

# YOUNG READERS PROGRAMME

## 25 books for 25 years

The Young Readers Programme is a reading for pleasure and book ownership programme that creates positive associations with books, improves reading habits and embeds reading for pleasure in school culture. Over the past 25 years, the Young Readers Programme has given over 1.2 million books to over 411,000 children.

To celebrate our birthday we have put together this list of some of our favourite titles for primary aged children from the last 25 years.

**1997-** *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* by J. K. Rowling

**1998-** *Skellig* by David Almond

**1999-** *Kensuke's Kingdom* by Michael Morpurgo

**2000-** *The Breadwinner* by Deborah Ellis

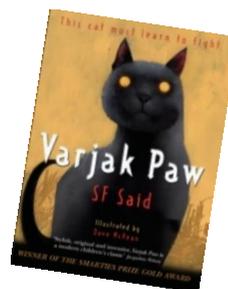
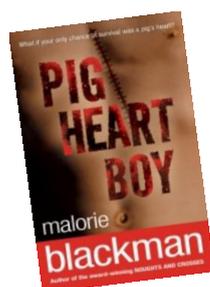
**2001-** *Mortal Engines* by Phillip Reeve

**2002-** *Coraline* by Neil Gaiman

**2003-** *Varjak Paw* by S. F. Said

**2004-** *Pig Heart Boy* by Malorie Blackman

**2005-** *Traction Man is Here!* By Mini Grey



2006- *Where's Wally? The Great Picture Hunt* by Martin Handford

2007- *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* by Jeff Kinney

2008- *Stick Man* by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler

2009- *The Thornthwaite Inheritance* by Gareth P. Jones

2010- *Billionaire Boy* by David Walliams

2011- *Artichoke Hearts* by Sita Brahmachari

2012- *Wonder* by R. J. Palacio

2013- *The Day the Crayons Quit* by Drew Daywalt

2014- *The Crossover* by Kwame Alexander

2015- *The Boy in the Tower* by Polly Ho-Yen

2016- *The Christmasaurus* by Tom Fletcher

2017- *The Island at the End of Everything* by Kiran Millwood Hargrave

2018- *Julian is a Mermaid* by Jessica Love

2019- *Look Up* by Nathan Bryon and Dapo Adeola

2020- *A Kind of Spark* by Elle McNicoll

2021- *You Are a Champion* by Marcus Rashford

