

Thomas Whitehead C of E Academy.
Early Years and Key Stage 1 Book List.



As we are sure you are aware, as well as being an enjoyable pastime, reading impacts hugely on a child's general learning ability and their writing. As such, we encourage children to read both at school and at home as much as possible.

To assist with the difficult task of choosing a new book, we have put together a recommended reading list for each year group across the school. This is a list of the best 50 books for your child's age range. Why not pop down to the School or the Local Library to see which titles they have?

You will notice that this is not an exhaustive list but offers a cross-selection of books suitable to your child's year group.

| Early Years | Year 1 | Year 2 |
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We're going on a Bear Hunt- Michael Rosen 2. The Gruffalo- Julia Donaldson 3. Suddenly!- Colin McNaughton 4. One Day on our Blue Planet: In the Savannah- Ella Bailey 5. A Visitor for the Bear- Bonny Becker 6. Don't forget the Bacon- Pat Hutchins 7. Hooray for the Fish!- Lucy Cousins 8. The Jasmine Sneeze- Nadine Kaadan 9. Mog the Forgetful Cat- Judith Kerr 10. Tatty Ratty- Helen Cooper 11. All aboard for the Bobo Road- Stephen Davies 12. Hairy Maclary from Donaldson Dairy- Lynley Dodd 13. Come on, Daisy!- Jane Simmons 14. Dear Dinosaur- Chae Strathie 15. The Snowy Day- Ezra Jack Keats 16. The Fish Who Could Wish- John Bush 17. Lucy and Ton at School- Shirley Hughes 18. Wendell and the Robots- Chris Riddell 19. The Runaway Wok- Ying Chang Compestine 20. All Join In- Quentin Blake | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Not Now Bernard- David McKee 2. The Tiger Who Came to Tea- Judith Kerr 3. The Cat in the Hat- Dr Seuss 4. Man on the Moon- Simon Bartram 5. Mr Wolf's Pancakes- Jan Fearnley 6. The Gigantic Turnip- Aleksei Tolstoy 7. Dinosaurs Love Underpants- Claire Freeman 8. Funnybones- Janet and Allan Ahlberg 9. The Rabbit belongs to Emily Brown- Cressida Cowell 10. Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs- Ian Whybrow 11. The Tale of Peter Rabbit- Beatrix Potter 12. The Ammuchi Puchi- Sharanya Manivannan 13. Where the Wild Things Are- Maurice Sendak 14. Stick Man- Julia Donaldson 15. Meerkat Mail- Emily Gravett 16. Wat Your Peas- Kes Gray 17. Winnie the Witch- Valerie Thomas 18. Dilly the Dinosaur- Tony Bradman 19. Elmer- David McKee 20. Something Else- Kathryn Cave 21. The Wonder- Faye Hanson | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Traction Man- Mini Grey 2. The Three Little Wolves and The Big Bad Pig- Eugene Trivizas 3. The Hodgeheg- Dick King-Smith 4. The Troll- Julia Donaldson 5. Green Eggs and Ham- Dr Seuss 6. Mr Big- Ed Vere 7. The Enchanted Wood- Enid Blyton 8. Journey- Aaron Becker 9. The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark- Jill Tomlinson 10. Flat Stanley- Jeff Brown 11. Jack and the Beanstalk- Richard Walker 12. Into the Forest- Anthony Browne 13. George's Marvellous Medicine- Roald Dahl 14. Mrs Armitage on Wheels- Quentin Blake 15. On the Way Home- Jill Murphy 16. Beegu- Alexis Deacon 17. Gregory Cool- Caroline Binch 18. Horrid Henry- Francesca Simon 19. The Egg- M.P. Robertson 20. Chicken in the Kitchen- Nnedi Okorafor 21. Tattybogle- Sandra Horne |

21. Orange Pear Apple Bear- Emily Gravett
22. Fairy Tales for Little Children- Usbourne
23. The Elephant and The Bad Baby- Elfrida Vipont
24. Six Dinner Sid- Inga Moore
25. The New Small Person- Lauren Child
26. Grumpy Frog- Ed Vere
27. A Wolf at the Door- Nick Ward
28. One Snowy Night- Nick Butterworth
29. Eat up Gemma- Sarah Hayes
30. You Can't take an Elephant on the Bus- Patricia Cleveland-Peck
31. The Lion Who Wanted to Love- Giles Andreae
32. One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish- Dr Zeus
33. Rabbit and Bear- Julian Gough
34. How to Catch a Star- Oliver Jeffers
35. Aaaaaaargh, Spider!- Lydia Monks
36. Whatever Next!- Jill Murphy
37. Aliens Love Underpants- Claire Freeman
38. Anna Hibiscus' Song- Atinuke
39. The Teddy Robber- Ian Beck
40. Oi! Get off our Train- John Burningham
41. Farmer Duck- Martin Waddell
42. Supertato- Sue Hendra
43. The Very Hungry Caterpillar- Eric Carle
44. How Many Legs?- Key Gray
45. Shark in the Dark- Nick Sharratt
46. Small Knight and George and the Royal Chocolate Cake- Ronda Armitage
47. Biscuit Bear- Mini Grey
48. Naughty Bus- Jan Oke
49. Goodnight Everyone- Chris Haughton
50. A Bear Called Paddington- Michael Bond

22. Last Stop on Market Street- Matt De La Pena
23. The Emperor's Egg- Martin Jenkins
24. The Crow's Tale- Naomi Howarth
25. The Fox in the Dark- Alison Green
26. The Adventures of the Wishing Chair- Enid Blyton
27. The Rainbow Fish- Marcus Pfister
28. George Speaks- Dick King-Smith
29. Fantastic Mr Fox- Roald Dahl
30. Mrs Plug and Plumber- Allan Ahlburg
31. Dogger- Shirley Hughes
32. Baby Brains- Simon James
33. Owl Babies- Martin Waddell
34. The Light House Keepers Lunch- Ronda Armitage
35. The Giant Jam Sandwich- Janet Burroway
36. Would You Rather?-John Burningham
37. Handa's Surprise- Eileen Browne
38. The Storm Whale- Benji Davies
39. Gorilla- Anthony Browne
40. The Paper Bag Princess- Robert Munsch
41. The Night Pirates- Peter Harris
42. Amazing Grace- Mary Hoffman
43. Pumpkin Soup- Helen Cooper
44. When a Monster is Born- Sean Taylor
45. Lost and Found- Oliver Jeffers
46. Toys in Space- Mini Grey
47. The Lion Inside- Rachel Bright
48. Peace at Last- Jill Murphy
49. Tree: Seasons Come, Seasons Go- Patricia Hegarty
50. Grandad's Secret Garden- David Litchfield

22. Tigress- Nick Dowson
23. The Book With No Pictures- B.J Novak
24. A First Book of Animals- Nicola Davies
25. The Worst Witch- Jill Murphy
26. The Whisperer- Nick Butterworth
27. The Mousehole Cat- Antonia Barber
28. The Colour of Home- Mary Hoffman
29. Mrs Pepperpot Stories- Alf Proysen
30. The Bog Baby- Jeanne Williams
31. Wild- Emily Hughes
32. The Pirate Cruncher- Jonny Duddle
33. The Rainbow Bear- Michael Morpurgo
34. The Diary of a Killer Cat- Anne Fine
35. The Way Back Home- Oliver Jeffers
36. The Day the Crayons Quit- Drew Daywalt
37. Dear Greenpeace- Simon James
38. Anne Hibiscus- Atinuke
39. George and the Dragon- Christopher Wormell
40. John Patrick Norman McHennessy: The Boy Who Was Always Late- John Burningham
41. Beware of the Storybrook Wolves- Lauren Child
42. Little Mouse's Book of Fears-Emily Gravett
43. Grandad's Island- Benji Davies
44. The Bear and the Piano- David Litchfield
45. Burglar Bill- Janet and Allan Ahlberg
46. Old Bear- Jane Hissey
47. Lila and the Secret of Rain- David Conway
48. Mr Majeika- Humphrey Carpenter
49. Dougals Deep Sea Diary- Simon Bartram
50. The Dark- Lemony Snicket

