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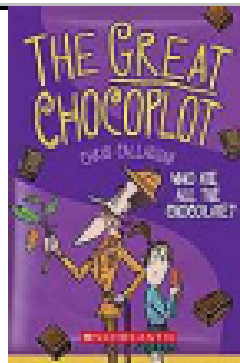
Recommended Reads



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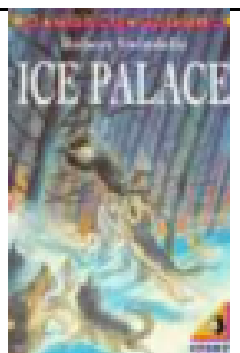
Year 3 – Recommended Reading List

	<p><u>The Abominables – Eva Ibbotson</u></p> <p>A hundred years ago, in the Himalayan peaks of Nanvi Dar, the daughter of an English earl is kidnapped by a huge hairy monster. In a secret valley Agatha Farley is introduced to a family of motherless yetis and devotes her life to their upbringing. She teaches them to speak, tells them stories and insists on polite manners. But as the decades pass, tourists come to the mountains, a hotel is built and yeti-hunters arrive. Agatha knows that there is one place in the world where they would be protected.</p>	
	<p><u>Varjak Paw – SF Said</u></p> <p>Varjak Paw is a Mesopotamian Blue kitten. He lives high up in an old house on a hill. He's never left home, but then his grandfather tells him about the Way - a secret martial art for cats.</p> <p>Now Varjak must use the Way to survive in a city full of dangerous dogs, cat gangs and, strangest of all the mysterious Vanishings</p>	
	<p><u>The Sheep-Pig – Dick King-Smith</u></p> <p>'Why can't I learn to be a Sheep-Pig?'</p> <p>When Babe, the little orphaned piglet, is won at a fair by Farmer Hogget, he is adopted by Fly, the kind-hearted sheep-dog. Babe is determined to learn everything he can from Fly. He knows he can't be a sheep-dog. But maybe, just maybe, he might be a sheep-pig.</p>	
	<p><u>The Hundred-Mile An Hour Dog – Jeremy Strong</u></p> <p>Streaker is a mixed-up kind of dog...with quite a bit of Ferrari and a large chunk of whirlwind.</p> <p>Streaker is no ordinary dog. She's a rocket on four legs with a woof attached, and Trevor has got until the end of the holidays to train her. If he fails, he'll lose his bet with horrible Charlie Smugg, and something very, very yucky involving frogspawn will happen...</p>	



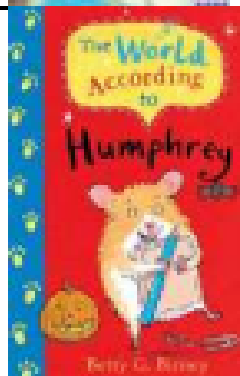
The Great Chocoplot – Chris Callaghan

Jelly and her family live in Chompton-on-de-Lyte, where everyone loves a Chocablocka bar or two. So when the end of chocolate is announced, she can't believe it. Determined to investigate, Jelly and her gran follow a trail of clues to a posh chocolate shop and its owner, the pompous Garibaldi Chocolati. Gari's suspiciously smug, despite his failing business and yucky chocolate. Is it really the chocopocalypse, or is there a chocoplot afoot?



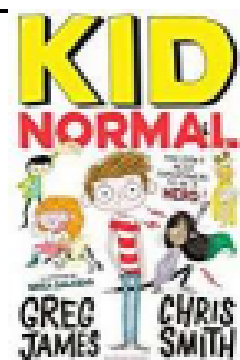
The Ice Palace – Robert Swindells

Ivan lives in a land where the winter is dark and fearful. Starjik, King of Winter, steals Ivan's little brother and Ivan braves the bitter cold to find him.



The World According To Humphrey – Betty G Birney

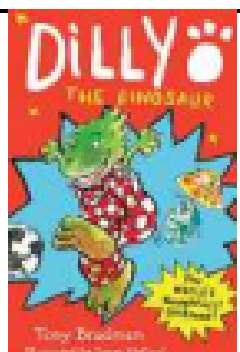
You can learn a lot about life by observing another species. That's what Humphrey was told when he was bought as a classroom pet for Room 26. And it's definitely true! In addition to his classroom escapades, each weekend he gets to sleep over with a different student like Stop-Giggling-Gail and Repeat-That-Please-Richie. Humphrey learns to read, write, shoot rubber bands and much more. With adventures galore, Humphrey's life would be absolutely perfect if only the teacher, Mrs Brisbane, wasn't out to get him.



Kid Normal – Greg James and Chris Smith

Murph Cooper has a problem.

His new school is top secret, and super weird. His classmates can all fly or control the weather or conjure tiny horses from thin air. And what's Murph's extraordinary skill? Um, oh yeah - he hasn't got one. Just as well there are no revolting supervillains lurking nearby, their minds abuzz with evil plans. There are!? Right. Ok, then...



Dilly The Dinosaur – Tony Bradman

When he decides he doesn't want to wash any more, Dilly ends up becoming a very smelly dinosaur indeed! And when he's told he can't have his birthday every day he gets very grumpy. And you know what happens when Dilly gets grumpy... cover your ears, here comes the ultra-special, 150-mph SUPER SCREAM!

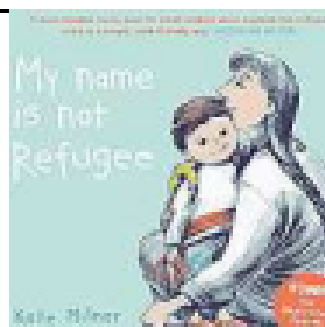


Fantastic Mr Fox – Roald Dahl

Boggis is an enormously fat chicken farmer who only eats boiled chickens smothered in fat. Bunce is a duck-and-geese farmer whose dinner gives him a beastly temper. Bean is a turkey-and-apple farmer who only drinks gallons of strong cider.

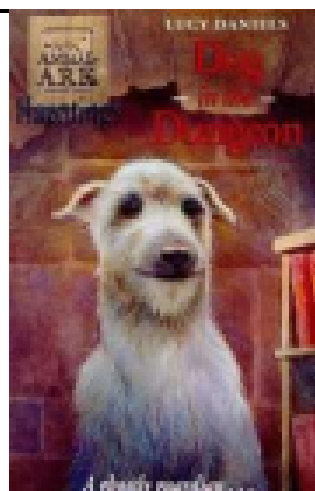
Mr Fox is so clever that every evening he creeps down into the valley and helps himself to food from the farms.

Now the farmers have hatched a plan to BANG-BANG-BANG shoot Mr Fox dead. But, just when they think Mr Fox can't possibly escape, he makes a fantastic plan of his own.



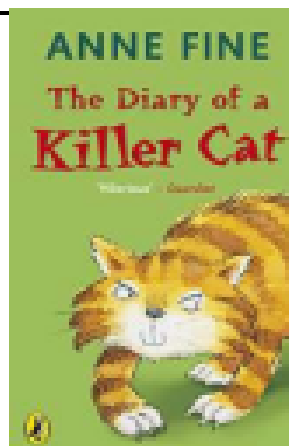
My Name Is Not Refugee – Kate Milner

A young boy discusses the journey he is about to make with his mother. They will leave their town, she explains, and it will be sad but also a little bit exciting. They will have to say goodbye to friends and loved ones, and that will be difficult. They will have to walk and walk and walk, and although they will see many new and interesting things, it will be difficult at times too. A powerful and moving exploration that draws the young reader into each stage of the journey, inviting the chance to imagine the decisions he or she would make.



Dog In The Dungeon – Lucy Daniels

Mandy and James follow up ghostly sightings of animals and unravel the secrets behind them. This story features an aristocratic deerhound called Aminta. The last in a long line of dogs that protected the owners of the castle Mandy and James are visiting, the ghostly dog has been regularly sighted since the death of the owner of the estate. Mandy and James discover that the land is due to be split up and sold, destroying the family heritage and Aminta, as her last act as protector of the family, has returned from beyond the grave to try and help reclaim the estate. Can Mandy and James help her last wish come true?



The Diary Of A Killer Cat – Anne Fine

Poor Ellie is horrified when Tuffy drags a dead bird into the house. Then a mouse. But Tuffy can't understand what all the fuss is about.

Who on earth will be the next victim to arrive through the cat-flap? Can soft-hearted Ellie manage to get her beloved pet to change his wild, wild ways before he ends up in even deeper trouble?

	<p><u>The Reluctant Dragon – Kenneth Grahame</u></p> <p>'Now, dragon,' said the Boy imploringly. 'You've got to fight him some time of other you know, 'cos he's St George and you're the dragon. Better get it over, and then we can go on with the sonnets.' Everyone knows St George has to do battle with the dragon, but what happens when the dragon simply won't fight St George?</p>	
	<p><u>The Orchard Book Of First Greek Myths – Geraldine McCaughrean</u></p> <p>Featuring all of the best-known stories, including Theseus & the Minotaur, Heracles, Daedalus & Icarus, The Wooden Horse and Pandora's Box. Retold by master storyteller, Geraldine McCaughrean, with full colour artwork throughout, this is an essential for every child's bookshelf.</p>	
	<p><u>Mrs Cockles' Cat – Phillipa Pearce</u></p> <p>Mrs Cockles, a balloon seller, loves her cat Peter, and he loves fish. When she runs out of fish, Peter leaves and Mrs Cockles is so upset that she gets thinner and thinner, losing so much weight that her balloons lift her up into the sky.</p>	
	<p><u>The Owl Who Was Afraid Of The Dark - Jill Tomlinson</u></p> <p>Plop, the Baby Barn Owl, is like every Barn Owl there ever was, except for one thing - he is afraid of the dark. "Dark is nasty" he says and so he won't go hunting with his parents. Mrs Barn Owl sends him down from his nest-hole to ask about the dark and he meets a little boy waiting for the fireworks to begin, an old lady, a scout out camping, a girl who tells him about Father Christmas, a man with a telescope and a black cat who takes him exploring. He realises that through these encounters that dark is super after all.</p>	
	<p><u>The True story Of The Three Little Pigs – Jon Scieszka</u></p> <p>You may think you know the story of the Three Little Pigs and the Big Bad Wolf - but only one person knows the real story. And that person is A. Wolf. His tale starts with a birthday cake for his dear old granny, a bad head cold and a bad reputation. The rest (as they say) is history.</p>	

	<p><u>It Was A Dark And Stormy Night- Janet and Allan Ahlberg</u></p> <p>A small boy who has been kidnapped by brigands, passes a dark and stormy night in their cave weaving for them incredible stories of their own exploits. Through the stories he solves his own problem and manages to escape.</p>	
	<p><u>You're A Bad Man Mr Gum – Andy Stanton</u></p> <p>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.</p>	

	<p><u>Harry The Poisonous Centipede – Lynne Reid Banks</u></p> <p>Harry is a poisonous centipede but he's not very brave. Still, he is the star of this seriously squirmy story. Harry likes to eat things that wriggle and crackle, and things that are juicy and munchy! But there are some things that a poisonous centipede must never try to eat – dangerous things like flying swoopers, belly wrigglers, furry biters and the most dangerous of all... Hoo-Mins!</p>	
	<p><u>The Suitcase Kid – Jacqueline Wilson</u></p> <p>When my parents split up they didn't know what to do with me . . . My family always lived at Mulberry Cottage. Mum, Dad, me - and Radish, my Sylvania rabbit. But now Mum lives with Bill the Baboon and his three kids. Dad lives with Carrie and her twins. And where do I live? I live out of a suitcase. One week with Mum's new family, one week with Dad's. It's as easy as A B C. That's what everyone says. But all I want is to go home - back to Mulberry Cottage...</p>	

	<p><u>Bill's New Frock – Anne Fine</u></p> <p>Bill Simpson wakes up to find he's a girl, and worse, his mother makes him wear a frilly pink dress to school. How on earth is he going to survive a whole day like this? Everything just seems to be different for girls . . .</p>	
	<p><u>Baby Aliens Got My Teacher – Pamela Butchart</u></p> <p>One day Izzy and her friends are surprised to find that their teacher, Miss Jones, is actually being nice to them. This is the woman who was caught secretly smiling when Maisie Miller fell off her chair. There can only be one conclusion: she's been taken over by aliens, and now she wants to make them all aliens too!</p>	
	<p><u>My Brother Is A Superhero – David Solomons</u></p> <p>Luke is a comic-mad eleven-year old who shares a treehouse with his geeky older brother, Zack. Luke's only mistake is to go for a wee right at the wrong time. While he's gone, an alien gives his undeserving, never-read-a-comic-in-his-life brother superpowers and then tells him to save the universe. Luke is massively annoyed about this, but when Zack is kidnapped by his arch-nemesis, Luke and his friends have only five days to find him and save the world...</p>	

