ST PAUL’S JUNIORS

RECOMMENDED READING FOR 7+ EXAM CANDIDATES

May we take this opportunity of giving you this list, which will, we hope, be helpful to parents visiting bookshops and libraries? We don’t expect boys to read all the books on this list but to choose a selection from it. This will give an idea of the level they should be when taking the entrance examination. **They will not be asked questions about them at the examination nor, if successful, at interview.** These should be books that they can read comfortably by themselves. We would also suggest the reading of picture books, as the boys really enjoy looking at them, and it is this enjoyment that is key.

**Fiction**
- *Arabel and Mortimer* series
- *Paddington* series
- *Flat Stanley* series
- *Mr Majeika* series
- Fantastic Mr. Fox, The Twits, The Magic Finger
- *My Naughty Little Sister* series
- *Magical Children* series
- *Gladiator Boy* series
- *Robo Runners* series
- *Jack Stalwart* series
- George Speaks, The Hodgeheg, and other titles
- *Mammoth Academy* series
- The Butterfly Lion, Cool!, Dear Olly
- *Magic Tree House* series
- *S.W.I.T.C.H.* series
- *Wildy Weird, Sir Quentin Quest* series
- *Little Wolf* series

Fiction authors:
- Joan Aiken
- Michael Bond
- Jeff Brown
- Humphrey Carpenter
- Roald Dahl
- Dorothy Edwards
- Sally Gardner
- David Grimstone
- Damian Harvey
- Elizabeth Singer Hunt
- Dick King-Smith
- Neal Layton
- Michael Morpurgo
- Mary Pope Osborne
- Ali Sparkes
- Jeremy Strong
- Kaye Umansky
- Ian Whybrow

**Non-Fiction**
- Horrible Histories
- Horrible Geography
- Horrible Science

Non-Fiction authors:
- Terry Deary & Martin Brown
- Anita Ganeri and Mike Phillips
- Nick Arnold and Tony De Saulles

**More challenging titles – share the reading with your son, read to him, or listen to an audio version:**
- Alice in Wonderland
- The Wind in the Willows
- Nonsense Songs
- *Winnie the Pooh* Series
- Charlotte’s Web

Fiction authors:
- Lewis Carroll
- Kenneth Grahame
- Edward Lear
- A.A. Milne
- E.B. White

Happy reading!

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