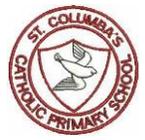




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Reading Rainbow

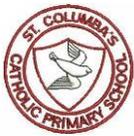
Year Group	Title	Author	Plot	Theme/Link
Year 3	The Great Brain Robbery	P.G Bell	Suzy can't wait to return to the Union of Impossible Places on the Impossible Postal Express. But when she arrives, she overhears a dastardly plan to destroy Trollville from a shadowy and unexpected villain. Suzy and her friends must race from magical cloud-worlds to secret caverns to catch the culprit, before Trollville comes crashing down...	
	One Christmas Wish	Katherine Rundell	It's Christmas Eve and Theo, left at home with a babysitter, sees an odd-looking star out of his window. He decides to make a wish. He wishes that he had some friends to keep him company. Moments later the Christmas decorations begin to disentangle themselves from the tree behind him, ready to wreak a little havoc...	
	Zipple the Little Keyhole Ghost	Alex Ruhle	Paul returns home from school one day to discover a tiny ghost is living in the keyhole of his front door. He names him Zippel, and the little ghost is curious about everything, from food and clothes to how the toilet flushes! But Paul's parents want to change the locks - can Paul find Zippel a new home in time?	Quest adventure
	The Secret Dragon	Ed Clarke	When would-be palaeontologist Mari finds a tiny dragon while out fossil hunting on a Welsh beach, she knows it's a discovery that could change science - and her life - forever. Mari wants to make a scientific study of the baby reptile that will astound the world. But this dragon doesn't want to be studied, it wants to be free. And although it may only be pocket sized, it has a giant appetite for mischief...	Science - fossils



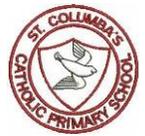
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The Extraordinary Life of Katherine Johnson	Devika Jina and Maggie Cole	In 1969 history was made when the first humans stepped on the moon. Back on earth, one woman was running the numbers that ensured they got there and back in one piece. As a child, Katherine Johnson loved maths. She went on to be one of the most important people in the history of space travel. Discover her incredible life story in this beautifully illustrated book complete with narrative biography, timelines and facts.	PHSE Story of overcoming adversity. History
The Enchanted Wood	Enid Blyton	When Joe, Beth and Frannie move to a new home, an Enchanted Wood is on their doorstep. And when they discover the Faraway Tree, that is the beginning of many magical adventures! Join them and their friends Moonface, Saucepan Man and Silky the fairy as they discover which new land is at the top of the Faraway Tree. Will it be the Land of Birthdays, the Land of Toys, or even the Land of Ice and Snow with its magic snowman?	Modern classics
The Creakers	Tom Fletcher	Lucy was sinking, deeper and deeper. Every now and then the floor beneath her bed would stop swallowing her and the dark, spongy walls around her would loosen and tighten before pulling her down again. She imagined that this was what it must feel like to be eaten whole by a giant snake. Wherever Lucy was going, whatever this Woleb place was, it felt like she was being sucked through some sort of wormhole, travelling not only down below her bed, but also across time and space itself. She began to feel a little queasy, like the time she'd been in training for the family jelly-baby-eating competition and she'd puked on her shoes.	Mystery/suspense
Junkyard Jack and the Horse that Talked	Adrian Edmundson	A wonderfully funny romp of a story full of all kinds of imaginative nonsense including a cast of talking animals. Young Jack is an unlucky boy; his father vanished before he was born and his mother is in prison for a crime she swears she didn't commit. As a result, Jack must live with his horrible uncle and cousin with only a cupboard for a bedroom. Driven by his passion	Comedy



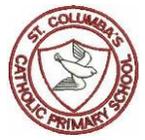
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			for horses, Jack finds solace with an aged scrap-yard owner and his two horses with some very surprising skills of their own! It's a friendship that leads Jack into a wonderful adventure.	
	The unlikely Adventures of Mabel Jones	Will Mabbitt	Kidnapped, Mabel is forced to serve aboard <i>The Feroshus Maggot</i> with the strangest crew you'll ever meet. And the captain—an odious wolf named Idryss Ebenezer Split—won't let her go until she helps the pirates uncover the treasure they seek. Mabel's voyage takes her across the Greasy Pole of Certain Death, into the belly of a whale, and underground to a decrepit crypt. And she does it all...in pajamas!	Fantasy adventure
	The 13 story Tree House Collection	Andy Griffiths	Andy and Terry live in the world's greatest treehouse and in the first book (<i>The 13-Storey Treehouse</i>) you will learn about how it houses everything from a giant catapult to a tank of man-eating sharks and, perhaps best all, a machine that fires marshmallows at you when you're hungry. As the series progresses, this magical treehouse receives a number of 13-storey extensions - and things continue to get crazier! The 29-Storey Treehouse finds it being home to an ice-cream-serving robot called Edward Scooperhands; The 39-Storey Treehouse has a roller coaster providing the thrills; The 52-Storey Treehouse is home to a real-life game of Snakes & Ladders; The 65-Storey Treehouse has a birthday room where it's ALWAYS your birthday; The 78-Storey Treehouse only finds an ALL-BALL sports stadium being added to the development; and the 91-Storey Treehouse contains a human pinball machine.	Fantasy adventure
	National Trust Secret Diaries collection	Philip Ardagh	Jane Pinny, a Victorian house maid who just happens to be a talented detective; Tudor boy spy Thomas Snoop; Medieval knight-in-training John Drawbridge; and Kitty Cask - the daughter of a Cornish smuggler.	Historical settings Fantasy adventure
	Ottoline and the yellow	Chris Riddell	Narrative, quirky mystery adventure	



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The Three pigs	David Weisner	Darker version of traditional fairy tale.		Compare and contrast KS1 versions of story.
Sam Wu is NOT afraid of ghosts	Kevin Tsang	Friendship and overcoming fears.		
Voices in the Park	Anthony Brown	The rashamon effect. Family, identity.		
Cloud Tea Monkeys	Mal Peet and Elspeth Graham Juan Wijngaard	Set in India, relationships with family.		Links with The Firework Maker's Daughter.
Krindlekrax	Philip Ridley	Sci-fi , set in a school, good overcomes bad.		
Norse Myths: Tales of Odin, Thor and Loki	Kevin Crossley-Holland	Tales of bold, but flawed, Viking Gods.		Links with English
The Magic Finger (G)	Roald Dahl	Cautionary Tale		
The Sheep-Pig (G)	Dick King-Smith	Adventure of an orphaned piglet		
The Parent Agency (G)	David Baddiel	Pick your perfect mum and dad.		
Horrid Henry and the Football Fiend	Francesca Simon	Henry joins a football team.		
The Street Beneath My Feet (g)	Charlotte Gullian and Yuval Zommer	Non-Fiction		Links with history.
Three Cheers for Women	Marcia Williams	Non-Fiction, Celebrating achievements of women in history.		PSHE
Play Time: Plays for all ages.	Julie Donaldson	A collection of play scripts.		
The Stone Age	Marcia Williams	Non-Fiction, facts, jokes and comic strips.		Links with history.
Just So Stories	Rudyard Kipling	Short Stories (heritage book)		Great vocab - Links with myths and legends.
Raps, Riddles and Concrete	Pie Corbett	Poetry -A collection of different types.		
Rock Spotter	Dan Green	Non-Fiction.		Links with Science.
Guess Who's Coming for Dinner	John Kelly and Cathy Tincknell	Characters are invited to an "all-you-can-eat weekend"		Great for inference.
The accidental Primeminister	Tom McLau			