St Aidan's Church of England High School Library Recommended Reads for Year 7

Adventure

A Murder Most Unladylike Robin Stevens Daisy and Hazel, young detectives

Arrowhead Ruth Eastham A body frozen in time, a curse

Car-jacked Ali Sparkes A car-jack adventure, a clever ending

Dreaming the Bear Mimi Thebo Set in Yellowstone National Park

The Eleventh Orphan Joan Lingard Mystery set in Victorian London

The Explorer Katherine Rundell Survival in the Amazon rainforest

The Garbage King Elizabeth Laird An African childhood on the edge of

destitution

Martial Arts series

Goth Girl Chris Riddell Whimsical adventure

The Graveyard Book Neil Gaiman Ghostly adventure

The Island at the End of Everything Kiran Millward Friendship, adventure and differences

Itch Simon Mayo Gripping, action packed

The Machine Gunners Robert Westall Friends find a crashed German bomber

Mortal Chaos Matt Dickinson Clever intertwined adventures

Now is the Time for Running Michael Williams Football themed adventure

Once Morris Gleitzman Moving WW2 story

Smart Kim Slater A mysterious crime

The Sound of Whales Kerr Thomson Magical, wild adventure

Where the World Ends Geraldine McCaughrean Carnegie Medal Winner 2018

Young Samurai Chris Bradford

Classics (see also the Classics book list)

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn Mark Twain A great American novel

Little Women Louisa M Alcott Family classic

Black Beauty Anna Sewell Classic horse story

Charlotte's Web E B White Fantastic story of friendship

The Eagle of the Ninth Rosemary Sutcliff Historical saga

Goodnight Mr Tom Michelle Magorian A touching, powerful WW 2 story

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe C S Lewis Chronicles of Narnia

The Secret Garden Frances Hodgson Burnett A magical story

Smith Leon Garfield 18th C London street urchin

Street Child Berlie Doherty Orphaned in London in 1860 **PTO**

The Sword in the Stone T H White Following the life of King Arthur

Tom's Midnight Garden Philippa Pearce Fabulous haunting tale

Fantasy

A Wrinkle in Time Madeleine L'Engle Graphic novel

The Box of Delights John Masefield Magical powers

Dark Fire Chris D'Lacey Excellent Last Dragon Chronicles Series

The Dark is Rising Susan Cooper Will (11) must drive out the 'dark'

The Girl of Ink and Stars Kiran Hargrave a magical adventure

Inkheart Cornelia Funke No 1 of a brilliant trilogy

Magisterium Cassandra Clare Magic, secrets and lies

Mister Monday Garth Nix Very popular series

Northern Lights Phillip Pullman Other world action adventure

The Polar Bear Explorers' Club Alex Bell Magical fantasy adventure

Weirdstone of Brisingamen Alan Garner Classic fantasy adventure

Wolf Brother Michelle Paver Chronicles of Ancient Darkness1

Wereworld Curtis Jobling First of a popular series

Wolves of Willoughby Chase Joan Aiken 1832-wolves- Channel Tunnel??

General

Boy Roald Dahl Autobiography of his early life

Chains Laurie Anderson Slavery

The Fastest Boy in the world Elizabeth Laird Moving Ethiopian adventure

The Goldfish Boy Lisa Thompson A clever mystery

The Guggenheim Mystery Robin Stevens Gripping mystery

Journey to the River Sea Eva Ibbotson Amazonian adventures

Pig Heart Boy Malorie Blackman 13 year old Cameron needs surgery

Refugee Boy Benjamin Zephaniah The story of a young Ethiopian

Wonder R J Palacio Living with facial disfigurement

Humour

Demolition Dad Phil Earle The Story of Jake Biggs and his Dad

Dragons at Crumbling Castle Terry Pratchett It's a disaster!

Sputnik's Guide to Life on Earth Frank Cotterell Boyce Hilarious, sad and just brilliant

Secret Diary of Adrian Mole Sue Townsend Teenage diary – very funny

This is just a small selection. Other authors to try include: David Almond, Anthony Horowitz, Derek Landy, Michael Morpurgo, Robert Muchamore, Philip Reeve, Rick Riordan, Alex Scarrow and Darren Shan Please ask Mrs Roth if you need help finding a good book to read.

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