

Year 4 Recommended Reading List
'An amazing book can make your imagination fly...'

Key Authors

Stories with historical settings

David Almond	The Boy Who Climbed to the Moon My Dad's a Birdman The Boy Who Swam with Piranha's
Kate Dicamillo	The Magicians Elephant The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane Because of Winn Dixie The Tale of Desperaux
Anne Fine	Under a Silver Moon How to Write Really Badly Goggle Eyes Bill's New Frock
Philip Pullman	Clockwork The Firework Maker's Daughter The Scarecrow and His Servant Aladdin
Chris Van Allsburg	The Mysteries of Harris Burdick Queen of the Falls The Polar Express Jumanjii
David Walliams	Mr Stink The Boy in the Dress Billionaire Boy Gangsta Granny
Linda Newbery	Polly's March
Marcia Williams	Flossie's War Diary
Sonva Harnett	Silver Donkey
Faith Ringold	Aunt Harriet's Underground Railroad in the Sky
Shirley Hughes	Lion & the Unicorn
Michael Morpurgo	The Mozart Question Not Bad for a Bad Lad
Caroline Lawrence	The Thieves of Ostia
Julia Jarman	The Time Travelling Cat and the Egyptian Goddess
Josephine Poole	Anne Frank

Floella Benjamin	Coming to England
Sophie McKenzie	Time Train to the Blitz

Gcina Mhlohe	African Tales
Shenaaz Nani	Indian Tales
Malachy Doyle	Tales from Old Ireland
Niki Daly	Pretty Salma
Sally Pomme Clayton	Amazons: Women Warriors of the World Tales told in Tents
Frane Lessac	The Fire Children
Jeannie Baker	Mirror
Tomie dePaola	Adelita: a Mexican Cinderella Story

Stories from other cultures

Stories set in imaginary worlds

Marcus Sedgwick	Flood and Fang
Wiley Miller	Extraordinary Adventures of Ordinary Basil
Ian Beck	Secret History of Tom Trueheart Boy Adventurer
Lemony Snickett	A Bad Beginning
Tony DiTerlizzi	The Field Guide
Charlie Small	Gorilla City
Phillip Pullman	Firework Maker's Daughter Clockwork
Philip Reeve	There's No Such Thing as Dragons

Stories that deal with issues and dilemmas

Elizabeth Laird	Secret Friends (Bullying)
Shaun Tan	The Red Tree (Depression)
Anne Fine	Bill's New Frock (Gender)
Karin Littlewood	When Dad Was Away (Parent in Prison)
David Almond	My Dad's a Birdman (Bereavement/Mental Health)
Jeanne Willis	Fat Cat and Slobby Dog (Health)
Jeanne Baker	Window (Environment)
Dr Seuss	My Many Coloured Days (Feelings)
Charlotte Moundlic	The Scar (Bereavement)
Kes Gray	Mum and Dad Glue (Divorce)

Picture Books for older children

David Wiesner	Flotsam
Colin Thomson	Panerbag Prince
Raymond Briggs	Fungous the Bogeyman
Judith Loske	Sadako's Cranes
Shirley Hughes	The lion and the Unicorn
Carol Ann Duffy	The Princess' Blankets
Libby Hathorne	Way Home

Poetry

Paul Cookson	The Works
Michael Rosen	Centrally Heated Knickers
Charles Causlev	I Had a little Cat
Michael Morpurgo	Because a Fire Was in My Head
Ted Huohes	Poems for Children
John Agard	From Mouth to Mouth
Roger McGough	100 Best Poems for Children

Whole class texts- these are the books we read as part of our topics each half term.

Autumn 1	
Autumn 2	
Spring 1	
Spring 2	
Summer 1	
Summer 2	

