



St Peter's C of E Primary

Oak Class Year One suggested reading books

Book Title	Author	Synopsis
The bad-tempered ladybird	Eric Carle	The bad-tempered ladybird picks fights with every animal he meets, but soon learns the importance of friends and turns into a far nicer, happier bug. The beautifully illustrated pages of this entertaining book demonstrate the sizes of the different animals and the sun's path across the sky as time passes
Peace at last	Jill Murphy	It is late at night and Mr Bear is desperately trying to sleep-- but Mrs Bear snores so he tries Baby Bear's room, but Baby Bear is pretending to be an aeroplane so there's no peace there. Room by room Mr Bear goes through the house trying to find somewhere to sleep. Bright colourful pictures accompany the simple, repetitive text of this delightful storybook.
Funnybones	Allan Ahlberg	Janet and Allan's frightfully funny Hallowe'en classic tells the story of three skeletons - a big skeleton, a little skeleton and a dog skeleton - who venture out of their cellar one night to find someone to scare, only to find that everyone is in bed. Who will they scare now?!
Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's dairy	Lynley Dodd	Hairy Maclary goes off for a walk in town, followed by a few friends. All is uneventful until they meet Scarface Claw, the toughest tom in town, and run for home. The story is told by a brilliant, cumulative rhyming text and terrific pictures
Mister Magnolia	Quentin Blake	In this wittily rhyming picture book, Mr Magnolia has a full and happy life except for one serious omission - a boot. But one day, he receives a mysterious parcel, and at last Mr Magnolia can splash in the puddles with everyone else!
Katie Morag island stories	Mairi Hedderwick	Whether she's posting parcels to the wrong addresses, helping Grannie Island with a winning sheep, having problems with a troublesome ted or dealing with her naughty big boy cousins, Katie Morag is always up to something. Here are four delightful stories - a treat for all Katie Morag fans
I want my hat back	Jan Klassen	The bear's hat is gone, and he wants it back. Patiently and politely, he asks the animals he comes across, one by one, whether they have seen it. Each animal says no, some more elaborately than others. But just as the bear begins to despond, a deer comes by and asks a simple question that sparks the bear's memory.
What to do if an elephant stands on your foot	Michelle Robinson	Safari etiquette can be tricky. Fortunately, our trusty narrator can help. Sort of. From what to do if an elephant stands on your foot ("Keep calm. Panicking will only startle it!") to how to escape the attentions of a crocodile ("Well? What are you waiting for? Wave your arms around and shout for help!"), our plucky guide leads our unlucky hero on a jungle adventure, barely avoiding

		tigers, a rhino, snakes, and--uh-oh. What's that? Well thank heavens the monkeys are friendly at least!
How to wash a woolly mammoth	Michelle Robinson	Find out exactly how to wash your mammoth in this hilarious instruction manual - just remember don't get any soap in its eyes or it might escape up a tree!
Dinosaurs in the supermarket	Timothy Knapman	A trip to the supermarket turns into havoc when dinosaurs go wild in the aisles! As Stegosaurus spills beans and Diplodocus gobbles up greens, can a little boy get the big beasts to behave?
But where completely are we?	Lauren Child	Lola really wants to live in a tent. 'I would quite like to be an explorer, Charlie,' says Lola. So Charlie and Lola set off on an adventure, but instead of packing explorer essentials like binoculars or string, Lola has brought lots and lots of glitter and pink milk! They head off into the wild, ready to face tigers and bears and go foraging for food. But, when it starts to rain, Lola's not so keen on being stuck outside - so they do indooroutdoor camping at home and go on an imaginative adventure instead!
I will not ever eat a tomato	Lauren Child	An innovative and fun-filled look at the problem of fussy eating from Children's Laureate Lauren Child. This classic Kate Greenaway Medal-Winning picture book is guaranteed to make dinner time fun. Lola will not eat peas. In fact, she won't eat carrots, potatoes, mushrooms, eggs, sausages, cauliflower, cabbage or baked beans. And she will absolutely not ever NEVER eat a tomato.
Just imagine	Pippa Goodhart	Just imagine if you were so big you could take a bath in a swimming pool...or so small that you could sleep in a matchbox! Imagine being a magical creature or even travelling through time...
You choose	Pippa Goodhart	Imagine you could go anywhere, with anyone and do anything. Where would you live? Where would you sleep? Who would be your friends? What games would you play? Go on ...you choose! With the help of detailed illustrations, this title looks at a whole range of scenarios where choosing is made fun.
There are cats in this book	Vivienne Schwartz	When did you last play with cats ... inside a book?! The cats in this book want to have fun, and by turning the pages and flipping the flaps you can play their favourite games with them! Tiny, Moonpie and André love wool to tangle with, cardboard boxes to hide in, pillow fights ... and fish! But where there are fish, there is also water - lots of it. So who's going to rescue the cats from the giant floodwave? You are, of course!

Actual size (non-fiction)	Steve Jenkins	Just how big is a crocodile? What about a tiger, or the world's largest spider? Can you imagine a tongue that is two feet long or an eye that is bigger than your head? Sometimes facts and figures don't tell the whole story. In the new paperback edition of this visually stunning book, Steve Jenkins illustrates animals both large and small at their actual size
Iggy and me	Jenny Valentine	IGGY AND ME is a series of family stories featuring the mishaps and shenanigans of the irrepressible 5-year-old Iggy as seen through the eyes of her big sister Flo.

Shark in the park	Nick Sharratt	Timothy Pope has a brand new telescope and he's testing it out at the park. Children will delight in peeping through the die-cut holes and guessing what Tim has spotted. Is that really a shark he can see? Turn the page and find out . .
Lost and found	Oliver Jeffers	There once was a boy... and one day a penguin arrives on his doorstep. The boy decides the penguin must be lost and tries to return him. But no one seems to be missing a penguin. So the boy decides to take the penguin home himself, and they set out in his row boat on a journey to the South Pole. But when they get there, the boy discovers that maybe home wasn't what the penguin was looking for after all
Traction Man is here	Mini Grey	With an action outfit for every occasion, Traction Man patrols the house. Whether he is saving toys (in latex space suit and Perspex helmet, teamed with Rocket Boots); searching the sink for the lost wreck of the sieve (in sub-aqua suit, fluorescent flippers and infra-red mask) or rescuing damsels in distress (in jungle pants, camouflage vest and a bandanna), Traction Man is never less than stylishly turned out and expertly accessorised. He is the last word in heroic fashion flair - until, that is, the day that he is presented with an all-in-one knitted green romper suit and matching bonnet by his owner's granny. Can Traction Man overcome the humiliation of his desperately dowdy new look and rediscover the action hero within or will the burden of the knitted green monstrosity be too great?
Aliens love underpants	Claire Freedman	This zany, hilarious tale is delightfully brought to life by Ben Cort's vibrant illustrations. With a madcap, rhyming text by award-winning Claire Freedman, this is sure to enchant and amuse the whole family! Perfect for joining in, this story is fantastically fresh and funny - you'll laugh your pants off!
My friend bear	Jez Alborough	Eddy is feeling sad and so is the Bear. They both wish they had a friend to talk to. All they've got are their teddies, and teddies can't talk. Or can they? A great look at friendship and feelings.
Whatever next!	Jill Murphy	Baby Bear wants to go on one more adventure before bed - a quick trip to the moon. Mrs Bear isn't pleased, and anyway, she says, Baby Bear doesn't have a rocket. Luckily, there's one under the stairs .



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Oak Class Year 2 suggested reading books.

A dark, dark tale	Ruth Brown	Repetitive tale building tension and excitement
Come away from the water Shirley	John Burningham	On a day trip to the seaside Mum and Dad settle down in their deckchairs to snooze the day away while for Shirley it is a chance to set sail for uncharted seas, adventure and buried treasure. But not before her Mum has warned her off the dangers of tar, stray dogs and cold water...
Oi, Get off our Train	John Burningham	A little boy sets off on a round-the-world night train to dreamland with only his toy dog for company. But soon all sorts of endangered animals are asking if they can jump up and join them on their journey...
The Never Girls: Under the Lagoon	Kiki Thorpe	Disney: The fairies in Never Land think that mermaids are nothing but trouble. So when Gabby befriends a mermaid, Kate, Mia, and Lainey warn her to stay away. But Gabby doesn't want to lose her new friend!
The Naughtiest Unicorn	Pip Bird	Mira can't wait to start Unicorn School. (Her big sister goes and won't stop going on about it). But when Mira arrives on her first day all the unicorns are gone . . . except Dave! Dave isn't quite the sparkly magical unicorn Mira was expecting to find at the end of the rainbow - he's more grumpy than glittery, more interested in lunch than magical quests and he always runs off when Mira tries to ride him....
Mrs Pepperpot stories	Alf Proysen	Mrs Pepperpot can't choose when she will shrink to the size of a pepperpot - it just happens! But whatever she encounters, whether it be a monstrous mousetrap, a crafty fox or a gigantic mountain of ice cream, little Mrs Pepperpot will always come out on top.
Dragons at Crumbling Castle	Terry Pratchett	Dragons have invaded Crumbling Castle, and all of King Arthur's knights are either on holiday or visiting their grannies. It's a disaster! Luckily, there's a spare suit of armour and a very small boy called Ralph who's willing to fill it. Together with Fortnight the Friday knight and Fossfiddle the wizard, Ralph sets out to defeat the fearsome fire-breathers. But there's a teeny weeny surprise in store
The day I fell into a fairytale	Ben Miller	Checking the Aisle was empty, Lana hoisted herself up and launched herself into the tub of sweets, she pushed as hard as she could but nothing happened... Then suddenly she was hurtling downwards....
The Detective Dog	Julia Donaldson	Peter's dog Nell has an amazing sense of smell. Her ever-sniffing nose is always hard at work solving mysteries and finding all Peter's lost toys. But Nell has other talents too . . .

		When she's not cracking cases, Nell goes to school with Peter and listens to the children read. Books about dinosaurs, books about space and even books about dogs - Nell loves them all! But one day Peter and Nell arrive at school to find all the books have disappeared! Who could have taken them, and why? Luckily, Detective Dog Nell, with help from the whole class, is ready to sniff out the thief!
The Enormous Crocodile	Roald Dahl	Classic Roald Dahl... will the animals stop the enormous crocodile from eating his favourite food?
Fantastic Mr Fox	Roald Dahl	Short chapter book about a clever fox and three foolish farmers
The Hodgeheg	Dick King Smith	A chapter book about a hedgehog tries to cross a busy road and ends up with a bump on the head.
Tom's Sausage Lion	Michael Morpurgo	Chapter book about a boy called Tom who sees a lion but no one believes him
Fing	David Walliams	Myrtle Meek has everything she could possibly want. But everything isn't enough. She wants more, more, MORE! When Myrtle declares she wants a FING, there's only one problem... What <i>is</i> a FING? Mr and Mrs Meek will do anything to keep their darling daughter happy, even visit the spooky library vaults to delve into the dusty pages of the mysterious <i>Monsterpedia</i> . Their desperate quest leads to the depths of the jungliest jungle where the rarest creatures can be found. But will they ever find a FING?
The Boy who Grew Dragons	Andy Shepard	When Tomas discovers a strange old tree at the bottom of his grandad's garden, he doesn't think much of it. But he takes the funny fruit from the tree back into the house - and gets the shock and delight of his life when a tiny dragon hatches! The tree is a dragonfruit tree, and Tomas has got his very own dragon, Flicker ...

The Witches cat and the cooking catastrophe	Kirstie Watson	One day, a witch's cat found a dusty old cookbook, and it gave him the most marvellous idea..." The witch has gone out and inspired by the old cookbook, the cat is determined to knock up a super-scrumptious surprise lunch for her. But unfortunately, his enthusiasm far exceeds his cooking abilities, and he carelessly overlooks some rather important information. But hey, what's the worst that could happen?
The Girl, the Bear and the Magic Shoes	Julia Donaldson	When Josephine leaves the shoe shop after buying some new running shoes, she hears an unusual sound - <i>Click-click! Click-click!</i> It's a bear with a backpack! Luckily for Josephine, her new shoes are anything but ordinary - these are <i>magic</i> shoes. But can

		they help her escape the bear when there's a mountain, a bog and even a lake in her way?
The secret garden - Ladybird Classics	Francis Hodgson Burnett (re-written by Ladybird)	Follow Mary Lennox from India to Yorkshire, England, and watch her grow from an over-privileged girl who has never tied her own shoes, to a caring young woman. In her adventures, Mary meets a young man who can converse with animals, discovers and solves the hidden mystery of a secret garden, and helps her sick cousin to recover. Guided by a remarkable red robin, through her deeds and work she grows right along with this very special garden.
Ladybird Readers - Black Beauty	Anna Sewell (re-written by Ladybird)	Black Beauty meets many different people during his difficult life. Can Black Beauty ever be as happy as he was at Mr Gordon's farm?
The Boy Who Lived with Dragons	Andy Shepherd	Having your own dragon is magical - but Tomas is also about to find out what living with a dragon is REALLY like. When the fire-breathing kicks in and you get singed every five seconds, it's like having an unpredictable volcano in your pocket. Learning to train the dragons and keep them out of trouble at school and home will take all Tomas's creativity and patience