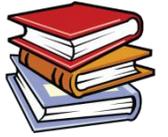




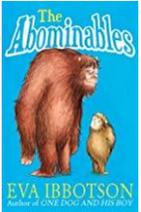
Year 3's Recommended Reads!

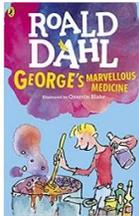
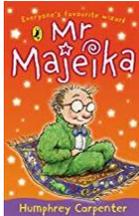


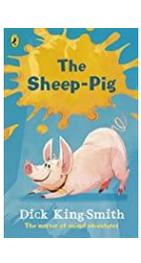
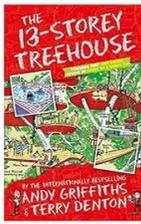
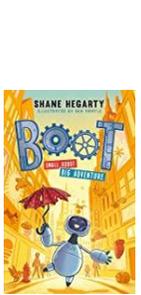
"There is no such thing as a child who hates to read; there are only children who have not found the right book."

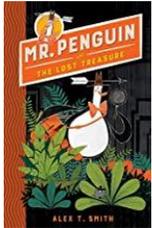
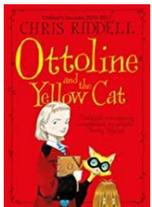
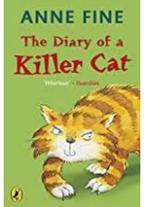
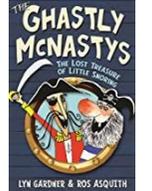
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The following list includes books that we have personally read and would **fully** recommend. They all fall into the age range perfect for Year 3. We, the school library or the Essex libraries have copies of practically all of these books so if you would like to borrow one, ask and we will see what we can do! Happy reading...

Book Cover	Title	Author	A Brief Guide...
	<h2>The Abominables</h2>	<p>Eva Ibbotson</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 - her ancestral home at Farley Towers. When a boy and his sister stumble upon her hidden valley, she knows she has found the courageous people who will carry out her plan.</p>
	<h2>The Boy Who Grew Dragons</h2> <p>(The Boy Who Lived With Dragons, The Boy Who Flew With Dragons)</p>	<p>Andy Shepard</p>	<p>When Tomas discovers a strange old tree at the bottom of his grandad's garden, he doesn't think much of it. But he takes the funny fruit from the tree back into the house - and gets the shock and delight of his life when a tiny dragon hatches! The tree is a dragonfruit tree, and Tomas has got his very own dragon, Flicker ...</p> <p>Tomas soon finds out that life with Flicker is great fun, but also very ... unpredictable. Yes, dragons are wonderful, but they also set fire to your toothbrush and leave your pants hanging from the TV aerial. Tomas has to learn how to look after Flicker - and quickly. And then something extraordinary happens - more dragonfruits appear on the tree. Tomas is officially growing dragons ...</p> <p>The first book in a sparky and utterly enchanting new series.</p>

	<h2 style="text-align: center;">The Unlikely Adventures of Mabel Jones</h2>	<p style="text-align: center;">Will Mabbitt</p>	<p>When Mabel Jones unknowingly commits 'The Deed' she finds herself swiftly bundled into a sack and carried off to the pirate ship the <i>Feroshus Maggot!</i></p> <p>Crewed by the strangest bunch of pirates you would ever want to meet, and captained by the dreaded Idryss Ebenezer Split (a wolf with a false leg carved from a human thighbone, a rusty cutlass sheathed in his belt and a loaded pistol tucked in his pants with no fear of the consequences), the <i>Feroshus Maggot</i> whisks Mabel Jones off on the adventure of a lifetime.</p>
	<h2 style="text-align: center;">My Dad's a Birdman</h2>	<p style="text-align: center;">David Almond</p>	<p>A warm and wonderfully wacky tale told with heart and hope by the Carnegie award winning author David Almond. Lizzie and Dad live in a rainy town in the north of England. It's just the two of them, and Auntie Doreen, who pops round to check Lizzie's spellings and tell Dad he's daft - and make them nice hot dumplings. But today there's something unusual going on: why is Dad building himself a pair of wings and studying the birds to see how they fly? The Great Human Bird Competition of course!</p>
	<h2 style="text-align: center;">George's Marvellous Medicine</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">(Esio Trot, The Magic Finger, The Giraffe Pelly + Me, Fantastic Mr Fox)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Roald Dahl</p>	<p>George Kranky's Grandma is a miserable grouch. George really hates that horrid old witchy woman.</p> <p>One Saturday morning, George is in charge of giving Grandma her medicine. <i>So-ho! Ah-ha! Ho-hum!</i> George knows exactly what to do.</p> <p>A magic medicine it will be! One that will either cure her completely of her horrible grouchiness . . . or blow off the top of her head!</p>
	<h2 style="text-align: center;">Mr Majeika</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">(First of a 14 book series)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Humphrey Carpenter</p>	<p>As a rule, magic carpets don't turn up in schools, but this is exactly what happens when Class Three's new teacher flies in through the classroom window and lands on the floor with a bump. Mr Majeika can behave just like any ordinary teacher if he wants to, but something has to be done about Hamish Bigmore, the class nuisance, and so he uses a little magic to turn him into a frog. And to everyone's delight it looks as if Hamish will have to remain a frog because Mr Majeika can't remember the spell to turn him back again! With Mr Majeika in charge, suddenly life at school become much more exciting – there's even a magic-carpet to Buckingham Palace.</p>

	<h2>The Legend of Captain Crow's Teeth</h2>	<p>Eoin Colfer</p>	<p>Will's brother Marty is always playing practical jokes. But when he tells the bloodcurdling story of the cutthroat pirate Captain Crow, Will is <i>terrified</i>. Is it another one of Marty's tricks, or could Captain Crow's ghost really be out to get him?</p>
	<h2>The Worst Witch</h2> <p>(First in an eight book series)</p>	<p>Jill Murray</p>	<p>Mildred Hubble is a trainee at Miss Cackle's Academy for Witches, but she's making an awful mess of it.</p> <p>She keeps getting her spells wrong and crashing her broomstick. And when she turns Ethel, the teacher's pet into her worst enemy, chaos ensues...</p>
	<h2>The Sheep Pig</h2> <p>(The Queen's Nose, The Invisible Dog)</p>	<p>Dick King-Smith</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>
	<h2>The 13 Story Tree House</h2> <p>(First of a nine series)</p>	<p>Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton</p>	<p>Andy and Terry live in the WORLD'S BEST treehouse! It's got a giant catapult, a secret underground laboratory, a tank of man-eating sharks and a marshmallow machine that follows you around and shoots marshmallows into your mouth whenever you're hungry! Just watch out for the sea monkeys, and the monkeys pretending to be sea monkeys, and the giant mutant mermaid sea monster . . . Oh, and, whatever you do, don't get trapped in a burp-gas-filled bubble . . . !.</p>
	<h2>Boot</h2>	<p>Shane Hegarty</p>	<p>When toy robot, Boot, wakes up at a scrapyard, it has no idea how it got there and why it isn't with its owner, Beth. It only has two and a half glitchy memories, but it knows it was loved, which means something important to humans. Boot soon realises its emotions make it different to other robots, who just function and don't think. Boot is scared but tries to be brave, which is hard when its screen keeps showing a wobbly, worried face. Luckily Boot meets Noke and Red - other 'advanced' robots who have learned to survive in secret.</p> <p>With new friends by its side, Boot is determined to find Beth and the gang set off on a dangerous adventure. Everything Boot thought it knew about the world is changing, and things aren't as simple as it remembers . . .</p>

	<h2>Mr Penguin + the Lost Treasure</h2>	<p>Alex T. Smith</p>	<p>Indiana Jones meets Hercule Poirot in this new Alex T. Smith series with plenty of slapstick humour, mystery and adventure. Highly illustrated throughout with a striking black and orange design.</p> <p>It has been weeks since Mr Penguin's last adventure and he's been stuck at his desk, twiddling his flippers ever since. That is until the phone rings!</p> <p>Mr Penguin and Colin (a spider and Mr Penguin's silent right-hand man) are called in to find the missing treasure somewhere in the Museum of Extraordinary Objects. The quest finds them solving secret codes, fighting ferocious beasts, eating fish finger sandwiches and travelling deep below the museum to a lost jungle...</p>
	<h2>Ottoline + the Yellow Cat</h2>	<p>Chris Riddell</p>	<p>Introducing Miss Ottoline Brown, an exceptionally inquisitive Mistress of Disguise, and her partner in crime, Mr. Munroe. No puzzle is ever too tricky for the two of them to solve . . .</p> <p>Ottoline lives in a stylish apartment in Big City with a small hairy creature called Mr. Munroe. Together they look after the Brown family's eclectic collections - and dabble in a spot of detective work. So they are the first to the scene of the crime when a string of high-society dog-nappings and jewel thefts hits Big City. Ottoline (who luckily has a diploma from the Who-R-U Academy of Disguise) and Mr. Munroe go undercover - and expose an ingenious scam masterminded by furry feline crook, the Yellow Cat</p>
	<h2>The Diary of a Killer Cat</h2> <p>(First of a six book series)</p>	<p>Anne Fine</p>	<p>Okay, Okay. So hang me. I killed the bird. For pity's sake, I'm a cat.</p> <p>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> <p>The hilarious antics of Tuffy and his family as told by the killer cat himself.</p>
	<h2>The Ghastly McNastys</h2>	<p>Lyn Gardener</p>	<p>The McNasty twins are horrible. Even fish put their fingers over their eyes when they see the twins coming in their ship, The Rotten Apple! But when the despicable pirates' never-ending quest for treasure takes them to the island of Little Snoring and brings them up against honest youngsters Tat and Hetty, they find they've more than met their match.</p>