**A selection of recommended authors and texts**

**Year 5 and Year 6**



As part of our drive to develop a love of reading at Longton Primary School, we have compiled a list of suggested books and authors that can be used to guide parents and carers towards suitable and exciting books, appropriate for children of their age.

Tips to follow when reading with your child at home:

* Encourage lots of discussion about different books and authors, e.g. – “What do you like about the book?” “Which story did you like the most and why?”
* Find a quiet and calm place to spend some time sharing and enjoying books.
* Takes lots of trips to the library!
* Has your child understood what they’ve read? Ask them to re-tell the story and explain what’s happened during and after reading?
* Encourage independence – give lots of praise and rewards when your child chooses their own books and is keen to share and read them to/with you.

Please discuss the books your child reads with him/her and remember that even in Years 5 and 6, although a book might be difficult for your child to read, he/ she will probably still enjoy having it read by an adult.

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| The Owl Service | Alan Garner |
| Harry and the Wrinklies | Alan Temperley |
| The Highwayman | Alfred Noyles |
| Aquila | Andrew Norris |
| Black Beauty | Anna Sewell |
| Stormbreaker | Anthony Horowitz |
| Talking Turkeys | Benjamin Zephaniah |
| Midnight Fox | Betsy Byars |
| The Other Side of Truth  Journey To Jo’burg | Beverley Naidoo |
| A Christmas Carol | Charles Dickens |
| Dragon Rider | Cornelia Funke |
| Homecoming | Cynthia Voigt |
| Skellig | David Almond |
| Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl | Ed. Otto H Frank |
| Artemis Fowl | Eoin Colfer |
| Journey to the River Sea | Eva Ibbotson |
| The Secret Garden | Frances Hodgson-Burnett |
| Framed | Frank Cottrell Boyce |
| Sabriel  Mister Monday | Garth Nix |
| The Story of Tracy Beaker  Double Act  Vicky Angel | Jacqueline Wilson |
| Harry Potter series | J K Rowling |
| Wolves of Willoughby Chase | Joan Aiken |
| When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit | Judith Kerr |
| The Diamond of Drury Lane | Julia Golding |
| The Wind in the Willows | Kenneth Grahame |
| Anne of Green Gables | L M Montgomery |
| Little Women | Louisa May Alcott |
| Holes  There’s a Boy in The Girls’ Bathroom | Louis Sachar |
| Pig Heart Boy  Noughts and Crosses  Knife Edge | Malorie Blackman |
| Forgotten Voices of the Second World War | Max Arthur |
| Walter and Me  Friend or Foe  War Horse  Private Peaceful | Michael Morpurgo |
| Water Wings  Blabbermouth  Belly Flop  There’s a Boy in the Girl’s Bathroom  Boy Overboard | Morris Gleitzman |
| Carrie’s War | Nina Bawden |
| Tom’s Midnight Garden | Philippa Pearce |
| Northern Lights  Clockwork | Philip Pullman |
| Mortal Engines | Philip Reeve |
| Watership Down | Richard Adams |
| The Diddakoi | Rumer Godden |
| The Secret Diary of Adrian Mole Aged 13 ¾ | Sue Townsend |
| The Wizard of Earthsea | Ursula K Le Guin |
| Where the Red Fern Grows | Wilson Rawls |
| The Lionboy Trilogy | Zizou Corder |
| Professor Branstawm | Norman Hunter |
| Ruby in the Smoke | Philip Pulman |
| Wonder | R Palacio |
| Journey to the River Sea  Star of Kazan | Eva Ibbotson |
| Journey to Jo’burg | Beverley Naidoo |
| A range of poetry |  |
| “First News” children’s newspapers |  |
| Range of classics such as The railway Children, The Jungle Book, The Hobbit | |

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