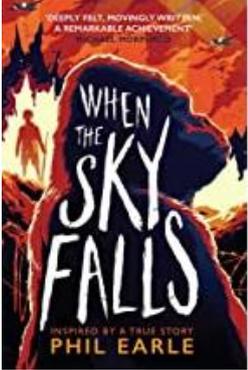
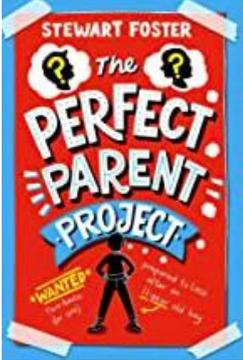
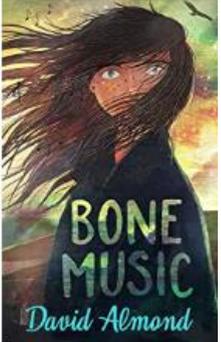
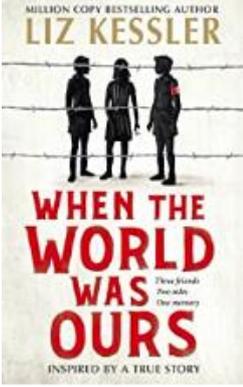
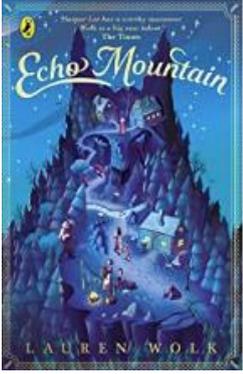
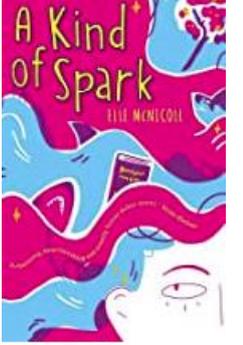


Great new books for incoming Year 7 students

Here are some of the best fiction books published recently. I have personally read and can recommend all of them. This is only a suggested book list for the summer – it is not required reading.

	<p>The Girl who speaks Bear by Sophie Anderson</p>	<p>Found abandoned in a bear cave as a baby, Yanka has always wondered about where she is from. She tries to ignore the strange whispers and looks from the villagers, wishing she was as strong on the inside as she is on the outside. But, when she has to flee her house, looking for answers about who she really is, a journey far beyond one that she ever imagined begins...From the author of The House with Chicken Legs</p>
	<p>When the Sky Falls by Phil Earle</p>	<p>1941. War is raging. And one angry boy has been sent to the city, where bombers rule the skies. There, Joseph will live with Mrs F, a gruff woman with no fondness for children. Her only loves are the rundown zoo she owns and its mighty silverback gorilla, Adonis. As the weeks pass, bonds deepen and secrets are revealed, but if the bombers set Adonis rampaging free, will either of them be able to end the life of the one thing they truly love?</p>
	<p>The Perfect Parent Project by Stewart Foster</p>	<p>All Sam wants is a family of his own, a home instead of a 'house' and parents he knows will still be there when he wakes up. Because Sam has been in and out of foster care his whole life and he can't imagine ever feeling like he truly belongs. Then his best friend Leah suggests that rather than wait for a family to come to him, he should go out and find one. So begins The Perfect Parent Project ...</p>
	<p>Bone Music by David Almond</p>	<p>Sylvia, brave hearted and rebellious, moves into wild Northumberland from the city of Newcastle. She feels alien in this huge, silent, seemingly empty landscape. From the wing of a dead buzzard, she creates a hollow bone - the kind of flute that was created and used in rituals in the distant past. A mystical story from the author of Skellig.</p>

	<p>When the World was ours by Liz Kessler</p>	<p>Three young friends – Leo, Elsa and Max – spend a perfect day together, unaware that around them Europe is descending into a growing darkness, and that events soon mean that they will be cruelly ripped apart from each other. With their lives taking them across Europe – to Germany, England, Prague and Poland – will they ever find their way back to each other? Will they want to?</p>
	<p>Echo Mountain by Lauren Wolk</p>	<p>1933. When Ellie and her family lose everything, they flee to Echo Mountain. Ellie runs wild, exploring the mountain's mysteries... Then Ellie's father has a terrible accident. When she sets out to find a cure for him, she discovers Cate, the outcast witch, and Larkin, a wild mountain boy. From them she learns about being a healer, being brave - and how there can be more to a person than first meets the eye</p>
	<p>A Kind of Spark by Ellie McNicholl</p>	<p>A Kind of Spark tells the story of 11-year-old Addie as she campaigns for a memorial in memory of the witch trials that took place in her Scottish hometown. Addie knows there's more to the story of these 'witches', just like there is more to hers. Can Addie challenge how the people in her town see her, and her autism, and make her voice heard?</p>
	<p>Evernight by Ross Mackenzie</p>	<p>Thousands of years ago, the Evernight came to the Silver Kingdom and turned everything to darkness and chaos. It was only defeated thanks to the skill and bravery of the Witches. But now the Evernight is about to return..... A great fantasy story from the author of the Midnight Guardians, (recommended by me previously).</p>