

Reading list

Biology Department

Age Range 10+

Earth Matters by David de Rothschild

Any book by Gerald Durrell

King Solomon's Ring by Konrad Lorenz

Chemistry Department

Age Range 14+

The Radioactive Boy Scout by Ken Silverstein

Classics Department

Age Range 10/11+

The Eagle of the Ninth Rosemary Sutcliffe

English Department

Age Range 10/11+

Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation

Troublesome Words by Bill Bryson

Accommodating Broccoli in the Cemetery (or why can't anybody spell?) (sic) by Vivian Cook

I before E (except after C): Old-school ways to remember stuff by Judy Parkinson

My Grammar and I (or should that be "me"?): Old-school ways to sharpen your English by Caroline Taggart and J A Wines

Eats, Shoots and Leaves by Lynne Truss

Talk to the Hand by Lynne Truss

Grammar by Mary Budzik

Geography Department

Never Eat Shredded Wheat by Christopher Somerville (Geography of Britain – written primarily for adults but easy to follow)

Global Capitalism: Its Fall and Rise in the Twentieth Century by Jeffrey A Freiden (a look at the changes in globalisation)

Red Capitalism by Carl E Walter (a look at the growth of China as an economy)

Anything by Michael Palin

History Department

Age Range 10/11+

The Story of Britain by Patrick Dillon

Take me Back by Julie Ferris

The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas by John Boyne

I am David by Anne Holm

When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr

The Silver Sword by Ian Serraillier

Making History by Stephen Fry (14+)

Maths Department

Age Range 10/11+

The Number Devil by Hans Magus Enzenberger

Why do Buses Come in Threes? by Rob Eastaway

How Long is a Piece of String? by Rob Eastaway

How Many Socks Make a Pair? by Rob Eastaway

The Number Mysteries by Marcus du Sautoy

1089 and All That by David Acheson

Religious Studies Department

Age Range 10/11+

Please note the ages refer to the lower limit – many of the titles are suitable reading for young people and adults.

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe by C S Lewis (A must read at each age range, allegory of Christian faith)

The Diary of Anne Frank by Anne Frank (Thirteen year old's account of Nazi persecution)

I Am David by Anne Holm (Personal courage and faith)

The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas (Racial Prejudice in the USA)

Whispers in the Graveyard by Teresa Breslin (A young person's struggle with dyslexia)

Lord of the Flies by William Golding (A novel about survival and the nature of humankind)

The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas by John Boyne (Challenging book about friendship and humanity)

The Boy in the Dress by David Walliams (Enjoyable read about prejudice and difference)

Pig Heart Boy by Malorie Blackman (Friendship, prejudice and society)

Finding Violet Park by Jenny Valentine (Examines the nature of relationships and family)

Wonder by R J Palacio (Prejudice and disability)