder

The Boy in the Biscuit Tin (and other titles) Heather Dyer

Harry Potter (Series) J. K. Rowling

The Spook’s Apprentice (Series) Joseph Delaney

**If you like ADVENTURE, try these …**

# Book Title Author

Flat Stanley (Series) Jeff Brown

Gladiator Boy (Series) David Grimstone

Stan Stinky Hannah Shaw

Noah Barleywater Runs Away John Boyne

The Wreck of the Zanzibar (and other titles) Michael Morpurgo

The Treasure Hunters (Series) James Patterson

Tumtum and Nutmeg (Series) Emily Bearn Dinosaur Cove (Series) Rex Stone

Beast Quest (Series) Adam Blade

Seaquest (Series) Adam Blade

How to Train Your Dragon (Series) Cressida Cowell

Phoenix (and other titles) S. F. Said

Fortunately, The Milk Neil Gaiman

The Tale of Despereaux Kate Di Camillo

Jinx The Magician’s Apprentice Sage Blackwood

The Invention of Hugo Cabret Brian Selznick

What’s Their Story? (True Life Series) Oxford (Publishers)

Wonderstruck Brian Selznick

Narnia (Series) C. S. Lewis

Harry Potter (Series) J. K. Rowling

**If you like MYSTERY / DETECTIVE, try these …**

# Book Title Author

The Secret Seven (Series) Enid Blyton The Famous Five (Series) Enid Blyton

The Mystery of… (Series) Enid Blyton

Spy Dog (Series) Andrew Cope

How to Train Your Dragon (Series) Cressida Cowell

The Diamond Brothers (Series) Anthony Horowitz

The Mummy Snatcher of Memphis (Series) Natasha Narayan The Pasta Detectives Andreas Steinhöfel

The Sisters Grimm (Series) Michael Buckley

**If you like SCARY Stories, try these …**

# Book Title Author

Goosebumps (Series) R. L. Stine Goosebumps Horrorland (Series) R. L. Stine

Scream Street (Series) Tommy Donbavand

Series of Unfortunate Events (Series) Lemony Snicket

The Worst Witch (Series) Jill Murphy

**If you like HISTORY, try these …**

# Book Title Author

My Story (Historical Children’s Diaries based on

Famine, World Wars, Titanic, etc.) Various

Children of the Famine (Series) Marita Conlon-McKenna

Candle in the Dark Adele Geras

One Small Suitcase Barry Turner

Wreck of the Zanzibar (and other titles) Michael Morpurgo

Gladiator Boy (Series) David Grimstone

Horrible Histories (Series) Terry Deary

**If you like SPORT books, try these …**

# Book Title Author

The Story of Football Usborne Young Reading

Goal! Alan Durant

The Big Football Frenzy Rob Childs

The Big Cup Collection Omnibus Rob Childs The Big Football Treble Rob Childs

Football Academy (Series) Tom Palmer

Diary of a Rugby Champ Shamini Flint

World Rugby Records Chris Hawkes

50 Soccer Skills Usborne

**If you like POETRY, try these …**

# Book Title Author

Something Beginning with P O’Brien Press (Publisher)

Runny Babbit (and other titles) Shel Silverstein

The Puffin Book of Utterly Brilliant Poetry Brian Patten (Editor)

Revolting Rhymes Roald Dahl

Even My Ears Are Smiling Michael Rosen

Please Mrs Butler Allan Ahlberg

Heard It in the Playground Allan Ahlberg

Mr Magnolia Quentin Blake

Read Me and Laugh Gaby Morgan (Editor)

A Child’s Garden of Verses Robert Louis Stevenson

The Truth about Parents MacMillan Children’s Books

The Truth about Teachers MacMillan Children’s Books

**If you like the CLASSICS, try these (perhaps in abridged form)…**

# Book Title Author

The Secret Garden Frances Hodgson Burnett Lassie Come Home Eric Knight

Kidnapped Robert Louis Stevenson Treasure Island Robert Louis Stevenson

The Railway Children E. Nesbit

Mary Poppins P. L. Travers

Paddington Bear (Series) Michael Bond

Winnie the Pooh (Series) A. A. Milne

The Family from One-End Street Eve Garnett

Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland Lewis Carroll

Pippi Longstocking Astrid Lindgrin

Heidi Johanna Spyri