**Year 6 Text Recommendations**

**Fantasy**

Skellig – David Almond

The Various – Steve Augarde

Artemis Fowl – Eoin Colfer

The Bag of Bones – Vivian French

Inkheart trilogy – Cornelia Funke

Coraline – Neil Gaiman

The Weirdstone of Brisingamen – Alan Garner

Pure Dead Magic – Debi Gliori

Wolf Brother – Michelle Paver

Truckers – Terry Pratchett

The Spiderwick Chronicles – Lynne Reid Banks

Goblins series – Philip Reeve

Wonderstruck – Brian Selznick

The Amulet of Samarkand – Jonathon Stroud

The Hobbit – J.R.R. Tolkien

The Girl Who Circumnavigated Fairyland in a Ship of Her Own Making – Catherynne M. Valente

Tanglewreck – Jeanette Winterson

**Science Fiction**

Supernaturalist – Eoin Colfer

Grinny: Grinny and You Remember Me – Nicholas Fisk

Among the Hidden – Margaret Peterson Haddix

Double Identity – Margaret Peterson Haddix

Maphead – Lesley Howarth

The Giver – Lois Lowry

Other Worlds: 10 Amazing Sci Fi Stories – Rick Riordan ed.

Timesnatch – Robert Swindells

Hydra – Robert Swindells

**Chilling Stories**

The Graveyard Book – Neil Gaiman

Uncle Montague’s Tales of Terror – Chris Priestley

Horowitz Horror – Anthony Horowitz

Breathe – Cliff McNish

At the Firefly Gate – Linda Newberry

Chill – Alex Nye

Tales from the Tunnel’s Mouth – Chris Priestley

Tales of Terror From the Black Ship – Chris Priestley

Marianne Dreams – Catherine Storr

**Real Life**

Pig Heart Boy – Malorie Blackman (science/ethics)

Tangerine – Edward Bloor (blindness)

The Eighteenth Emergency – Betsy Byars (bullying)

The 10PM Question – Kate De Gold (worry/anxiety)

Running on Cracks – Julia Donaldson (running from home – mature themes)

Step By Wicked Step – Anne Fine (step parenting)

Dead End in Norvelt – Jack Gantos (boredom, friendship)

Love, Aubrey – Suzanne LaFleur (family)

Hangman - Julia Jarman (bullying)

The View from Saturday – E.L. Konisburg (friendship)

The Other Side of Truth – Bevery Naidoo (refugee)

Wonder – R.J. Palacio (appearance)

**Adventure**

Noah Barleywater Runs Away – John Boyne

Ruby Holler – Sharon Creech

Danny: the champion of the world – Roald Dahl

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane – Kate DiCamillo

Stormbreaker – Anthony Horowitz

The Devil and his Boy – Anthony Horowitz

Journey to the River Sea – Eva Ibbotson

From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler – E. L. Konigsburg

Outlaw: the Legend of Robin Hood – Tony Lee

The Ghost of Thomas Kempe – Penelope Lively

Mortal Engines – Phillip Reeves

Varjak Paw – S. F. Said

The Invention of Hugo Cabret – Brian Selznick

Wonderstruck – Brian Selznick

**War**

Warboy – Michael Foreman

Once/Now/Then/After – Morris Gleitzman

Goodnight, Mr Tom – Michelle Magorian

War Horse – Michael Morpurgo

At the Firefly Gate – Linda Newberry

Johnny and the bomb – Terry Pratchett

My Friend the Enemy – Dan Smith

The Machine Gunners – Robert Westall

Carrie’s War – Nina Bawden

Doodlebug Summer – Alison Price

Soldier Dog – Sam Angus

**Mysteries**

Chasing Vermeer – Blue Bailliett

The Crossroads – Chris Grabenstein

Silver Fin – Charlie Higson

The Case of the London Dragonfish – Joan Lennon

The Sign of the Black Dagger – Joan Lingard

Magnus Finn and the Selkie Secret – Janis Mackay

Out of the Depths – Cathy MacPhail

Flood and Fang – Marcus Sedgwick

**Humour**

How to Train Your Dragon - Cressida Cowell

How To Train Your Dragon http://www.howtotrainyourdragonbooks.com/

How to speak dragonese - Cressida Cowell

The Meanwhile Adventures – Roddy Doyle

Boom! – Mark Haddon

Ribblestrop – Andy Mulligan

Goblins series – Philip Reeve

Holes – Louis Sachar

There’s a Boy in the Girls’ Bathroom – Loius Sachar

A Boy and a Bear in a Boat – Dave Shelton

Gangsta Granny – David Walliams

Ratburger – David Walliams

**Animals**

The Midnight Fox – Betsy Byars

The Tale of Despereaux – Kate DiCamillo

Charlotte’s Web – E.B.White

Flush – Carl Hiaasen

One Boy and His Dog – Eva Ibbotson

A Coyote in the House – Elmore Leonard

The Call of the Wild – Jack London

Going Home –Cliff McNish

Why the Whales Came – Michael Morpurgo

The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips – Michael Morpurgo

War Horse – Michael Morpurgo

Catscape – Mike Nicholson

Wolf Brother – Michelle Paver

The Outlaw Varjack Paw – S.F. Said

Black Beauty – Anna Sewell

**Further suggestions:**

The Mysteries of Harris Burdick – Chris Van Allsburg

FArTHER – Grahame Baker-Smith

Journey – Aaron Becker

Train to Somewhere – Eve Bunting

The Princess Blankets – Carol Ann Duffy

The Gift –Carol Ann Duffy

The Wolves in the Walls – Neil Gaiman Illus. by Dave McKean

Wolves – Emily Gravett

Way home – Libby Hathorn

Beware, Beware – Susan Hill

The Red Tree – Shaun Tan

The Arrival – Shaun Tan

Tales from Outer Suburbia – Shaun Tan

Eric – Shaun Tan

Rules of Summer – Shaun Tan

The Lost Thing – Shaun Tan (book and animation)

How to Live Forever – Colin Thompson

The Tower to the Sun – Colin Thompson

Varmints –Helen Ward

Tuesday – David Wiesner

Flotsam – David Wiesner

Mr William Shakespeare’s plays – Marcia Williams

GENERAL BOOKFINDING SITE

<http://www.booktrust.org.uk/books/bookfinder/>

http://scottishbooktrust.com/reading/book-lists/kids

<http://www.theguardian.com/childrens-books-site>

<http://www.devonsls.org.uk/booklists/>

**Picture books for KS2**

http://www.pinterest.com/PrimaryEngEd/picture-books-for-ks2/

**100 Best Books: 9-11 year olds**

<http://www.booktrust.org.uk/books/children/booklists/243/>