



# Reading Matters

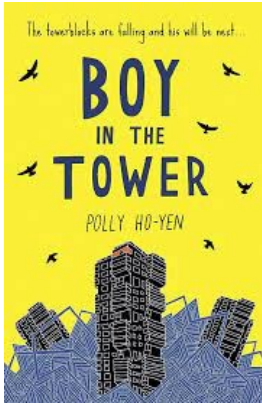
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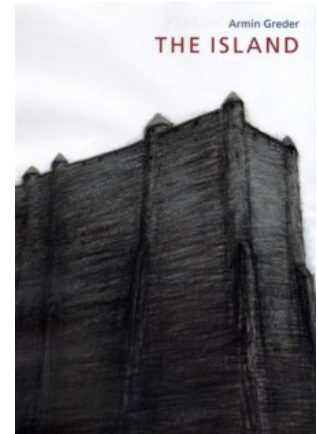
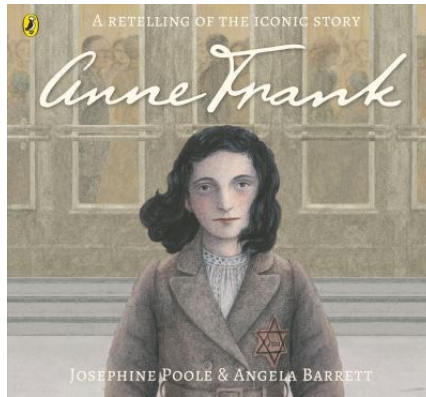
## What will Y6 read this half term?



Boy in the Tower  
*Polly Ho-Yen*

From the seventeenth floor of the tower block where he lives with his mother, Ade watches as the buildings fall around him. What is causing this to happen? Everyone is forced to evacuate, but Ade's mum won't leave her room. So Ade watches alone as the city slowly empties...

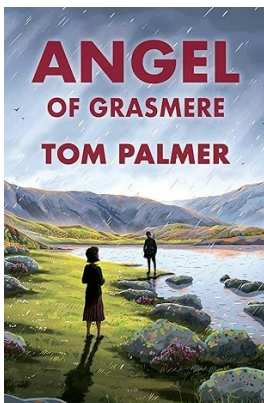
Anne Frank  
*Josephine Poole & Angela Barrett*  
This picture book retelling of the famous story of how Anne Frank and her family spent much of WW2 in hiding will lead on perfectly from Y6's history topic in Autumn 1 and is sure to produce some stunning writing.



The Island  
*Armin Greder*

This is a powerful picture book about refugees, xenophobia, multiculturalism, social politics and human rights. It tackles big themes in subtle ways with a fable-like text and stunning artwork that will provoke discussion for our oldest learners.

## More Y6 recommendations



Angel of Grasmere  
*Tom Palmer*

Enjoyed 'After the War' last half term? Tom Palmer has written so many more!



Guardians of Magic  
*Chris Riddell*

This exceptional illustrator also writes books of his own...

## The Book Fair is coming!

The Book Fair will be in school from 18th – 25th November.

What amazing titles will you spot on the shelves?

Don't forget, you could win a free book if you enter our design-a-bookmark competition by Monday 10th November.

