

BLUE COAT C E INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOLS' FEDERATION

Children moving into Year 7 Reading List

All these books can be borrowed for free from the public library – if they don't have a book available, they will order it for you.

<p>Mysterious Benedict society-Trenton-Lee-Stewart <i>When an advert appears in the newspaper for children to take part in a secret mission, children everywhere sit a series of odd tests. In the end, just Reynie, Kate, Sticky and Constance succeed. They have three things in common: they are honest, talented and orphans. They must go undercover and work as a team to save themselves, but also the world.</i></p>	<p>Cosmic – Frank Cottrell Boyce <i>Liam is too big for his boots. And his football strip. And his school blazer. But being super-sized height-wise has its advantages: he's the only eleven-year-old to ever ride the G-force-defying Cosmic rollercoaster - or to be offered the chance to drive a Porsche. Long-legged Liam makes a giant leap for boy-kind by competing with a group of adults for the chance to go into space.</i></p>
<p>The Seeing Stone – Kevin Crossley-Holland <i>The stories of a young King Arthur told in 100 short chapters.</i></p>	<p>The Tulip Touch – Anne Fine <i>Natalie befriends a loner called Tulip, who, from the start, displays some sinister character traits. As the story develops, her love of strange games becomes increasingly disturbing.</i></p>
<p>Bumface – Morris Gleitzman <i>Angus dreams of being like 'Bumface', the pirate hero of his imagination. In reality he's stuck caring for his younger siblings. In this very funny story, Angus is determined to stop his mother adding to his workload at all costs.</i></p>	<p>Stormbreaker – Anthony Horowitz <i>14 year old Alex Rider finds his life turned upside down on discovering his late uncle was a field agent for MI6. Alex is then dragged into the world of espionage and intrigue himself. The action packed story of a teenage spy.</i></p>
<p>Kensuke's Kingdom – Michael Morpurgo <i>Michael is hungry, lonely and scared when he is washed up on a seemingly deserted island. He soon discovers another inhabitant – Kensuke, a former Japanese soldier. Gradually, a strong bond develops between the two castaways.</i></p>	<p>The Various – Steve Augarde <i>When out exploring one day Midge is shocked and more than a little scared to find a miniature horse, injured and dying- especially as the creature has wings! She saves the animals life and becomes embroiled in a fight to save a colony of extraordinary tribes who live in a wood threatened with destruction by the human giants.</i></p>
<p>Percy Jackson & the lightning Thief – Rick Riordan <i>Percy is a twelve-year-old boy. Slightly unusual things have been happening to him his whole life - but when he's attacked by his teacher during a school trip, it becomes apparent that something much bigger is afoot. Within a matter of days he has arrived at Camp Half-Blood, met a god, discovered that his best friend is a satyr and his father is Poseidon, and been accused of stealing Zeus's master lightning bolt.</i></p>	<p>Across the Barricades- Joan Lingard <i>Kevin & Sadie live in Belfast, the two of them being seen together is not an option. A gritty story of religious divide and distrust.</i></p>
<p>The secret Diary of Adrian Mole aged 13 ¾ - Sue Townsend <i>A fictional diary charting the teenage angst and dreams of Adrian Mole.</i></p>	<p>Cue for Treason – Geoffrey Trease <i>Two young runaways become actors in London where they meet Shakespeare & help foil a plot to kill the queen.</i></p>
<p>Inkheart – Cornelia Funke <i>Meggie loves books. So does her father, Mo, a bookbinder, although he has never read aloud to her since her mother mysteriously disappeared. They live quietly until the night a stranger knocks at their door. He has come with a warning that forces Mo to reveal an extraordinary secret - a storytelling secret that will change their lives for ever.</i></p>	<p>Howl's moving castle – Diana Wynne Jones <i>Sophie, resigned to her fate as a hat shop apprentice until a witch turns her into an old woman and she finds herself in the castle of the greatly feared Wizard Howl</i></p>

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<p>The amazing Maurice and his educated rodents – Terry Pratchett <i>Every town on Discworld knows the stories about rats and pipers, and Maurice – a streetwise tomcat – leads a band of educated ratty friends (and a stupid kid) on a nice little earner. Piper plus rats equals lots and lots of money.</i></p>	<p>Horrible Geography <i>Geography with the gritty bits left in!</i></p>
<p>Ruby Redford- Lauren Child <i>Ruby Redfort: she's a genius code-cracker, a daring detective, and a gadget-laden special agent who just happens to be a thirteen-year-old girl. She and her slick sidekick butler, Hitch, foil crimes and get into loads of scrapes with evil villains, but they're always ice-cool in a crisis.</i></p>	<p>Cirque Du Freak- Daren Shan <i>Darren – a spider freak – 'falls in love' with Madam Octa – an enormous tarantala owned by Mr Crepsley. Darren determines to steal the spider so that he can train it to perform amazing deeds. But his daring theft goes horribly wrong and Darren finds himself having to make a bargain with a creature of the night.</i></p>
<p>Dork Diaries- Rachel-Renee-Russell <i>Nikki Maxwell has never been popular but, now she's started at a new school, she's hoping to leave her old dorky ways behind!</i></p>	<p>Mr Gum-Andy Stanton <i>Mr Gum is a complete horror who hates children, animals, fun and corn on the cob. This book's all about him. And an angry fairy who lives in his bathtub. And Jake the dog, and a little girl called Polly and an evil, stinky butcher all covered in guts. And there's heroes and sweets and adventures and EVERYTHING.</i></p>
<p>How to train your dragon- Cressida-Cowell <i>Hiccup Horrendous Haddock III was an awesome sword-fighter, a dragon-whisperer and the greatest Viking Hero who ever lived. But it wasn't always like that.</i></p>	<p>Diary of an (un) teenager – Pete Johnson <i>Spencer is disgusted at the idea of being a teenager. He's not interested in girls, skateboards or huge trainers - so he decides he'll be an (un)teenager instead! A comical take on the highs and lows of being a teenager.</i></p>
<p>Saffy's angel – Hilary McKay <i>After Saffron Casson discovers that she's adopted, life is never quite the same again. Her artistic parents and doting siblings adore her, but Saffy wants a piece of her past. So when her grandfather bequests a stone angel to her, Saffy knows she has to find it. Realising that her childhood in Siena holds the key, she secretly stows away on a car trip to Italy, with her new friend, Sarah.</i></p>	<p>There's a boy in the girls bathroom- Louis Sachar <i>Bradley Chalkers, a fifth grader at the Red Hill School, has trouble getting along with his classmates until he meets Carla, a new school counselor. She not only listens to his wacky stories, but encourages him to use his powerful imagination.</i></p>

Fantastic Authors to look out for

David Almond

Malorie Blackman

Charles Dickens

Sophie McKenzie

Lemony Snicket

Jeremy Strong

David Walliams

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