

**To: All primary literacy co-ordinators and all secondary heads of English.**  
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**List of texts often used by secondary schools at KS3**

*The main intention of this list is to reduce the repetition of texts in primary/secondary schools.  
 Secondary schools may like to contact each other to share ideas on use of the texts.*

N.B. All will do a Shakespeare text in Year 9 (at present the SATs tests require either *Macbeth*, *12<sup>th</sup> Night* or *Henry V*). Some secondary schools will do a Shakespeare text in the other years..

School	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
<b>Ashton Park</b>	<i>Treasure Island</i> RL Stevenson (novel) <i>Demon Headmaster</i> (play) <i>The Flood</i> (play)	<i>Stone Cold</i> : Robert Swindell <i>Our Day Out</i> (play) Willie Russell	<i>Buddy</i> : Nigel Hinton <i>Blood Brothers</i> : Willie Russell(play)
<b>Bedminster Down</b>	<i>Matilda</i> : Roald Dahl <i>Harry Potter &amp; the Philosopher's Stone</i> : JR Rowling <i>Skellig</i> : David Almond	<i>Stone Cold</i> : Robert Swindell	<i>Outsiders</i> : Nigel Hinton <i>Junk</i> : Melvyn Burgess
<b>Brislington</b>	<i>Pig Heart Boy</i> : M. Blackman <i>The Other Facts of Life</i> : Morris Gleitzman <i>2 Weeks with the Queen</i> - Gleitzman	<i>Coram Boy</i> Jamila Gavin <i>Nothern Lights</i> Pullman <i>Holes</i> Louis Sachar <i>New World</i> : Gillian Cross <i>Scribbleboy</i> : Ridley	<i>Throttlepenny Murder</i> : R.Green <i>Stone Cold</i> : Robert Swindells <i>Wolf</i> : Gillian Cross <i>Skellig</i> : Almond
<b>Cotham</b>	<i>Pied Piper</i> : Browning <i>Harry Potter &amp; the Philosopher's Stone</i> JR Rowling <i>Sir Gawain &amp; the Green Knight</i>	Modern Short stories (various) <i>Gothic Stories</i> <i>Our Day Out</i> : Willie Russell	Travel Writing texts Extracts from fiction/non-fiction
<b>Fairfield</b>	<i>Skellig</i> : David Almond <i>Two Weeks with the Queen</i> : Gleitzman <i>Boy</i> : Roald Dahl (autobiography) <i>Carrie's War</i> (play script) Nina Bawden	<i>Goodnight Mr Tom</i> : Michelle Magorian <i>Romeo &amp; Juliet</i> <i>Billy Elliot</i> <i>Chinese Cinderella</i> : Adeline Yen Mah	<i>The Friends</i> – Rosa Guy <i>Into the Unknown</i> <i>A Christmas Carol</i> Dickens <i>The Face</i> <i>Stone Cold</i> Swindells
<b>Hartcliffe</b>	<i>Two Weeks with the Queen</i> – Gleitzman <i>Bill's New Frock</i> (with less able) Anne Fine <i>The Demon Headmaster</i> (play) Gillian Cross	<i>Harry Potter &amp; the Philosopher's Stone</i> JK Rowling <i>Wolf</i> Gillian Cross <i>Comfort Herself</i> Geraldine Kay <i>The Great Gilly Hopkins</i> Catherine Peterson <i>Goodnight Mr Tom</i> <i>Our Day Out</i> : Willie Russell	<i>Buddy</i> : Nigel Hinton <i>Stone Cold</i> : R Swindell <i>Blood Brothers</i> : Russell <i>The Machine Gunners</i> Robert Westall
<b>Henbury</b>	<i>The Other Facts of Life</i> Morris Gleitzman <i>Two Weeks with the Queen</i> : Gleitzman <i>Boy</i> : Roald Dahl <i>Buddy</i> : Nigel Hinton <i>The Demon Headmaster</i>	<i>I am David</i> Anne Holm <i>King of Shadows</i> Susan Cooper <i>Face</i> <i>Skellig</i> : David Almond	<i>The Basketball Game</i> <i>Wolf</i> : Gillian Cross <i>Across the Barricades</i> Joan Lingard <i>The Outsiders</i> : Hinton <i>Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry</i> : Mildred D Taylor <i>Talking in Whispers</i> James Watson <i>Stone Cold</i> Robert Swindells
<b>Lockleaze</b>	<i>Journey to Jo'berg</i> : Beverley Naidoo <i>The Worst Team in the World</i> : Alan MacDonald <i>The Bed &amp; Breakfast Star</i> : Jacqueline Wilson	<i>Two Weeks with the Queen</i> : Morris Gleitzman <i>Run for your Life</i> : David Line <i>Buddy</i> : Nigel Hinton	<i>Lord of the Flies</i> : Wm. Golding <i>Animal Farm</i> : Orwell <i>Breaking the Rules</i> : Sandra Glover

<b>Monks Park</b>	<i>Skellig</i> : David Almond <i>Treasure Island</i> : RL Stevenson <i>Boy</i> : Roald Dahl	<i>Holes</i> : Louis Sachar <i>Buddy</i> : Nigel Hinton	<i>Stone Cold</i> : R Swindell <i>Badger on the Barge</i> : Janni Hocker <i>Daz 4 Zoe</i> Robert Swindells <i>Smash</i>
<b>Portway*</b> <i>(English Department has some sets and half sets of texts no longer used. Feeder primaries contact Sian Davies if interested)</i>	<i>Skellig</i> : David Almond <i>Twentieth Century Short Stories</i> <i>Island of the Blue Dolphins</i> (to purchase 2003)	<i>Holes</i> Louis Sachar (to purchase 2003) <i>Buddy</i> : Nigel Hinton <i>Two Weeks with the Queen</i> : Gleitzman <i>Goggle Eyes</i> : Anne Fine	<i>The Tulip Touch</i> : Anne Fine <i>Wolf</i> : Gillian Cross <i>Stone Cold</i> : Swindell
<b>St Bedes</b>	<i>Goodnight Mr Tom</i> : Magorian <i>Mrs Frisby &amp; the Rats of Nimh</i> : O'Brien <i>The Midnight Fox</i> : Betsy Byers <i>Danny the champion of the World</i> : Dahl	<i>Two Weeks with the Queen</i> ; Gleitzman <i>Thief of Always</i> : Clive Barker <i>Skellig</i> David Almond <i>Dragon in the Garden</i>	<i>Wolf</i> : Gillian Cross <i>Outsiders</i> : Hinton <i>Buddy</i> : Hinton <i>Stone Cold</i> : R. Swindell
<b>St Bernadette's</b>	<i>The Pinballs</i> : Betsy Byers <i>Skellig</i> : David Almond <i>Donovan Croft</i> : Bernard Ashley	<i>Cracker Jackson</i> : Byers <i>Mrs Frisby &amp; the Rats of Nimh</i> : O'Brien <i>Goodnight Mr. Tom</i> : Magarian	<i>Z for Zacharia</i> : O'Brien <i>Buddy</i> : Nigel Hinton
<b>St George</b>	<i>Tulip Touch</i> <i>2 Weeks with the Queen</i> : Gleitzman <i>Twelfth Night</i>	<i>Stone Cold</i> : R. Swindell <i>Frankenstein</i> : Mary Shelley	<i>Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry</i> <i>Animal Farm 1984</i> <i>Of Mice &amp; Men</i>
<b>St Mary Redcliffe &amp; Temple</b>	<i>Skellig</i> : David Almond <i>Daydreamer</i> <i>Goodnight Mr Tom</i> <i>Pinballs</i>	<i>Buddy</i> : Nigel Hinton <i>Holes</i> : Louis Sachar <i>Gourie Corky Plays</i> <i>Chicken</i> : Gene Kemp	<i>Wolf</i> <i>The Tulip Touch</i> <i>Flour Babies</i> <i>The Outsiders</i> : Hinton
<b>St Thomas More</b>	<i>The Wonderful World of Henry Sugar</i> : Roald Dahl <i>Gourie Corky Plays</i> <i>Chicken</i> : Gene Kemp <i>Stepping Up</i> Jane Liddiard	<i>A Christmas Carol</i> : Charles Dickens <i>Romeo &amp; Juliet</i>	Macbeth <i>Buddy</i> : Nigel Hinton <i>Red Sky in the Morning</i> : Elizabeth Laird
<b>Speedwell</b>	<i>Skellig</i> : David Almond <i>The Indian in the Cupboard</i> : Lynne Reid Banks	<i>Stone Cold</i> : Robert Swindells <i>Daz 4 Zoe</i> : Robert Swindells <i>Jacqueline Hyde</i> : Robert Swindells	<i>Wolf</i> : Gillian Cross <i>P.O.W.</i> : Martin Booth
<b>Whitefield Fishponds</b>	<i>The Tempest</i> <i>Skellig</i> David Almond	<i>Kit's Wilderness</i> <i>Face</i> <i>A Christmas Carol</i> Dickens	<i>Junk</i> : Melvin Burgess <i>Stone Cold</i> : Robert Swindells <i>Basketball Game</i>
<b>Withywood</b>	<i>Cirque du Freak</i> : Darren Shan	<i>Holes</i> : Louis Sachar	<i>Stone Cold</i> : Robert Swindells <i>Buddy</i> : Nigel Hinton <i>The Pearl</i> : John Steinbeck

Some of the Schools have either started with, or intend to purchase, texts for the NATE Shared Reading scheme. The texts used in this are:

- *Whispers in the Graveyard*: Theresa Breslin
- *Stone Cold*: Robert Swindells
- *Holes*: Louis Sachar
- *Witch Child*: Celia Res
- *Black Harvest*: Nigel Gray
- *The Wind Singer*: William Nicholson
- *Coram Boy*: Jamila Gavin
- *The Ruby in the Smoke*: Philip Pullman
- *The Tulip Touch*: Anne Fine
- *Little Solier*: Bernard Ashley
- *Tightrope*: Gillian Cross
- *Bretevski Street*: Lin Cochlan
- *Two Weeks with The Queen*: Morris Gleitzman
- *Chinese Cinderella*: Adeline Yen Mah
- *Goodnight Mr. Tom*: Michelle Magorian