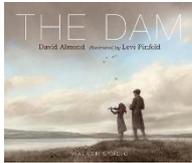


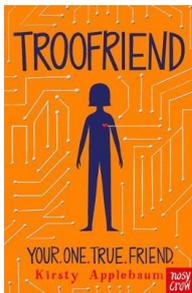
Recommended Reads Year 6 2020-21



Almond, David The Dam

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A captivating KS2 illustrated picture book based on real events. When Kielder Dam is built, a musician takes his daughter on one last journey to play her music in the village that has been abandoned to make way for the Dam's water.



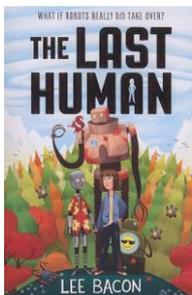
Applebaum, Kirsty Troofriend

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Mum and dad lead busy lives so they decide to get the latest version of the Android Robot to be a friend to their daughter Sarah. Sarah is not keen on this idea but she soon discovers that her robot, Ivy, has feelings. Does this make Ivy faulty and should she go back to the manufacturers to be destroyed? A challenging read and great for discussing what makes us human and different to machines as well as what friendship and family means.



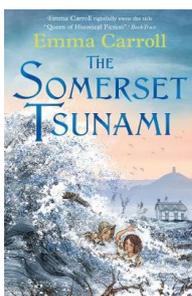
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Bacon, Lee The Last Human

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Enter a future where robots are now in charge and there are no humans. Or are there? On the way to work one morning, a human girl is discovered and so unravels all the propaganda the robots have been told about human beings. Could robots and humans learn to live in harmony?



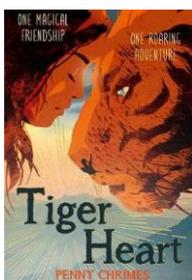
Carroll, Emma The Somerset Tsunami

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1609 and the witch trials are the fear of all healing women in the country. Fortune, who's life has been anything but, is sold at a hiring fair to a large household with a cruel master. When a tsunami hits Somerset, Fortune is accused of witchcraft and subject to imprisonment. Will she escape the cruel punishments of the times?



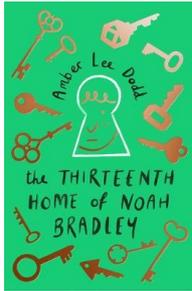
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Chrimes, Penny Tiger Heart

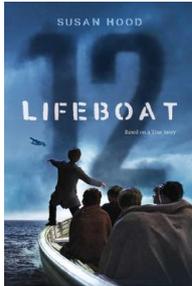
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An adventure story set in mock Victorian London complete with cockney rhyming slang. Superb opening chapter to hook in any reader, this follows the life of Fly who has been sold as a chimney sweep but realises she is soon going to be too big to go up the chimneys. How will she survive?



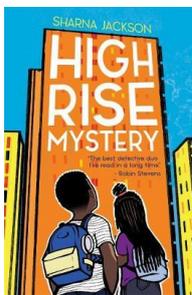
Dodd, Amber Lee The Thirteenth Home of Noah Bradley CF

Noah's family is cursed and this means that they have to move every year to a new location otherwise there are dire consequences. Aged 13 Noah is tired of moving and likes this new location. Can he finally solve how to remove the curse?



Hood, Susan Lifeboat 12 CF

Riveting story based on real events told in verse. This is the account of Ken who is sent on SS City of Benares during WWII to escape the bombing. During the voyage to Canada a torpedo hits and sinks the ship and this is the tale of Lifeboat 12. A gripping emotional read.



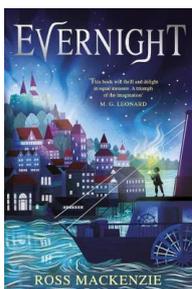
Jackson, Sharna High Rise Mystery T

Sisters Nik and Norva are compelled to act when they discover a dead body at the tower block where they live. As they question friends, family and neighbours they realise that their distinctive personalities and skill sets make them an impressive investigative duo which becomes vital when their Dad is a suspect. Look out for Mic Drop, the second book in the series, which is great too.



Killick, Jennifer Crater Lake CF

Year 6 are off on their residential trip and nothing goes right from the start. Who was the man who wanted to stop the bus and did he have blood on him? Where are all the staff and food? Why are the bedrooms locked at night? Discover the answers to these questions and more as Lance and his friends fight for survival in a residential trip like no other!



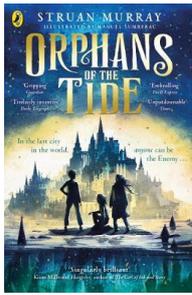
MacKenzie, Ross Evernight CF

A powerful fantasy which grips the reader from the start. Lara lives in the sewers scraping out an existence, all she has left from her mother is a necklace. When Mrs Hester, who controls the white witches, releases the killing darkness called Evernight, the whole city will be fighting for survival. Will Lara survive the darkness?



McNicoll, Elle A Kind of Spark CF

Addie is autistic and struggling with all the changes a new term brings. When she learns they will be looking at witches and how they were treated, she becomes immersed in their stories and the dangers and importance of being different.



Murray, Struan Orphans of the Tide

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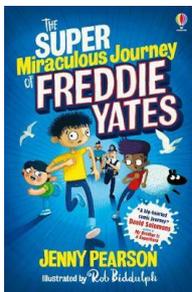
The world has been flooded and there is one remaining city. But the enemy, a boy, lurks within the city ready to destroy it. Only Ellie, a young orphaned inventor, is willing to risk her life to save him. Breathless adventure story full of pace and suspense.



Orton, Katharine Nevertell

CF

Lina and her friend escape from a prison camp in the wilds of snowy Siberia. When you are pitched against a wild and remote wilderness, unsure of who you can trust and there are magical forces in pursuit, what resources do you draw on to survive? Russian folklore with a historical element combine in this fantasy adventure.



Pearson, Jenny The Super-Miraculous Journey of Freddie Yates

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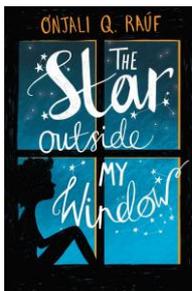
Laugh out loud moments in this debut novel. The three friends start out in Hampshire and travel to Wales attracting lots of attention on the way! Hilarious but with powerful messages about friendship and family.



Rai, Bali Mohinder's War

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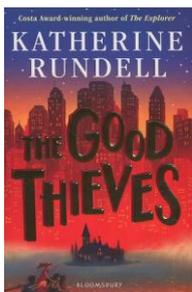
A great story for bravery and resilience, this is set in occupied France during WWII. Will Joelle be able to survive the horrors of the war around her?



Rauf, Onjali Q The Star Outside my Window

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A heartbreaking tale of two children in foster care who are desperate to get a new star named after their mum who has recently been killed. Aniyah has to get to Greenwich for the ceremony, but as she is in Oxford with no transport or money this seems impossible or does it?

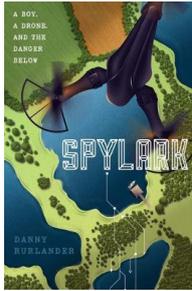


Rundell, Katherine The Good Thieves

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Set in New York city during prohibition, this is the tale of Vita and her grandfather. He has lost the family home to a mafia boss and Vita and her friends from the circus are determined to get it back. Will they succeed against all odds?

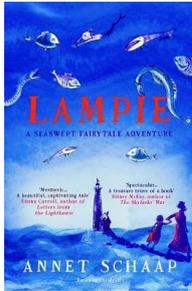




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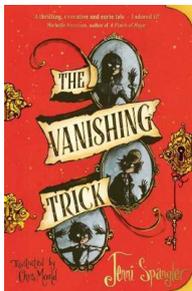
Set in the Lake District, this is an action packed read full of suspense. Since his accident Tom has struggled with his mobility and uses his drone to travel in the area. It is during one of these flights that Tom uncovers a secret which threatens national security.



Schaap, Annet Lampie

CF

A ship is wrecked after Lampie forgot to buy matches for the lighthouse lamp and the punishment is harsh. Lampie is taken into service at the big house where a monster is reported to live. Desperate to find warmth, love and a place to belong, she starts to piece together the fragmented household. Coupled with mermaids and pirates the true monsters of the tale are revealed as being far less magical.



Spangler, Jenni The Vanishing Trick

CF

This debut novel has a Victorian setting with the perfect mix of gothic ingredients: villains, suspense and wonderful characters. Add to the mix seances and magic to make a well paced thriller. The reader will be rooting for the characters, will they be able to escape the evil clutches of Madame Pinchbeck?



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Welford, Ross The Kid Who Came from Space

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When Ethan's twin sister goes missing its almost like she's been taken by aliens. That's because she has and then one of them turns up to assist in her rescue. A lively adventure told with warmth and humour from two viewpoints.



eBook & aAudio



Williamson, Lara The Girl With Space in her Heart

CF

Mabel uses her love of space and astronomy to help overcome her loss after her father walked out on the family. A moving story of resilience, courage and perseverance.



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CF = Children's Fiction

T = Younger Teen Reads



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