Lovereading4kids Reader reviews of The Odd Squad: Bully Bait by Michael Fry

Below are the complete reviews, written by Lovereading4kids members.

Blake Bussey age 9 - St Paul's CE Primary School

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I liked this book a lot and I thought there was a good connection with Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets. Both books are mysterious and have strange happenings going on: the ghost of Emily in the Odd Squad reminded me of the voices in the walls in Harry Potter.

I liked the graphics, which made the story of an ordinary kid, with attitude, into something very clever. The story ended in the way I predicted, but you'll have to read it to find that out for yourself.

I liked the book for lots of reasons: I liked the attitude of the characters and the way they don't get along but deep down they do really like each other. I thought it was hilarious when Nick had his disguise on and shouted out: "Hey Becky it's me, Max!" It's not quite the approach I expected when he's trying to make an impression on Becky. I liked the idea of Zombie Butt and Log Legs and I liked Memaw because she wasn't a typical grandma. My grandma doesn't go around hypnotising dogs to get them to stop farting! All in all I really liked this book because Nick reminded me of a typical schoolboy.
Alice East, age 9

*If you like Tom Gates and ‘Diary of a Wimpy Kid’ style books you will love this book. It’s a hilarious book about a small boy who gets stuffed into a locker and his two funny friends!*

They join forces to beat the school bullies who are being annoying every day. The other children in the school think the odd squad are a bit weird but are happy that they fight against the bullies.

The language was simple which made this a quick book to read.

*I laughed out loud all the way through.*

It’s definitely a good book to read if you like books that make you laugh.

Chloe Pickering, age 10

*I found this book hilariously funny as it conjured up the story in my mind.*

This book is a hilarious tale about three kids. Three very different kids who have one thing in common, they are all being bullied. This story tells the brilliant tale of Nick, Molly and Karl and their aim to defeat Bully Boy Roy but on the way they find out some interesting things about the bully. Should they defeat him or forgive him?

*I liked the text because it was funny and interesting. I had not read a text by this author before but would definitely read another.*

Katie Johnson, age 10

As I have enjoyed the ‘Diary of A Wimpy Kid’ Series, this was a good book for me.

*It was utterly hilarious and kept me turning the page to find out what happened next; I was constantly on the edge of my seat.*

Although it was very funny, it still conveyed the serious topic of not bullying and not retaliating to other people’s actions.

*I would highly recommend this book for Diary of a Wimpy Kid lovers. 10/10!*
Sam Harper, age 10

This is a fantastically funny book which made me laugh out loud. I loved the comic-strip illustrations, especially the flow chart of lies, and I really can't wait for the next in the series.

‘The Odd Squad - Bully Bait’ is absolutely hilarious! Nick, Molly and Karl are three friends who are all picked on by the school bully, Roy. Roy thinks it's funny to shove little Nick into his school locker, tie tall Molly's shoe laces together and hang weird Karl up on a coat hook by his embarrassing underpants. But the three friends have had enough. They get together as The Odd Squad and operation Bully Bait is launched. Their mission, to find Roy's weak spot. They put him under surveillance, crawl through a heating vent to spy on his school records and eventually capture a very important pig but will it be enough to stop Bully-Boy Roy?

This is a fantastically funny book which made me laugh out loud. I loved the comic-strip illustrations, especially the flow chart of how one small lie leads to another bigger lie until you end up wishing you were dead (or hadn't lied in the first place!). I had wanted to read this book for ages and it didn't let me down. I really can't wait for the next in the series.

Traviss Chaytors Age 10

Brilliant, brilliant, brilliant... you will want to read more!

‘The Odd Squad Bully Bait’ is one of the best books I’ve done a review on as it’s filled with comedy and laughter, ‘From not wanting to be shoved in a locker to wanting to be shoved in a locker!’. My favourite part is when the main character tells a joke and his friends start to laugh then one of them says ‘I don’t get it!’

I would recommend this book to absolutely anybody as there are many different varieties of jokes and laughter. I will definitely be reading more of Michaels books.

Rory Faulkner, age 9

I found Michael Fry’s book ‘The Odd Squad’ very amusing. Michael Fry is a brilliant writer. The Odd Squad is a gang of friends made up by Molly, Karl, Nick and a group of naughty children who have been made to work as a safety patrol. My favourite part of the book is when Nick pretends to be Max and it
failed, badly! I found the book a very easy read as it was so funny, I can't wait to read more by Michael Fry!