

In addition to your child reading Gill Lewis' *Sky Dancer* provided by Balshaw's CE High School and completing the work booklet that goes along with it, we recommend students begin to read every week. Indeed, it is expected for your child to always have a book on the go in school and bring it in their schoolbags every day. Below are some recommended reading titles and authors according to genre:

Action/Adventure	Crime
Carl Hiaason, <i>Squirm</i> Anna Mainwaring, <i>Tulip Taylor</i> Suzanne Collins, <i>The Hunger Games</i>	Thomas Taylor, <i>Malamander</i> Katherine Rundell, <i>The Good Thieves</i> James Patterson & Maxine Paetro, <i>Private</i>
Fantasy	Science Fiction
Piers Torday, <i>The Lost Magician</i> Sophie Anderson, <i>The House with Chicken Legs</i> Julie Hearn, <i>The Merrybegot</i> Lynne Reid Banks, <i>The Indian in the Cupboard</i> Trilogy	Lucy & Stephen Hawking, <i>George's Secret Key to the Universe</i> Pittacus Lore, <i>Fugitive Six</i> Philip Pullman, <i>His Dark Materials</i> Series Rudy Rucker, <i>Million Mile Road Trip</i> Frank Cotterill-Boyce, <i>Cosmic</i>
Thrillers	Horror
Anthony Horowitz, <i>Alex Rider</i> series Siobhan Dowd, <i>The London Eye Mystery</i> Andy McNab, <i>Liam Scott</i> Collection Robin Stevens, <i>Death in the Spotlight</i> Mark Walden, <i>The Hive</i> Collection Tom Fletcher, <i>The Creakers</i> Lisa Thompson, <i>The Day I was Erased</i>	Kenneth B. Anderson, <i>The Wrongful Death</i> or <i>The Devil's Apprentice</i> Cassandra Clare, <i>Mortal Instruments</i> Series or <i>The Infernal Devices</i> Trilogy Will Mabbitt, <i>Embassy of the Dead</i> Kiersten White, <i>The Dark Descent of Elizabeth Frankenstein</i>
Historical Fiction	Comedy
Karen Parsons, <i>How High the Moon</i> Jacqueline Wilson, <i>Dancing the Charleston</i> Gill Lewis, <i>The Closest Thing to Flying</i> Robert Westall, <i>Blitzcat</i> Marcus Zusak, <i>The Book Thief</i> Michael Morpurgo, <i>Flamingo Boy</i>	Rachel Delahaye, <i>Jim Reaper</i> series Frank Cotterell Boyce, <i>Millions</i> or <i>The Perfect Crime is a Work of Art</i> Anthony Horowitz, <i>Granny</i> Rachel Renée Russell, <i>Dork Diaries</i> David Walliams, <i>Ice Monster</i>
Reluctant Readers	Dyslexia-friendly Books
Jeff Kinney, <i>Diary of a Wimpy Kid</i> series Jim Smith, <i>Barry Loser</i> series Lincoln Peirce, <i>Big Nate</i> series Andy Griffiths & Terry Denton, <i>Storey Treehouse</i> series	Chris Priestley, <i>Flesh and Blood</i> Tom Palmer, <i>Over the Line</i> Gill Lewis, <i>Running Wild</i> Jo Cotterill, <i>Glee Club</i> Robert Swindells, <i>The First Hunter</i>
General	Non-fiction
Lisa Thompson, <i>The Goldfish Boy</i> R.J. Palacio, <i>Wonder</i> Peter H. Reynolds, <i>The Dot</i> Jaco Jacobs, <i>A Good Day for Climbing Trees</i> Libby Scott and Rebecca Westcott, <i>Can You See Me?</i> Abi Elphinstone, <i>Rumblestar</i>	Roald Dahl, eg. <i>Boy</i> and <i>Going Solo</i> Marley Dias, <i>Marley Dias gets it done and so can you</i> Libby Jackson, <i>Galaxy Girls: 50 Amazing Stories about women in space</i> Knud Pederson, <i>The Boy who Challenged Hitler</i>

No matter what reading level your child is coming from, Balshaw's has a brilliant LRC (Learning Resource Centre) or Library with something for everyone. Please encourage your child to make full use of the LRC.

