

# Applecroft School

## Suggested Reading List

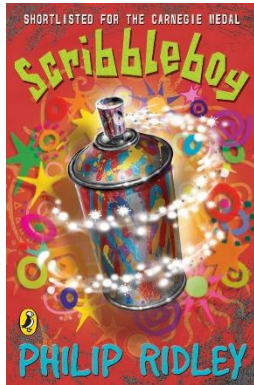
### Year 5

This is a list of books which we suggest may be of interest at an appropriate reading level for the majority of Year 5 children. There is absolutely no expectation that your child should read all or indeed any of these books. The list is meant as a help if you and/or your child is struggling to find a book to read and enjoy.

If your child is less confident and reluctant to read age-appropriate books independently, try some of the reluctant reader suggestions below but allow them to read what they are comfortable with. However, please read books to them which are of an age-appropriate level and discuss these books. This allows children to understand and enjoy the detailed plots, rich descriptions and complex sentence structures without waiting until they are ready to read these independently.

Above all, please ENJOY exploring this list with your child.

#### For reluctant or less fluent readers



Peter in Peril by Helen Bate  
The Ultimate Alphabet by Mike Wilks  
Scribbleboy by Philip Ridley  
Bill's New Frock by Anne Fine  
Woof! By Allan Ahlberg

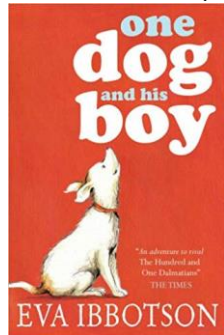
#### For everyone to read or share

Wolf Brother by Michelle Paver  
Who Let the Gods Out by Maz Evans  
Beetle Boy by MG Leonard  
Boy in the Tower by Polly Ho-Yen  
The Wolf Wilder by Katherine Rundell  
Heidi by Johanna Spyri  
Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer



The Breadwinner by Deborah Ellis

The Butterfly Lion by Michael Morpurgo



Charlotte's Web by E.B. White

Clockwork by Philip Pullman

Danny the Champion of the World by Roald Dahl

Dial a Ghost by Eva Ibbotson

One Dog and His Boy by Eva Ibbotson

Dragon Rider by Cornelia Funke

Emil and the Detectives by Erich Kästner

The Incredible Adventures of Professor Branestawm by Norman Hunter

I Know What You Did Last Wednesday by Anthony Horowitz

Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone by J.K. Rowling

Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets by J.K. Rowling

The Hundred and One Dalmatians by Dodie Smith

The Iron Man by Ted Hughes

Krindlekrax by Philip Ridley

Hacker by Malorie Blackman

Moondial by Helen Cresswell

The Demon Headmaster by Gillian Cross

The Witches by Roald Dahl

The Mouse and His Child by Russell Hoban

The Clocktower Ghost by Gene Kemp

The Sheep-Pig by Dick King-Smith

The Scarecrow and His Servant by Phillip Pullman

King of the Forest Clouds by Michael Morpurgo

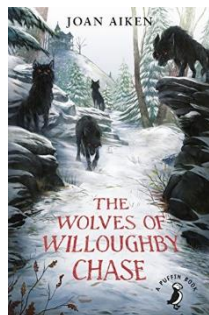
A Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket

The Factory Made Boy by Christine Nostlinger

Aquila by Andrew Norriss

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo

Black Beauty - Anna Sewell



The Midnight Fox - Betsy Byars

Varjak Paw series - S. F. Said

Holes - Louis Sachar

Secret of Platform 13 - Eva Ibbotson

Dial a Ghost - Eva Ibbotson

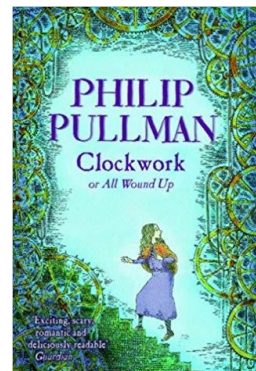
The Indian in the Cupboard series - Lynne Reid Banks

Dragon books - Cressida Cowell

The Wolves of Willoughby Chase by Joan Aiken

The Nowhere Emporium by Ross McKenzie

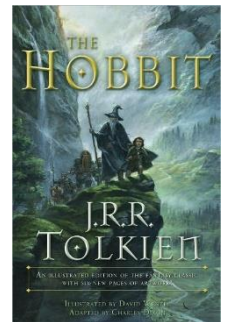
Sky Song by Abi Elphinstone



The Boy at the Back of the Class by Onjati Rauf  
Brightstorm by Vashti Hardy

Some more challenge (to share or for more confident readers)

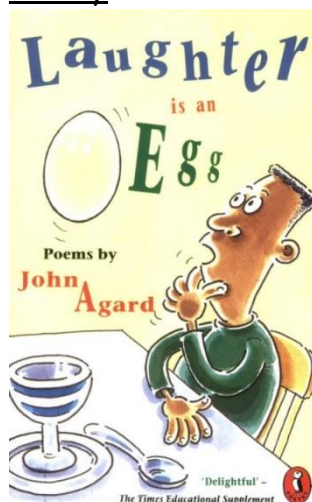
The Girl of Ink and Stars by Kiran Millwood Hargrave  
Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban by J.K.Rowling  
Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire by J.K.Rowling  
Stig of the Dump by Clive King  
The Ghost of Thomas Kempe by Penelope Lively  
When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr  
The Phoenix and the Carpet by E.Nesbit  
Mrs Frisby and The Rats of Nihm -  
Robert C. O'Brien  
The Jungle Book, Rudyard Kipling  
The Hobbit - JRR Tolkein  
The Goldfish Boy by Lisa Thompson  
Mold and the Poison Plot by Lorraine  
Gregory



Non-Fiction

The Wonder Garden by Jenny Bloom and Kristjana Williams  
The What on Earth? Wallbook Timeline of Big History by Christopher Lloyd  
The Variety of Life by Nicola Davies and Lorna Scobie

Poetry



All the Wild Wonders by Wendy Cooling  
Laughter is an Egg by John Agard  
Heard it in the Playground by Allan Ahlberg  
Silly Verse for Kids by Spike Milligan