



## Recommended Reading List for 4<sup>th</sup> Class

The following books are recommended for 4th Class students to read and enjoy during the Summer holidays and on into the academic year. They have been chosen from a number of genres to cater for different children's tastes. Share your own enthusiasm for books and reading with your child. Do not worry if your child is only reading one kind of book - rest assured, once she catches the reading bug, she will move on to other books.

- The Secrets of Grindewood (series) by Jackie Burke
- The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips by Michael Morpurgo
- The Day I was Erased by Lisa Thompson
- A Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket
- Tom's Midnight Garden - Philippa Pearce

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  
Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Series) - Jeff Kinney  
Eva’s Journey (and other titles) - Judy Curtin  
Time After Time – Judi 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  
The Butterfly Lion – Michael Morpurgo  
One Dog and His Boy – Eva Ibbotson

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  
The Frog Princess (Series) - E. D. Baker  
Ella Enchanted - Gail Carson Levine  
The Two Princesses of Bamarre - Gail Carson Levine  
The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane – Kate di Camillo  
The Land of Stories – Chris Colfer

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  
Stormbreaker (series) – Anthony Horowitz  
Pink Chameleon (Silk Sisters Series) - Fiona Dunbar  
The Bookshop Girl – Sylvia Bishop  
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 Carr  
One Small Suitcase - Barry Turner  
Hitler’s Canary - Sandi Toksvig  
Letters from the Lighthouse – Emma Carroll  
An Elephant in the Garden – Michael Morpurgo

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