



Recommended Reading List for 4th Class

The following books are recommended for 4th Class students to read and enjoy. They have been chosen from a number of different genres to cater for different children's tastes. Remember your local library is well stocked with children's literature and it is possible to order a specific book if it is not on the shelf. Share your own enthusiasm for books and reading with your child. Do not worry if your child is only reading one kind of book but rest assured, once she catches the reading bug, she will move on to other books.

- Kensuke's Kingdom by Eva Ibbotson
- The Songbird Café Girls (series) by Sarah Webb
- The Time Spell by Judi Curtin
- The Secrets of Grindlewood (series) by Jackie Burke
- A Series of Unfortunate Events (series) by Lemony Snicket

If you would like to read more please see the list below.

If you like **DANCING and ACTING** try these

Skating School (Series) - Linda Chapman
Dancing Shoes (Series) - Antonia Barber
Bright Lights - Linda Chapman
Centre Stage - Linda Chapman
Ballerina Dreams (Series) - Ann Bryant
Topaz (Series) - Helen Bailey
Fame School (Series) - Cindy Jefferies

If you like books about **FRIENDS or SCHOOL** try these ...

Alice Next Door (series) – Judi Curtin
The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane - Kate Di Camillo
Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Series) - Jeff Kinney
Eva's Journey (and other titles) - Judy Curtin
Stig of the Dump – Clive King
The Cat Mummy - Jacqueline Wilson
The Bed and Breakfast Star - Jacqueline Wilson
Double Act - Jacqueline Wilson
Tracy Beaker (Series) - Jacqueline Wilson

(Note: Jacqueline Wilson writes for a wide age group, including teenagers, and the content of some of her other books may not be suitable for younger children).

If you like **ANIMALS and HORSES** try these ...

Pony Club Secrets (Series) - Stacy Gregg
Heartland (Series) - Lauren Brooke
Babe the Sheep-Pig - Dick King-Smith
Charlotte's Web - E. B. White
Because of Winn Dixie - Kate Di Camillo
The Pony-Mad Princess (Series) - Diana Kimpton
Half-Moon Ranch (Series) - Jenny Oldfield
Phantom Stallion - Terri Farley
Chestnut Hill (series) – Lauren Brooke
The Pony Whisperer – Janet Rising
Stuart Little - E.B. White
Babe the Sheep-Pig - Dick King-Smith

If you like **A GOOD LAUGH** try these ...

Horrid Henry (Series) - Francesca Simon
George's Marvellous Medicine - Roald Dahl
The Twits - Roald Dahl
Toonhead - Fiona Dunbar

Switched (My Sister the Vampire Series) - Sienna Mercer
The Giggler Treatment - Roddy Doyle
The Meanwhile Adventures – Roddy Doyle
Captain Underpants (Series) - Dav Pilkey
Do Not Read This Book (Series) - Pat Moon
Howl's Moving Castle - Diana Wynne Jones
The Toilet of Doom (and other titles) - Michael Lawrence
The Beasts of Clawstone Castle (and other titles) - Eva Ibbotson
Dear Dumb Diary (Series) - Jim Benton
The Brilliant World of Tom Gates (series) – L. Pichon
Billionaire Boy (and other titles) – David Walliams

If you like **MAGIC** try these ...

Harry Potter (Series) - J.K.Rowling
The Witches - Roald Dahl
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory - Roald Dahl
The BFG - Roald Dahl
Matilda - Roald Dahl
The Magician's Elephant – Kate Di Camillo
Rose (Series) - Holly Webb
The Frog Princess (Series) - E. D. Baker
Ella Enchanted - Gail Carson Levine
The Two Princesses of Bamarre - Gail Carson Levine
Tom's Midnight Garden - Philippa Pearce

If you like **A GOOD SCARE** try these ...

Goosebumps (Series) - R.L.Stine
A Series of Unfortunate Events (Series) - Lemony Snicket
The Children of Green Knowe (Series) - Lucy M. Boston
The Graveyard Book - Neil Gaiman
Coraline - Neil Gaiman

If you like **ADVENTURE** try these ...

The Island of Adventure (Adventure Series) - Enid Blyton
A Series of Unfortunate Events (Series) - Lemony Snicket
Molly Moon (Series) - Georgia Byng
The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane - Kate Di Camillo
Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief (Series) - Rick Riordan
The Spook's Apprentice (Series) - Joseph Delaney
Toby Alone (Series) -Timothee de Fombelle
Pink Chameleon (Silk Sisters Series) - Fiona Dunbar
Circus Shoes – Noel Streatfield
Nim's Island – Wendy Orr

If you like **MYSTERY / DETECTIVE** stories try these ...

The Lady Grace Mysteries (series) – Grace Cavendish
Jane Blonde (Series) - Jill Marshall
The Pasta Detectives - Andreas Steinhöfel
The Sisters Grimm (Series) - Michael Buckley
The Great Hamster Massacre - Katie Davies
The London Eye Mystery - Siobhan Dowd
Murder Most Unladylike (series) – Robin Stevens
The Diamond of Drury Lane (Series) - Julia Golding

If you like **HISTORY** try these

Chinese Cinderella Adeline Yen Mah
The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips - Michael Morpurgo
Rosie's Quest (Series) - Ann Carroll
Once (Series) - Morris Gleitzman
One Small Suitcase - Barry Turner
Hitler's Canary - Sandi Toksvig

If you like **POETRY** try these ...

Something Beginning with P - O'Brien Press (Publisher)
The Puffin Book of Utterly Brilliant Poetry - Brian Patten (editor)
Revolting Rhymes - Roald Dahl
Love that Dog – Sharon Creech
Read Me and Laugh - Gaby Morgan (Editor)
A Child's Garden of Verses - Robert Louis Stevenson
The Truth about Parents - MacMillan Children's Books
The Truth about Teachers - MacMillan Children's Books

If you like the **CLASSICS** try these ...

The Secret Garden - Frances Hodgson Burnett
A Little Princess - Frances Hodgson Burnett
The Railway Children - E. Nesbit
Black Beauty - Anna Sewell
What Katy Did - Susan Coolidge
Alice's Adventures in Wonderland - Lewis Carroll
Mary Poppins - P. L. Travers
Little Women - Louisa M. Alcott
Anne of Green Gables - L.M. Montgomery
The Family from One-End Street - Eve Garnett
Pippi Longstocking (Series) - Astrid Lindgrin
Little House on the Prairie (series) – Laura Ingalls Wilder

