

Research into reading for pleasure places considerable emphasis on children being able to choose their own reading material. Sometimes this may not be what we would choose for them but as long as it is appropriate for their age then choosing their own book or other reading material is a way of encouraging children in their reading; it also provides a topic of conversation for you to explore with your child(children). Reading comics (the Beano, The Phoenix), Manga and comic books, books on their favourite sport or sporting personality or about films and music might be preferred. Anything which engages the child and which encourages them to read, if age appropriate, is acceptable for reading.

If a child has not yet found their 'forever book' or 'forever genre' then the staff in the LRC will be only too pleased to help them by guiding them through the different authors and genres available.

Given below are links to a number of sites which have book recommendations:

[Book Trust](#) – this site offers book recommendations for children from the age of 0-1, you are never too young to start loving books!! It also contains lots of information about reading.

[School Reading List](#) – this site covers all ages and has a core book list as well as a more comprehensive list

[Love Reading 4 Kids](#) – this site not only recommends books but is also an on-line bookstore, although nothing beats a trip to a physical bookstore!

[Advice on Free Reading Websites](#) – an interesting site with recommendations and links to sites which offer free reading resources