

Recommended Reading List: Year 3

Author	Title	Blurb
Barbara Sleigh	Carbonel	This is the story of a cat, a broomstick and an ordinary schoolgirl called Rosemary. She bought them both in the market, quite cheaply. Of course, neither the cat nor the broomstick were just what they seemed, and they turned up just when Rosemary badly needed something nice to happen to her. A good cat is apt to be independent, so she did not have things all her own way, and as Carbonel proved to be a Royal cat in a very special sense, that was understandable. Between the cat and the broomstick, Rosemary picked up some useful spells and magic, and the adventures they brought about turned a dull-looking holiday into one long to be remembered for its unexpected excitements and rewards.
E B White	Charlotte's Web	This timeless farmyard story tells of the power of friendship. When the runty little piglet is saved from an early death, he grows into a fine and handsome pig. And the farmer wants to kill him. Can Charlotte, the spider who has grown to love him, save his life?
Jeff Kinney	Diary of a Wimpy Kid	Winner of the Blue Peter Best Book of the Decade. The 1st in the brilliant Wimpy Kid series that has taken the US, and now the UK by storm. The illustrations and story hilariously chart Greg's life at a new school.
Tove Jansson	Finn Family Moomintroll	Although they're small, fat and shy creatures, Moomins have the most amazing adventures. It all begins when Moominpappa tries on a magic hat that makes exciting and funny things happen. Katy Guest, literary editor for The Independent on Sunday on the Moomin books: "A fantasy series for small children that introduces bigger ones to ideas of adventure, dealing with fear, understanding character and tolerating difference."
Jeff Brown	Flat Stanley -Chapter Book	Stanley is a perfectly ordinary little boy until an extra large notice board falls on top of him and makes him completely flat. Luckily, Stanley is of a cheerful disposition and he adapts readily to his new, flat self and even finds advantages to it. Lots of funny adventures in an easy to read style.
Mandy Coe	If You Could See Laughter	Age 7+. Highly Commended by the panel of the CLPE Poetry Award 2011, which honours excellence in poetry written for children.
Anne Fine	Ivan The Terrible	Winner of the 6-8 Nestle Silver Award 2007. When Boris is landed with the job of being the new boy's interpreter, he little realises just how much trouble he is in for. Ivan may speak no English but that's not going to stop him from making his mark. Can Boris keep Ivan under control especially when he threatens

		to make his classmates slaves?
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Barry Hutchison	Invisible Fiends: Mr Mumbles	<p>Scottish Book Award 2010 winner - Young Readers (8-11) category</p> <p>Not for the faint hearted, this is a chilling horror stories for all those who love to be scared. Kyle gave up his imaginary friend years ago, so many years ago that he has forgotten all about him. But, when something attracts his attention by scratching on the ceiling, Kyle has to investigate. Mr Mumbles is no longer imaginary and it seems he is no longer a friend. In fact, Kyle has to keep his wits about him just to stay alive!</p>
Geraldine Mccaughrean	One Thousand And One Arabian Nights	<p>A completely original version of the Arabian Nights Stories by award-winning author Geraldine McCaughrean. In order to delay her inevitable execution, Queen Shaharazad tells her murdering husband, King Shahryar, an exciting story every night. She tells her wonderful stories until the King realizes that he won't be able to live without them...</p>
Chris Riddell	Ottoline at Sea	<p>Shortlisted for the prestigious Sheffield Children's Book Award 2011</p> <p>Ottoline and Mr. Munroe love solving tricky problems and working out clever plans; they love putting on disguises and travelling across enormous spaces. When Mr. Munroe disappears leaving a clue to his whereabouts written in string wrapped around the sofa, Ottoline has to travel over and under the sea equipped with her Amateur Roving Collectors' travel pass to find him. Brilliantly told in words and pictures this is a captivating adventure, irresistible to follow.</p>
Allan Ahlberg, Julia Eccleshare	Please Mrs. Butler Verses	<p>This witty collection of poems about school is full of typical classroom events that will be recognized and enjoyed by everyone: the candid revelations in a pupil's newsbook, the problem of copycats, bickering, making up, swaps, picking teams and forming gangs. Fritz Wegner's line drawings beautifully complement the hilarious and poignant verses. Please Mrs Butler was voted the most important twentieth-century children's poetry book in a Books for Keeps poll.</p>
Jeremy Strong	The Hundred mile an hour Dog	<p>Chosen as the Puffin Modern Classic 1990 - 1999. A World Book Day 'Recommended Read' for 2011</p> <p>Featuring a boy, an extremely fast family pet dog and a bet, this is very definitely laugh-out-loud funny and chock full of action and adventure during what might otherwise have been a rather boring summer holiday. Reading this will certainly bring more than just a smile to those who read it. Fantastic. And, don't forget if you enjoy this one the super-fast dog and his friend return in a further adventure, The Return of the Hundred Mile An Hour Dog.</p>

