


***Marymount Convent School***  
**Recommended English Reading List**  
**For Primary 4 Pupils**

Dear Parents/Guardians,


It is with great pleasure that we welcome your daughter to Primary Four! We look forward to helping your child continue to develop the skills and abilities that will enable her to become a successful, life-long learner.

You are your daughter's first and most important teacher. Reading serves as the major foundational skill for all school-based learning. Helping your child develop into a proficient reader is a gift that will last a lifetime. These few, simple strategies and actions can make a significant difference in helping your child maintain and extend her literacy skills.

 **Read aloud together with your daughter every day. If you think a book is too much, read short articles from the newspaper. Do not discount Picture Books as there is a lot to discuss from the illustrations.**

 **Take turns reading. Your daughter can read books to you, younger siblings, and older siblings.**

 **Older siblings can take turns reading as well.**

 **Don't forget to pack a book wherever you go during the March and June holidays.**

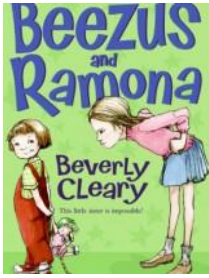
 **Visit the public library regularly to borrow books that are not found in the school library.**

 **Download National Library app to borrow eBooks which your daughter can read on her mobile phone.**

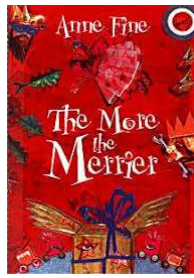
We hope this is the beginning of an enjoyable and enriching journey for your child and you!

**Happy Reading!**

## Books to Read



**Beezus and Ramona**  
by Beverly Cleary



**The More the Merrier**  
by Anne Fine



**Shiloh** by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor



**Sophie's Secret War** by Jill Atkin

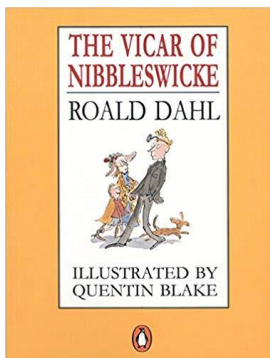


**Oddfellows Orphanage**  
by Emily Winfield Martin

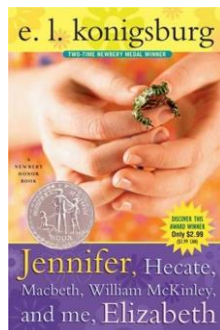


**The Lambkins**  
by Eve Bunting

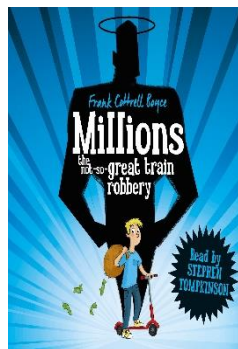
## Recommended Books



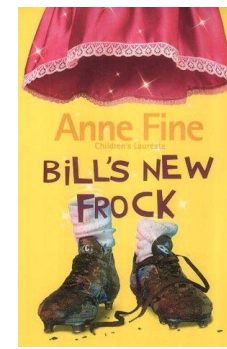
**The Vicar of Nibbleswicke**  
Roald Dahl



**Jennifer, Hecate, Macbeth, William McKinley, and me, Elizabeth** by E.L. Konigsburg



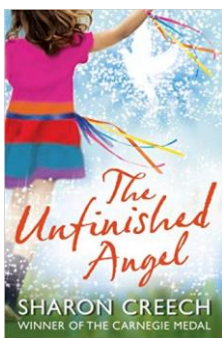
**Millions** by Frank Cottrell Boyce



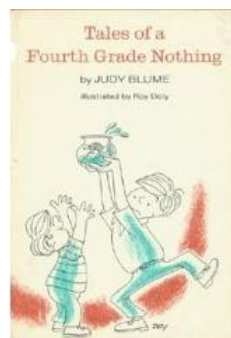
**Bill's New Frock** by Anne Fine



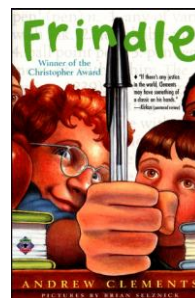
**Toto Chan** by Tetsuko Kuroyanagi



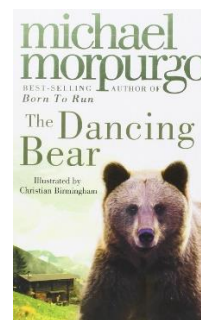
**The Unfinished Angel** by Sharon Creech



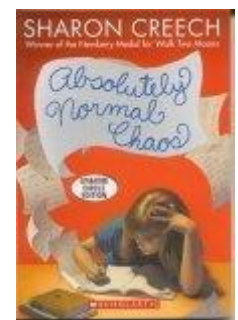
**Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing** by Judy Blume



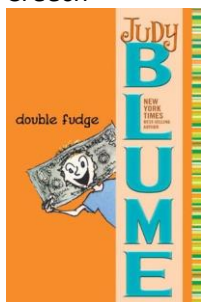
**Frindle** by Andrew Clements



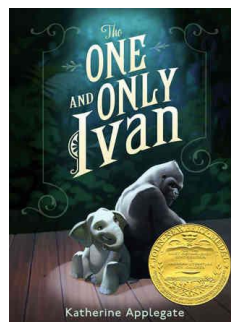
**The Dancing Bear** by Michael Morpurgo



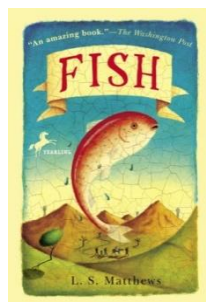
**Absolutely Normal Chaos** by Sharon Creech



**Double Fudge** by Judy Blume



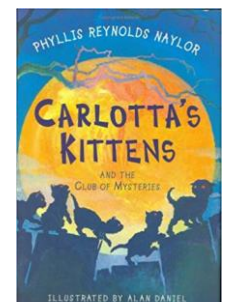
**The one and Only Ivan**  
by Katherine Applegate



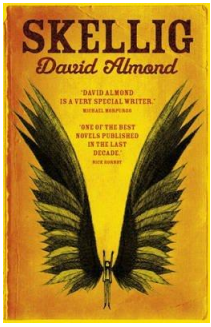
**Fish**  
by LS Matthews



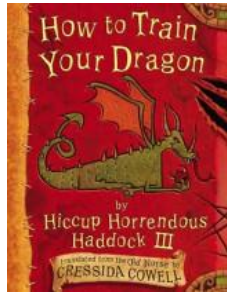
**Just Grace series**  
by Charise



**Carlotta's Kittens** by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor



**Skellig** by David Almond



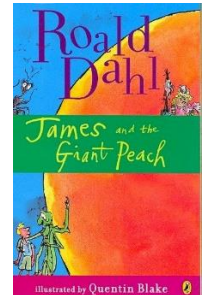
**How to Train Your Dragon** by Cressida Cowell



**The Tale of Despereaux** by Kate DiCamillo

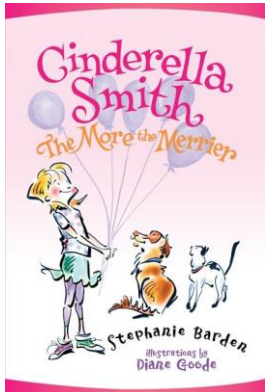


**Witch Wars** by Sibeal Pounder

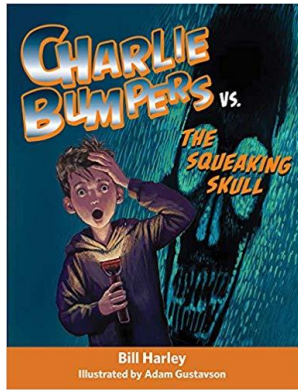


**James and the Giant Peach** by Roald Dahl

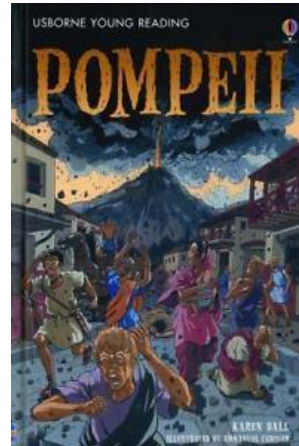
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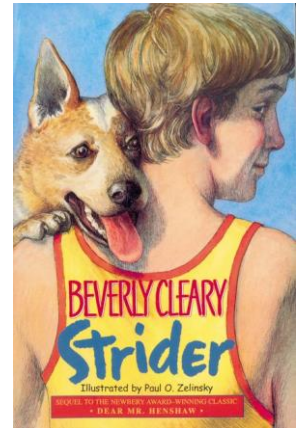
**Cinderella Smith - The More the Merrier** by Stephanie Barden



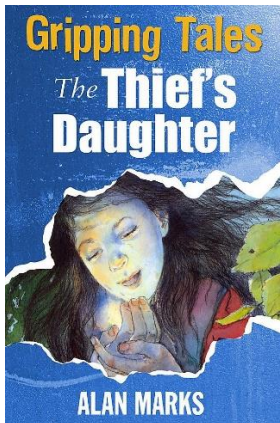
**Charlie Bumpers vs. The Squeaking Skull** by Bill Harley



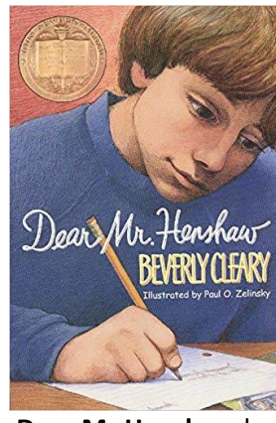
**Usborne Young Reading Pompeii** by Karen Ball



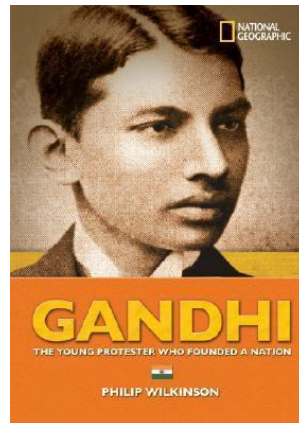
**Strider** by Beverly Cleary



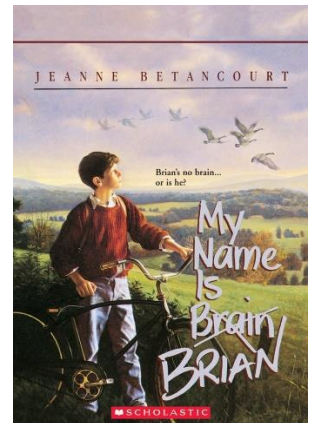
**The Thief's Daughter** by Alan Mark



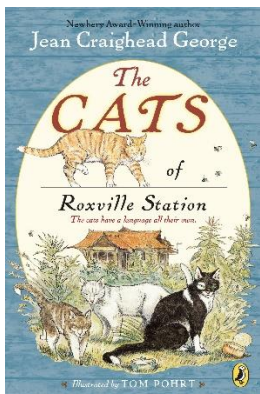
**Dear Mr Henshaw** by Beverly Cleary



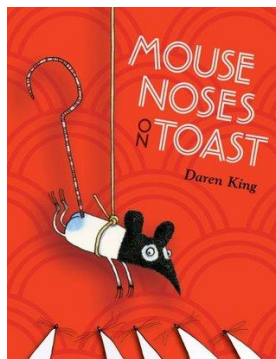
**Gandhi** by Philip Wilkinson



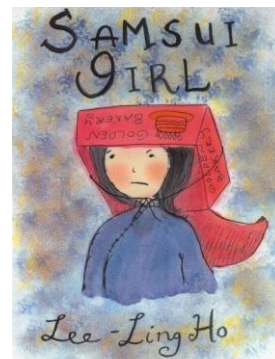
**My Name is Brian Brian** by Jeanne Betancourt



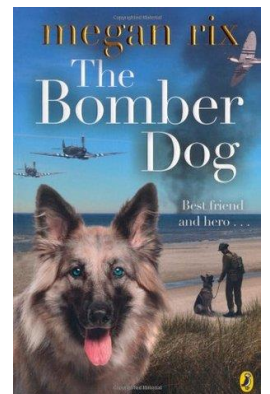
**The Cats of Roxville Station** by Jean Craighead George



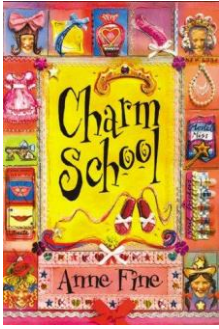
**Mouse noses on Toast** by Daren King



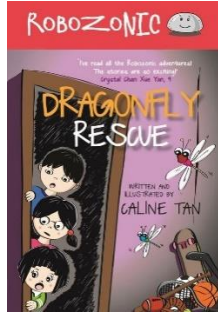
**Samsui Girl** by Lee Ling Ho



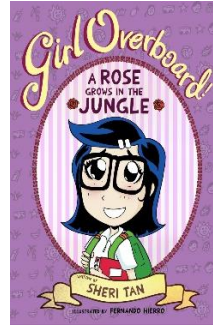
**The Bomber Dog** by Megan Rix



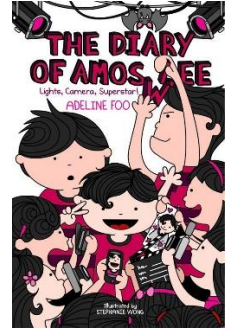
**Charm School** by Anne Fine



**Robozonic: Dragonfly Rescue** by Caline Tan



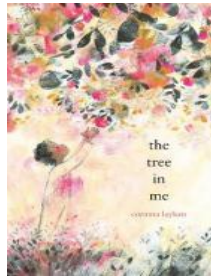
**Girl Overboard: A Rose Grows in the Jungle** by Sheri Tan



**The Diary of Amos Lee** by Adeline Foo

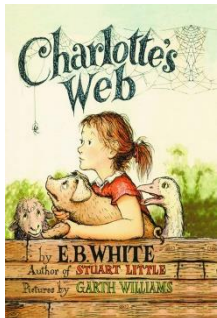


**The Snail with the Right Heart** by Maria Popova



**The Tree in Me** by Corinna Luyken

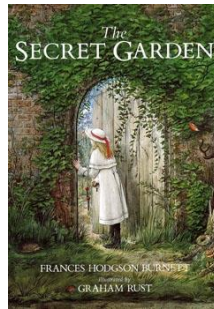
## Classic Books



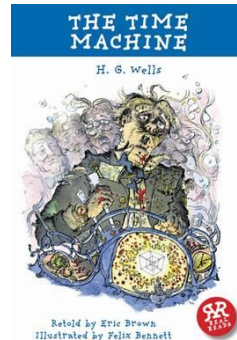
**Charlotte's Web** by E.B. White



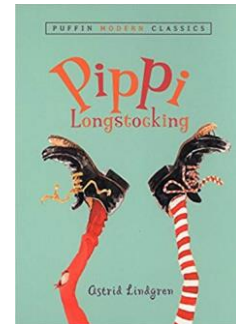
**A Little Princess** by Frances Hodgson Burnette



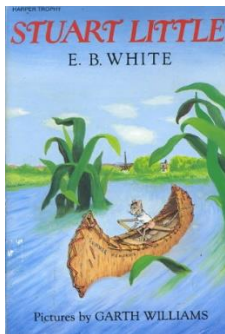
**The Secret Garden** by Frances Hodgson Burnette



**The Time Machine** by HG Wells



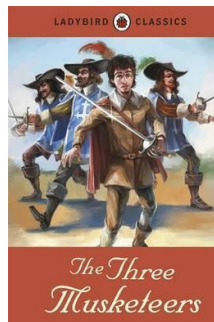
**Pippi Longstocking** by Astrid Lindgren



**Stuart Little** by EB White



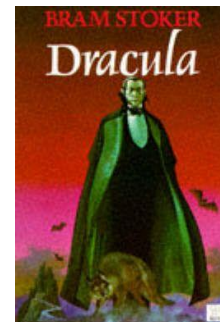
**Ladybird Classics – Oliver Twist**



**Ladybird Classics – The Three Musketeers**

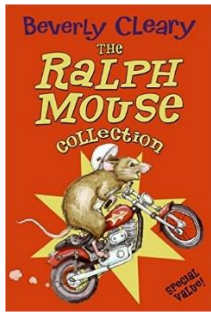


**Ladybird Classics – King Arthur**

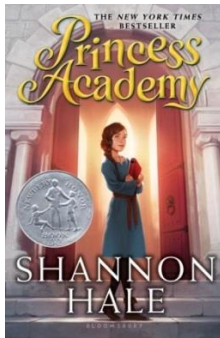


**Dracula** by Bram Stoker

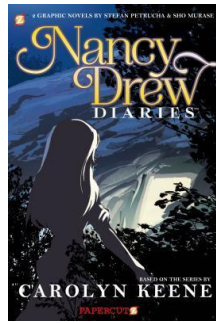
## Children's Series



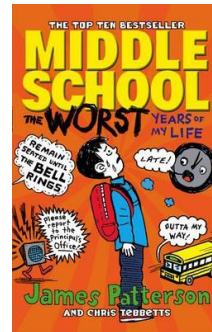
**Ralph Mouse**  
Series by Beverly Cleary



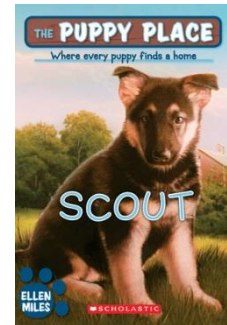
**Princess Academy Series**  
by Shannon Hale



**Nancy Drew Diaries** by Carolyn Keene

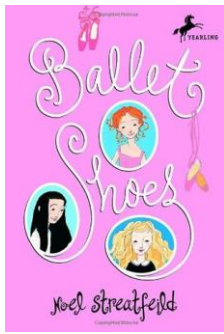


**Middle School Series** by James Paterson



**The Puppy Place series** by Ellen Miles

## More Advanced Readers



**Ballet Shoes** by Noel Streatfeild



**My Brother is a Superhero** by David Solomons



**Friday Barnes Under Suspicion** by R.J. Spratt



**Wonder** by R.J. Palacio



**The Little Prince** Graphic Novel by Joann SF

## Local Books Series

**Prominent Singaporeans**  
by various local authors

**Harry Series** by Patrick Yee

**The House on Palmer Road/  
The House on Silat Road**  
by Si-Hoe, SS and Sim Ee Waun

