



## New Year 7 Recommended Reading



Over the summer read at least one of the books on this list and write a book review about it.

### **Watership Down by Richard Adams**

Possibly the best and well-known animal adventure. This is an ideal book for more advanced readers.

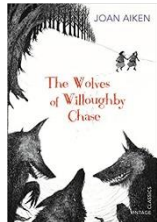
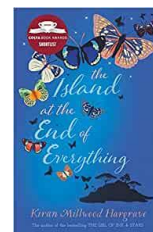


### **The Goldfish Boy by Liza Thompson**

Twelve-year-old Matthew is trapped in his bedroom by crippling OCD, spending most of his time staring out of his window as the inhabitants of Chestnut Close go about their business. Until the day he is the last person to see his next door neighbour's toddler, Teddy, before he goes missing. Brilliantly written. A great book for discussing amongst friends and family.

### **The Island at the End of Everything by Kiran Millwood Hargrave**

A thought provoking and atmospheric story about Amrihan, who lives on an island affected by a leprosy outbreak. Ideal for more confident readers.

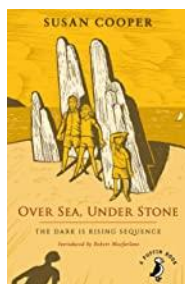


### **The Wolves of Willoughby Chase by Joan Aiken**

In an alternative reality, King James III rules in 1832 and the country is plagued by wolves from the Channel Tunnel.

### **Peter Pan by JM Barrie**

This timeless classic story of the boy who never grew up, where the Lost Boys are in constant danger from Captain Hook.



### **Over Sea, Under Stone by Susan Cooper**

This is the first of a series of titles On holiday in Cornwall, Simon, Jane and Barney Drew discover an ancient map in the attic of the Grey House, where they are staying with their mysterious Great-Uncle Merry. For anyone who is interested in fantasy and mystery.

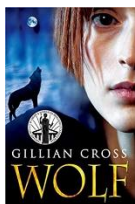
### **Some Places More Than Others by Renee Watson**

A story about finding deep roots and exploring the past, the present, and the places that make us who we are. A great book for characterisation and dialogue.





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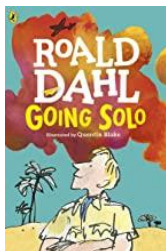
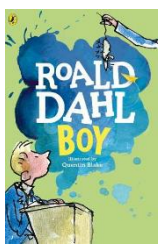
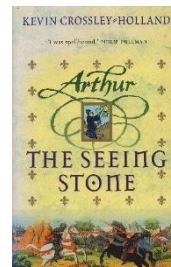


### Wolf by Gillian Cross

A haunting story of terrorism. Cassy finds some questions are best left unasked.

### The Seeing Stone by Kevin Crossley-Holland

The stories of a young King Arthur are told in 100 short stories. Ideal preparation for our Summer Term Myths and legends module.

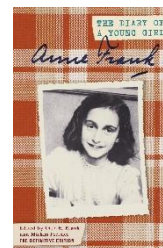


### Boy and Going Solo by Roald Dahl

Hilarious autobiography from the master storyteller.

### The Diary of Anne Frank

“One of the greatest books of the Century”.

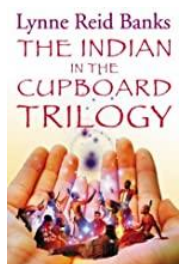
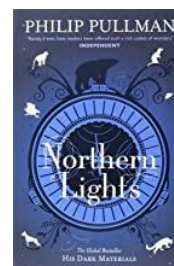


### War Horse by Michael Morpurgo

A gripping description of the horrors of war, told from the perspective of Joey, a horse, who sees the senselessness of war and the importance of friendships.

### Northern Lights by Philip Pullman

When Lyra finds out there's an expedition to find other worlds very different to her own, a chain of events catapults Lyra into perilous journeys and a search for truth.



### The Indian in the Cupboard Trilogy by Lynne Reid Banks

Omri is disappointed with his birthday present – a little red plastic figure – until it comes alive and becomes a real person...

### The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain

A great American novel and a more challenging read.



### The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins

One person from each district in the country is selected to fight to death in a reality TV lottery. Katniss vows to win.