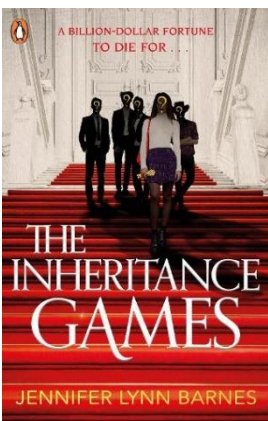


Murder, Mystery and Mayhem!

Some recommended reads to keep you guessing.....



Jennifer Lynn-Barnes: The Inheritance Games

Avery has a plan: keep her head down, work hard for a better future. Then an eccentric billionaire dies, leaving her almost his entire fortune. And no one, least of all Avery, knows why.

They had everything.

Now she must move into the mansion she's inherited. It's filled with secrets and codes, and the old man's surviving relatives - a family hell-bent on discovering why Avery got 'their' money.

Now there's only one rule: winner takes all.

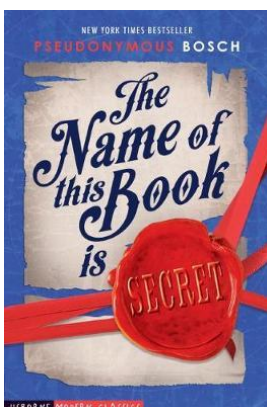
Soon she is caught in a deadly game that everyone in this strange family is playing. But just how far will they go to keep their fortune?



Alex Bell: The Lighthouse

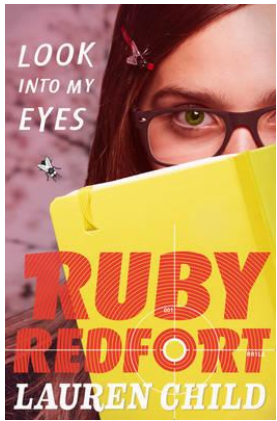
From the second they set foot on the island to join their dad and his new family, Jess and Rosie feel that something's wrong. Nightmares haunt their dreams and there seems to be someone, or something, else with them in the lighthouse - their home for the summer.

Counting down the days until they can leave, Jess and Rosie decide to investigate. But when Rosie disappears, the countdown takes on a new meaning. Especially when no one but Jess remembers Rosie at all...



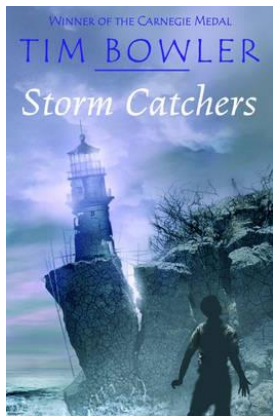
Pseudonymous Bosch: The Name of this Book is Secret

When intrepid friends Cass and Max-Ernest set out to discover the history behind the mysterious Symphony of Smells, they become embroiled in an experiment to discover the secret of eternal youth. Together they must come up with a plan to rescue their classmate from a hideous fate and escape the eerie pyramid of dastardly villains The Midnight Sun



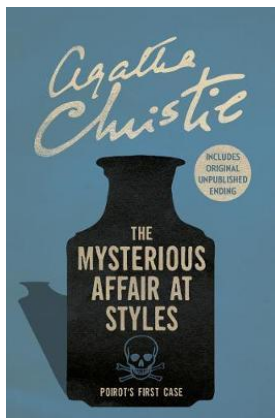
Lauren Child: Look into my Eyes (Book 1 of 6 Ruby Redfort series)

Here's the low-down on Ruby Redfort: she's a genius code-cracker, a daring detective, and a gadget-laden special agent who just happens to be a thirteen-year old girl. She and her slick sidekick butler, Hitch, foil crimes and get into loads of scrapes with evil villains, but they're always ice-cool in a crisis



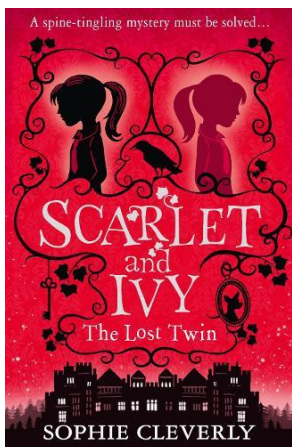
Tim Bowler: Storm Catchers

Fin is devastated when his sister is kidnapped. Poor frightened Ella, snatched away from the house in the middle of a storm. Fin will never forgive himself for leaving her on her own. Still, at least they'll get her back when they've paid the money. However, the kidnapper has more than just money on his mind. As his plans unfold, Fin and his family are forced to confront their deepest darkest secrets. A storm is breaking, and it's going to change everything.....



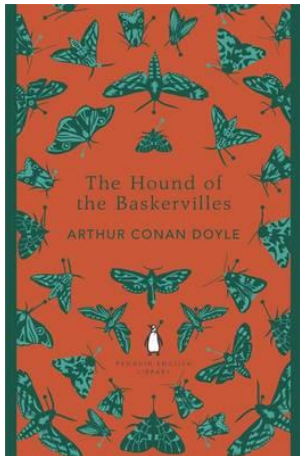
Agatha Christie: The Mysterious Affair at Styles

After the Great War, life can never be the same again. Wounds need healing, and the horror of violent death banished into memory. Captain Arthur Hastings is invited to the rolling country estate of Styles to recuperate from injuries sustained at the Front. It is the last place he expects to encounter murder. Fortunately he knows a former detective, a Belgian refugee, who has grown bored of retirement ...



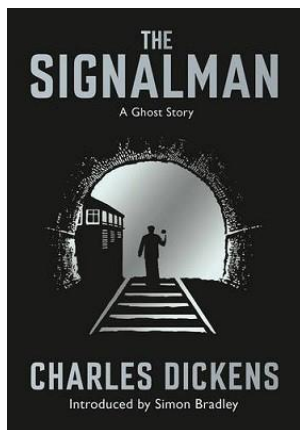
Sophie Cleverly: The Lost Twin (Book 1 Scarlet and Ivy)

A spine-tingling mystery set in a creepily atmospheric boarding school. Ivy must uncover the secrets behind her twin sister Scarlet's disappearance before it's too late. When troublesome Scarlet mysteriously disappears from Rookwood School, terrifying Miss Fox invites her quiet twin sister Ivy to 'take her place'. Ivy reluctantly agrees in the hopes of finding out what happened to her missing sister. For only at Rookwood will Ivy be able to unlock the secrets of Scarlet's disappearance, through a scattered trail of diary pages carefully hidden all over the school. Can Ivy solve the mystery before Miss Fox suspects? Or before an even greater danger presents itself?



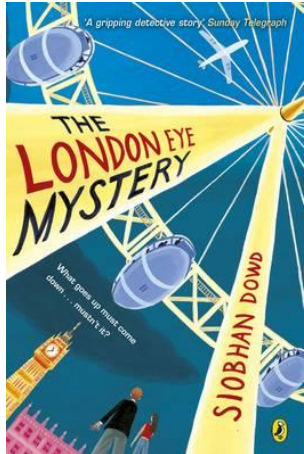
Arthur Conan Doyle: The Hound of the Baskervilles

Could the sudden death of Sir Charles Baskerville have been caused by a gigantic ghostly hound that is said to have haunted his family for generations? Arch-rationalist Sherlock Holmes characteristically dismisses the theory as nonsense, and sends Dr Watson to Devon to protect the Baskerville heir and observe the suspects at close hand.



Charles Dickens: The Signalman

The Signalman, a supremely atmospheric ghost story in which the narrator, while investigating a dark and lonely railway cutting, meets the signalman who works there. His new acquaintance appears to live under the shadow of an unbearable secret, haunted by an apparition whose appearance prefigures terrible rail accidents.



Siobhan Dowd: The London Eye Mystery

Salim gets on board the London Eye, but when it lands - no Salim. Where could he have gone? His cousins, Ted and Kat, turn detectives.



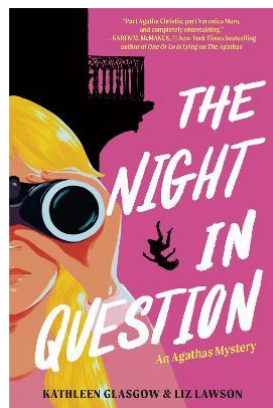
Helena Duggan: A Place called Perfect

Violet never wanted to move to Perfect. Who wants to live in a town where everyone has to wear glasses to stop them going blind? And who wants to be neat and tidy and perfectly behaved all the time? Violet quickly discovers there's something weird going on in town - she keeps hearing voices, her Mam is acting strange and her Dad has disappeared. When she meets Boy she realizes that her Dad is not the only person to have vanished...and that the mysterious Watchers are guarding a perfectly creepy secret!



Kathleen Glasgow: The Agathas

After falling from grace last summer, Agatha Christie-obsessed Alice Ogilvie needs to stay out of trouble. While smart and reclusive Iris Adams just wants to get out of Castle Cove. But now they have a murder to solve. There are clues the police are ignoring, a list of suspects a mile long and some very dangerous cliffs. Amateur detectives Alice and Iris are about to uncover just how many secrets their sleepy seaside town is hiding....



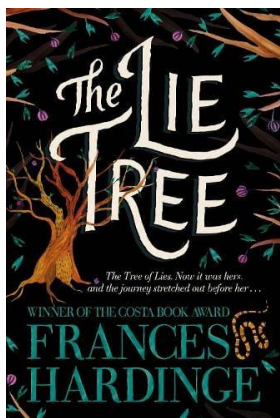
Kathleen Glasgow: The Night in Question (An Agathas Mystery)

It's not that Alice wants someone to die. It's just that things were a lot more interesting when she and Iris were investigating a murder. Two months after Alice and Iris solved the murder of Brooke Donovan, Steve Anderson has become a semi-celebrity; Iris Adams and Cole Fielding are almost dating; and Alice Ogilvie is bored out of her brain. Reluctantly attending the school dance at Levy Castle, Alice sneaks away from the party to do some snooping while Iris gets close to Cole. But when she pushes open the door to what was once Charles Levy's study, she quite literally falls onto her next case...



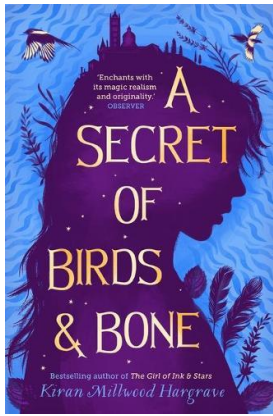
Ravena Guron: This book kills

When Hugh Henry Van Boren, one of the most popular and richest kids in Jess Choudhary's school, is found dead, the student body is left reeling and wondering who the murderer could be... Jess, a student under strict instructions to keep her record clean or risk losing her scholarship, finds herself at the centre of the investigation when it's revealed that Hugh died in the exact same way as a character in a short story she wrote. And then Jess receives an anonymous text thanking her for the inspiration.



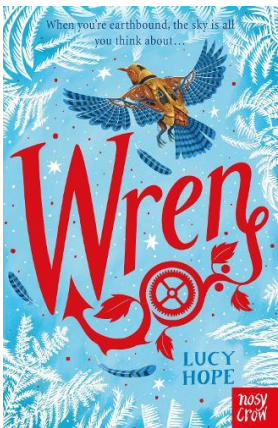
Frances Hardinge: The Lie Tree

Faith's father has been found dead under mysterious circumstances, and as she is searching through his belongings for clues she discovers a strange tree. The tree only grows healthy and bears fruit if you whisper a lie to it. The fruit of the tree, when eaten, will deliver a hidden truth to the person who consumes it. The bigger the lie, the more people who believe it, the bigger the truth that is uncovered.



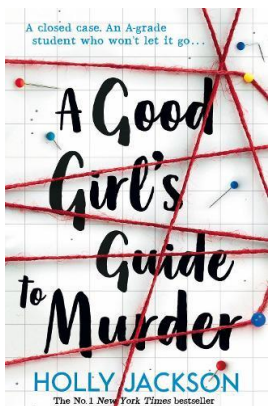
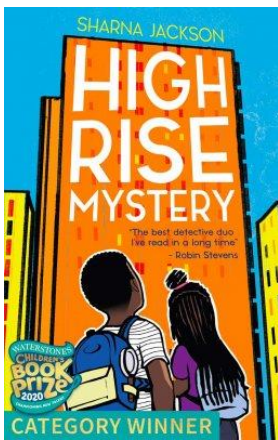
Kiran Millwood-Hargrave: A Secret of Birds & Bone

In an Italian city ravaged by plague, Sofia's mother carves beautiful mementoes from the bones of loved ones. But one day, she doesn't return home. Did her work lead her into danger? Sofia and her little brother Ermin are sent to the convent orphanage but soon escape, led by an enigmatic new friend and their pet crow, Corvith. Together they cross the city underground, following clues in bones up to the towers of Siena, where - circled by magpies - the children find the terrible truth...



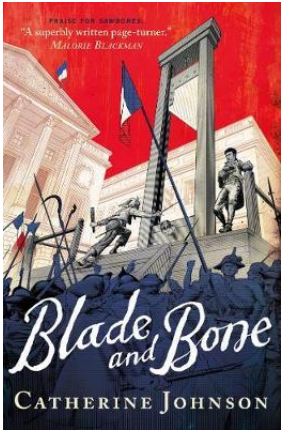
Lucy Hope: Wren

A dark, gothic adventure set on the island of Anglesey in North Wales and featuring a very fantastical beast ... Wren lives in an ancient castle in the mountains near the sea. The wind whistles through it and the walls sing to her. Wren is busy inventing things, and her father is busy disapproving. But the castle contains a mystery and as Wren is drawn further into it, she realises the answer lies in the very foundations of her home, foundations that are being shaken to their core...



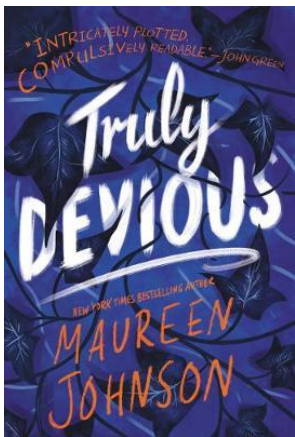
Holly Jackson: A Good Girl's Guide to Murder

The case is closed. Five years ago, schoolgirl Andie Bell was murdered by Sal Singh. The police know he did it. Everyone in town knows he did it. But having grown up in the same small town that was consumed by the crime, Pippa Fitz-Amobi isn't so sure. When she chooses the case as the topic for her final project, she starts to uncover secrets that someone in town desperately wants to stay hidden. And if the real killer is still out there, how far will they go to keep Pip from the truth . . .



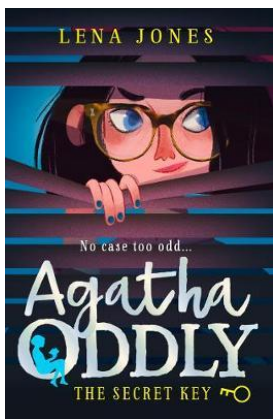
Catherine Johnson: Blade and Bone

Young surgeon Ezra McAdam must hasten to Paris to rescue his friend Loveday Finch and her charge Mahmoud, the Ottoman prince, who have been caught up in the Revolution. On the way, Ezra experiences the war first hand on the battlefields of Northern France where his surgical skills are in great demand. Meanwhile in Paris, the guillotine is busy, and the medical world is finding the surfeit of bodies useful to its research into the seat of life.



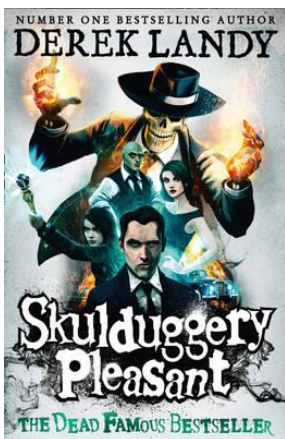
Maureen Johnson: Truly Devious (Book 1 Truly Devious)

Ellingham Academy is a famous private school in Vermont, founded by an early twentieth century tycoon for the best and brightest students around. When Ellingham's wife and daughter were kidnapped, the only clue was a mocking riddle listing methods of murder, signed with a frightening pseudonym "Truly Devious". Their disappearance became one of the great unsolved crimes in history.



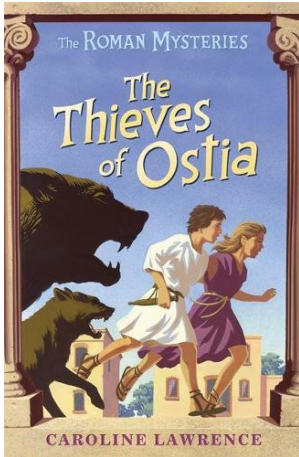
Lena Jones: The Secret Key (Book 1 of the Agatha Oddly Series)

Agatha Oddlow has been a detective for as long as she can remember - she's just been waiting for her first big case. And nothing gets bigger than saving the city of London from some strange goings on. With a home in the middle of Hyde Park, a room full of beloved sleuthing novels and a secret key that gives her access to a whole hidden side of London, Agatha is perfectly poised to solve this mystery. But just who can she trust when no one is quite who they seem....



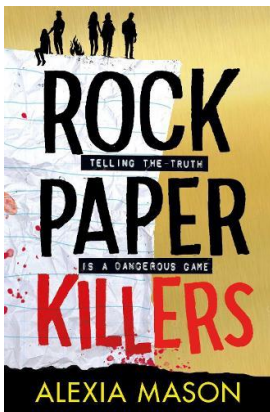
Derek Landy: Skulduggery Pleasant (Book 1 of 15)

Meet the great Skulduggery Pleasant: wise-cracking detective, powerful magician, master of dirty tricks and burglary (in the name of the greater good, of course). When all hell breaks loose, it's lucky for Skulduggery that he's already dead. Will evil win the day?



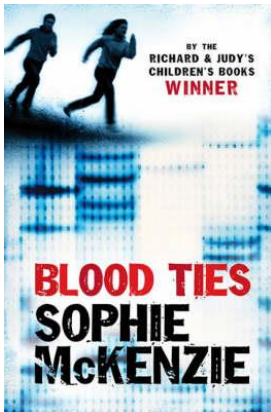
Caroline Lawrence: The Thieves of Ostia

The first in Caroline Lawrence's Roman Mysteries series. Flavia Gemina is a natural at solving mysteries. The daughter of a ship's captain living in Ostia, the part of Rome, in AD79, she and her three friends, Jonathan, a Jewish boy; Nubia, an African slave girl; and Lupus, a mute beggar boy, must work together to discover who is beheading the watchdogs that guard people's homes, and why.



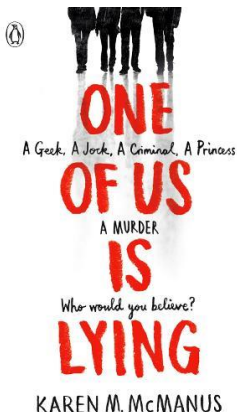
Alexia Mason: Rock, Paper, Killers

When five Dublin teenagers arrive at a rural coastal college to cram for their final exams, their most pressing concern is the prospect of a month with no partying. Little do they know that one of them will never make it back home...



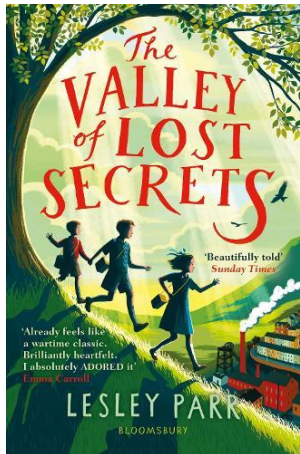
Sophie McKenzie: Blood Ties

When Theo discovers the father he thought died when he was a baby is still alive, he's determined to find him. The clues lead him to lonely Rachel, who has problems of her own, including parents who compare her unfavourably to her long-dead sister. But when Rachel and Theo are attacked by men from RAGE - the Righteous Army against Genetic Engineering - they are rescued by strangers and taken to meet a mysterious figure who leads them to make startling discoveries about their identities, which will affect their past, present, and future in dramatic and life-altering ways...



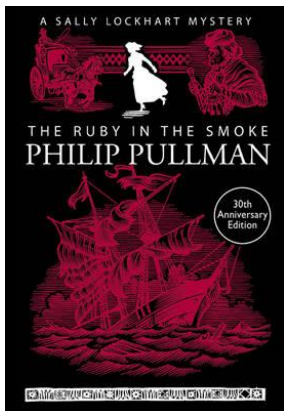
Karen M. McManus: One of us is lying

Five students go to detention. Only four leave alive. Yale hopeful Bronwyn has never publicly broken a rule. Sports star Cooper only knows what he's doing in the baseball diamond. Bad body Nate is one misstep away from a life of crime. Prom queen Addy is holding together the cracks in her perfect life. And outsider Simon, creator of the notorious gossip app at Bayview High, won't ever talk about any of them again. He dies 24 hours before he could post their deepest secrets online. Investigators conclude it's no accident. All of them are suspects. Everyone has secrets, right?



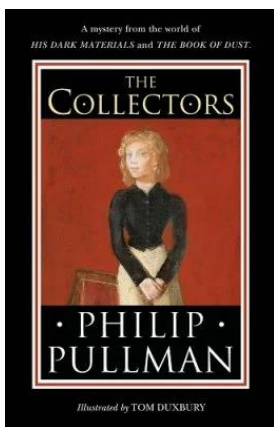
Lesley Parr: The Valley of Lost Secrets

When Jimmy is evacuated to a small village in Wales, it couldn't be more different from London. Green, quiet and full of strangers, he instantly feels out of place. But then he finds a skull hidden in a tree, and suddenly the valley is more frightening than the war. Who can Jimmy trust? His brother is too little; his best friend has changed. Finding an ally in someone he never expects, they set out together to uncover the secrets that lie with the skull. What they discover will change Jimmy - and the village - forever. A mesmerising mystery about bravery and brotherhood from an outstanding new voice.



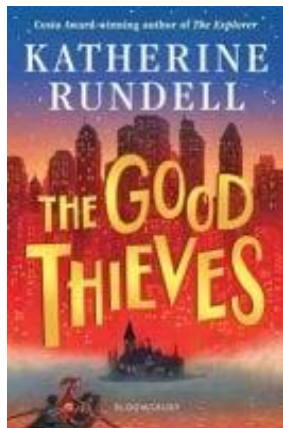
Philip Pullman: The Ruby in the Smoke (Book 1: The Sally Lockhart Quartet)

Sally Lockhart's father drowns at sea, she receives an anonymous letter. The dire warning it contains makes a man die of fear at her feet. What will happen next?



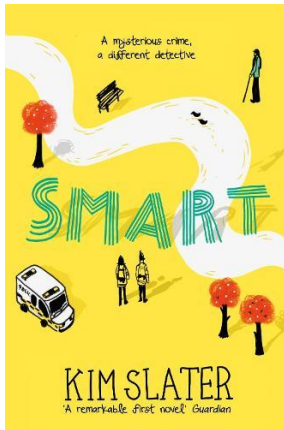
Philip Pullman: The Collectors

Filled with the magic of Pullman's assured pen, this glorious new tale set in the universe of His Dark Materials sees an art-collecting Oxford academic acquire two imposing paintings which turn out to be connected in mysterious and improbable ways.



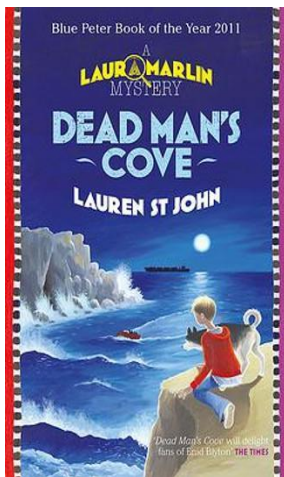
Katherine Rundell: The Good Thieves

Fresh off the boat from England, Vita Marlowe has a job to do. Her beloved grandfather Jack has been cheated out of his home and possessions by a notorious conman with Mafia connections. Seeing Jack's spirit is broken, Vita is desperate to make him happy again, so she devises a plan to outwit his enemies and recover his home. She finds a young pickpocket, working the streets of the city. And, nearby, two boys with highly unusual skills and secrets of their own are about to be pulled into her lawless, death-defying plan.



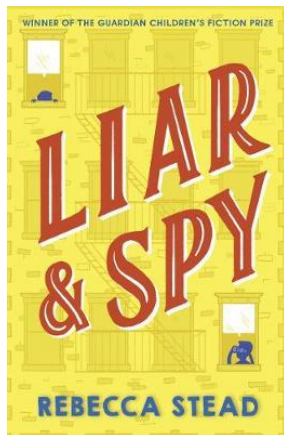
Kim Slater: Smart

There's been a murder, but the police don't care. It was only a homeless old man after all. Kieran cares. But being a detective is difficult when you're Kieran Woods.



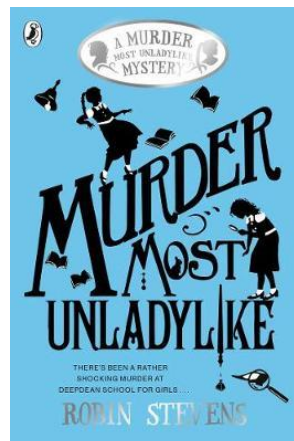
Lauren St John: Dead Man's Cove

The first book in a gripping adventure series about eleven year old ace detective, Laura Marlin. When orphaned Laura moves from a children's home to live with her Uncle in Cornwall, she longs for a life of excitement just like the characters in her favourite detective novels.



Rebecca Stead: Liar & Spy

When Georges moves into a new apartment block he meets Safer, a twelve-year-old self-appointed spy. Soon Georges has become his spy recruit. His first assignment? To track the mysterious Mr X, who lives in the flat upstairs. But as Safer becomes more demanding, Georges starts to wonder: what is a game and what is a lie? How far is too far to go for your only friend?



Robin Stevens: Murder most Unladylike (Book 1 of 10)

When Daisy Wells and Hazel Wong set up their very own secret detective agency at Deepdean School for Girls, they struggle to find any truly exciting mysteries to investigate. The Hazel discovers the Science Mistress, Miss Bell, lying dead in the Gym.



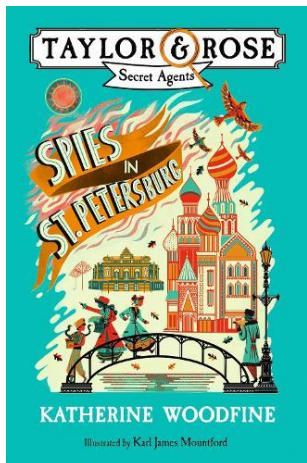
Jonathan Stroud: The Screaming Staircase (Lockwood & Co)

The dead are back to haunt the living. Evil spirits crowd the streets after dark. Are you in danger of being ghos-touched? With ghostly criminal cases on the rise, psychic investigations agents are in demand as never before. The smallest, most ramshackle - but arguably the best - of these agencies is Lockwood & Co. Meeting the dashing, scatty Anthony Lockwood; his loyal, book-loving deputy George Cubbins; and their newest agent, brave Lucy Carlyle.



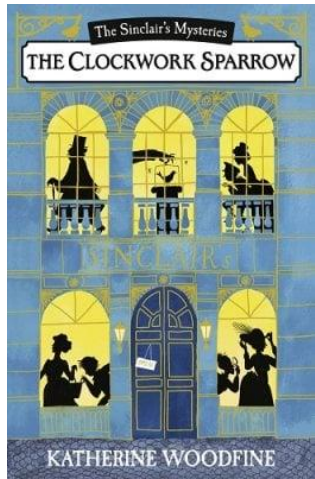
Thomas Taylor: Malamander

Who will uncover the secret of The Malamander? In the basement of the Grand Nautilus Hotel, a mysterious girl crashes into Herbie Lemon's room and cries, "Hide me!". In the window of the Eerie Book Dispensary, a mechanical mermonkey sits and waits. And out beyond the pier, something stirs. Could the legendary Malamander have returned?333712034



Katherine Woodfine: Spies in St. Petersburg (Taylor & Rose Secret Agents)

With Sophie still missing in action after their explosive mission in Paris, Lil decides to take matters into her own hands. On a new mission for the Secret Service Bureau, can Lil find Sophie in misty, mysterious St Petersburg?



Katherine Woodfine: The Clockwork Sparrow

Enter a world of bonbons, hats, perfumes and MYSTERIES around every corner. WONDER at the daring theft of the priceless CLOCKWORK SPARROW! TREMBLE as the most DASTARDLY criminals in London enact their wicked plans! GASP as our bold heroines, Miss Sophie Taylor and Miss Lilian Rose, CRACK CODES, DEVOUR ICED BUNS and vow to bring the villains to justice...

