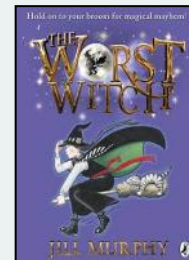


Suggested Reading Year 3

The Worst Witch by Jill Murphy

Loveable but accident-prone Mildred is probably the worst witch ever to attend Miss Cackle's Academy: her spells go wrong, her broomstick crashes, and then she turns Ethel, the teacher's pet, into a pig! She can't even put her witch's hat on the right way round, and strict teacher Miss Hardbroom is not at all impressed.

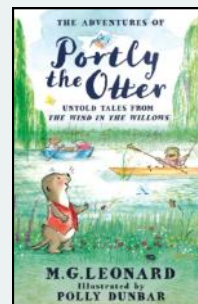
But when Mildred discovers a plot against the school, can she save the day?



The Adventures of Portly the Otter by M.G. Leonard

There is a time in a young otter's life when they must be introduced to their river. For Portly, today was that day ...

Told across four seasons in one year, little Portly has the greatest of adventures. Among other fur-raising encounters, the youngest of Mrs Otter's pups learns to swim, battles a large trout, rescues a human girl, outwits the weasels and stoats of the Wild Wood and sleeps in the care of the god Pan



Kitty and the Woodland Wildcats by Paula Harrison

Kitty is a superhero-in-training with cat-like superpowers. She dreams of being just like her superhero mum one day, but she's still got a lot to learn.

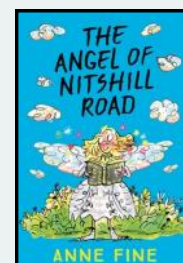
Kitty is on a camping holiday with her friend Ozzy. Just like Kitty, Ozzy is a superhero-in-training with owl-like superpowers. During their stay in Whitefern Wood, they meet a wary wildcat, desperately looking for her lost kittens. The trouble is, she doesn't trust humans at all. Kitty must earn her trust and then prove her worth as a superhero in training, by finding the kittens and saving the day.



The Angel of Nitshill Road by Anne Fine

Until the angel came, Penny, Mark and Marigold were bitterly unhappy. "Fat." "Freak." "Smelly."

Barry Hunter was bullying them and everyone at Nitshill Road School knew it. But the angel brings a clever solution. Life at school is going to be very different from now on.



The Last Bear by Hannah Gold

There are no polar bears left on Bear Island. At least, that's what April's father tells her when his scientific research takes them to this remote Arctic outpost for six months. But one endless summer night, April meets one. He is starving, lonely and a long way from home. Determined to save him, April begins the most important journey of her life ...



The Woodland Badger by Holly Webb

Poppy loves spending time at her mum's allotment and the tangle of wild woodland behind it. They regularly see foxes and hedgehogs, but one special evening, just as they are about to head home, they spot a young badger. It's the first time Poppy has ever seen one in real life, and she's entranced.

Then Poppy learns that the woodland has been sold and there are plans to build houses on it. Poppy and her mum are horrified. Is there anything they can do to save the young badger's home?



Marnie Midnight and the Moon Mystery by Laura Ellen Anderson

Meet Marnie Midnight – a little moth with BIG dreams!

Marnie Midnight is SO excited to be starting at Minibeast Academy. She adores everything about the moon and she can't wait to learn about its magic. But Marnie soon discovers that nobody believes in moon magic anymore! Marnie is determined to get to the bottom of this moon mystery.

The little moth and her minibeast friends explore far and wide in their search for the truth. But will they survive a run-in with a rebellious rat or an out-of-this-world trip with the terrifying Early Bird ...?

One thing is for sure, Marnie is a little bug having a BIG Adventure!

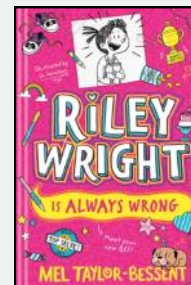


Riley Wright is Always Wrong by Mel Taylor Bessent

Riley Wright is starting at Heverton Junior School with one awkward disadvantage: her MAJORLY embarrassing dad is the new head teacher ...!!

Riley Wright has to figure out how to fit in, pin down a talent for the talent show, look out for her unpredictable new BFF Emmie and face down super mean girl Harper ...

As someone who gets a lot of stuff wrong, when will Riley finally get something RIGHT?



Malory Towers by Enid Blyton

For new girl Darrell Rivers, there are friends to be made, pranks to be played and fun to be had at Malory Towers.

New girl Darrell is two terms behind her classmates and feels out of place and alone. Soon, however, Darrell makes friends as well as enemies as they induct new students, win and lose sporting matches and play tricks on teachers.

Expect drama at Malory Towers!



Destiny Ink: Talent Show Magic by Adeola Sokunbi

Destiny is so excited when her gran gives her a magic set! It's INK-TASTIC!

She loves trying new things and performing in front of her family, so she decides to take part in the community talent show! But when Destiny goes to the rehearsal, the stage is very big and she feels unsure and shy.

Gran tells her not to worry and Destiny uses her trusty sketchbook to doodle her ideas and work through her worries. Destiny draws herself a magic wand – if she had a real one, none of the tricks would go wrong and she wouldn't be nervous...

But when Destiny tries it out, the wand really is magic!

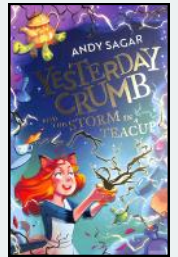


Yesterday Crumb and the Storm in a Teacup by Andy Sagar

Yesterday Crumb is no ordinary girl. She was born with fox ears that have cursed her to a lonely life working in the circus and her origins are a complete mystery.

But she is about to escape into the adventure of a lifetime when she learns that she's a strangeling who's lost her magic. Taken in by Miss Dumpling the flamboyant Tea Witch, Yesterday is introduced to a magical, walking teashop filled with fantastical customers, a flying teapot turtle called Pascal and powerful spells in every teacup! Yesterday starts to rediscover her magic and to feel a sense of belonging.

But a mysterious figure of darkness is working hard to ensure her new life comes crashing down – and it all starts with a deadly shard of ice in Yesterday's heart... But there's nothing that can't be solved with a pot of tea, a slice of cake and a BIG dash of magic!



Fairytale Ninjas: The Glass Slipper Academy

by Paula Harrison

Nothing very exciting EVER happens in the town of Hobbleton. Then Red, Snow and Goldie are trained up as fairytale ninjas, and find that anything is possible...

When Madame Hart is accused of taking Prince Inigo, the fairytale ninjas are sure that she isn't behind the kidnapping. Can they use their new-found skills to catch the real villain? Or will their ballet teacher stay banished forever?



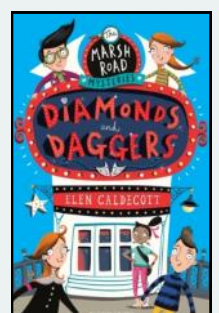
Marsh Road Mysteries: Diamonds and Daggers

by Elen Caldecott

Meet Piotr, Minnie, Andrew, Flora and Sylvie – true friends and even better mystery-solvers!

Hollywood sensation, Betty Massino, has come to star in the theatre down the road and Piotr and his friends Andrew and Minnie couldn't be more excited! But when the famous actress's hugely expensive diamond necklace goes missing, Piotr's dad, a security guard at the theatre, is a prime suspect. Soon, Piotr faces the very real threat of being sent 'home' to Poland.

With the help of Sylvie and her twin sister Flora, can Piotr, Andrew and Minnie solve the crime or will they lose Piotr forever?



***The Wild Robot* by Peter Brown**

When robot Roz opens her eyes for the first time, she discovers that she is alone on a remote, wild island. She has no idea how she got there or what her purpose is – but she knows she needs to survive.

After battling a fierce storm and escaping a vicious bear attack, she realises that her only hope for survival is to adapt to her surroundings and learn from the island's unwelcoming animal inhabitants.

As Roz slowly befriends the animals, the island starts to feel like home – until, one day, her mysterious past comes back to haunt her.



***The Famous Five: The Lost Kittens* by Enid Blyton**

The Five are learning how to rollerblade, but their practice comes to a halt when they find some lost kittens in the park!

Where could they have come from? It's up to the Five to help these mischievous kittens find their mother before they cause more chaos than they already have.



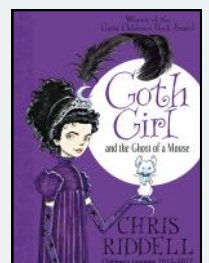
***Goth Girl and the Ghost of a Mouse* by Chris Riddell**

Ada Goth is the only child of Lord Goth. The two live together in the enormous Ghastly-Gorm Hall.

Lord Goth believes that children should be heard and not seen, so Ada has to wear large clumpy boots so that he can always hear her coming. This makes it hard for her to make friends and, if she's honest, she's rather lonely.

Then one day William and Emily Cabbage come to stay at the house, and together with a ghostly mouse called Ishmael they and Ada begin to unravel a dastardly plot that Maltravers, the mysterious indoor gamekeeper, is hatching.

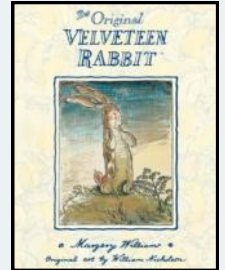
Ada and her friends must work together to foil Maltravers before it's too late!



The Velveteen Rabbit by Margery Williams

He didn't mind how he looked to other people, because the nursery magic had made him Real, and when you are Real shabbiness doesn't matter. In the nursery, only the toys that are old and wise truly understand what it means to be Real.

The Velveteen Rabbit, a newcomer to the nursery, asks one of the most knowledgeable toys, the Skin Horse, what being Real means. And so begins the Velveteen Rabbit's journey towards becoming real – through the love of a child.

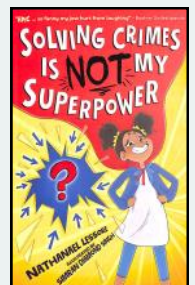


Solving Crimes Is Not My Superpower by Nathanael Lessore

Controlling the wind, smelling fear, farting colours...The people of Walsham can do it all!

The WHOLE TOWN has been granted powers by a mysterious treasure, except for Sara. She can't even levitate a squirrel! But the school football trophy (and her best friend's lucky charm) has been stolen, and powers or no powers, it's up to her to find it and catch the criminal.

And who knows – maybe Sara will discover her super skills in the process... (She certainly hopes she will!).



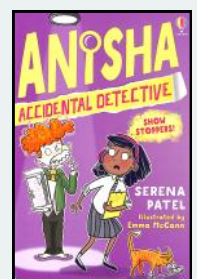
Anisha Accidental Detective: Show Stoppers by Serena Patel

JUST ONE WEEK UNTIL SHOWTIME!

I'm SO busy – our class is putting on a musical, and we only have ONE WEEK before curtain up. And, as it's nearly DIWALI, Granny Jas is cooking non-stop, and Auntie Bindi is determined to BRING THE BLING. I'm leaving the theatrics to Milo, but as the director's assistant I have LOADS to do...especially now everything is going WRONG.

Even Molly the cat is forgetting her cues! Miss Jive believes the show is CURSED, but I think someone is trying to STOP THE SHOW!

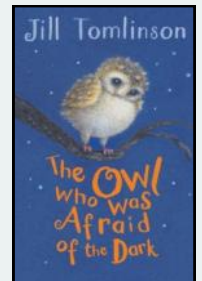
Time for me, ANISHA, ACCIDENTAL DETECTIVE, to step into the spotlight!



***The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark* by Jill Tomlinson**

Plop, the Baby Barn Owl, is like every Barn Owl there ever was, except for one thing – he is afraid of the dark. "Dark is nasty" he says and so he won't go hunting with his parents.

Mrs Barn Owl sends him down from his nest-hole to ask about the dark and he meets a little boy waiting for the fireworks to begin, an old lady, a scout out camping, a girl who tells him about Father Christmas, a man with a telescope and a black cat who takes him exploring. Perhaps there is magic in the dark after all . . .



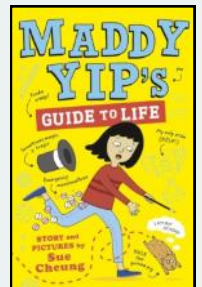
***Maddy Yip's Guide to Life* by Sue Cheung**

Maddy Yip is perfectly happy in life, until she realises that everyone she knows has a talent – except for her!

Maddy is determined to change that, with the help of her brothers, bewildered grandad and her best friend Dev.

There are disastrous attempts at breakdancing and playing the recorder, revolting cakes, and a magic disappearing trick that ends up with an escaped guinea pig.

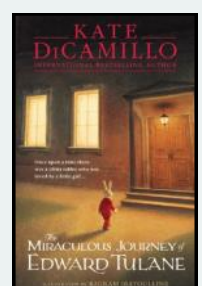
Will Maddy ever find her true calling?



***The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* by Kate DiCamillo**

Abilene loves her blue china rabbit, but Edward Tulane is extremely vain and only loves himself.

On a voyage from New York to London, Edward falls overboard and from there finds himself on an amazing journey. He travels with tramps, works as a scarecrow, comforts a dying child and finally learns what it is to truly love.

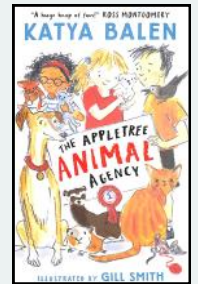


The Appletree Animal Agency by Katya Balen

When Mattie wishes on a shooting star for a puppy, she knows her wish is hopeless. Her dad just doesn't believe Mattie is responsible enough to look after a puppy. She finds the next best thing when she and her friend Zoë start helping the new vet and animal rescuer, Dr Polly.

Mattie still may not have a pet of her own, but she has amazing adventures rescuing a runaway ferret, trying to stop a greedy goat from eating everything in the garden and looking after an adorable puppy with a hurt paw. But as the animal rescue gets more and more crowded, Mattie, Zoë and the vet's son, Casper, realize that they need to do something more.

Can they help the animals find their forever homes?

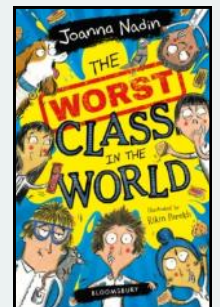


The Worst Class in the World by Joanna Nadin

According to head teacher Mrs Bottomley-Blunt, 4B is the **WORST CLASS IN THE WORLD**. She says school is not about footling or fiddle-faddling or **FUN**.

It is about **LEARNING** and it is high time 4B tried harder to **EXCEL** at it. But Stanley and Manjit didn't **LITERALLY** mean to make their whole class sick with homemade biscuits. And they definitely didn't **LITERALLY** mean for Manjit's dog Killer to eat their teacher's shoes or for Bruce Bingley's rat to escape.

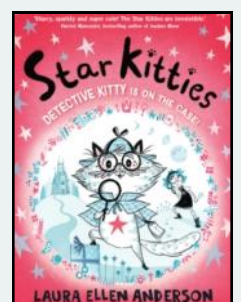
These things just happened even though they had a **FOOLPROOF** plan. You see, 4B may be the **WORST CLASS IN THE WORLD**. But you wouldn't want to be anywhere else.



Star Kitties by Laura Ellen Anderson

Today it's Tabitha's birthday! She's so excited to spend the day with the Star Kitties ... but when she gets to Whiskery Paw, Queen Moggaline has gone missing and any plans for a birthday party soon change into a search party.

Can Tabitha solve the missing moggy mystery **AND** still have a super special birthday?



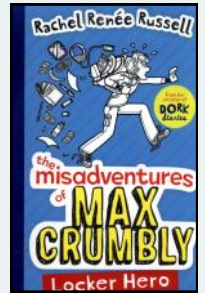
The Misadventures of Max Crumbly: Locker Hero

by Rachel Renee Russell

Introducing Max Crumbly, the new Dork on the block...

Max is about to face the scariest place he's ever been – South Ridge Middle School! He has been home-schooled by his grandmother until now, and he's begged his parents to finally let him start attending a real school. He's starting to question that choice, though, with the Doug aka Thug Thurston Problem. As in, Thug keeps stuffing Max in his locker. If only Max could be like the hero in all the comics he likes to read – or the ones he draws – and magically escape the locker and defeat Thug.

Unfortunately, Max's uncanny, almost superhuman ability to smell pizza from a block away won't exactly save any lives or foil bad guys. But that doesn't mean Max won't do his best to be the hero his school needs!

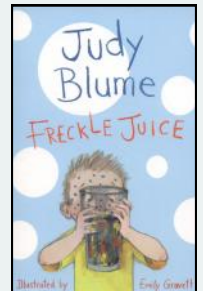


Freckle Juice by Judy Blume

Andrew wants freckles. He wants to be like Nicky Lane, who has millions of them.

If he had freckles like Nicky, then his mother would never notice when his neck was dirty. He wouldn't have to wash and he'd never be late for school.

So when Andrew hears about the secret recipe for freckle juice, he's determined to try it out . . .



The Spectaculars: The Four Curses by Jodie Garnish

Beyond the gateway, in the Hidden Peaks, live the Spectaculars – magical performers, with special powers gifted from the stars. They can levitate you out of your seat with a song, make a costume that will turn you invisible and create a snowstorm with a dance.

When Harper joins The Spectaculars at their travelling boarding school, she can't wait to learn all kinds of magic. But when the song of the Four Curses comes to life, and a terrifying creature threatens everything, she must use her new powers to save her school...



Cookie! by Konnie Huq

Cookie's life is basically over.

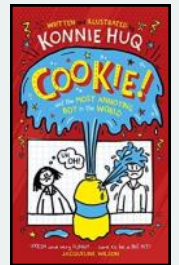
Her best friend in the whole world is moving to Solihull because one of her dads has a new job there. Solihull?! Where even is that?!

Cookie begs her parents for a pet to fill the void but they have given her an absolute NO. It would be way too expensive and way way too messy. But Cookie has never been a fan of the word 'no' so she visits the pet shop anyway and sets her heart on the sweetest cutest kitteniest kitten ever: Bluey.

But then . . . DISASTER! The most ANNOYING boy she's ever met in her entire nine years goes into the pet shop, buys Bluey and renames her Nigel! And then he joins her year at school! And if that wasn't bad enough, he moves in next door to her. AAAAGGGGGHHHHH!

But it's not all bad . . . Cookie gets the chance to go on her favourite TV show, Brainbusters. It's only a chance though – she'll have to win the school science competition first. It shouldn't be too hard . . . all she has to do is keep her head down, and not get too over-excited.

Unfortunately that's not Cookie's strong point . . .

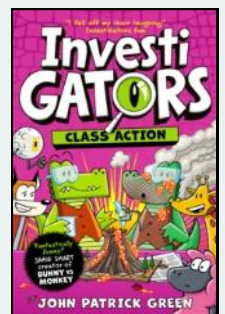


Investigators: Class Action by John Patrick Green

The InvestiGators are back . . . to school?

Mango and Brash have always been a class act, now it's time to find out whether these alligator detectives can go undercover as school kids! When chaos breaks out in the classroom, Mango and Brash scramble to figure out who is after Bucky, the mascot at Mango's old school.

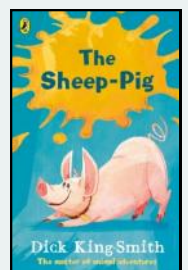
Can the InvestiGators crack the case before Bucky is whisked away?
And most importantly, is Friday still pizza day?



The Sheep-Pig by Dick King Smith

Why can't I learn to be a Sheep-Pig?

When Babe, the little orphaned piglet, is won at a fair by Farmer Hogget, he is adopted by Fly, the kind-hearted sheep-dog. Babe is determined to learn everything he can from Fly. He knows he can't be a sheep-dog. But maybe, just maybe, he might be a sheep-pig.



Neon's Secret Universe by Sibeal Pounder

Unicorns are NOT horse creatures with horns. In fact, they are the most powerful magical beings on the planet and they look just like you and me.

They live in a secret realm known as the Universe, and the horse with a horn thing was just something a unicorn called Greg made up to distract the humans – and it really worked!

But a young human girl called Neon Gallup is about to find the last remaining Universe portal opener (an old, battered green lipstick) and step into a zany world where magic is made with goo and the possibilities are endless!

Unfortunately, if there was one person you wouldn't want keeping the greatest magical secret of all time, it would be Neon Gallup ...



The Elementals: Wanzu Sets Sail by Love Ssega

Wanzu and his friends will do whatever it takes to keep Sealand – their island home – safe.

They all have magical powers connected to the four elements: air, water, earth and fire.

But curious and playful Wanzu hasn't discovered what his power is yet...

When storms threaten to flood the island, Wanzu leads his friends on a rescue mission.

Their quest takes them to magical places, where they learn how to stop the water taking over their home.

But will they be able to make it back to Sealand and save the day in time? And will Wanzu ever discover his power?



Lola and Larch Mend a Magic Mess by Sinead O'Hart

Lola and Larch uncover a threat to the forest where the fairy clan lives.

Wicked Fairy Euphorbia Spurge is trying to knock down the stone circle and steal all its magic for herself!

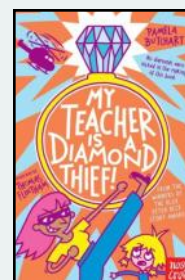
Can the best friends save the forest and Larch's village before its wild magic is released?



My Teacher is a Diamond Thief by Pamela Butchart

When Izzy and friends get a new teacher, they are immediately suspicious. Why does she have two computers set up on her desk? Why does she speak Spanish when they're supposed to be doing maths?

Why does she have a pink wig and sunglasses in her car? And WHY DOES SHE HAVE A DRAWER FULL OF DIAMONDS? Because she's an international jewel thief, of course, and MUST BE STOPPED!



Guardians of the New Moon: Ming and Miaow's Great Race by Eric Huang

All Miaow wants is to enjoy his peaceful, solitary life as a temple guardian catching mice. But when the Jade Emperor invites all creatures on Earth to compete in a Great Race, the reserved cat finds himself reluctantly entering – and worse, socialising!

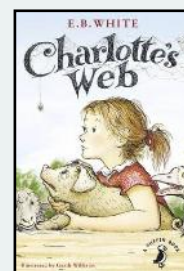
Spirited and fiery, shapeshifter Ming is Miaow's polar opposite, and she's determined to make him her new best friend. But she hadn't counted on Miaow making other friends too.

As the race heats up, things start to unravel . . . Can the pair (and their friendship) make it to the finish line?



Charlotte's Web by E.B. White

This is the tale of how a little girl named Fern – with the help of a friendly talking spider called Charlotte – saved her pig, Wilbur, from the usual fate of nice fat little pigs.



Major and Mynah by Karen Owen

Getting your first hearing aids can be nerve-wracking; especially when you have to wear them to school. When Callie realises her new hearing aids – 'the Slugs' – give her the unique ability to communicate with Bo the Mynah bird, some of her worries are lifted. In fact, having a pair of eyes in the sky might come in handy...

The duo team up with Callie's best friend, Grace, as they set out to catch a local thief who has been causing trouble all over town.

Includes high-speed chases, a very peckish bird and purple POO!

