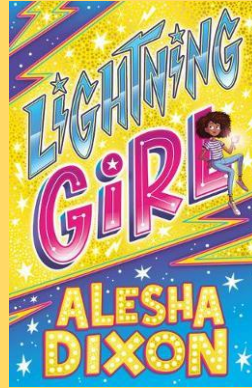


Year 4 Novel Spine

This book spine contains a selection of age appropriate text recommendations. These texts can either be used a class novel at the end of the day or as part of Whole Class Reading.

Lightning Girl by Alesha Dixon

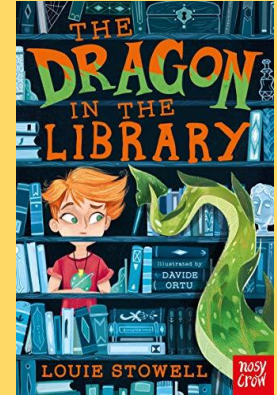
10-year-old Aurora Beam lives at home with her utterly unremarkable family... until the day she sees her little sister being picked on in the playground and suddenly beams of light shoot out of her fingers! It's time for her parents to drop a life-changing bombshell. Mum is a secret superhero, fighting crime across the globe while Dad looks after the kids at home. As Aurora's own powers come into play, will she be able to balance her new super skills training with school? Will she be able to keep it all a secret from her friends? And when her mum's evil twin pops up, will Aurora think that being a super VILLAIN might be more fun...?



The Dragon In The Library by Louie Stowell

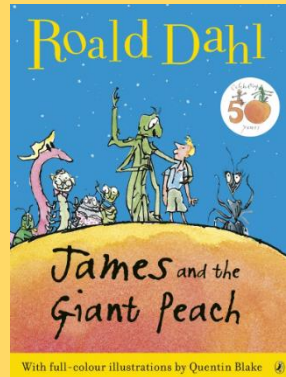
Kit can't stand reading

She'd MUCH rather be outside, playing games and getting muddy, than stuck inside with a book. But when she's dragged along to the library one day by her two best friends, she makes an incredible discovery - and soon it's up to Kit and her friends to save the library... and the world.



James the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl

James and the Giant Peach Summary. As Dahl's novel begins, the reader is introduced to James, a young boy who is orphaned when his parents are eaten by a rhinoceros. James is consequently sent to live with his two aunts, Aunt Sponge and Aunt Spiker. These relatives are very cruel to him, and he is incredibly lonely, since he has no friends yet longs to play with children his own age.



The Nothing To See Here Hotel by Steven Butler and Steven Lenton

Welcome to The Nothing to See Here Hotel! A hotel for magical creatures, where weird is normal for Frankie Banister and his parents who run the hotel.

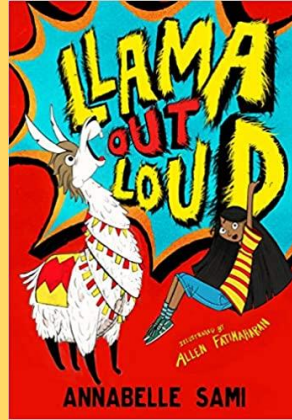
When a goblin messenger arrives at The Nothing to See Here Hotel, announcing the imminent arrival of the goblin prince Grogbah, Frankie and his family rush into action to get ready for their important guest. But it soon becomes obvious that the Banister family are going to have their work cut out with the demanding prince and his never-ending entourage, especially when it turns out the rude little prince is hiding a secret...



Llama Out Loud by Annabelle Sami

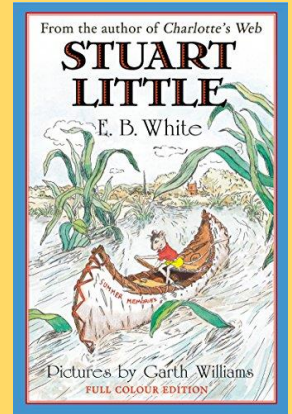
Yasmin Shah is a ten-year-old girl who is part of a big, noisy family and doesn't ever speak. Levi is a rude, sassy toy llama, who talks A LOT and has come to wreak havoc in Yasmin's life.

Yasmin tries everything she can to escape Levi, but she can't help being dragged along on his crazy antics – and every day brings a new surprise, whether that's an erupting bin, a flying tuna fish, or a hat made from knickers. Life is *never* boring with Levi around – and could it be that he has a secret plan to help Yasmin find her voice?



Stuart Little by E.B White

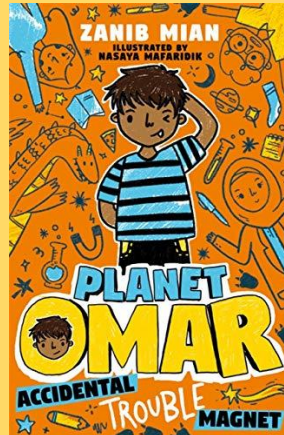
Stuart Little is the enchanting tale of the mouse who is small in size but enormous in spirit by E. B. White, author of CHARLOTTE'S WEB.



Planet Omar: Accidental Trouble Magnet by Zanib Mian

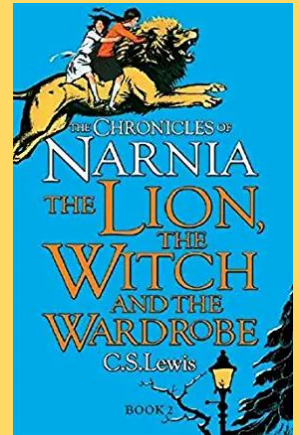
My parents decided it would be a good idea to move house AND move me to a new school at the same time. As if I didn't have a hard enough time staying out of trouble at home, now I've also got to try and make new friends. What's worse, the class bully seems to think I'm the perfect target.

At least Eid's around the corner which means a feast (YAY) and presents (DOUBLE YAY). Well, as long as I can stay in Mum and Dad's good books long enough...



The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe by CS Lewis

Four adventurous siblings—Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy Pevensie—step through a wardrobe door and into the land of Narnia, a land frozen in eternal winter and enslaved by the power of the White Witch. But when almost all hope is lost, the return of the Great Lion, Aslan, signals a great change . . . and a great sacrifice.

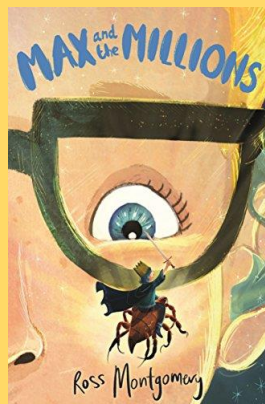


Max And The Millions by Ross Montgomery

Max is used to spending time alone - it's difficult to make friends in a big, chaotic school when you're deaf. He prefers to give his attention to the little things in life . . . like making awesome, detailed replica models.

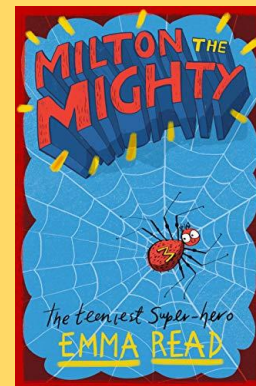
Then Mr Darrow, the school caretaker and fellow modeller, goes missing. Max must follow his parting instruction: 'Go to my room. You'll know what to do.'

There on the floor he finds a pile of sand . . . and in the sand is Mr Darrow's latest creation . . . a tiny boy, no bigger than a raisin, Luke, Prince of the Blues. And behind the tiny boy . . . millions of others - a thriving, bustling, sprawling civilization!



Milton The Mighty by Emma Read

When little spider Milton discovers he's been branded deadly on social media - and is targeted by pest-killers BugKILL - he fears for his life and the future of his species. He must clear his name, but is he mighty enough to achieve the impossible: convincing humankind?

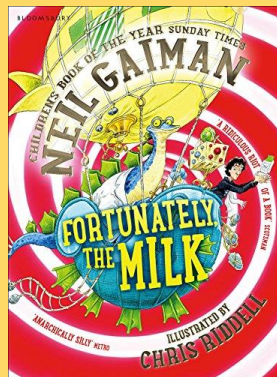


Fortunately, The Milk by Neil Gaiman

Mum's away. Dad's in charge. There's no milk. So Dad saves the day by going to buy some.

Really, that's all that happens. Very boring. YAAAAAAAAAAWN.

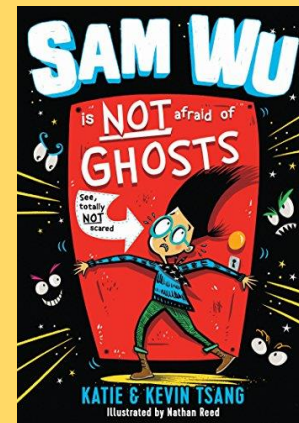
There are absolutely none of the following inside: GLOBBY GREEN ALIENS! INTERGALACTIC POLICE! PIRATES! And most definitely NOT a time-travelling hot-air balloon piloted by the brilliant Professor Steg ...



Sam Wu Is Not Afraid Of Ghosts

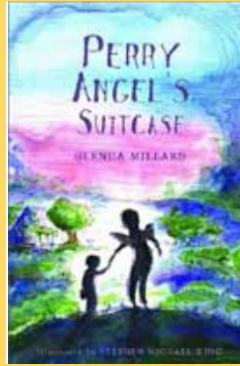
by Katie and Kevin Tsang

Sam Wu is NOT a scaredy-cat (except he is). When a trip to the Space Museum goes terrifyingly wrong, Sam begins a mission to prove to the school bully, and all of his friends, that he is a fearless space adventurer.



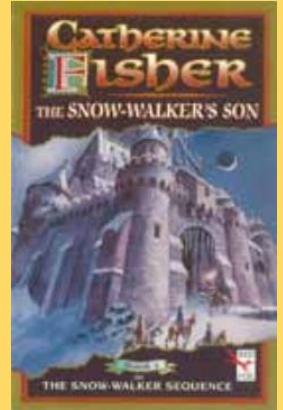
Perry Angel's Suitcase by Glenda Millard

It has taken Perry Angel almost seven years to find the place where he belongs. He arrives in the Kingdom of Silk one day on the ten-thirty express, carrying only a small and shabby suitcase embossed with five golden letters. What do those letters mean? And why won't Perry let go of his case? Perry is a foster child, who does not expect to be staying in one place for any length of time. But the Silk family are quite determined that they have enough room and love for one more. This is a gentle and moving story about finding your place in the world and there could be no better place for Perry Angel than with Griffin Silk, his family and his best friend, Layla.



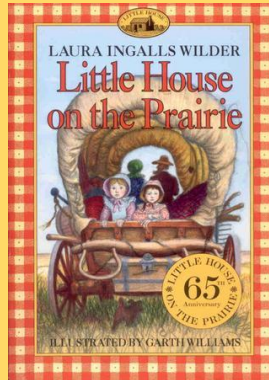
The Snow Walker's Son by Catherine Fisher

THE SNOW WALKER'S SON is a book of intrigue; of banishment and sorcery; of an ice cold winter and an unseen evil eye. Jessa and Thorkil are banished by the evil witch Gudrun to the ice kingdom to the North. Here they will be incarcerated with Gudrun's son Kari; about whom there are the most terrible tales. He is rumoured to be half-man, half-beast and is a figure of dread. After an endless journey, Thorkil and Jessa arrive and, at last meet Kari. He is not as they feared but is a slight winsome young man. His only terror is that he, too, has the power. But he is determined to use the magic wisely.



Little House of the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder

Pa Ingalls decides to sell the little log house, and the family sets out for Indian country! They travel from Wisconsin to Kansas, and there, finally, Pa builds their little house on the prairie. Sometimes farm life is difficult, even dangerous, but Laura and her family are kept busy and are happy with the promise of their new life on the prairie.



The Butterfly Lion by Michael Morpurgo

Trying to run away from boarding school in England, a boy encounters an old woman who tells him the story of Bertie and his beautiful white lion.

