

2022-23 RECOMMENDED READS YEAR 6

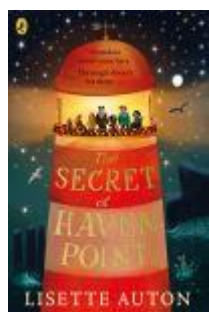


**Anderson,
Sophie**

**The Thief who
Sang Storms**

Linnet is 13 and her singing magic hasn't surfaced yet. Her father Nightingale wishes it would as he believes this is the key to reuniting the divided lands of Morovia bringing humans and Alkonosts together. A compelling adventure about bravery, loss and fresh beginnings.

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**Auton,
Lisette**

**The Secret of
Haven Point**

Alpha and her friends live in fear of the Outsiders. The ramshackle lighthouse has become a refuge for children like her with disabilities. Mermaids and magic are interwoven against the backdrop of a thought-provoking adventure. A poignant read looking at disability and ableism.

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**Bailey,
Susanna**

Raven Winter

Set in the beautiful Yorkshire Dales during winter, this is the compelling story of one girl's special relationship with a raven and how she nurses him back to life. There are some challenging and sensitive scenes but overall the healing power of nature shines through.

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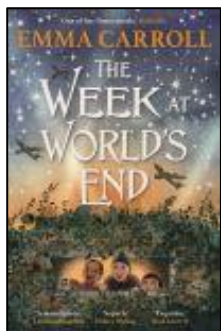


**Bennett,
M A**

**The Ship of
Doom**

Imagine you were part of a time-travelling club that could change the course of history! This is where Luna and her friends find themselves - aboard the fateful Titanic in 1912, trying to save a famous inventor from impending disaster. A great action-adventure story with interesting historical details that will keep you guessing until the very end.

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**Carroll,
Emma**

The Week at World's End

It is 1962 and the world is at threat of nuclear war! What should best friends Stevie and Ray do about Anna the mysterious girl in the coal shed? Will they make the right choices? A captivating read about freedom, choice and fighting for what is right.

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**Chisholm,
Alastair**

The Consequence Girl

Cora has powers to go back in time and change the world and its outcomes. In the wrong hands these powers could alter life as everyone knows it. Cora has choices to make. A thrilling dystopian sci-fi adventure that explores the consequences of the choices we make.

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**Cotton,
Katie**

The Secret of Splint Hall

Set in 1945, two sisters are sent to live with their aunt in their ancestral home following the death of their father during the war. But why do the locals hate the family and what are the mysterious goings-on in the garden? A mystery story that reveals hidden secrets for the sisters to uncover.

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**Cottrell
Boyce,
Frank**

Noah's Gold

Noah accidentally stows away on his big sister's geography trip but when the teacher mis-programmes the sat-nav, the group end up in completely the wrong place! Marooned on an island, their teacher vanished, the six children must work together to survive until they are rescued – but Noah has broken the internet and there is no way of contacting home. Brilliantly illustrated and written in a range of formats, this is a hilariously funny book which will also make you stop and think.

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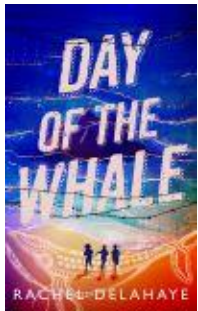


**Dean,
Benjamin**

The Secret Sunshine Project

Bea and Riley never imagined their world would be turned upside down in just one year. After the most magnificent fun at London's Pride last year, Riley feels cheated that she can't be there again this year. Bea is determined to fix things and show Riley there is still hope when your world feels hopeless. A touching glimpse into bereavement, friendship, family and self-discovery.

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**Delahaye,
Rachel**

Day of the Whale

A conservation futuristic story set in Australasia, on an island ruled by whales. Cam is struggling to deal with his father's disappearance, but he realises that there is more at stake when he makes friends with other children. It seems their life is not as idyllic as they originally thought.

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**Fountain,
Ele**

Fake

Jess is fourteen and allowed to go to school for the first time. She is an expert in cyber-hacking which turns out to be both brilliant and dangerous when she tries to help her younger sister with life-saving medication. A fast-paced thriller with dystopian themes and virtual reality secrets and lies.

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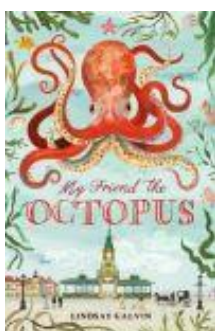


**Fox,
Matthew**

The Sky over Rebecca

A mysterious and moving timeslip novel about a girl called Kara who, after discovering a snow angel, sets out across the frozen lake to find who made it. Set in modern day Stockholm but time-travels to World War II, this is an original debut about courage, magic and a promise between friends.

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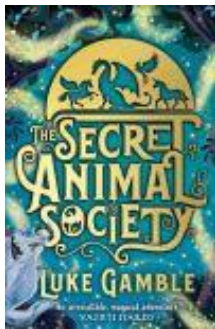


**Galvin,
Lindsay**

My Friend the Octopus

Aquarium fever is high in Victorian England. Twelve year old Vinnie discovers she can unexpectedly communicate with the octopus. An unusual story but one that is full of courage and excitement and is unlike any other story you will have read.

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Gamble, Luke

The Secret Animal Society

Set in the New Forest, Edie is packed off to live with her uncle who is a vet. His mission is to protect unusual animals which is helped by Edie's ability to talk to them. An adventure story involving travel and danger around the world as the duo try to protect endangered animals.

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Hills, Adam

Rockstar Detectives

Charley and her best friend George are accused of stealing a priceless painting. Can they prove their innocence whilst solving the crime itself? Full of inclusivity and told in a diary format, this is an exciting and funny tale combining detection and rock music.

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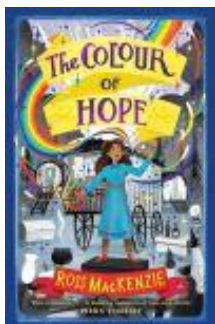


Juckes, Sarah Ann

The Hunt for the Nightingale

Neurodiverse Jasper adores birds. His sister Rosie has always helped him keep a bird journal until one day she doesn't return home as promised. Mum and Dad say Rosie is in a 'better place'. Jasper's love for Rosie sends him on a quest to bring her home. A powerful tale of loss, love and the healing power of nature.

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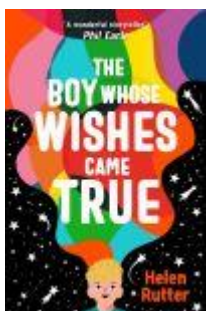


MacKenzie, Ross

The Colour of Hope

Hope was born full of colour into a dull grey world stripped of its beauty by a jealous emperor and his sorceress aunt. Hope must hide that colour until the world is ready for change. An entrancing adventure full of danger and love that explores prejudice and our right to be who we are.

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Rutter, Helen

The Boy whose Wishes came True

Eleven year old Archie feels useless at everything until the day he bumps his head and he is granted nine wishes by his favourite football star! Poignant story about the power we have to change our lives if only we believe in ourselves

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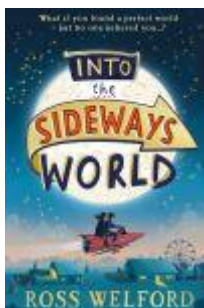


**Strange,
Lucy**

**Sisters of the
Lost Marsh**

For fans of Michelle Harrison's Pinch of Magic series. Willa lives in a small community on the marshes with her dad, five sisters and her grandmother. It is a fight for survival, not only physically but with all the constraints of the local community. Read on to discover whether she can escape.

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**Welford,
Ross**

**Into the
Sideways
World**

Willa and Manny uncover an alternate world where pollution and conflict have been overcome and everyone they know appears happier. With a global war imminent in their world can they prove an alternate world exists and can lessons be learnt? A very reflective read with parallels to our world today.

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T = Younger Teen Reads



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