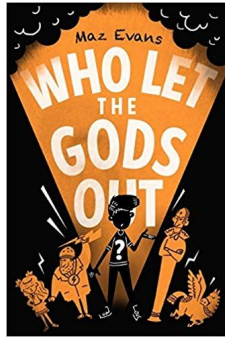




Year 6 Recommended Reading List

These books are great for hearing your child read aloud, discussing at home, exploring new vocabulary and predicting what might happen next.

	<p><u>Halo Moon by Sharon Cohen</u></p> <p>An incredible read full of kindness and bravery. This story is told from the perspectives of 2 characters, an Ethiopian boy, Ageze, and Halo Moon from near Leeds. Ageze has learnt of a disaster which will strike the village where Halo Moon lives, and he travels to the UK to warn her. A mesmerising read.</p>
	<p><u>The Goldfish Boy by Lisa Thompson</u></p> <p>Twelve-year-old Matthew is trapped in his bedroom by crippling OCD, spending most of his time staring out of his window as the inhabitants of Chestnut Close go about their business. Until the day he is the last person to see his next door neighbour's toddler, Teddy, before he goes missing. Matthew must turn detective and unravel the mystery of Teddy's disappearance - with the help of a brilliant cast of supporting characters.</p>
	<p><u>Letters from the lighthouse by Emma Carroll</u></p> <p>February, 1941. After months of bombing raids in London, twelve-year-old Olive Bradshaw and her little brother Cliff are evacuated to the Devon coast. The only person with two spare beds is Mr Ephraim, the local lighthouse keeper. But he's not used to the company and he certainly doesn't want any evacuees.</p> <p>Desperate to be helpful, Olive becomes his post-girl, carrying secret messages (as she likes to think of the letters) to the villagers. But Olive has a secret of her own. Her older sister Sukie went missing in an air raid, and she's desperate to discover what happened to her. And then she finds a strange coded note which seems to link Sukie to Devon, and to something dark and impossibly dangerous.</p>



Who Let the Gods out? By Maz Evans

Elliot's mum is ill and his home is under threat, but a shooting star crashes to earth and changes his life forever. The star is Virgo - a young Zodiac goddess on a mission. But the pair accidentally release Thanatos, a wicked death daemon imprisoned beneath Stonehenge, and must then turn to the old Olympian gods for help. After centuries of cushy retirement on earth, are Zeus and his crew up to the task of saving the world - and solving Elliot's problems too?

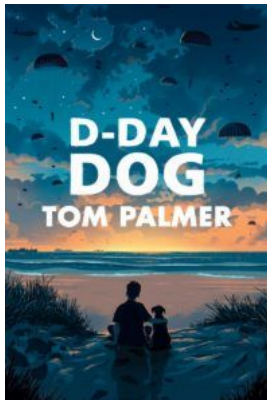


Other Words for Home by Jasmine Warga

Jude never thought she'd be leaving her beloved older brother and father behind, all the way across the ocean in Syria. But when things in her hometown start becoming volatile, Jude and her mother are sent to live in Cincinnati with relatives.

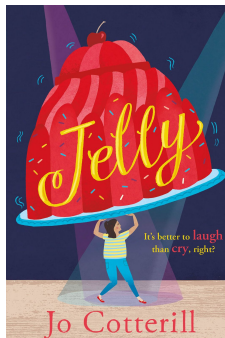
At first, everything in America seems too fast and too loud. The American movies that Jude has always loved haven't quite prepared her for starting school in the US--and her new label of "Middle Eastern," an identity she's never known before.

But this life also brings unexpected surprises--there are new friends, a whole new family, and a school musical that Jude might just try out for. Maybe America, too, is a place where Jude can be seen as she really is.



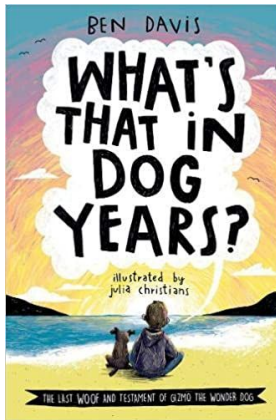
D-Day by Tom Palmer

Jack loves spending time with his dad, who is a reserve soldier, talking about wars. However, this all changes when a girl from Syria joins his class and he learns more about the horrors of war through the D-Day landings. A thought provoking read.



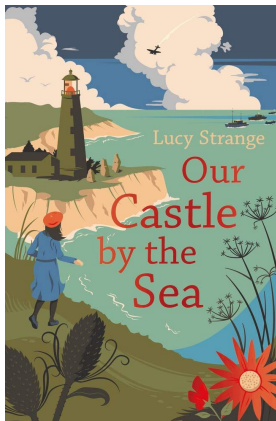
Jelly by Jo Cotterill

Jelly is overweight and self-conscious about it but hides her feelings by being the class clown. Has troubling issues at home too, all of which she conveys and attempts to understand through writing poetry. A chance meeting with a song write rproves to be a turning point as Jelly is encouraged to express herself honestly at the school talent show.



What's that in dog years? By Ben Davis

No-one could love Gizmo more than George, and when he discovers his dog does not have long to live he draws up a bucket list. Hilarious and poignant moments pepper the text which is also interspersed with Gizmo's autobiography.



Our Castle by the Sea by Lucy Strange

An idyllic childhood in a lighthouse is cut short by WWII. This perfectly captures the sense of mistrust as the community turns against Petra's family as her mother is German. A story full of excitement with secret tunnels, traitors, dogfights and bombs.



Malamander by Thomas Taylor

Herbert Lemon, Lost-and-Founder at the Grand Nautilus Hotel, knows that returning lost things to their rightful owners is not easy - especially when the lost thing is not a thing at all, but a girl. No one knows what happened to Violet Parma's parents twelve years ago, and when she engages Herbie to help her find them, the pair discover that their disappearance might have something to do with the legendary sea-monster, the Malamander. Eerie-on-Sea has always been a mysteriously chilling place, where strange stories seem to wash up. And it just got stranger...