





Miss Bools and Mrs Szczygiel's Recommended Reads!

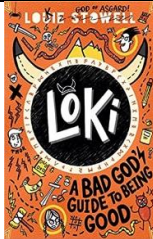
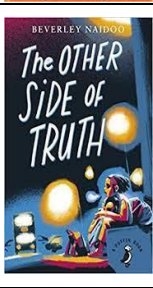
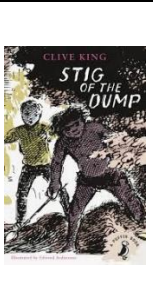


"There is no such thing as a child who hates to read; there are only children who have not found the right book."

The following list includes *only* books that I have personally read and would **fully** recommend to my class. They all fall into the 9-12 age range so would be perfect for Years 5 & 6. I already purchased and have read some of these books, so if you would like to borrow one, ask! Happy reading...

(Even though I loved reading some of these books, the books highlighted in grey are **HIGHLY** recommended!)

Book Cover	Title	Author	A Brief Guide...
	<h2 style="text-align: center;">Amari and the Night Brothers</h2>	<p style="text-align: center;">B.B.Alston</p>	<p>Amari Peters knows three things. Her big brother Quinton has gone missing. No one will talk about it. His mysterious job holds the secret...</p> <p>So when Amari gets an invitation to the Bureau of Supernatural Affairs, she's certain this is her chance to find Quinton. But first she has to get her head around the new world of the Bureau, where mermaids, aliens and magicians are <i>real</i>, and her roommate is a weredragon.</p> <p>Amari must compete against kids who've known about the supernatural world their whole lives, and when each trainee is awarded a special supernatural talent, Amari is given an illegal talent - one that the Bureau views as dangerous. With an evil magician threatening the whole supernatural world, and her own classmates thinking she is the enemy, Amari has never felt more alone. But if she doesn't pass the three tryouts, she may never find out what happened to Quinton ...</p>
	<h2 style="text-align: center;">Utterly Dark and the Face of the Deep</h2>	<p style="text-align: center;">Philip Reeve</p>	<p>It was always at sundown they were seen. In that twilight hour, when the walls between the worlds grew thin, strange things might slip through the cracks. Sometimes then, so the stories went, enchanted islands would appear in the empty ocean to the west of Wildsea. When Utterly Dark was a baby, she was washed up on the shores of the Autumn Isles and taken in by the Watcher of Wildsea. But everything changes when her guardian suddenly drowns. Now who will keep the Watch, and make sure Wildsea stays safe from the strange forces teeming in the deep ocean around them? A magical new story from the bestselling and prize-winning author of <i>Mortal Engines</i>.</p>

	<h2>Loki – A Bad God’s Guide to Being Good</h2>	<p>Louie Stowell</p>	<p>After one trick too many, Loki is banished to live on Earth as a "normal" school boy. Forbidden from using his AWESOME godly powers, Loki must show <i>moral improvement</i>. As he records his lies THE TRUTH in his magical (judgemental) diary, it becomes clear Loki hasn't a clue how to tell good from evil, trust from tricks, or friends from enemies.</p>
	<h2>The Other Side of Truth</h2>	<p>Beverley Naidoo</p>	<p>This is the story of 12 year-old Sade and her brother Femi who flee to Britain from Nigeria. Their father is a political journalist who refuses to stop criticising the military rulers in Nigeria. Their mother is killed and they are sent to London, with their father promising to follow. Abandoned at Victoria Station by the woman paid to bring them to England as her children, Sade and Femi find themselves alone in a new, often hostile, environment. Seen through the eyes of Sade, the novel explores what it means to be classified as 'illegal' and the difficulties which come with being a refugee.</p>
	<h2>Classic Read Stig of the Dump</h2>	<p>Clive King</p>	<p>Barney is a solitary little boy, given to wandering off by himself. One day he is lying on the edge of a disused chalk-pit when it gives way and he lands in a sort of cave. Here he meets 'somebody with a lot of shaggy hair and two bright black eyes' wearing a rabbit skin and speaking in grunts. He names him Stig. Of course nobody believes Barney when he tells his family all about Stig, but for Barney cave-man Stig is totally real. They become great friends, learning each others ways and embarking on a series of unforgettable adventures.</p>

Other reading related activities that you could take part in could be:

- Read a book written in the year you were born
- Read a newspaper article
- Read a comic or a graphic novel
- Read a book with a one-word title
- Read a book based on a true story
- Re-read your favourite book from when you were little