

Key Dates

Term One

Back to School



1. Colour Monster Goes to School, The (Anna Llenas)

RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Follow The Colour Monster on a brand new adventure, as he navigates his way through his first day at school! Anna Llenas's popular Colour Monster is back, and this time he's heading off to school! But what exactly is school? A spooky castle filled with terrifying animals? A place in the sky, amongst the rainbows and clouds? From music lessons, to lunchtime, to making new friends, the Colour Monster's first day of school is filled with exciting new adventures. **Categories: First Experiences-Starting School**



2. Crayons Go Back to School, The (Drew Daywalt | Oliver Jeffers)

RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

The hilarious crayons from the #1 New York Times bestseller *The Day the Crayons Quit* are ready to go back to school! The crayons are getting ready to go back to school and each crayon has a subject they're looking forward to the most. They're also ready to meet new friends and let loose during their very favourite time of day . . . art class. A hilarious back-to-school story featuring everyone's favourite school supplies! **Categories: Starting School-Humour**



3. How to Start School in 6 Easy Steps (Dhana Fox | James Hart)

RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

'My name's Rosie. I'm five and a quarter years old. Do you want to be my lunch buddy?' Rosie's book says starting school is easy: there are six steps to follow. But it's not as easy as she thinks! **Categories: Starting School-Anxiety-Stress-Humour**



4. Little Nic's Big Day (Nic Naitanui | Fatima Anaya)

RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Wake up, little Nic. It's your very first day! Your school clothes are ready. Let's get on our way. *Mum, I'm not sure. I'm a little bit wary.*

Will I make friends? Will it be scary?

Nic is nervous about his first day ... but with the help of his mum and a whole class of new friends, it might just be the best day ever.. **Categories: Multicultural-Acceptance-Starting School-Diversity**



5. Ready, Set, Big School (Jan Stradling | Jedda Robaard)

RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$18.39

Maurice is getting ready to start big school. He's excited and a bit nervous too. His friends are here to take this step with him, to make new friends and begin their learning adventure together.

The Play School Mindfully Me series helps children and their carers tackle life's challenges together - big or small. **Categories: Starting School**



6. Surprise at the End of Onkaparinga Lane (Rhiann Williams | Martina Heiduczek)

RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$25.20

Today is a very special day, one that Joe will never forget. He is so excited to share it with all his friends in the street. But as he makes his way to school for his very first day, not one of his neighbours is home. Have they all forgotten?

But a surprise is waiting for Joe at the end of Onkaparinga Lane! **Categories: Starting School-Community-Surprise-Celebration**



7. Starting School (Jane Godwin | Anna Walker)

RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Tim, Hannah, Sunita, Joe and Polly are all off to school for the first time. Would you like to meet them and see how they go? There are new friends to make, fun ways to learn, and lots of different things to discover. **Categories: Starting School**



8. Starting School List, The (Kitty Black | Cate James)

RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

It's Little Brother's first day at school tomorrow. Luckily, Big Brother knows what that feels like. And what's more, he has a list of what to expect ...

You'll learn where the loos are, and all about bugs.

You'll learn a sad friend could do with a hug.

You'll learn the best spot for sand that is slushy.

You'll learn that tomato makes sandwiches mushy.

Whether you're feeling scared or excited, brave or shy, The Starting School List is the perfect book for your grandest adventure yet. **Categories: Starting School-Feeling/Emotions-Rhyming Text-Siblings**

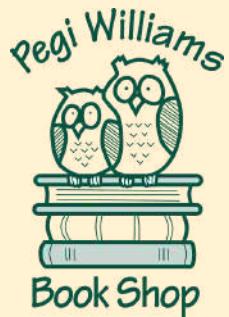
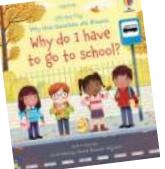


9. Why Do I Have to Go to School?

RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

(Katie Daynes | Marta Alvarez Miguens)

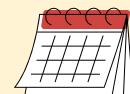
A very useful tool for any child starting school - and their grown-ups too. From forming friendships to learning new skills, join a lively bunch of kids as they discover what school is really about and how to make the most of it. With delightful illustrations, inventive flaps and gentle humour, this book will help boost confidence and calm any back-to-school nerves. **Categories: School**



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Key Dates for Term One

Back to School

22 Jan - 8 Feb

Lunar New Year

10 February

Library Lovers' Day

14 February

CBCA Notables Announced

27 February

International Women's Day

8 March

CBCA Shortlist Announced

19 March

Harmony Day

21 March

Easter

29 Mar-1 Apr

ANZAC Day

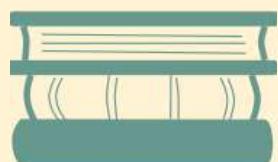
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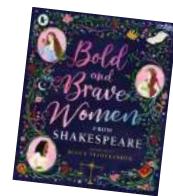
International Women's Day – 8th March



10. Amazing Australian Women (Pamela Freeman | Sophie Beer)

RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$24.30

Meet twelve amazing Australian women who have changed the world, in small ways and large. Some of them are world famous, like Annette Kellerman and Nellie Melba. Some of them are famous in Australia, like Mary Reibey and Edith Cowan. All of them deserve to be famous and admired. These women are the warriors who paved the way for the artists, business owners, scientists, singers, politicians, actors, sports champions, adventurers, activists and innovators of Australia today. **Categories: Australian History-Famous-Women**



11. Bold and Brave Women from Shakespeare

RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

(Shakespeare Birthplace Trust)

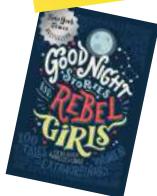
Discover the fascinating stories of the bold and brave women in Shakespeare's plays. Stories of twelve of Shakespeare's courageous, strong-willed and determined characters, including Viola, Cleopatra, Portia, Lady Macbeth and Margaret of Anjou, are brought to life with Becca Stadtlander's rich and evocative illustrations. Celebrate these incredible women with this beautiful gift book, the perfect way to get children fascinated by Shakespeare and inspired by his work. **Categories: Shakespeare-Women**



12. Girls Can Fly (Sally Morgan | Ambelin Kwaymullina)

RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

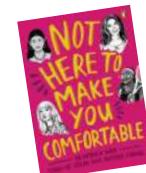
Girls Can Fly is an inspirational, young teen book from award-winning Aboriginal writer and artist Sally Morgan and her equally talented daughter Ambelin. Together they have written short, poignant sayings full of advice that comes from their life experiences. Mother and daughter have written a beautiful, thoughtful and inspiring book. **Categories: Aboriginal Studies**



13. Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls (Elena Favilli)

RRP \$45.99 | School Price \$41.40

The New York Times bestselling *Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls* is packed with 100 bedtime stories about the lives of extraordinary women from the past and the present, illustrated by 60 female artists from all over the world. This must-have volume brings readers on an empowering journey, introducing them to the real-life adventures of trailblazing women from Elizabeth I to Malala Yousafzai. The unique narrative style of *Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls* transforms each biography into a fairytale, filling readers with wonder and a burning curiosity to know more about each hero. **Categories: Famous People-Inspirational-Women-Famous Women**



14. Not Here to Make You Comfortable: 50 Women Who Stand Up

RRP \$22.99 | School Price 20.70

Here are fifty times a woman did something brave. Something disruptive. Something exceptional. We saw them. And we were inspired to be more confident and maybe a little bold. It's time to stop saying yes all the time. It's time to stop apologising all the time. It's time to stop avoiding conflict all the time. It's time to be true to our emotions, whatever they are. We're not here to make you comfortable. We're here to celebrate being ourselves. **Categories: Inspiration-Courage-Change-Activism**



15. Super Sporty Girls (Compilation)

RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Celebrating eighteen Aussie teams and sportswomen who are kicking goals, smashing records and playing with passion. These formidable athletes are inspiring the next generation to get active and be a team player. Kick goals, challenge yourself and play with passion. Be inspired by these formidable Australian sportswomen who are fierce athletes and also the champions of having fun.

Categories: Sport-Famous Women



16. Teen Trailblazers: 30 Fearless Girls (Jennifer Calvert | Vesna Asanovic)

RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$27.00

Changing the world may sound like an impossible task. It's the kind of thing only political leaders, business innovators, and celebrities can do, right? But what if that's not true? Just look to these change-making girls who used their voices, their strengths, and their courage to forge new paths to a better future, all before their 20th birthdays. *Teen Trailblazers* tells the stories of 30 awe-inspiring young women, from historical groundbreakers like Cleopatra, Joan of Arc, and Anne Frank; to history's quiet heroines, like Sybil Ludington, who warned troops that the British were coming; and Claudette Colvin, who inspired Rosa Parks; to today's powerful voices of social justice like Jazz Jennings and Emma González. **Categories: Biography-Achievement-Famous People-Famous Women-Pioneers-People and Places**



17. This Girl Built That (Emma Wallace)

RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

In *This Girl Built That*, let's learn about the many jobs that girls can do on a construction site! Construction sites are colourful and curious places to work. There's engineers, glaziers, scaffolders and concreters all working together as a team to build our hospitals, hotels and homes. **Categories: Construction-Building-Engineering-Women**



18. Votes for Women! The Story of Nellie, Rose and Mary (Mark Wilson)

RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$24.30

From award-winning author and illustrator Mark Wilson, a stirring story of the women who first won the right to vote in Australia - inspired by real people and historical events. In 1890, Rose Birks and her stepdaughter, Nellie, two strong-willed and determined women, began writing letters and attending meetings to help improve the lives of women and children in their home city of Adelaide. They soon found themselves part of a movement that would change the lives of women everywhere. Through their friendship with the famous female suffragist Mary Lee, they petitioned politicians and lawmakers - and in 1896 they became the first women in Australia to vote in an election. *Votes for Women!* tells their story. **Categories: Australian History-South Australian History-Suffragette Movement-Women's Rights**



19. Kylie Minogue (Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara)

RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Little Kylie grew up with her parents and her sister, Dannii, in Melbourne, Australia. She loved singing and dancing in her room, but she felt shy in front of other people. Her confidence and courage grew as she watched her sister perform, so she auditioned for a role in a TV show... and she got it! From there, she moved on to a role in Neighbours and became a star all over the world. Kylie never forgot her childhood love for music, so when the chance came to record her own records, she grabbed it with both hands. Today, she is one of the most-loved artists ever; a chameleon who has dazzled her fans for decades. **Categories: Famous People-Music-Entertainment**

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Easter – 29th March–1st April



20. Aussie Easter Hat Parade (Colin Buchanan | Simon Williams)

RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$17.10

Hey! Ho! What a show! Look at what we've made! As we go marching round and round. In the Easter Hat Parade! Join the Aussie animals as they create amazing hats for their very first Easter parade. **Categories: Easter**

21. Easter Bunny's Secret Diary (Adam Wallace | Shane McGowan)

RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$17.10

Easter Bunny has a diary. But sshh! It's a secret diary! Read all about the mishaps leading up to Easter, from foil-wrapping disasters to falling into vats of melted chocolate! How will Easter Bunny get it all ready in time for Easter?! Take a peek into his Top Secret diary and find out ... **Categories: Easter-Humour-Calamity**

22. Easter Countdown (Roger Hargreaves)

RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

Join in the Easter fun with the MR.MEN and LITTLE MISS!

There are lots of things to COUNT AND SEE, including bouncing bunnies, cheeping chicks and leaping lambs, but it wouldn't be Easter without an EGGSTRAORDINARY Easter egg hunt!

A FUN-FILLED, rhyming story, celebrating the joys of spring! **Categories: Easter**

23. Easter Story, The (Russell Punter | John Joven)

RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.70

This charmingly illustrated picture book sensitively tells the dramatic events of the Easter story for young readers. When Jesus rides into Jerusalem he is welcomed by cheering crowds. But soon the temple priests are plotting against him... A lovely book to read together around Easter or for new readers to enjoy alone. **Categories: Easter-Religion-Christianity**

24. Great Big Aussie Easter Egg Hunt, The (Colin Buchanan | John Joven)

RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$17.10

It's Easter time in Australia, mate, and we're searching high and low. It's the great big Aussie Easter egg hunt ... Get ready, get set, and go! Journey with lots of Aussie animals through iconic Australian landmarks and landscapes in this fun tale about a great big Aussie Easter egg hunt. Can you spot the bilby as it hides the Easter eggs? **Categories: Easter-Look and Find**

25. Happy Easter from the Crayons (Drew Daywalt | Oliver Jeffers)

RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Celebrate Easter with this hilarious adventure starring the crayons from the #1 New York Times bestseller *The Day the Crayons Quit!*

Easter is the perfect holiday for crayons! They get to learn new shapes and decorate one giant egg together... but where will they hide it?! Blue Crayon has some ideas... **Categories: Easter-Humour**

26. Hatch and Match (Ruth Paul)

RRP \$25.99 | School Price \$23.40

Cluck, cluck, cluck. Scritch and scratch. Chickens look for eggs that match.

Help the chickens look for their eggs – quickly before they hatch into chicks! There's lots to find. Some with spots, stripes and even zigzags. **Categories: Rhyming Text-Maths-Patterns-Counting-Easter**

27. I am NOT the Easter Bunny (Saskia Gwinn | Matt Robertson)

RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

THIS Easter bunny looks a little bit funny. IN FACT, he looks a little bit like . . . A DINOSAUR. He has claws, and sharp teeth and seems pretty scary. Could he REALLY be the Easter bunny?!

Hilarious, anarchic and with hugely fun details to spot, this is the perfect book for parents looking for an EGGencredible Easter gift – with added dinosaurs! **Categories: Easter-Dinosaurs**

28. Is this... Easter? (Helen Yoon)

RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Look, an egg! An egg left by a bunny! What does that mean? It means it's time to celebrate . . . Easter! Or is it time to celebrate breakfast? In Helen Yoon's scenario, a difference of opinion arises between excitable pups, and the egg bearer (and ultimate squabble settler) is, naturally, an enormous, Zen-like bear wearing tiny bunny ears. As the bear demonstrates, whether it's decorating eggs or eating them, Easter is kind of . . . delicious! Helen Yoon's fresh and hilarious take on the Easter holiday—part of a quirky new series of picture books—is a delightful blend of bumbling affection and slack-jawed wonder. **Categories: Easter**

29. Paddington's Easter Egg Hunt (Michael Bond)

RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Paddington is excited to be organising an Easter egg hunt for his neighbours. But, from finding empty supermarket shelves, to buying a box of broken Easter eggs, Paddington wonders if the hunt can ever go ahead. That is, until Mr Gruber's book on Roman mosaics and some sticky marmalade give him a brilliant idea . . . **Categories: Easter-Humour**



ANZAC Day – 25th April

30. Alfred's War (Rachel Bin Sallah | Samantha Fry)

Alfred's War is a powerful story that unmasks the lack of recognition given to Australian Indigenous servicemen who returned from the WWI battlelines. Alfred was just a young man when he was injured and shipped home from France. Neither honoured as a returned soldier or offered government support afforded to non-Indigenous servicemen, Alfred took up a solitary life walking the back roads – billy tied to his swag, finding work where he could. Alfred was a forgotten soldier. Although he had fought bravely in the Great War, as an Aboriginal man he wasn't classed as a citizen of his own country. Yet Alfred always remembered his friends in the trenches and the mateship they had shared. **Categories: Aboriginal Studies-War-Remembrance Day-Courage-Sacrifice-Anzac Day**

31. The ANZACS (Puffin Little Historians)

RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.70

Just because we're LITTLE doesn't mean we can't learn BIG facts. Have you ever wondered how the ANZACs got their name? If you're a Little Historian who wants to learn about the ANZACs, you're about to MARCH INTO THE PAST with Puffin Little!. **Categories: War-World War 1-Anzac Day-Australian History**

32. ANZAC Biscuits: Special Edition (Phil Cummings | Owen Swan)

RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$24.30

Rachel's in the kitchen, warm and safe. Her father's in the trenches, cold and afraid ... When Rachel makes biscuits for her father, she adds the love, warmth and hope that he needs. This is a touching story of a family torn apart by war but brought together through the powerful simplicity of Anzac Biscuits. **Categories: Anzac Day-Australian History-War**

33. ANZAC Day (Jane Pfeiffer)

RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

On April 25 every year Anzac Day is marked with a public holiday. It is a day when people remember all the men and women who have served in the armed forces. Anzac Day also reminds us of our hope for the people of the world to live in peace. Australians celebrate or commemorate a number of special days throughout the year. These special days give us the chance to reflect on the past appreciate our lives and look to the future together. **Categories: Anzac Day-War-Remembrance Day**

34. ANZAC Animals (Maria Gill | Marco Ivancic)

RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$24.30

Who knew our soldiers had such a variety of animal companions in the two world wars? Apart from the 'beasts of burden' that one might expect, such as horses, mules, donkeys and camels, many battalions had mascots as well: kangaroos, monkeys, dogs, chickens, tortoises, cats, all of whom provided comfort, companionship and a welcome distraction from the war. **Categories: Animal Stories-Dogs-True Stories-War Stories-Anzac Day**

35. Great Gallipoli Escape, The (Jackie French)

RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Sixteen-year-old Nipper and his Gallipoli mates are starving, freezing and ill-equipped. By November 1915 they know that that there is more to winning a war than courage. . Nipper has played cricket with the Turks in the opposing dugout, dodged rocket fire and rescued drowning, freezing men. He is one of the few trusted with the secret kept from even most of the officers: how an entire army will vanish from the Peninsula over three impeccably planned nights. Based on first-hand accounts of those extraordinary last weeks of the Gallipoli campaign, this is the fascinating 'lost story' of how 150,000 men – and their horses and equipment – were secretly moved to waiting ships without a single life lost. **Categories: Australian History-World War 1-Gallipoli-Anzac Day**

36. Last Man Out (Louise Park)

RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

The evacuation from Gallipoli of Australian and New Zealand troops was a logically incredible undertaking. The exhausted young men were to slip away by ship in the dead of night. But...Someone needed to remain behind to cover for their fellow soldiers. This was a mission that almost certainly meant death. John Alexander Park grew up in England and served in Africa, the Afghan War, and the Boxer Rising before settling in Australia. The assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria in 1914 sparked The Great War – or World War I. John was 36 years old and a seasoned serviceman when he arrived at Gallipoli. **Categories: Anzac Day-Australian History-War-World War 1-Gallipoli**

37. Never Forget (Clare Hallifax)

RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Inspired by the extraordinary works of Australian artists painting the First World War as it happened around them, this evocative book commemorates and explores the sacrifice of the soldiers, nurses who served and the families at home waiting for their return. Illustrator Simon O'Carrigan has worked with war museum collections to curate, collate and recreate the original art to produce heartbreakingly moving illustrations in this one-of-a-kind Anzac book. **Categories: Anzac Day-Australian History-War-Art-Artists-Remembrance**

38. Poppy for Pa, A (Rebecca Laing Zammit)

RRP \$16.95 | School Price \$15.26

Pa has a lot of great stories to tell, but his greatest story explains why he wears a red poppy. A story about Gallipoli, remembrance and why we say 'Lest We Forget'. **Categories: Australian History-War-Anzac Day-Gallipoli-Remembrance Day**

39. Rachel's War: The Story of an Australian WWI Nurse (Mark Wilson)

RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$24.30

Growing up on a farm in country Victoria, all Rachel wants is to help people. When war comes, she travels to distant Europe and the Middle East, working tirelessly to care for wounded and sick soldiers from the battlefields of Gallipoli and the Western Front. Inspired by the life of Rachel Pratt, a World War I Australian army nurse who was awarded the Military Medal for bravery, this is an incredible story of bravery and sacrifice. **Categories: Anzac Day-Australian History-War-World War 1**

40. This Old Thing (Cassandra Webb | Tony Flowers)

RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$24.30

When a young boy is asked to bring an object to contribute to his class ANZAC project, he finds all kinds of old things-some wildly exciting, others more confusing. But a faded, forgotten photograph of his great-great-grandfather makes sense of everything ...

Categories: Anzac Day-Australian History-War-Memories-Remembrance