

Recommended Reads:

Years 7/8/9



Here's a list of books covering all genres that are in the library and available to take out. So choose a book and see where the adventure will take you.....

Action, Adventure, Mystery & Thrillers

The Terrible Thing [...] Barnaby Rickett by John Boyne
Bodyguard or *Young Samurai* (& sequels) by Chris Bradford
The London Eye Mystery by Siobhan Dowd (!)
Boy Overboard by Morris Gleitzman
Murder in Midwinter by Fleur Hitchcock
High Rise Mystery & Mic Drop by Sharna Jackson
I Have No Secrets by Penny Joelson (!)
The Long Weekend by Savita Kalhan
Eight Pieces of Silva/Rat (SR) and others Patrice Lawrence* (!)
Where the World Ends by Geraldine McCaughrean*
Girl Missing (& sequels) by S McKenzie
Cherub Series/The Recruit or *Robin Hood* (& sequels) by Robert Muchamore*
Hatchet by Gary Paulsen
Ruby in the Smoke by Phillip Pullman
Wolf Wilder, Rooftopper or *The Explorer* by Katherine Rundell
Murder Most Unladylike (& sequels) by Robin Stevens
The Extinction Trials or *The Infinity Files* by SM Wilson*
Lori and Max by Catherine O'Flynn

Animal Fiction

The Shark Caller by Zillah Bethell (sharks) (!)
The Boy With The Tiger's Heart by Linda Coggin
The Polar Bear Explorers' Club by Alex Bell
One Dog and His Boy by Eva Ibbotson
A Kestrel For A Knave by Barry Hines
The Child's Elephant by Rachel Campbell Johnson
War Horse by Michael Morpurgo (horses) (!)
The Bomber Dog by Megan Rix
The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips by Michael Morpurgo
Talking to Alaska by Anna Woltz
Pax by Sarah Pennypacker (foxes) (!)

Varjak Paw by SF Said (cats)

Dreaming the Bear by Mimi Thebo (grizzly bears)

A Street Cat Named Bob by James Bowen

Environment & Climate Change

Breathe and *Resist* by Sarah Crossan
Melt by Ele Fountain
Squirm or *Hoot* by Carl Hiaasen
FloodWorld by Tom Huddleston
The Dog Runner, Across the Risen Sea – Bren MacDibble (!)
World Turns Wild by N Penfeld
This Book Is Not Rubbish by Isabel Thomas
No One is Too Small to Make a Difference– G Thunberg
The Last Wild (& sequels) by Piers Torday
The End We Start From by Megan Hunter
A Long Walk To Water by Linda Sue Park
The Supreme Lie by Geraldine McCaughrean
The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer

Dystopian & Science Fiction

The Infinite and The Time Thief by Patience Agbabi
The Middler by Kirsty Applebaum
Ink (and sequels) by Alice Broadway*
Gone (& sequels) -Michael Grant*
The Boy in The Tower by Polly Ho-Yen
Nowhere on Earth by Nick Lake*
The Giver and *Gathering Blue* by Lois Lowry*
The Supreme Lie by Geraldine McCaughrean (!)
Show Us Who You Are by Elle McNicholl (!)
The Knife of Never Letting Go (& sequels) by Patrick Ness *
Railhead & Mortal Engines (& sequels) by Philip Reeve
Scythe, Unwind (& sequels) by Neil Shusterman *
Contagion or *Slated* (& sequels) by Teri Terry*
The 5th Wave (& sequels) by Rick Yancey
Hold Back The Tide by Melinda Salisbury
The Martian by Andy Weir

Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost

The House With Chicken Legs & *The Girl who Speaks Bear* by Sophie Anderson
Six of Crows by Leigh Bardugo*
Asha & The Spirit Bird by Jasbinder Bilan
Artemis Fowl (& sequels) by Eoin Colfer
Who Let the Gods Out (& sequels) by Maz Evans
Inkheart by Cornelia Funke

The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman
Blackberry Blue by Jamila Gavin
Rumaysa: A Fairytale by Radiya Hafiza
Brightstorm: A Sky-Ship Adventure by Vashti Hardy
Girl of Ink and Stars by Kiran Millwood Hargrave (!)
Skulduggery Pleasant (& sequels) by Derek Landy
Tales of Terror, Mister Creecher –Chris Priestley
Northern Lights (& sequels) by Phillip Pullman *(!)
Goth Girl (& sequels) by Chris Riddell (SR)
Mrs Peregrine’s Home for Peculiar Children by Ransom Riggs
Zom-B or ***Cirque du Freak*** (& sequels) by D. Shan
Oh My Gods by Alexandra Sheppard
Who is Black Panther by Jesse J Holland
Artemis Fowl (and sequels) by Eoin Colfer
A Darkness of Dragons and ***The Vanishing of Griffins*** by S A Patrick
Malamander and ***Gargantis*** by Thomas Taylor
A Blade So Black by L L McKinney
Breakdown by Sarah Mussi
Children of Blood and Bone (and sequels) by Tomi Adeyemi

Graphic Novels (GN), Short Stories (SS), Verse Novels (VN), Super-Readables (SR)

Booked, Crossover, Rebound y Kwame Alexander (VN)
Gamer (& sequels) by Chris Bradford (SR)
El Deafo by Cece Bell (GN)
Mind Writer by Steve Cole (SR)
New Kid or ***Class Act*** by Jerry Craft (GN)
Edgar & Adolf by Phil Earle & Michael Wagg (SR)
Coraline: Graphic Novel by Neil Gaiman & C Russell (GN)
The Greatest (Muhammed Ali) by Alan Gibbons (SR)
Amulet: The Stonekeeper by Kazu Kibuishi (GN)
Rat by Patrice Lawrence (SR)
Run Rebel by Manjeet Mann (VN)*
White Bird by RJ Palacio (GN)
Heartstopper (and sequels) by Alice Oseman
Unboxed by Non Pratt
Look Both Ways by Jason Reynolds (SS)
Pumpkin Heads by Rainbow Rowell (GN)
Lost (Choose Your Own Adventure) -Tracey Turner (SR)
 And many more...please come to the library and browse the Graphic Novel and Short Story shelves.

Humorous books

Little Badman &[...] Killer Aunties - Humza Arshad
Millions, Cosmic by F C Boyce
The Last Kids on Earth (& sequels) by Max Brallier
Adventures of a Wimpy Superhero(&more)-T.Collins
The 13-Storey Treehouse (& series) by A Griffiths
The World of Norm series by Jonathon Meres (SR)
Accidental Trouble: Planet Omar by Zanib Mian
Timmy Failure series by Stephan Pastis
Super-Miraculous Journey of Freddie Yates–Pearson (!)
The Boy Who Made Everyone Laugh by Helen Rutter
Tom Gates series by Liz Pichon (SR)
Big Nate series by Lincoln Peirce (SR)

The Immigrant Experience & Refugees

No Ballet Shoes in Syria by Catherine Bruton
Illegal by Eoin Colfer (GN)
Boy, Everywhere by A.M. Dassu
Boy 87 by Ele Fountain
The Bone Sparrow by Zana Fraillion
When Stars Are Scattered by Jamieson & Mohamed (GN)
Inside Out and Back Again by Thanhha Lai (VN)
A Long Walk to Water by Linda Sue Park
The Arrival by Shaun Tan (PB for older readers)
Front Desk (and sequels) by Kelly Yang
The Windrush Child or ***Refugee Boy****-B Zephaniah
Chinglish by Sue Cheung
In The Sea There Are Crocodiles by Fabio Geda

Relationships & Tough Situations

Noughts and Crosses* or ***Pig-Heart Boy*** - M Blackman (!)
Tender Earth, Artichoke Hearts or ***Jasmine Skies*** by Sita Brahmachari
A Pocketful of Stars by Aisha Bushby
One, Apple & Rain, Moonrise, Toffee by Sarah Crossan*
Me, My Dad and the End of the Rainbow by B Dean
Out Of My Mind by Sharon Draper
Little Bits Of Sky and Running on Empty by S.E. Durrant
Mind the Gap, Being Billy or Saving Daisy - P Earle
The Many Worlds of Albie Bright by Chris Edge
Mockingbird by Kathryn Erskine
Tulip Touch or Flour Babies by Anne Fine
 Joy

Check Mates by Stuart Foster
When Life Gives You Mangoes by Kereen Getten (!)
George by Alex Gino
Tall Story or **Shine** by Candy Gourlay
The Island at the End of Everything by KM Hargrave
After the Fire by Will Hill*(!)
Boy in the Tower by Polly Ho-Yen
Swan Song, or **Eagle Warrior** (SR) by Gill Lewis
Brock, Pike, Rook & Lark (SR) by Anthony McGowan *(!)
A Kind of Spark by Elle McNicholl (!)
A Monster Calls by Patrick Ness (!)
No Fixed Address or **Word Nerd** by Susin Nielsen*(!)
Wonder or **Auggie and Me** by R.J. Palacio (!)
A Good Kind of Trouble by Lisa Moore Ramee
The Star Outside My Window and others by Onjali Rauf (!)
Long Way Down (VN or GN) by Jason Reynolds *(!)
Ghost Boys or **Black Brother Black Brother** Jewell P Rhodes (!)
Can You See Me or **Do You Know Me** by Rebecca Scott & Libby Westcott (!)
The Marvels or **Wonderstruck** by Brian Selznick (1/2 GN)
The Boxer by Nikesh Shukla*(!)
Clean Getaway by Nic Stone
The Hate U Give and sequels by Angie Thomas* (!)
Goldfish Boy by Lisa Thompson

Sports

Booked, Crossover or Rebound – K. Alexander*
The Kick Off/Man of the Match/Shoot to Win - Dan Freedman
Kick by Mitch Johnson
The Fix by Sophie McKenzie
Lily and the Rockets by Rebecca Stevens
Ultimate Football Heroes Collection – M&T Oldfield
Football Academy or **Foul Play** series–Tom Palmer
Becoming Muhammed Ali by J Patterson & K Alexander
Soccer Squad, Dream On (& series) by Bali Rai
Gloves Off by Louisa Reid* (VN)
Ghost, Patina, Sunny, Lu (Track series) by J Reynolds
Outcasts United (young people edition) -W. St John
Pay Attention, Carter Jones by Gary Schmidt*

History, War & Conflict

The Short Knife by Elen Caldecott* (!)
Eleven Eleven by Paul Dowswell
The Last Paper Crane by Kerry Drewery (!)
When the Sky Falls by Phil Earle (WWII)

Once (& sequels) by Morris Gleitzman
Bone Talk by Candy Gourlay
Grenade, Ground Zero or **Prisoner B-3087** - Alan Gratz*
The Goose Road by Rowena House
Race to the Frozen North, 1783 by Catherine Johnson (!)
When the World Was Ours by Liz Kessler*
Orphan Monster Spy and **Devil Darling Spy** by Matt Killeen* (!)
Buffalo Soldier, Apache or **Lightning Strike** by Tanya Landman*
Diver's Daughter: A Tudor Story by P Lawrence
The Skylarks' War or **The Swallows' Flight**- H McKay (!)
After the War, Armistice Runner or **Over/Line**-T Palmer
Now or Never: A Dunkirk Story by Bali Rai
Salt to the Sea or **Fountains of Silence** by R Sepetys *(!)
Eagle of the Ninth by Rosemary Sutcliffe (!)
The Land or **Roll of Thunder** by Mildred D Taylor*
Cane Warriors by Alex Wheatle* (!)
The Fountains of Silence* by Ruth Sepetys (!)
The Book Thief by Marcus Zusak* (!)
Edgar and Adolf by Phil Earle and Michael Wagg (SR)(!)

* = Content is slightly more mature

! = Ms Watkins favourite reads