



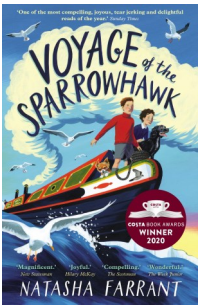
Rich Read Recommendations



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The Voyage of the Sparrowhawk by Natasha Farrant for ages 9+

Winner: 2020 Costa Children's book award



In Spring 1919, just after the Great War has ended, Ben and Lotti have both suffered greatly and make a surprising team when they both decide they need to go to France to search for missing relatives. They do this in the middle of the night, crossing the English Channel on a canal barge named Sparrowhawk! A tale of resolve, friendship and what love and family truly means.

**Mrs. Riseborough's Recommendation:
Hattie and Olaf by Frida Nilsson**

Ages: 6+



Hattie is desperate for a beautiful white horse, but her father arrives home with Olaf - an ill-treated and neglected donkey! Because of her disappointment, Hattie invents a huge lie and risks losing the friendship of her best friend. A well written early reading chapter book suitable for Year 2 and Year 3 children with huge characters and a gripping storyline. Will Hattie's lie be discovered?

**Mrs Jefferies' Recommendation:
The Big Book of Blue by Yuval Zommer**

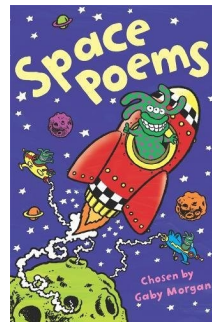
Ages: 5+



This is a wonderful non-fiction book about the ocean. It has beautiful illustrations and lots of amazing facts about sea creatures, from Penguins to Dragonets. Children will love exploring the pictures and sharing their new found knowledge! This is part of the "The Big Book of..." series and all the books in the series are worth exploring!

**Mrs Dolding's Recommendation:
Space Poems by Gaby Morgan**

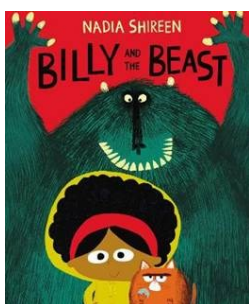
Age: 5+



Blast off into space with this spectacular collection of poems about galaxies, the moon, planets, stars, rockets, astronauts, UFOs, aliens, black holes, the Milky Way, space sheds and even space pets!

Mrs Evenden's Recommendation: Billy and the Beast by Nadia Shireen

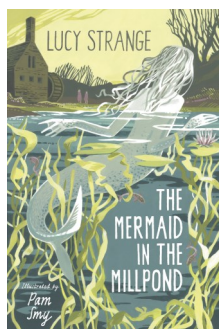
Age: 4+



Billy and her cat are taking a stroll through the forest when suddenly something scary happens. Will Billy be able to solve the problem and rescue all of her woodland friends? I really enjoyed reading this story, it has a catchy text and bold illustrations that are wonderful to look at. You will want to read it again and again.

Miss Brogan's Book Recommendation:
The Mermaid in the Millpond by Lucy Strange

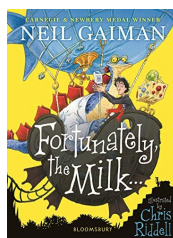
Age: 7+



This dyslexia friendly, short chapter book is perfect for budding, young readers. Bess has left the London workhouse for a rural cotton mill but was this a wise decision? Will her employers be kind to her and what is lurking in the millpond?

Mrs Paton's Recommendation:
Fortunately, The Milk by Neil Gaiman

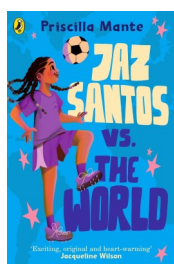
Age: 7+



I thoroughly enjoyed reading this book about a dad who is left in charge of his two children, while his wife goes on a work conference. Dad discovers that there is no milk for breakfast, so goes to the shop to buy some. Only, he is gone for way too long and takes ages to come home. When he eventually arrives home, the children ask him what took him so long and he embarks on this great story of how he was on his way home but was abducted by aliens and other strange creatures.

Mrs Wahnson's Recommendation:
Jaz Santos Vs. The World by Priscilla Mante

Age: 8+

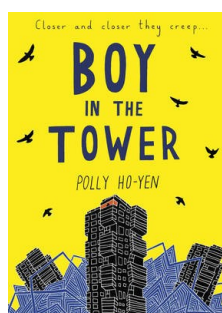


Feeling inspired by my class of female football players, I chose to read this book especially for them - and I loved it!

Jaz is bold, but vulnerable and has big dreams - her sights are set on football stardom. There is lots of real-life information about women's football and the story is based in Brighton. Full of diverse characters, who break the stereotypes, this is a great story of Bramrock Primary School's first girls football team!

Mr Cole's Recommendation:
Boy in the Tower by Polly Ho-Yen

Age: 9+



Buildings in Camberwell are starting to drop day by day. No-one seems that suspicious except for Ade and his best friend. No notice is taken until it is too late and everyone has to abandon their houses and leave London. The only problem is that Ade's mum is not able to leave their flat on the seventeenth story of a tower block. What will he do? And why are the buildings falling?

Mrs Oakley's Book Recommendation
The Worrying Worries by Rachel Rooney

Age: All ages



What happens when you get a Worry? They can follow you around everywhere, and they are HUNGRY. They feed on your fears and put sad thoughts in your

head until they've grown so big, it can be hard to get anything done! Luckily, the Worry Expert knows exactly what to do. This rhyming book with fun illustrations shows how a worry can get out of control - getting larger and larger and taking over your life - and then shows how you can try to deal with that worry. A reassuring book for anxious children of any age.

Reading Website Recommendation

Are you looking for more recommendations of rich texts to read at home?

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/>

The Book Trust is a fabulous website that emphasises the importance of reading with book suggestions and great tips for reading at home.

Happy Reading Everyone!