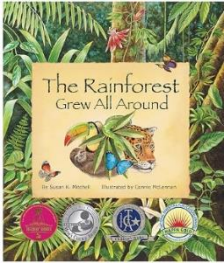


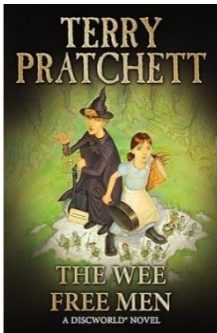
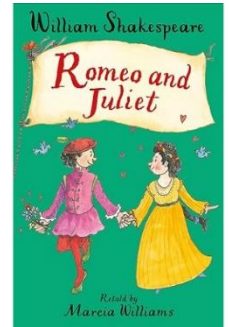
Vernon Park Primary School – Reading Bingo list: UKS2 (2024-2025 Even)



1. *The Rainforest Grew all Around* by Susan K Mitchell and Connie McLennan
Filled with beautiful illustrations, this is a wonderful collection of poems which celebrate the beauty and diversity of the rainforest and encourages children to recognise the importance of protecting and conserving the resources of our planet.

2. *Romeo and Juliet* by William Shakespeare (retold by Marcia Williams)

The classic tale of star-crossed lovers! This is a fabulous introduction to Shakespeare's tragic Verona, retold in narrative prose by Marcia Williams. How will the feud between the Montagues and Capulets end?

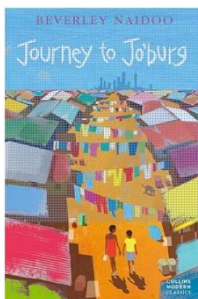
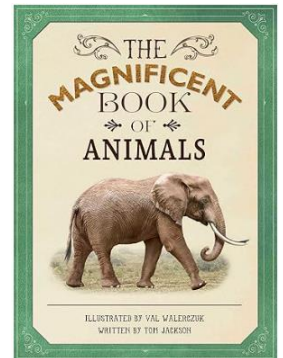


3. *The Wee Free Men* by Terry Pratchett

A nightmarish danger threatens from the other side of reality... Armed with only a frying pan and her common sense, young witch-to-be Tiffany Aching must defend her home against the monsters of Fairyland. Luckily, she has some very unusual help: the local Nac Mac Feegle – aka the Wee Free Men – a clan of fierce, sheep-stealing, sword-wielding, six-inch-high blue men. Together they must face headless horsemen, ferocious grim hounds, terrifying dreams come true, and ultimately the sinister Queen of the Elves herself...

4. *The Magnificent books of Animals* by Tom Jackson and Val Wakerczuk

This book is a real treasure for any animal enthusiast! Wonder at the breath-taking illustrations as you learn about some of the most special animals on our planet in this information.

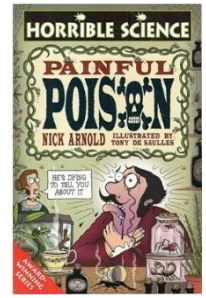


5. *Journey to Jo'Burg* by Beverley Naidoo

Frightened that their baby sister Dineo will die, thirteen-year-old Naledi and her younger brother Tiro run away from their grandmother to Johannesburg to find their mother, who works there as a maid. Their journey illustrates at every turn the grim realities of apartheid - the pass laws, bantustans, racism, the breakdown of family life. The opulence of the white "Madam's" house contrasts starkly with the reality that Naledi and Tiro face - that their baby sister is suffering from starvation, not an incurable disease.

6. *Horrible Science: Painful Poison* by Nick Arnold

If you have a passion for non-fiction, then this might be the book for you! Science is a wonderful thing and modern medicine makes the world a better place, but not all potions are our friends... learn to spot the difference with this handy guide.

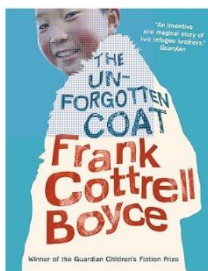
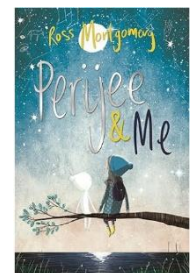


7. *Song Hunter* by Sally Prue

An Ice Age is dawning on Mica's homeland. The climate is getting colder, there are fewer mammoths to hunt, and the future of her people looks uncertain... Mica's mind is bursting with new ideas to help them survive the long winter, but the others refuse to listen, determined to cling to the old ways no matter what. Shunned and frustrated, Mica feels as if no one will ever understand her. Not even Bear, her childhood friend. One night, Mica wakes to hear mysterious voices calling. Their cries fill her with a deep longing that she can't explain. But who do they belong to? And then she makes a discovery so incredible, so extraordinary, it will challenge everything she thought she knew about her world...

8. *Perijee and Me* by Ross Montgomery

When 11-year-old Caitlin discovers a shrimp-like alien creature on the shores of her island home, she takes responsibility for teaching it about the world. Mostly, this just involved stopping little Perijee from eating everything! Caitlin becomes increasingly close to her alien friend, treating him like a brother. There's only one problem - Perijee won't stop growing. Then the authorities try to hunt him down and through his fear, Perijee disappears and starts causing trouble. Caitlin must leave home and travel across the country to try and convince Perijee to stop destroying everything before it's too late.



9. *The Unforgettable Coat* by Frank Cottrell Boyce

Two refugee brothers from Mongolia are determined to fit in with their Liverpool schoolmates, but bring so much of Mongolia to Bootle that their new friend and guide, Julie, is hard-pressed to know truth from fantasy. Told with the humour, warmth and brilliance of detail which characterizes Frank Cottrell Boyce's writing, readers will be transported from the streets of Liverpool to the steppe of Mongolia.

10. *Poems from a Green and Blue Planet* by Sabrina Mahfouz

Dive into this book and be swept away on a journey around our green and blue planet, from the peak of the snowiest mountaintop to the bottom of the deepest, bluest ocean. Meet the birds circling its skies, the beasts prowling its plains, and the people toiling in its fields and forests and cities... Explore all the worlds that make up our world, and hear the voices, past and present, that sing out from it. From haikus to sonnets, from rap to the Romantics, this joyous collection celebrates life in all corners of our beautiful planet.

