



**CLAIRES COURT
MAIDENHEAD**
An independent school for girls and boys

Summer Reading



RESPONSIBILITY

RESPECT

LOYALTY

INTEGRITY

Compile your summer reading list!

Try a book from the fiction genres listed below:

Classic Fiction

E.g. *The Jungle Book* by Rudyard Kipling; *The Borrowers* by Mary Norton; *Emma* by Jane Austen; *Tom's Midnight Garden* by Philippa Pearce; *The Call Of The Wild* by Jack London; *The Wolves of Willoughby Chase* by Joan Aiken

Or look at books by E. Nesbit, L. M. Montgomery, Frances Hodgson Burnett

Quick Read: *Jane Eyre: A Retelling* by Tanya Landman

Animal Adventure

E.g. *Sky Hawk* by Gill Lewis; *Black Beauty* by Anna Sewell; *The Last Bear* by Hannah Gold; *The Last Wild* by Piers Torday

Or look at books by Michael Morpurgo, Megan Rix, Sarah Lean, Lauren St. John, Nizrana Farook
'Classic' read: *Watership Down* by Richard Adams

Quick Read: *Blue Moon* by Jenny Oldfield

Mystery/Thriller

E.g. *High-Rise Mystery* by Sharna Jackson; *Waiting For Murder* by Fleur Hitchcock; *The London Eye Mystery* by Siobhan Dowd; *The Highland Falcon Thief* by M. G. Leonard

Or look at books by Robin Stevens, Helen Dennis, Katherine Woodfine

'Classic' read: *The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes* by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

Quick Read: *The Liar's Handbook* by Keren David

Historical Fiction

E.g. *The Skylark's War* by Hilary McKay; *When the Sky Falls* by Phil Earle; *Circus Maximus* series by Annelise Gray; *Torn Apart: The Partition of India, 1947* by Swapna Haddow

Or look at books by Ally Sherrick, Emma Carroll, Lesley Parr, the *Voices Series* (various authors) from Scholastic

'Classic' read: *The Silver Sword* by Ian Serraillier

Quick read: *The Royal Rebel* by Bali Rai



Fantasy Fiction

E.g. Northern Lights by Philip Pullman; Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer; Skulduggery Pleasant by Derek Landy; A Darkness of Dragons by S. A. Patrick

Or look at books by Rick Riordan, J.K. Rowling, Philip Reeve, Terry Pratchett, Peter Bunzl, Sophie Anderson

'Classic' read: The Hobbit/The Lord of the Rings trilogy by J.R.R. Tolkien

Quick Read: Ghost Stadium by Tom Palmer

Adventure Stories

E.g. The Explorer by Katherine Rundell; A Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket; Voyage of the Sparrowhawk by Natasha Farrant; Special Forces Cadets series by Chris Ryan

Or look at books by Robert Muchamore, Philip Reeve, Anthony Horowitz

'Classic' read: Treasure Island by R.L. Stevenson

Quick Read: World Burn Down by Steve Cole

Science Fiction

E.g. Gone by Michael Grant; Wildspark by Vashti Hardy; The Boy in the Tower by Polly Ho-Yen; The Middler by Kirsty Applebaum

Or look at books by Teri Terry, Patrick Ness, Rick Yancey, Suzanne Collins, Jennifer Killick

'Classic' read: The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy by Douglas Adams

Quick Read: Peace Maker by Malorie Blackman

Sporting Stories

E.g. The Dream Team: Jaz Santos vs. the World by Priscilla Mante; Black Brother, Black Brother by Jewell Parker Rhodes; Splash by Charli Howard; Kick by Mitch Johnson

Or look at books by Mal Peet, Bali Rai, Tom Palmer, Gerard Siggins, Kwame Alexander, Eve Ainsworth

'Classic' read: National Velvet by Enid Bagnold

Quick Read: Home Ground by Alan Gibbons



Real-Life Issues

E.g. Look Both Ways by Jason Reynolds; Asha & the Spirit Bird by Jasbinder Bilan; A Kind of Spark by Elle McNicoll; The Boy Who Made Everyone Laugh by Helen Rutter; Danny Chung Does Not Do Maths by Maisie Chan

Or look at books by Stewart Foster, Catherine Bruton, Lisa Thompson, Onjali Q. Raúf, Patrice Lawrence, Susin Nielsen, Katya Balen

Future 'classic' read: Wonder by R. J. Palacio

Quick Read: Welcome to Trashland by Steve Cole

Reading Resources

Here are some good websites and resources to help you find more reading ideas:

Try your local library, who will provide books, ebooks and audiobooks for FREE! See [RBWM Libraries](#) and their e-lending platform [here](#)

[Who Next?](#) An online guide to authors and books for children and young people (use free access with a public library membership)

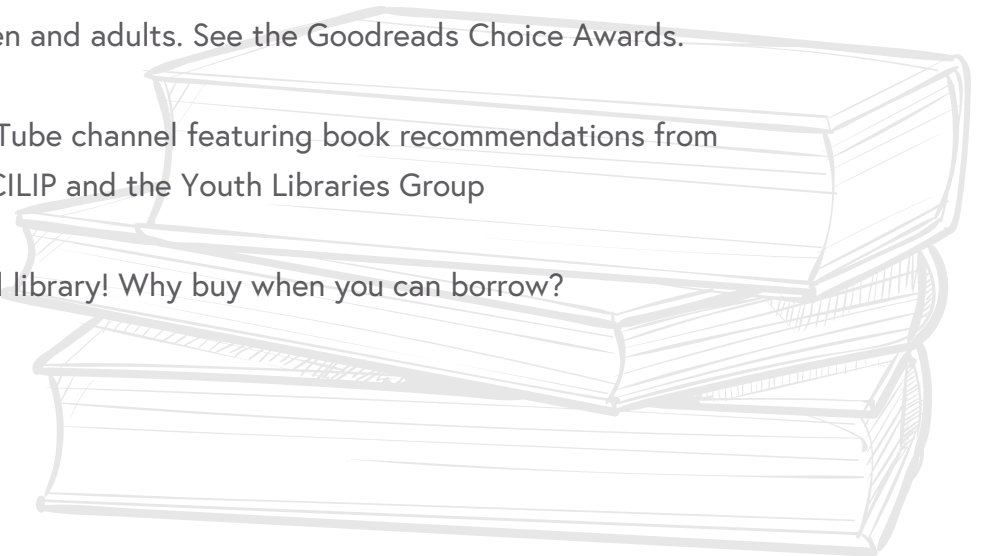
[LoveReading4Kids](#) A great website that groups fiction by age category. See their summer reading recommendations

[BookTrust](#) Try their monthly [recommendations](#), booklist and their own [BookFinder](#) tool

[Goodreads](#) Fiction for children and adults. See the Goodreads Choice Awards.

[National Shelf Service](#) A YouTube channel featuring book recommendations from professional librarians from CILIP and the Youth Libraries Group

Don't forget to use your local library! Why buy when you can borrow?



My Summer Reading

Please keep a record here of all the books you read this summer.
You will learn how to take an Accelerated Reader quiz on each book when you start school in September!

Title	Author	Genre

Have fun!