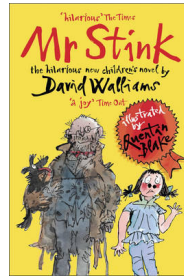


Books to Make You Laugh

Walliams, David

Mr Stink

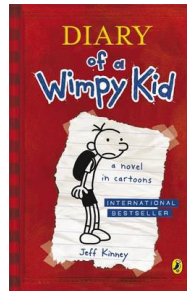
'Mr Stink stank. He also stunk. And if it was correct English to say he stinked, then he stinked as well' It all starts when Chloe makes friends with Mr Stink, the local tramp. Yes, he smells a bit. But when it looks like he might be driven out of town, Chloe decides to hide him in the garden shed.



Kinney, Jeff

Diary of a Wimpy Kid

Greg Heffley finds himself in a new year and school where undersize weaklings share the corridors with kids who are taller and meaner. Desperate to prove his maturity, Greg is happy to have his sidekick, Rowley, along for the ride, but when Rowley's star starts to rise, Greg tries to use his best friend's popularity to his own advantage.



Peirce, Lincoln

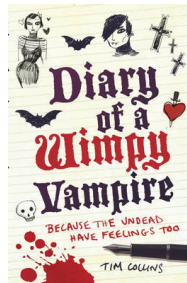
Big Nate; The Boy With the Biggest Head in the World Big-head Nate Wright believes he is destined for greatness! He's a table tennis champ, a genius comic book artist and the self-proclaimed king of his class. One morning, Nate eats his Dad's toxic porridge, forgets his lunch, has a test and hasn't studied for it! Then he accidentally bodyslams his Headteacher and insults his least favourite teacher.



Collins, Tim

Diary of a Wimpy Vampire

Nigel Mullet was transformed into a vampire when he was still a teenager, and will remain this age forever. Unfortunately, Nigel became a vampire at the awkward age of 15, and must spend eternity coping with acne, and an ineptitude with girls. This title chronicles his desperate attempts to be noticed by the love of his life, Chloe Sparrow.



Reading Supports Your Child's Learning

You may not be reading with your child as you did at primary school but you can still support good reading habits. Talk to your child about the book you're both reading or ask what books your child would like for birthday or Christmas presents.

Also encourage them to read magazines, comics and newspapers as well as books.

All of the books featured in this leaflet are available from the School Library and can be loaned, along with thousands of other fantastic titles, throughout the school day.

If your child is stuck for reading ideas or would like new reading challenges, perhaps they might like to join our **Friday lunchtime Reading Club.**



Some of the Reading Club members

With over 30 members from Yr 7-11, it is the ideal place for them to expand and develop their reading whilst in the company of other keen and improving readers.



**Harrow Way
English Department
Recommended Reads for
Key Stage 3**

Excitement & Adventure

Collins, Suzanne

The Hunger Games

Set in a dark vision of the near future, a terrifying reality TV show is taking place. Twelve boys and twelve girls are forced to appear in a live event called The Hunger Games. There is only one rule: kill or be killed.



McKenzie, Sophie

The Set-Up

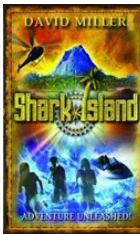
Four teenagers discover that, as babies, they were genetically modified to give them psychic powers. This is an exciting, fast-moving series-opener, with a credible plot and fantastic characters.



Miller, David

Shark Island

Kidnapped by pirates, left on a remote island, Hanna and Ned have to survive... and rescue their parents.



Paolini, Christopher

Eragon

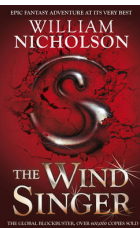
When Eragon finds a polished stone in the forest, he thinks it is the lucky discovery of a poor farm boy; perhaps it will buy his family meat for the winter. But when the stone brings a dragon hatchling, Eragon soon realizes he has stumbled upon a legacy nearly as old as the Empire itself.



Nicolson, William

The Wind Singer

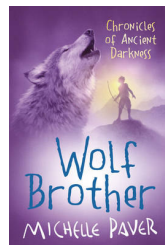
Kestrel can't stand the structure and rules of Aramant. In defiance, she climbs the wooden tower known as the wind singer and brings the wrath of the Chief Examiner on her family. Her beloved father is taken, and only Kestrel and her twin brother Bowman can save him.



Amazing Characters

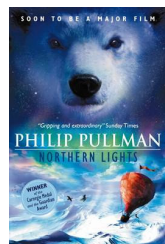
Paver, Michelle Wolf Brother

Dazzling entertainment, seamless storytelling – Torak and Wolf begin their quest by doing battle with a demon bear in the first of six adventures to vanquish the terrifying Soul-Eaters.



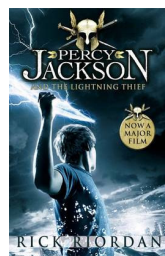
Pullman, Philip Northern Lights

When Lyra's friend Roger disappears, she and her daemon, Pantalaimon, set out to find him. They travel to the ice kingdoms of the North, where armoured bears rule and witch-queens fly. Lyra possesses a device that will aid their quest - if she can decipher its mysterious messages



Riordan, Rick Percy Jackson & the Lightning Thief

Look, I didn't want to be a half-blood or the son of a Greek god. I was just normal, going to school, playing basketball, skateboarding. Until I accidentally vaporised my maths teacher. Now I spend my time fighting with swords, battling monsters and generally trying to stay alive.



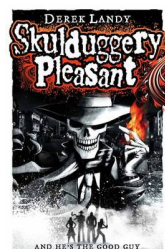
Walden, Mark H.I.V.E.

Super-slick, all-action and very very funny, this is James Bond meets Artemis Fowl with a dastardly twist - even the goodies are baddies!



Landy, Derek Skulduggery Pleasant

Meet the great Skulduggery Pleasant: wise-cracking detective, powerful magician, master of dirty tricks and burglary (in the name of the greater good, of course). Oh yeah. And dead. Then there's his sidekick, Stephanie. She's well, she's a twelve-year-old girl.



Creepy and Spooky

Delaney, Joseph The Spook's Apprentice

Tom Ward is the seventh son of a seventh son and has been apprenticed to the local Spook. The job is hard, the Spook is distant and many have failed before. Somehow he must learn how to exorcise ghosts, but when he is tricked into freeing Mother Malkin, an evil witch, the horror begins.



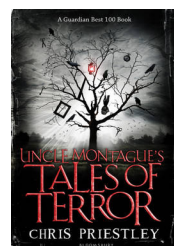
Walsh, Pat The Crowfield Curse

Will knows that there is something horribly powerful in the grave in the forest and it is still alive



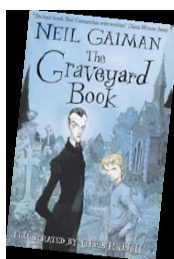
Priestley, Chris Tales of Terror

Uncle Montague lives alone in a big house and regular visits from his nephew give him the opportunity to relive some of the most frightening stories he knows. As the stories unfold, it transpires, they are not so much works of imagination as dreadful memories.



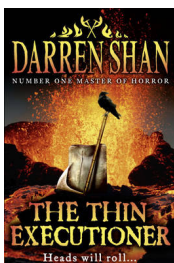
Gaiman, Neil The Graveyard Book

After his parents are murdered, Bod is brought up by ghosts in the local graveyard. Both macabre and gripping, this is a highly original, extremely well-written tale that looks set to become a classic.



Shan, Darren The Graveyard Book

A brilliant and amazing story of swords, sand and sorcery. One boy's humiliation leads him to embark on a perilous quest to the faraway lair of a mysterious god. It is a dark, brutal, nightmarish journey which few have ever survived. Excitement, action and terror!



Harrow Way Author Visits

McNish, Cliff Breathe

Jack has always had an affinity with the supernatural. When he and his mother move to an isolated house, Jack senses the presence of the previous owner. He is soon aware of other spirits reaching out to claim him and at the heart of the house is the Ghost Mother - long dead!



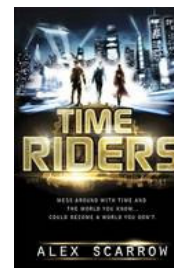
Muchamore, Robert The Recruit

CHERUB is not James Bond. There are no master criminals or high-tech gadgets. CHERUB kids live in the real world. They slip under adult radar and get information that sends criminals and terrorists to jail. For official purposes, these children do not exist.



Scarrow, Alex Timeriders

Liam O'Connor should have died at sea in 1912. Maddy Carter should have died on a plane in 2010. Sal Vikram should have died in a fire in 2029. Yet moments before death, someone mysteriously appeared and said, 'Take my hand ...' but Liam, Maddy and Sal aren't rescued! They are recruited by an agency that no one knows exists, with only one purpose - to fix broken history. (Due to visit us July 2012)



Gleitzman, Morris Once

For over three years Felix has lived in an orphanage in Poland. Felix is different from the other orphans. He is convinced his parents are still alive and will come back to get him. When a group of Nazis come and burn the nuns' books, Felix is terrified that his Jewish, bookseller parents will also be in danger. After escaping from the orphanage, Felix embarks on a long and dangerous journey through Nazi occupied Poland.

