ST PAUL’S JUNIORS

RECOMMENDED READING FOR 8+ EXAM CANDIDATES

May we take this opportunity of giving you this list, which will, we hope, be helpful to parents visiting bookshops and libraries? This is to give you an idea of the level at which we expect our entrance examination candidates to be, not to be included as part of the interview process. These should be books that they can read comfortably by themselves. We would also suggest the reading of picture books too, as the boys really enjoy looking at them, and it is this enjoyment that is key. We hope your son will enjoy reading some of them.

Woof! (& other titles) A. Ahlberg
*The Grunts series* P. Ardagh
*Whizziwig series* M. Blackman
*Paddington series* M. Bond
Fungus the Bogeyman; Ug, Boy Genius of the Stone Age R. Briggs
*Fudge series* J. Blume
Mr Majeika series H. Carpenter
The Legend of Captain Crow’s Teeth E. Colfer
Spy Dog series A. Cope
The Magic Finger (and other titles) R. Dahl
Golden Goal (and other titles) D. Freedman
Fortunately, the Milk; Wolves in the Walls N. Gaiman
Danger by Moonlight J. Gavin
*The Diamond Brothers Series* A. Horowitz
The Iron Man T. Hughes
The Sheep-Pig (and other titles) D. King-Smith
*The Roman Mysteries series* C. Lawrence
Toro Toro; Born to Run; Cool! M. Morpurgo
*Something Wickedly Weird series* C. Mould
Football Academy series T. Palmer
Marvin Redpost series, Wayside School series L. Sachar
Time Warp Trio series J. Scieszka
S.W.I.T.C.H. series, Monster Makers series A. Sparkes
Fergus Crane P. Stewart & C. Riddell
There’s a Viking in my Bed (and other titles) J. Strong
Pongwiffy series K. Umansky
Mr Stink (and other titles) D. Walliams
My Story series Various authors

Non-fiction

Horrible Histories/Science/Maths/Geography series Various authors
Weird World of Wonders series Tony Robinson

More challenging titles – share the reading with your son, read to him, or listen to an audio version:

*Chronicles of Narnia series* C.S. Lewis
*Chronicles of Ancient Darkness series* M. Paver
Wonder R.J. Palacio
A Boy and a Bear In A Boat D. Shelton

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