

**RECOMMENDED READING LIST – YEAR 5**

 **The selection of books in this list are a guide for children aged 9-10 in year 5 at school. The books range various genres to cover all interests. If your child is a competent reader or has read many of these titles then try the books from the Year 6 reading list.**

**Animals**

 Black Beauty - Anna Sewell

The Midnight Fox - Betsy Byars

The Hundred and One Dalmations - Dodie Smith

The Marble Crusher - Michael Morpurgo

Wild Lives series - Nick Arnold

Sandy Lane Stables - Michelle Bates

The Rover Adventures - Roddy Doyle

Tooth and Claw - Stephen Moore

Mrs Frisby and The Rats of Nihm - Robert C. O’Brien

Dreamseeker Trilogy - Jenny Oldfield

 Varjak Paw series - S. F. Said

 The Jungle Book, Rudyard Kipling

**Spooky/Mystery**

1. I Know What You Did Last Wednesday - Anthony Horowitz
2. Holes - Louis Sachar
3. Pig Heart Boy - Malorie Blackman
4. Hacker - Malorie Blackman
5. The Magician’s House Quartet - William Corlett
6. Secret of Platform 13 - Eva Ibbotson
7. Dial a Ghost - Eva Ibbotson
8. The Ghost of Thomas Kempe - Penelope Lively
9. A Stitch in Time - Penelope Lively
10. Goosebumps Series - R. L. Stine
11. Room 13 - Robert Swindells

**Humour**

1. Double Act - Jacqueline Wilson
2. There’s a Boy in the Girls’ Bathroom - Louis Sachar
3. Dork Diaries Collection - Rachel Renee Russell
4. Diary of a Wimpy Kid Collection - Jeff Kinney

 Middle School: The Worst Years of my Life - James Patterson & Chris

 Tebbetts

1. Diary of a Sixth Grace Ninja - Marcus Emerson
2. Tales of Fourth Grade Nothing - Judy Blume
3. Big Nate Series- Lincoln Peirce
4. Wayside School Series - Louis Sachar
5. A Turn in the Grave - Bowvayne
6. Molly Moon - Georgia Byng
7. The Spud from Outer Space - Susan Gates
8. The Last Polar Bears - Harry Horse
9. Jiggy McCue series - Michael Lawrence
10. Demon Dentist – David Walliams
11. Billionaire Boy – David Walliams
12. Grandpa’s Great Escape – David Walliams

**Historical**

1. Walter and Me, Michael Morpurgo
2. The Butterfly Lion, Michael Morpurgo
3. Friend or Foe, Michael Morpurgo
4. Letters from the Lighthouse, Emma Carroll
5. Inside Out and Back Again, Thanha Lai
6. The War That Saved My Life, Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
7. One Crazy Summer, Rita Williams-Garcia
8. War Boy - Michael Foreman
9. War Game - Michael Foreman
10. Warhorse - Michael Morpurgo
11. War of Jenkins Ear – Michael Morpurgo
12. A Time of Fire - Robert Westall
13. The Abbey Mysteries - Cherith Baldry
14. The Roman Mystery series - Caroline Lawrence
15. The Way of the Warrior - Andrew Matthews
16. Great Pyramid Robbery - Katherine Roberts

**Fantasy**

1. The Hobbit - JRR Tolkein
2. Harry Potter Series - J K rowling
3. Watership Down - Richard Adams
4. Northern Lights - Philip Pullman
5. Dragon Rider - Cornelia Funke

 Artemis Fowl - Eoin Colfer

1. Mister Monday - Garth Nix
2. Boy in the Tower - Polly Ho-Yen
3. The Indian in the Cupboard series - Lynne Reid Banks
4. Frog Princess - E. D. Baker
5. Dragon’s Breath - E. D. Baker
6. The Boggart - Susan Cooper
7. Dragon books - Cressida Cowell
8. Harvey Angell - Diana Hendry
9. Dogsbody - Diana Wynne Jones
10. A Tale of Time City - Diana Wynne Jones
11. Skulduggery Pleasant - Derek Landy
12. Playing with Fire - Derek Landy
13. The Witch Trade - Michael Molly
14. The Dog So Small - Phillipa Pearce
15. Dakota of the White Flats - Philip Ridley
16. Scribbleboy - Philip Ridley
17. A Series of Unfortunate Events Lemony Snicket – Daniel Handler
18. Muddle Earth - Paul Stewart

**Adventure/Action**

1. Tom’s Midnight Garden - Philippa Pearce
2. Aquila - Andrew Norris
3. The Sleeping Sword - Michael Morpurgo
4. The Shapeshifter Collection - Ali Sparkes
5. A.N.T.I.D.O.T.E. - Malorie Blackman
6. Thief - Malorie Blackman
7. Dead Georgeous - Malorie Blackman
8. The Last Free Cat - John Blake
9. Jimmy Coates Sabotage - Joe Craig
10. Iron Heads - Susan Gates
11. Diamond Brothers series - Anthony Horowitz
12. Wicked - Anthony Masters
13. Storm Runners - Barbara Mitchelhill
14. The Invisible Detective series - Justin Richards
15. Stormsearch - Robert Westall

 In the Nick of Time - Robert Westall

 The Baker Street Boys - Anthony Read

 The Cats of Seroster - Robert Westall

**Well-loved Authors**

1. Matilda - Roald Dahl
2. Danny the Champion of the World - Roald Dahl
3. Boy - Roald Dahl
4. Going Solo - Roald Dahl
5. Charm School - Anne Fine
6. The Sheep Pig - Dick King-Smith
7. The Water Horse - Dick King-Smith
8. Escape from Shangri-La – Michael Morpurgo
9. Long Way home - Michael Morpurgo

 The White Horse of Zennor - Michael Morpurgo

 Toro! Toro! - Michael Morpurgo

 Farm Boy - Michael Morpurgo

 Kensuke’s Kingdom - Michael Morpurgo

 Wreck of Zanzibar - Michael Morpurgo

 Tracy Beaker - Jacqueline Wilson

 Best Friends - Jacqueline Wilson

 Secrets, Midnight - Jacqueline Wilson

 The Indian in the Cupboard Series – Lynne Reid Banks

 Harry Potter Series – J.K Rowling

 Famous Five - Enid Blyton