

## LoveReading4kids Reader reviews of Mountwood School For Ghosts by Toby Ibbotson

Below are the complete reviews, written by LoveReading4kids members.

**Lola Thurston-Mathews, age 8**

*This was an awesome book. It was very descriptive and I found it funny, exciting and gruesome ! I would recommend it to anyone who likes ghost stories though maybe for a slightly older reader.*

*The book was about three great haggas called Fredegonda, Goneril and Drusilla, who decide to run a school for ghosts to teach them to be better at scaring. It is also about a boy and girl, Daniel and Charlotte who are in danger of having their street destroyed and their attempts to save it with the ghosts helping.*

*I especially liked the disgusting parts and when the ghosts played tricks. I also liked it when a ghost called Percy got lost and ended up meeting Daniel and Charlotte. I really enjoyed the ending because everyone was happy. The characters were described really well and helped me get to know them. It was an awesome book and was exciting, funny and gruesome!*

*I think it would be better for a slightly older reader as I didn't understand quite a few of the words.*

**Rachel Ilsley, age 10**

*Three great Haggas: Fredegona, Goneril and Drusilla decide to start up a school for ghosts in an old castle. They do this because no-one has been scared for years.*



*Meanwhile, Daniel and Charlotte, two friends who live on Markham Street have their own troubles.*

*Fredegona, Goneril and Drusilla are three old, strange but funny characters.*

*Daniel is a quiet thoughtful character, who I liked reading about.*

***This book was very funny and I couldn't put it down. This is a cleverly thought up story which I thoroughly enjoyed.***

**Daisy Pritchard-Williams, age 10**

*'Mountwood School for Ghosts' is about three haggis' who decide to open a school, a road is to be built on the other side of the city and the ghosts are asked to help.*

***I really liked 'Mountwood School for Ghosts' because it was funny, a bit scary and adventurous.***

*My favourite character was Percy the ghost. I really liked the way that there were two sides to the story and in the end they joined together. Some bits of the book were a bit confusing but in the end they made sense.*

*My favourite part of the story was when all of the creatures from when Percy stamped his foot, (because he's a Hell Stamper) came out of the earth and Medusa turned Jack Buffet into stone.*

**Lucas, age 9**

***An excellent book! I would highly recommend this book to people who like warlock and phantom stories.***

*A tale of hollow spirits, gorgeous ghosts, spooks beyond your wildest dreams, child hell stampers and where good does not always prevail.*

**Leoni Williams age 9**

***Well I did enjoy this book a little bit but mum says maybe bit was a bit old for me because I got lost alot and mum had to explain to me what was going on.***

*I thought it was going to be like 'Monster High' which I really like. That's a school for ghosts too but it wasn't really like that. But it was still good. I liked the ghost school and the old hags even though they were a bit scary. And my*

*favourite ghost was the little boy ghost. He gets lost when him and his parents are going to the ghost school and these two children Charlotte and Daniel help him find his way back. I liked that they weren't scared of him at all. I'd probably be a bit scared if a ghost came in my bedroom.*

*In the school the hags are teaching the ghosts how to scare properly. Like grow boils on their faces and scream. And there's this one ghost who's really really smelly. He makes creatures die if they're near him. That was quite funny.*

*Then in the end the ghosts help the children save their houses from a man who wants to knock them all down (that was the part I didn't really understand)*

*So I did sort of enjoy the book I just needed a bit of help.*

**Daniel Aconley, age 11**

***A very descriptive story showing a different side to ghosts.***

*Although an interesting story, it may be more suited to a younger person. I would have liked it to have been more scary and the big long build up led to a disappointing end.*

**Brodie Greenslade, age 8**

***A story of ghosts and humans working together to save their homes. Slow paced but funny in parts.***

*'Mountwood School for Ghosts' is a story about a boy named Daniel and a girl called Charlotte who find out that some Great Haggas are running a school for ghosts.*

*Daniel and Charlotte feel that nothing interesting ever happens to them but when businessman Jack Bluffit wants to knock down their homes and the park too they go to seek help from the ghosts. The ghosts are happy to help but the Haggas take more convincing.*

*Will humans and ghosts be able to work together to avoid disaster?*

*I quite enjoyed Mountwood School for Ghosts. There were some funny parts like when a policeman was blown up like a balloon and rolled away naked, and I like the ghost theme but I would have liked there to be more action as I found it a bit slow – it didn't feel to me like all that much happened.*

**Sophie Bridges, age 11**

***I think this book is very suitable for my age and I think other children reading this book will really enjoy it and the adventures are good and there are some good ideas. As the school for ghosts gets scarier by the second.***

**Jasmine Harris-Hart, age 12** - *A funny story about three great Hags who believe that ghosts these days have gone sappy and are no longer scary.*

*Goneril, Fredogonda and Drusilla decide to start a school for ghosts because they think that ghosts today aren't scary enough. They need to find the perfect location for the school and that proves to be difficult as one place they looked at was next to a cinema playing horror films! Eventually they find a place far enough away from people and begin to teach ghosts how to haunt and scare. When Percy (the child ghost) gets left behind at the bus stop after being pushed out of the way by the other ghosts, he is found in Daniels house wall crying.*

*Daniel and his friend Charlotte return Percy to Mountwood and soon afterwards are returning for help themselves.....*

***The story is about how the ghosts and humans work together. It is a funny and exciting story. It is written in three parts and I liked the layout of the book. I really enjoyed reading this book and I read it to my dog! I think it is suitable for ages 8+***