

The Grove Reads



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Reading Recommendations, by the children, for the children.

Welcome! Keep up to date with what children at The Grove have been reading recently and what they recommend. In today's issue there are some of the books which the Year 6s are currently reading as well as a Year 4's recommendation too.

Tales of Terror, by Chris Priestley

Recommended by Fauziah

What's the book about? The book is full of various creepy stories. It's about a young boy who visits his uncle, who tells him various unsolved mysterious tales by his uncle. The boy discovers a number of strange artefacts at his uncle's house, which may relate to some of the horror stories which he is told by his uncle....

Who would enjoy reading this? People who like scary stories and mysteries would like Tales of Terror. It's not suitable for any KS1 or lower KS2, so only children in upper KS2 would like it as the stories are so chilling. If you like creepy stories and unsolved mysteries you will be kept up all night.

Why did you like it? I liked this book because I like it when characters tell stories in the first person, narrate the story. I can imagine sometimes imagine doing these pranks to my family and give them the creeps.

Book Casper the prince of cats, by Michael Morpurgo

Recommended by Abidah by Samiera

What's the book about? This book is an emotional roller-coaster, about a cat named Casper, who's supposed to be the prince of all cats. The countess owns Casper and one day, she dies in the middle of a concert. Following this, the cat is adopted by a young boy, who was a bellboy at a close-by hotel. The rest of the book describes Casper and his new owner's turbulent journey; he meets various characters, one being a kind and loving girl and her nasty family. The children love Casper but life gets in the way. The story is set in 1912, when the Titanic set sail, so a lot of facts about the Titanic are included and described in the writing.

Who would enjoy reading this? Anyone who likes heart-warming books and emotional stories would be so immersed in this story, and not be able to put it down. It's only really accessible for upper key stage 2 children, both boys and girls.

Why did you like it? I liked it because it was about the character's adventures, including included true facts about the Titanic. The language was beautiful and descriptive too, teaching me lots of new vocabulary.

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Don't Judge a Girl by Its Cover, by Ally Carter

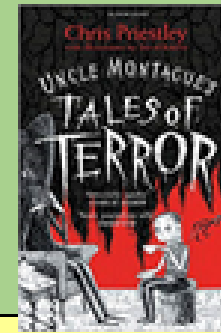
Recommended by Emily, Year 6

What's the book about? The book is about a girl who's a spy in training. Her name is Cammie Morgan and she has a cover for every occasion but one day she goes to Boston and she gets attacked by a group of highly trained spies. Cammie she doesn't understand where these random spies came from, who sent them and why they were after her. Then, when she got back to her spy school, she found out they were after her best friend too, and for once she had to break her cover to save her best friend from the enemies.

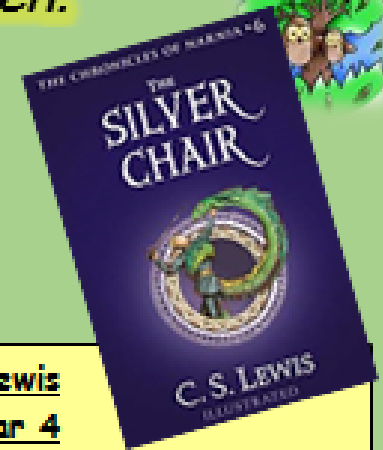
Who would enjoy reading this? I would recommend this book to anyone who likes action and fictional fighting. Anyone who likes adventure and mystery this is the book for you, although I believe that only upper Key Stage 2 boys and girls would be able to access this.

Why did you like it? I liked it because there is suspense through the whole thing and you can't really predict what is going to happen next and everything comes as a surprise.

If you would like to recommend a book you have read, go and speak to Miss Lee-Fox and you could be featured in the next issue in June!



The Silver Chair, by C.S. Lewis Recommended by Isaac, year 4



What's the book about? The book is actually the fourth of seven books, from C.S. Lewis' 'The Chronicles of Narnia'. This story is two children who live in a horrid boarding school in England and travel to Narnia on a mission to solve a strange mystery. They enter the magical world that is Narnia and they are told to go on a mission to find a lost prince.

Who would enjoy reading this? People who are into adventure stories would enjoy this school. Children in Year 1 and Reception might enjoy it being read to them though, if they had read the previous Narnia books. Key Stage 2 children boys and girls would enjoy this book, because there's a male and female protagonist.

Why did you like it? I like this book because I think it's exciting and their adventures are exciting and full of suspense.

We look forward to seeing you at the **Reading Picnics** through the summer term. Please look at the dates in the next newsletter when your child's class is hosting one.