

### Suggested Reading – First Year

Below you will find a list of titles recommended for first year students. There are a variety of reading levels included. Please encourage your child to choose at least one title to read over the summer holidays. A consistent engagement in reading is proven to help students succeed academically, and indeed, serves as a form of relaxation and time away from technology.

There are, of course, many other titles your son/daughter may choose. The titles below are novels that have been popular with our students previously. Please spend some time looking up the titles below to find one suitable for your child.

Title	Author	Genre
The Hunger Games	Suzanne Collins	Dystopian
The Hunger Games 2: Catching Fire	Suzanne Collins	Dystopian
The Hunger Games 3: The Mockingjay	Suzanne Collins	Dystopian
Harry Potter series (Books 1-7)	JK Rowling	Fantasy
Girl Missing	Sophie McKenzie	Mystery
Skulduggery Pleasant series	Derek Landy	Fantasy
The Outsiders	S.E Hinton	Young adult fiction
Lord of the Flies	William Golding	Young adult fiction
The Hobbit	JRR Tolkien	Fantasy
The Lord of the Rings series	JRR Tolkien	Fantasy
The Maze Runner	James Dashner	Fantasy
Artemis Fowl series	Eoin Colfer	Fantasy
Divergent series	Veronica Roth	Fantasy
The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas	John Boyne	Historical fiction
To Kill a Mockingbird	Harper Lee	Coming of age story (racial elements)
Animal Farm	George Orwell	Dystopian
Wonder	R.J Palacio	Young adult fiction
Noughts and Crosses series	Malorie Blackman	Young adult fiction
Savage her Reply	Deirdre Sullivan	Feminist fairytale
The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time	Mark Haddon	Mystery
Life of Pi	Yann Martel	Adventure
The Book Thief	Markus Zusak	Historical fiction
Wonder	RJ Palacio	Young adult fiction
Holes	Louis Sachar	Adventure
A Monster Calls	Patrick Ness	Fantasy
When Stars are Scattered	Victoria Jamieson & Omar Mohamed	Graphic novel/Refugee story

For students with Dyslexia or reluctant or struggling readers:

Barrington Stoke books have been specially written to appeal to reluctant readers of every age group. The books are thoughtfully and sensitively written for each interest age so children can read about topics that will capture their attention. These are available in your local library or on [easons.com](http://easons.com) where you can browse by either reading age or interest.

Their books are uniquely designed to support struggling and reluctant readers, incorporating features such as:

- Specially designed fonts: Utilizing a unique, dyslexia-friendly typeface to enhance readability.
- Accessible layouts and spacing: Ensuring text is well-spaced to prevent overcrowding on the page.
- Cream-colored paper: Reducing glare and visual stress for readers.
- Short chapters and manageable lengths: Providing a sense of achievement and maintaining engagement.

Happy reading!