

St Paul's Juniors

7+ Recommended Reading

This list, we hope, will be helpful to parents visiting bookshops and libraries. The boys will not be asked questions about any of these titles during the assessment process. We do not expect boys to read all the books on this list, but recommend choosing a selection from it. These should be books that they can read comfortably by themselves.

Fiction:

Arabel and Mortimer series	Joan Aiken
<i>Paddington series</i>	Michael Bond
Spy Dog series	Andrew Cole
Baby Aliens series	P Butchart
The Children of Castle Rock	Nicola Farrant
<i>Fox Investigates Series</i>	Adam Frost
<i>Atticus Claw series</i>	Jennifer Gray
<i>Cookie Series</i>	Connie Huq
<i>Jack Stalwart series</i>	Elizabeth Singer Hunt
George Speaks, The Hodgeheg, and other titles	Dick King-Smith
<i>Zac Power series</i>	H I Larry
The Land of Roar	Jenny McLachlan
Royal Rabbits of London	Simon Montifiore
The Legend of Kevin, Cakes in Space, Pugs of the Frozen North	Philip Reeve
Curse of the Chocolate Phoenix	Kate Saunders
Cyborg Cat	Ade Adipitan
<i>The Hundred-Mile-an-hour series</i>	Jeremy Strong
<i>Little Wolf series</i>	Ian Whybrow

The enjoyment of independent reading is key and boys preparing for 7+ exam should be confident independent readers of both fiction and non-fiction.

Non-Fiction:

<i>Horrible Histories</i>	Terry Deary & Martin Brown
<i>Horrible Geography</i>	Anita Ganeri and Mike Phillips
<i>Playground to Pitch series</i>	Matt & Tom Oldfield
Cool Science Tricks	Daniel Tatarsky

There are also others in this Cool series by various authors – *Cool Nature, Cool Architecture, Cool Coding, Cool Art, Cool Philosophy* ... all published by Pavilion

Below are a few challenging titles. With these titles, we suggest you share the reading with your son, or listen to an audio version.

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The Astounding Broccoli Boy

The Phantom Tollbooth

Cornelia Funke

Frank Cottrell Boyce

Norton Juster

Happy reading! June 2023