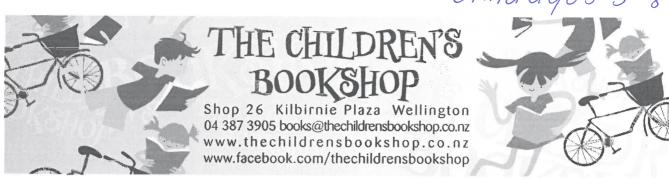
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Suggested Reading list ages 5 to 8

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#### **Series**

Geronimo Stilton

Hey Jack

Elephant and Piggie

Mercy Watson

Captain Underpants

Don't Look Now

Sophie

My Happy Life

Clarice Bean (novels)

Pearlie

Rainbow Fairies

Judy Moody

Billie B Brown

Ivv and Bean

Violet Mackerel

Alice Miranda

Clementine Rose

Milly Molly Mandy

How to Train Your Dragon

Dinosaur Rescue

Dragon Knight

Nanny Piggins

Zac Power

Chook Dolan Famous Five

Faraway Tree

Pippi Longstocking

The Moomintrolls

Anne of Green Gables

Little House

Marvin Redpost

Thea Stilton Geronimo Stilton

Sally Rippon

Mo Willems

Kate diCamillo

Day Pilkey

Paul Jennings

Dick King Smith

Rose Lagercrantz

Lauren Child

Wendy Harmer

Daisy Meadows

Megan McDonald

Sally Rippon

Annie Barrows

Anna Brandford

Jacqueline Harvey

Jacqueline Harvey

Joyce Lankaster Brisley

Cressida Cowell

Kyle Mewburn/Donovan Bixley

Kyle Mewburn/Donovan Bixley

R A Spratt

H I Lary

James Roy

**Enid Blyton** 

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Astrid Lindgren

Tove Janssen

LM Montgomery

Laura Inglis Wilder

Louis Sachar

child ages 5-8

Diary of a Rugby Champ, Cricket God, Soccer Star, Golf Pro, Super Swimmer, Taekwondo Master, Basketball Star, Track and Field Titan, Tennis Prodigy – Shamini Flint

The Bad Book, The Very Bad Book, The Treehouse series, The Just series - Andy Griffiths

The Twits, George's Marvellous Medicine, Esio Trot, The Magic Finger, Fantastc Mr Fox - Roald Dahl

Sleepovers, The Mum Minder, Lizzie Zipmouth - Jacqueline Wilson

Chance of a Lifetime, Reality Check, Pushed to the Limit, Standing Tall (rugby) - Israel Folau

#### **Stand Alone**

Ted Hughes The Iron Man Kate diCamillo The Tale of Desperaux Kate diCamillo Because of Winn Dixie Kate diCamillo Flora and Ulysses Kate diCamillo Tiger Rising Kate diCamillo The Tale of Desperaux Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane Kate diCamillo Dick King-Smith The Waterhorse Dick King-Smith Sheep Pig Anne Michaels The Adventures of Miss Petitfour Joy Cowley Snake and Lizard Eva Ibbotson One Dog and his Boy Sally Gardner Lucy Willow Margaret Mahy The Great Piratical Rumbustification

#### **New Zealand**

Vince Ford Scrap series Peter Millet Johnny Danger series Elizabeth Pulford Lily the Elf series Diary of a Pukeko/Frog/Bat/Sea Lion Sally Sutton Juliet Jacka Frankie Potts series Suzanne Main How I Alienated My Grandma Melinda Syzmanik Jack the Viking Kathryn Taylor Iris's Ukelele Leonie Agnew Super Finn Juliet Jacka The Night of the Perigree Moon

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# Suggested Reading list ages 9 to 12

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### New Zealand

The "O" trilogy Under The Mountain Journey to Tangiwai See Ya Simon The Runaway Settlers The Whale Rider Juggling With Mandarins The Silent One Kaitangita Twitch Slide the Corner

I am Not Esther/ I Am Rebecca/ Being Magdalene Monkey Boy

Road to Ratenburg Night Vision Red Rocks

The Winning Touch My Brother's War **Enemy Camp** No Safe Harbour The Flea Thing

Dunger Uncle Trev and The Whistling Bull The Tales of Fontania series (4 titles)

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Maurice Gee

Maurice Gee David Hill

David Hill Elsie Locke Whiti Ihimaera

VM Jones Joy Cowley Margaret Mahy

Fleur Beale

Fleur Beale (age 12) Donovan Bixley

Joy Cowley Ella West Rachel King David Hill

David Hill (age 12) David Hill (age 12)

David Hill Brian Falkner Joy Cowley Jack Lasenby

Barbara Else Melinda Szymanik

#### **Popular authors**

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator, The BFG, James and the Giant Peach, Matilda, Boy (Dahl's autobriography), Danny the Champion of The World. - Roald Dahl

Elephant in The Garden, Private Peaceful, Alone on the Wide Wide Sea, Kensuke's Kingdom, Wreck of the Zanzibar, Shadow, Sparrow, Eagle in The Snow, A Medal for Leroy, Listen to the Moon, Outlaw, War Horse - Michael Morpurgo

The Boy in Striped Pyjamas; Stay Where You Are and Then Leave; Boy at the Top of the Mountain (age 12) – John Boyne

Rent a Bridesmaid; Hetty Feather quartet; Bed and Breakfast Star, Double Act, The Suitcase Kid, Vicky Angel, Dustbin Baby -**Jacqueline Wilson** 

The World's Worst Children; Grandpa's Great Escape; Awful Auntie; Mr Stink; The Demon Dentist; Ratburger; Gangsta Granny; Billionaire Boy; The Boy in The Dress - David Walliams

for 9-12 year olds

Holes; Dogs Don't Tell Jokes; There's A Boy in the Girls' Bathroom - Louis Sachar

Sputnik's Guide to Life on Earth; The Astounding Broccoli Boy; Millions; Cosmic; Framed - Frank Cottrell Boyce

The Secret of Platform 13; Monster Mission; One Dog & His Boy; The Great Ghost Rescue; Dial a Ghost; Journey to the River Sea; Star of Kazan; The Dragonfly Pool - **Eva Ibbotson** 

#### **Series**

Jacqueline Harvey Alice Miranda (14 titles) Morris Gleitzman Toad Rage (5 titles) James Patterson Middle School Rick Riordan Percy Jackson Derek Landy Skulduggery Pleasant JK Rowling Harry Potter CS Lewis Narnia John Flanagan Ranger's Apprentice series Morris Gleitzman Once (5 titles) The Land of Stories Chris Colfer

## **Child investigators**

Phyllis Wong series Geoffrey McSkimming

Friday Barnes series R A Spratt
Verity Sparks series Susan Green
Murder Most Unladylike series Robin Stevens
Young Sherlock series Andrew Lane
The Alex Rider series Anthony Horowitz
CHERUB Series (age 12+) Robert Muchamore

#### Classics

Theodore Taylor The Cay The Silver Sword Ian Serrallier Anne Holm I Am David Island of the Blue Dolphins Scott O'Dell The Giver Lois Lowry (age 12) Hatchet Gary Paulsen Goodnight Mr Tom Michelle Magorian Emil and the Detectives Erik Kastner Stig of the Dump Clive King Pippi Longstocking trilogy Astrid Lindgren

### **Real Life Heroines**

Chinese Cinderella Adeleine Yen Mah
The Diary of a Young Girl Anne Frank
Hope in A Ballet Shoe Michaela DuPrince
Soul Surfer Bethany Hamilton
Malala (Young Readers edition) Malala Yousefzai

## Humour

Wimpy Kid series

Timmy Failure series

Big Nate series

Tom Gates series

Scat/ Hoot/Flush

Jeff Kinney

Stephan Pastis

Lincoln Peirce.

Liz Pichon

Carl Hiaasen

## **Scary**

Coraline; The Graveyard Book
Serafina & the Black Cloak; Serafina & the Twisted Scarf
Robert Beatty

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