

## Welcome to the Key Author Challenge

Branching out and trying new authors is one way of becoming a better reader!



At The Queen's School we have chosen a range of well-known modern and classic authors to form a *Key Author Challenge*. These authors are for you to try, once your teacher says you are ready to move on from the *Young Reader Section* in the library.

### THE CHALLENGE

Discuss with your teacher how many authors you should try and then read one or two titles for each author.

- As you finish each book, write your author and titles in your *Guided Reading Journal* book and give each book a mark out of 10!
- Make sure you show your teacher your reading record book after you have read each book to gain a special stamp in your book.
- As you go along, we would like you to write 5 book reviews of your best reads. Write your book reviews in your *Guided Reading Journal book* or *Literacy book*.
- You will find the *Key Author Challenge* in the library.
- Once you have completed this challenge, you can choose any books from the library to read. Our school website has more ideas for reading lists.
- Do ask Mrs Harrison, Mrs Simmons or any member of staff for help if you need it!

*Happy Reading!*

Modern Author	Title of Book	Genre
David Almond	<i>Skelleg</i>	Fantasy
Neil Arksey	<i>Playing on the edge</i> <i>MACB</i>	Sport
Malorie Blackman	<i>Cloud Busting</i>	Fiction/Poetry
Melvin Burgess	<i>Kite</i>	Animal
Betsy Byars	<i>The Midnight Fox</i> <i>The Eighteenth Emergency</i>	Animal Fiction
Aidan Chambers	<i>Seal Secret</i>	Animal
Andrew Clements	<i>Frindle</i>	Comedy
Eoin Colfer	<i>Artemis Fowl</i> <i>*Any in the Artemis Fowl series</i>	Fantasy
Susan Cooper	<i>The Boggart</i>	Fantasy
Andrew Cope	<i>Spy Dog</i>	Animal Adventure
Zizou Corder	<i>Lion boy</i>	Animal
Roald Dahl	<i>Charlie and the Chocolate Factory</i> <i>Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator</i> <i>Danny, the Champion of the World</i> <i>Matilda</i>	Adventure
Anita Desai	<i>Village by the Sea</i>	Tale of another culture

Anne Fine	<i>The Flour Babies</i>	Comedy
Dick King-Smith	<i>The Sheep Pig</i>	Animal
Adeline Yen Mah	<i>Chinese Cinderella</i>	Tale of another culture
Michael Morpurgo	<i>Billy the Kid</i> <i>Cool</i> <i>The Sleeping Sword</i> <i>Toro, Toro</i> <i>The Butterfly Lion</i> <i>Kensuke's Kingdom</i> <i>Arthur</i> <i>I believe in Unicorns</i>	Tale of another culture / adventure
Jill Murphy	<i>The Worst Witch</i>	Comedy / fantasy
Beverly Naidoo	<i>Journey to Jo'burg</i>	Tale of another culture
Christopher Paolini	<i>Eragon</i>	Fantasy
Michelle Paver	<i>Wolf Brother</i>	Animal adventure
Phillip Pullman	<i>Clockwork or All Wound Up</i> <i>I was a rat</i>	Fantasy
Michael Rosen	<i>You're Thinking About Doughnuts</i>	Comedy
Laurence St. John	<i>The White Giraffe</i>	Tale of another culture
Jeanette Winterson	<i>Tanglewreck</i>	Fantasy

<b>Classic Author</b>	<b>Title of Book</b>	<b>Genre</b>
Joan Aitken	<i>The Wolves of Willoughby Chase</i> <i>Necklace of Raindrops</i> <i>Midnight is a Place</i>	Short Stories
Hans Christian Anderson	<i>Arabian Nights</i>	Tale of another culture
JM Barrie	<i>Peter Pan</i> <i>*Modern Sequel</i>	Fantasy
Geraldine. McCaughrean	<i>Peter Pan in Scarlet</i>	
L Frank Baum	<i>The Wizard of Oz</i>	Fantasy
Nina Baldwin	<i>Carrie's War</i> <i>The Peppermint Pig</i>	Historical Fiction
Enid Blyton	<i>Famous Five series</i> <i>Secret Seven series</i>	Mystery/ adventures
Helen Cresswell	<i>The Piemakers</i>	Comedy
Richmal Crompton	<i>Just William</i> <i>Any in the series</i>	Comedy
Ted Hughes	<i>Tales of the Early World</i>	Mythology
Clive King	<i>Stig of the Dump</i>	Fantasy
Rudyard Kipling	<i>Just So Stories</i>	Fable
C.S. Lewis	<i>The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe</i> <i>Any in Narnia Series</i>	Fantasy
E. Nesbit	<i>Five Children and It</i>	Fantasy
Mary Norton	<i>The Borrowers</i>	Fantasy
Arthur Ransome	<i>Swallow and Amazons</i> <i>Any in series</i>	Adventure
Dodie Smith	<i>Hundred and One Dalmations</i> <i>Starlight Barking</i>	Animal
Noel Streatfield	<i>Ballet Shoes</i> <i>White Boots</i> <i>Tennis Shoes</i>	Fiction
E.B. White	<i>Charlotte's Web</i>	Animal
Laura Ingalls Wilder	<i>The Little house on the Prairie</i>	Tale of another culture
Henry Williamson	<i>Tarka the Otter</i>	Animal

