



KS3 Reading List



We want reading to open the doors of your imagination. Here are some reading suggestions to help you on your reading journey here at Park.

§ connotes books that may be challenging or contain mature themes.

Adventure

Young Bond series, by Charlie Higson
Alex Rider series, by Anthony Horowitz
Where the River Takes Us, by Lesley Parr
The Chestnut Roaster, by Eve McDonnell
Safiyah's War, by Hiba Noor Khan
Life of Pi, by Yann Martel §
The Book Thief, by Markus Zusak §
Treasure Island, by R L Stevenson
Young Samurai, by Chris Bradford
The Dark is Rising, by Susan Cooper
Howl's Moving Castle, by Dianna Wynn Jones
The Island at the End of Everything, by Kiran Milwood Hargrave

Animals

The Last Bear, by Hannah Gold
The Girl Who Stole an Elephant, Nizrana Farook
Varjak Paw, by S F Said
When the Sky Falls, by Phil Earle
The Wolf Wilder, by Katherine Rundell
Nora's Ark, by Victoria Williamson
Lark, by Anthony McGowan
Foxlight, by Katya Balen
The Whale Rider, by Witi Ihimaera

Coming of age

Looking for Alaska, by John Green §
Beyond the Bright Sea, by Lauren Wolk
How High the Moon, by Karyn Parsons
Little Women, Louisa M Alcott
Jane Eyre, by Charlotte Bronte
Piecing Me Together, by Renée Watson
The Poet X, by Elizabeth Acevedo §
Pet, by Akwaeke Emezi §
I Capture the Castle, by Dodie Smith §

Dystopia and Science Fiction

Noughts and Crosses, by Malorie Blackman §
Electric City, by Rachel Delahaye
The Maze Runner, by James Dashner
Divergent, by Veronica Roth
Gone, by Michael Grant §
Maggot Moon, by Sally Gardner
Chaos Walking Trilogy, by Patrick Ness §
The Wild Robot, by Peter Brown
The Fifth Wave, by Rick Yancey
Shatter Me series, by Tahereh Mafi
The Uglies series, by Scott Westerfeld §

Emotional and thoughtful

No Fixed Address, by Susin Nielson
October, October, by Katya Balan
Run, Rebel, by Manjeet Mann §
The Fault in Our Stars, by John Green §
The Breadwinner by Deborah Ellis
The Boy at the back of the Class, by Onjali Rauf
A Kind of Spark, by Elle McNichol
Long Way Down, by Jason Reynolds §
Away With Words, by Sophie Cameron
The Sun is also a Star, by Nicola Yoon §
The Door of No Return, by Kwame Alexander §
Speak, by Laurie Halse Anderson §
A Monster Calls, by Patrick Ness §
The Goldfish Boy, by Lisa Thompson

Fantasy

Fablehouse, by E L Norry
The *Discworld* series, by Terry Pratchett
His Dark Materials, by Philip Pullman
Arc of a Scythe series, by Neal Shusterman §
The *Lord of the Rings* Trilogy and *The Hobbit*, by JRR Tolkien
Sabriel, by Garth Nix
The *Edge Chronicles* series, by Paul Stewart
Impossible Creatures, by Katherine Rundell
Stardust, by Neil Gaiman §

Horror

Coraline, by Neil Gaiman
The *Enemy* series, by Charlie Higson
The Woman in Black, by Susan Hill §
Lockwood and Co. series, by Jonathan Stroud §
Mortlock, by Jon Mayhew
The *Demonata* series, by Darren Shan
Dracula, by Bram Stoker
The Haunting of Tyrese Walker, by J P Rose

Mystery

High-Rise Mystery, by Sharna Jackson
Firekeeper's Daughter, by Angeline Boulley §
Bitterhorn, by Kat Dunn §
Any of the Sherlock Holmes stories, by Arthur Conan Doyle
The Lie Tree, by Frances Hardinge
Girl, Missing, by Sophie McKenzie
Ace of Spades, by Faridah Àbíké-Íyímídé