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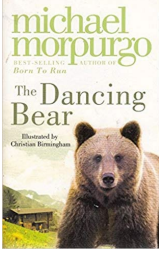
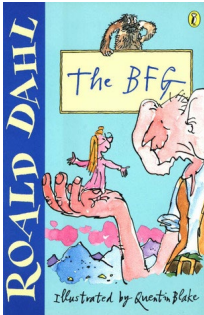
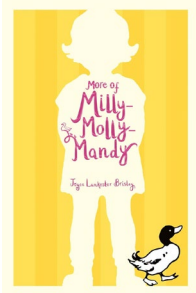
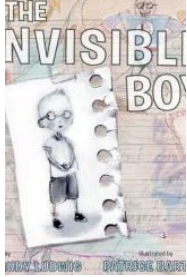
Year 3 Recommended Reading List

What can you do to help reading at home?

- 1. Make books a part of family life** – Always have books around at home. That way you and your children are ready to get reading, even if it's only for ten minutes.
- 2. Join your local library** – Get your child a library card. They'll be able to get their hands on hundreds of fantastic books. Let them choose what they want to read to help them develop their own interests.
- 3. Read about something they're interested in** – Help your child find the right book for them. It doesn't matter if it's fiction, poetry, comic books or non-fiction.
- 4. All reading is good** – Don't rule out non-fiction, comics, graphic novels, magazines, newspapers or leaflets. Reading is reading and it's all worthwhile.
- 5. Get comfortable** - Snuggle up together somewhere warm and cosy, whether it's in bed, on a beanbag or on the sofa. Somewhere comfy to read will make a big difference.
- 6. Ask questions** – To keep them interested in the story, ask your child questions as you read. Start with 'Where did we get to last time?', 'Can you remember what's happened so far?' and 'What do you think will happen next?'
- 7. Read whenever you get the chance** – Have a book or magazine with you for any time your child has to wait, like at the doctors or the dentist.
- 8. Read your favourites again and again** – Encourage your child to re-read the books and poems they love. Re-reading helps to build fluency and confidence.
- 9. Enjoy bedtime stories** – Read with your kids at bedtime as often as you can. It's a great way to end the day and to spend valuable time with them.
- 10. Make the most of rhyme and repetition** – Books and poems with rhymes and repeated words or phrases are great for getting your kids to join in and remember the words.

Book title	Author	Front cover	Description
Charlotte's Web	E.B White		<p>This is the tale of how a little girl named Fern - with the help of a friendly talking spider called Charlotte - saved her pig, Wilbur, from the usual fate of nice fat little pigs.</p>
Mr Stink	David Walliams		<p>It all starts when Chloe makes friends with Mr Stink, the local tramp. Yes, he smells a bit. But when it looks like he might be driven out of town, Chloe decides to hide him in the garden shed. Now Chloe's got to make sure no one finds out her secret. And speaking of secrets, there just might be more to Mr Stink than meets the eye... or the nose.</p>
Animals of Farthing wood series	Colin Dann		<p>A group of forest animals unite to help each other to safety in this classic tale of tolerance, cooperation, survival, and friendship. When bulldozers enter Farthing Wood, the animals must escape before their homes are destroyed. They promise to stick together and protect each other—but then they get caught in a fire and nearly drown crossing a river. Will their pact hold? ...more</p>
The Midnight Fox	Betsy Byars		<p>Tom dislikes spending the summer on his aunt's farm until he discovers a black fox in the forest and tracks her to her den.</p>
Fudge Series	Judy Blume		<p>Fans young and old will laugh out loud at the irrepressible wit of Peter Hatcher, the hilarious antics of mischievous Fudge, and the unbreakable confidence of know-it-all Sheila Tubman in Judy Blume's five Fudge books. Brand-new covers adorn these perennial favourites, and will entice a whole new generation.</p>

<p>The Twits</p>	<p>Roald Dahl</p>		<p>Roald Dahl's The Twits was first published in 1980. It tells the tale of a pair of horrible twits and the tricks they like to play on each other. Mr and Mrs Twit are extremely nasty, so the Muggle-Wump monkeys and the Roly-Poly bird hatch an ingenious plan to give them just the ghastly surprise they deserve!</p>
<p>Harry the Poisonous Centipede</p>	<p>Lynne Reid Banks</p>		<p>Harry is a poisonous centipede but, though he's not very brave, he is the hero of this seriously squirmy story. Harry likes to eat things that wriggle and crackle, and things that are juicy and munchy!</p>
<p>The Famous Five Series</p>	<p>Enid Blyton</p>		<p>The Famous Five are among Enid Blyton's best-loved creations and countless children have gone adventuring with them since the publication of Five on a Treasure Island in 1942, the first of twenty-one full-length adventures and numerous short stories.</p>
<p>The Magic Faraway Tree</p>	<p>Enid Blyton</p>		<p>Deep in the country live three children named Jo, Bessie and Fanny. They are extremely fortunate because they live near an enchanted wood in which there is a gigantic tree. This tree grows so high that it reaches special clouds that contain magical lands which visit every now and again and rest on the top-most branches. The children often enter the wood to climb this Faraway Tree right up to where the Fairy-Tale places are and one place they visited was Rocking Land and it was rather unpleasant because whilst you are there the ground tips up and sideways and you keep falling over.</p>

<p>Dancing Bear</p>	<p>Michael Morpurgo</p>		<p>A gentle and moving story of a young girl and her bear, from bestselling children's author Michael Morpurgo. High in the mountains, in a tiny village, an abandoned bear cub is adopted by a lonely orphan child. Soon they are inseparable.</p>
<p>The BFG</p>	<p>Roald Dahl</p>		<p>Captured by a giant! The BFG is no ordinary bone-crunching giant. He is far too nice and jumbly. It's lucky for Sophie that he is. Had she been carried off in the middle of the night by the Bloodbottler, the Fleshlumpeater, the Bonecruncher, or any of the other giants—rather than the BFG—she would have soon become breakfast.</p> <p>When Sophie hears that they are flush-bunking off in England to swollomp a few nice little chiddlers, she decides she must stop them once and for all. And the BFG is going to help her!</p>
<p>Milly Molly Mandy Series</p>	<p>Loyce Lankster Brisley</p>		<p>Join Milly-Molly-Mandy and her friends on their adventures, picnics in the summer, sledging in the winter and fun all year round. These much-loved stories are true classics that can be enjoyed again and again.</p>
<p>The Invisible Boy</p>	<p>Trudy Ludwig</p>		<p>Meet Brian, the invisible boy. Nobody ever seems to notice him or think to include him in their group, game, or birthday party... until, that is, a new kid comes to class.</p> <p>When Justin, the new boy arrives, Brian is the first to make him feel welcome. And when Brian and Justin team up to work on a class project together, Brian finds a way to shine.</p>







<p>Daisy May</p>	<p>Jean Ure</p>		<p>Rags to riches story of a young orphan who becomes a famous actress. Daisy is brought up in a foundling's hospital in Victorian times. At ten she is sent into service as a skivvy at the Dobell Academy. There she watches all the pupils learning how to be young ladies, wearing fine clothes and learning how to read, write and... dance. Daisy dreams of being</p>
<p>The Worst Witch Series</p>	<p>Jill Murphy</p>		<p>'Mildred Hubble was in her first year at the school. She was one of those people who always seemed to be in trouble.'</p> <p>Hold on to your broomstick for magical mayhem with Jill Murphy's much-loved classic The Worst Witch- the original story of life at a magical boarding school. Mildred Hubble is a trainee at Miss Cackle's Academy for Witches, but she's making an awful mess of it. 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>
<p>Mrs Armitage Series</p>	<p>Quentin Blake</p>		<p>Mrs Armitage sets off for a quiet cycle with her faithful dog, Breakspear, but she just can't help thinking of ways to improve her bicycle. Before very long she has added three very loud horns, a bucket of water to wash her hands, a complete tool kit.</p> <p>And by the time she has also added a seat for Breakspear, two umbrellas, a cassette player and a mouth-organ, Mrs Armitage is riding a very eye-catching contraption. But it is when she finally adds the mast and sail, that Mrs Armitage really runs into trouble...</p>
<p>Mr Gum Series</p>	<p>Andy Stanton</p>		<p>Mr. Gum may be the nastiest man on Earth, but he has the tidiest, greeniest, floweriest, gardeniest garden in the world...that is, until a giant whopper of a dog named Jake destroys it in a fit of doggy joy. ...</p>

Year 3 and 4 Common Exception Words

Aa	breath	continue	exercise	guard	Kk	naughty	position	recent	Tt
accident	build	Dd	experience	guide	Knowledge	notice	possess	regular	therefore
accidentally	busy	decide	extreme	Hh	Ll	Oo	possession	reign	though
actual	business	describe	Ff	heard	learn	occasion	possible	remember	thought
actually	Cc	different	famous	heart	length	occasionally	potatoes	Ss	through
address	calendar	difficult	favourite	height	library	often	pressure	sentence	Vv
although	caught	disappear	February	history	Mm	opposite	probably	separate	various
answer	centre	Ee	forward	Ii	material	ordinary	promise	special	Ww
appear	century	early	forwards	imagine	medicine	Pp	purpose	straight	weight
arrive	certain	earth	fruit	increase	mention	particular	Qq	strange	woman
Bb	circle	eight	Gg	important	minute	peculiar	quarter	strength	women
believe	complete	eighth	grammar	interest	Nn	perhaps	question	suppose	
bicycle	consider	enough	group	island	natural	popular	Rr	surprise	



Questions you could ask your child

Vocabulary	Infer	Predict	Explain	Retrieve	Sequence
<p>Draw upon knowledge of vocabulary in order to understand the text.</p> 	<p>Make inferences from the text.</p> 	<p>Predict what you think will happen based on the information that you have been given.</p> 	<p>Explain your preferences, thoughts and opinions about the text.</p> 	<p>Identify and explain the key features of fiction and non-fiction texts such as: characters, events, titles and information.</p> 	<p>Sequence the key events in the story.</p> 
<p>Example questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What does the word mean in this sentence? • Find and copy a word, which means • What does this word or phrase tell you about.....? • Which word in this section do you think is the most important? Why? • Which of the words best describes the character/setting/ mood etc? • Can you think of any other words the author could have used to describe this? • Why do you think is repeated in this section? 	<p>Example questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why was..... feeling.....? • Why did happen? • Why did say • Can you explain why.....? • What do you think the author intended when they said.....? • How does make you feel? 	<p>Example questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look at the book cover/blurb - what do you think this book will be about? • What do you think will happen next? What makes you think this? • How does the choice of character or setting affect what will happen next? • What is happening? What do you think happened before? What do you think will happen after? • What do you think the last paragraph suggests will happen next? 	<p>Example questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who is your favourite character? Why? • Why do you think all the main characters are girls in this book? • Would you like to live in this setting? Why/why not? • Is there anything you would change about this story? • Do you like this text? What do you like about it? 	<p>Example questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What kind of text is this? • Who did.....? • Where did.....? • When did.....? • What happened when.....? • Why did happen? • How did? • How many.....? • What happened to.....? 	<p>Example questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can you number these events 1-5 in the order that they happened? • What happened after • What was the first thing that happened in the story? • Can you summarise in a sentence the opening/middle/end of the story? • In what order do these chapter headings come in the story?

