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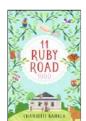
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1. 11 RUBY ROAD: 1900 11 RUBY ROAD

Charlotte Barkla | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Dorothy and her family have moved to the city, and life is very different to the rural one she has known. Ruby Road is bustling – full of families and children, horse-drawn carts and even a mysterious dog. Best of all her new home has a secret writing room that only she knows about. There are many reasons for her family's move, but Dorothy has her own plans. She has to settle into a new school, make new friends and find an ingenious way to help the suffragists in their fight for women's right to vote! Perhaps her secret writing room holds the answer. Join Dorothy and the inhabitants of 11 Ruby Road in 1900, as a newly federated nation, and a new century ... begins.

Categories: Historical Fiction, Family Unit, Moving House, Federation

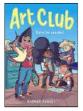


2. ADVENTUREMICE: OTTER CHAOS! ADVENTUREMICE

Philip Reeve | Sarah McIntyre (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Meet Pedro. He's tiny, but while looking for a BIG adventure he is rescued by the ADVENTUREMICE – a brave, determined team who keep all the Mouse Islands safe from harm. Pedro's dream is to show he's heroic enough to join their ranks. And he soon gets the chance to prove himself, when a big scary otter starts causing trouble in the waters nearby.

Categories: Adventure, Bravery



3. ART CLUB GRAPHIC NOVEL

Rashad Doucet | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$18.39

Dale Donavan has heard the same lecture over and over again: Art will get you nowhere in life. A kid with a creative streak, Dale wants nothing more than to doodle, play video games, and create comics forever-maybe even as a full-time job one day. But between his grandfather pushing him to focus on his studies and a school with zero interest in funding arts programs, Dale feels like his future has already been decided for him. That is, until he comes up with the perfect plan: What if he starts an after-school art club, gathers a team of creative students like himself, and proves all the naysayers-his stubborn vice principal in particular-wrong? This might just work, but if the club isn't financially successful by the end of the semester, the school with shut them down. This may be Dale's only chance to show the adults in his life that a career as an artist is not just a dream but a possibility!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Art, Problem Solving, Creativity, Determination



4. BEEHIVE, THE NATURE STORYBOOKS

Megan Daley | Max Hamilton (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

It's finally hive day! Willow has been waiting all year for groundskeeper Tom to split the school's native stingless beehive in two so she can take home her very own hive. Everything needs to be just right to help so that the bees forage and thrive in their new home. The dual text results in a charming story alongside an abundance of fascinating facts about Australia's native bees.

Categories: Narrative Non Fiction, Bees



5. BLUEBERRY FARM: HOMEGROWN BLUEBERRY FARM

Stephen Michael King | Hardback | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$15.19

The perfect time for planting. The perfect time for growth. The perfect time for dancing and eating honey toast. Journey back to Blueberry Farm, from the award-winning creator of Three, Rainbow Bear and Koala Ark.

Categories: Sustainability, Community, Farms



6. BREAK GRAPHIC NOVEL

Kayla Miller | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

Spring break is full of possibilities... but not for Olive. This year, Olive is leaving her friends and all of their exciting vacation plans behind to visit her dad at his new apartment in the city. Goober is thrilled to spend a whole week with their father and has a long list of activities for their time together. Olive, on the other hand, still remembers the hurt of their dad moving halfway across the world. She would rather spend time with her friend Bree or scrolling through her new phone to keep up with everything she's missing back home, than catch up with him. As the week winds on, the normally easy-going Olive finds feelings of loneliness and resentment throwing her out of whack. Is there any hope of salvaging the visit – or will Olive's Spring break be a Spring bust?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Relationships, Forgiveness



7. BREAK THE CURSE SHOWER LAND

Nat Amoore | James Hart (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

Felix hates Mondays. Dad's yelling at him to get up. His little brother, Olly, is being super annoying. So when Felix shuts the bathroom door, he wishes he could get away. He turns on the shower and . . . REEEEKKKKKK! Felix finds himself standing in the middle of a field . . . naked . . . with an army of soldiers charging at him. Step 1- Avoid flying pitchforks! Step 2- Find some PANTS. Step 3- UM, IS THAT A DRAGON?!?

Categories: Parallel World, Humour, Adventure

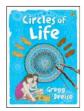


8. CAT KID COMIC CLUB: INFLUENCERS CAT KID COMIC CLUB

Dav Pilkey | Hardback | Age 8+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

The Cat Kid Comic Club is in crisis! After learning that one of their comics will be published, the baby frogs are filled with anxiety and doubt. How will they get their creative groove back? Will Naomi or Melvin emerge as a leader? Will Flippy convince them to finally straighten up and fly right? The story is hysterical, thought-provoking, and full of action-packed mini-comics: "Frogzilla vs. Mechafrogzilla," "I Am Dr. Fredric Wertham," "Two Birds," and "RoboChubbs." Dav Pilkey shows the reader that the best way to influence people is to be open, gentle, and kind.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Comic, Humour, Creativity



9. CIRCLES OF LIFE

Gregg Dreise | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Let's turn this recycled paper into something from our heart. Come on - give it a try. As we use a stick to paint the first dot in the middle, we say thank you, Father Sky. Join Kamilaroi creator Gregg Dreise and explore his Cultural tradition of painting Gabayindah Guroos. With ochre from Mother Earth, two young girls are guided by Uncle to paint each layer of the Thank You Circles as a celebration of the different elements of our world. When the dots are placed together, they form astonishing circles of life.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Art, Recycling, Culture, Connectivity, Tradition



10. CLOCKWORK CONSIPRACY, THE ISAAC TURNER INVESTIGATES

Sam Sedgman | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Aspiring inventor Isaac Turner lives with his dad, the Chief Horologist in charge of Big Ben. But when his father vanishes from the belfry on the night the clocks go back, leaving behind only a smashed pocket watch and a cryptic message, Isaac determines to find him. Hunting a trail of clues through London's landmarks, Isaac uncovers a sinister plot in the gears of government and embarks on a race against time to save his father and time itself.

Categories: Action, Adventure, Mystery, Science, Codes, Inventions



11. COUNTDOWN TO YESTERDAY

Shirley Marr | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

James wishes he could go back in time. Back to when his mum and dad were together, when he had one home, when his family laughed and climbed hills and went to the movies. After meeting the enigmatic Yan, a girl who looks at the world differently, James discovers time travel might not be impossible after all. But if James can live forever in one of his six favourite memories, which one will he choose?

Categories: Family Unit, Friendship, Science, Time Travel, Past and Present



12. COURT OF SOULS, THE FANTASY SPORTS

Sam Bosma | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$21.99 | School Price \$17.59

In Sam Bosma's debut graphic novel, a young explorer and her musclebound friend go treasure hunting in a mummy's tomb—but if they want to get rich, they're going to have to best the mummy in a game of hoops! Can they trust their bandaged adversary to play by the rules? Or will they be stuck in the tomb... forever?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Sport, Basketball, Danger, Fantasy, Mythology



13. DAREDEVIL PRINCESS AND THE GOLDEN UNICORN DAREDEVIL PRINCESS

Belinda Murrell | Rebecca Crane (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

Princess Tillie is brave and bold, clever and curious, daring and very determined. Which is just as well because there is trouble in the Queendom of Blumenfeld. A sneaky thief has been stealing the royal roses. The Summer Harvest Festival will be a disaster! Princess Tillie sets out to trap the thief and solve the mystery, with the help of King Edwin's latest invention. But a sassy, golden unicorn called Honey Blossom turns everything upside down. Can Princess Tillie and Honey Blossom save the day?

Categories: Adventure



14. FAST, SLOW, LET'S GO!

Sally Sutton | Brian Lovelock (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

This is the way we skate along, skate along, skate along, This is the way we skate along, on a sunny, funny morning. Borrowing from the childhood perennial and favourite song 'This is the way ...', a happy group of children scoot, bike, bus, swing, sail, run and ride their way across town to join a birthday surprise.

Categories: Transport, Rhyming Text, Community, Birthdays, Inclusivity



15. FOOTPRINT

Phil Cummings | Sally soweol Han (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

You carry hope and future need, With careful footprint, plant the seed. Breathe... Yes, breathe. Embark on a lyrical, meditative journey through nature's tapestry, where every step you take leaves a legacy of wonder and protection for the environment. Explore forests and mountains, cities and fields, and animals in their natural habitats as you ponder the footprint humans have left on the Earth.

Categories: Mindfulness, Nature, Positivity, Conservation



16. FORGOTTEN MAGIC, THE ARTEZANS

LD Lapinski | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

For the last 400 years, magic has been fading... Edward Crane has always feared he won't have any magic at all. Sure, he's part of a powerful magic Artezan family, but he's adopted. His twin sister, Elodie, isn't so worried, but then everything always seems to work out perfectly for her. So when Ed discovers he does have an Artezan power after all, he's relieved. And it's more than he ever could have imagined – in fact, it's a dream come true. But the problem with dreams is that sometimes they twist themselves into nightmares. And with Ed's new abilities growing by the day, there's a chance that this nightmare will become all too real...

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure, Magic, Dreams

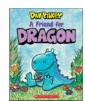


17. FRIDAY BARNES: COLLISION COURSE FRIDAY BARNES

Ra Spratt | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Friday's Mum, the Nobel Prize winning physicist, has been accused of espionage. The police think she's been selling secrets about the CERN Hadron Super Collider. Friday knows her mother isn't capable of such a thing - this is a woman who can't even operate a dishwasher. She's got to smuggle herself into Switzerland to clear her Mum's name. Fortunately, Melanie is a master of disguise. After an extremely extreme make-over, Friday arrives at CERN and finds axolotls in the water coolers, graffiti in the great hall and most baffling of all - her sister has fallen in love with an engineer! Can Friday solve these mysteries? Can she keep her family out of prison? And can she recognise Ian if he shaves his head?

Categories: Mystery, Detective



18. FRIEND FOR DRAGON, A

Day Pilkey | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$9.99 | School Price \$7.99

Lonely Dragon has made a friend and he loves spending time with his new buddy! He enjoys telling scary stories, cracking funny jokes, and fixing a midnight snack for them to share. But when his friend appears to be ill, Dragon demonstrates what it means to be a true friend. In this warmhearted friendship story of love and loss, Dav Pilkey has created a lovable hero that everyone will cheer for!

Categories: Dragons, Humour



19 FROGS: GRAPHIC NOVEL SCIENCE COMICS

Liz Prince | Paperback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

With their signature sounds, athletic tongues, and bulging eyes, there's a lot to love about frogs! But did you know that they soak up air and even liquid through their skin? Or that they use their eyes to swallow food? From tiny tadpoles in water to boisterous bullfrogs on land, the life cycle of these amphibious acrobats is one of the coolest examples of metamorphosis around. So pull up a lily pad and dive in, because the frog facts in this book will truly give you something to croak about!

Categories: Graphic Information, Frogs, Biology



20. GROOSHAM GRANGE GRAPHIC NOVEL

Anthony Horowitz | Clement Lefevre (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

When David Elliot is expelled from his boring school, his parents send him to Groosham Grange to knock him into shape. But when he arrives at the gothic castle on remote Skrull Island, he discovers Groosham Grange is an unusual sort of school: from signing the register in blood, to the creepy teachers – pallid Mr Kilgraw, Mrs Pedicure bandaged head to toe, hairy Mr Leloup who disappears every full moon... David teams up with fellow pupils Jeffrey and Jill to plan his escape. But can anyone ever escape Groosham Grange?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Humour



21. HIDDEN HAT, THE

Phil Cummings | Jennifer Goldsmith (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

While playing hide-and-seek at Grandpa's house, Lucy and Mitch find a hat, hidden away in a deep, dark corner. It's Grandpa's hat, filled with memories ... In this moving story of rediscovery, truth and mateship, a hidden hat stirs memories of a grandfather's days serving in Vietnam ...

Categories: Family Unit, Memories, Mateship, Vietnam War, Resilience, Conflict



22. I LOVE BOOKS

Mariajo Ilustrajo | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

It's the end of term, and a little girl is given the unreasonable task of reading a whole book over the holidays. A whole book? but she HATES books. Luckily her sister takes her to the library and recommends just the thing. Slowly, the little girl is drawn into a world of adventure inside her own imagination, for the very first time. Even the greyscale world starts to fill with colour as she is carried away in the story. A little fennec fox leads her to meet fairytale witches and creatures as they find ingredients to cast a special spell at the end of her book. The little girl is dismayed to learn that the spell seemingly hasn't changed a thing. However, the little fox points out that she is completely transformed: discovering the power of her imagination has transformed her forever.

Categories: Reading, Books, Library, Imagination, Adventure, Reconsider



23. I SURVIVED THE GREAT ALASKA EARTHQUAKE, 1964 I SURVIVED

Lauren Tarshis | Scott Dawson (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

The most powerful earthquake in American history ... Growing up in the Alaskan wilderness, Jackson has always prided himself on being tough. His family lives in a tiny cabin where their neighbours are grizzlies and wolves. The nearest store is a three-day walk away. Jackson loves his life ... until a fire destroys the family's cabin, and they have to move to the town of Valdez. Adjusting to fifth grade isn't easy. And then Jackson has to face an earthquake of terrifying strength. As the ground shatters and tsunami waves crash into the coast, Jackson learns what it really means to be tough.

Categories: Natural Disasters, Earthquakes



24. KEVIN THE SHEEP

Jacqueline Harvey | Kate isobel Scott (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

Why can't Kevin be more like the flock?! Kevin the Sheep is unusual, he does things his own way. But will being different help him save the day? A hilarious new picture book from best-selling author Jacqueline Harvey.

Categories: Humour, Self Defence, Individuality, Acceptance, Rhyming Text

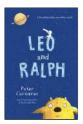


25. KYLIE MINOGUE LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS

Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Rebecca Gibbon (Illustrator) | Hardback | 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



26 IFO AND RAIPH

Peter Carnavas | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Ralph sat up. His voice was croaky. 'If a shooting star zoomed past right now, what would you wish for?' 'To find another friend like you.' Leo and Ralph have been best friends ever since Ralph flew down from one of Jupiter's moons. But now Leo's in Grade Four and he's spending too much time in his own imagination. Mum and Dad say it's time to say goodbye. The family are moving to a small country town and they hope Leo might finally find a real friend. But someone like Ralph is very hard to leave behind...

Categories: Friendship, Imagination, Rural, Aliens



27. LEWIS HAMILTON RACING LEGENDS

Maurice Hamilton | Paperback | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$10.39

Find out how Lewis Hamilton went from playing with remote-controlled cars to becoming one of the world's greatest ever RACING LEGENDS! Covering speed records and epic rivalries, as well as Hamilton's heroes and charity work, this book shows just how legendary Lewis Hamilton is, on and off the track, and celebrates the unsung heroes of racing, from the pitstop crew to the engineers.

Categories: Sport, Motorsports, Formula One



28. LIKE A CHARM

Elle McNicoll | Paperback | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

As she is pulled into her family's world of secrets and spells, Ramya sets out to discover the truth behind the Hidden Folk with only three words of warning from her grandfather: Beware the Sirens. Plunged into an adventure that will change everything, Ramya is about to learn that there is more to her powers than she ever imagined.

Categories: Neurodiverse, Neurodiversity, Dyspraxia, Family, Secrets, Adventure



29. LIVERPOOL RULE FOOTBALL SUPERSTARS

Simon Mugford | Dan Green (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$10.39

If you're a true fan of The Reds then this is the book for you! Currently regarded as one of the best club sides in the world, besides the domestic titles, Liverpool FC have won a raft of international competitions, including FIFA Club World Cup, UEFA Cups, UEFA Super Cups, and European Cups. In this fun and fact-filled book about Liverpool Football Club, Football Superstar's dynamic duo, Dan and Simon, will give you their unique take on the club's amazing history, from its all-conquering era of the 1970s and 80s, the highs and lows of the next 20 years to the excitement of the Jurgen Klopp side of today. You'll learn about the legendary players, managers, matches and more that tell the story of the football institution beloved around the world.

Categories: Sport, Soccer, Football, Competition



30. LOOK ME IN THE EYE

Jane Godwin | Paperback | Age 12+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Best friends Bella and Connie live on the outskirts of the city in an area that was once full of open fields and paddocks but is changing as the suburbs creep closer. And now there is Mish, Connie's cousin, who has to be included even though she is unfriendly and unpredictable. The pandemic lockdowns have lifted and the three teens are eager to explore their newfound independence. But with the world opening up, there has been a rise in surveillance, from apps that track their movements to voice recorders and hidden cameras. It feels like everyone is watching them. But when does 'watching' become 'watching over'?

Categories: Freedom, Trust, Privacy, Secrets



31. LOST: UNCOVER VANISHING WONDERS

Jess McGeachin | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

What does it mean to be lost? Is it stranded at sea without a map, or carefully camouflaged in the wild? Travel back in time to hear herds of honking dinosaurs, find sunken shipwreck treasure and uncover ancient cities in the sand. The things we've lost could even hold the key to protecting our future, so there's not a moment to lose.

Categories: Nature, Geology, Astronomy, Archaeology, Philosophy, Biology, Science



32. MARNIE MIDNIGHT AND THE MOON MYSTERY MARNIE MIDNIGHT

Laura Ellen Anderson | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

Marnie Midnight is SO excited to be starting school at Minibeast Academy. She adores everything about the moon and she can't wait to learn about its magic. But when Marnie starts school, she's shocked to find out that nobody believes in moon magic anymore! Marnie is determined to get to the bottom of this moon mystery. The little moth and her minibeast friends explore far and wide in their search for the truth. But will they survive a run-in with a rebellious rat or a terrifying out-of-this-world adventure with the Early Bird...? One thing is for sure, Marnie is a little bug having a BIG Adventure!

Categories: Dyslexic Friendly, Adventure, Magic



33 NIGHT WATCH

Jodi Toering | Tannya Harricks (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

Sunset beckons. Moon appears, and Tawny Frogmouth stirs. She begins her nightly flight, watching over all the animals nestled down to sleep in the burrows and branches of the beautiful Australian bush. Australia's native Tawny Frogmouths are often mistaken for owls, are like owls are nocturnal. This beautiful bedtime book follows the journey of the Tawny Frogmouths as they soar through the skies and through the night ... keeping watch over native fauna as they settle in for their safe slumber.

Categories: Australian Animals, Australiana, Nocturnal, Bush, Bedtime



34. ONE LITTLE DUNG BEETLE

Rhian Williams | Heather Potter (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Follow along as One Little Dung Beetle counts all kinds of fascinating creepies and crawlies. How many can you see?

Categories: Counting, Rhyming Text, Beetles, Insects, Minibeasts



35. OUTLAW GIRLS

Emily Gale | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Kate and Ruby live in the High Country in Victoria. They're both daring, quick-thinking and prepared to break the rules, and they're both brilliant horse riders-they'd probably be great friends. But they live in different times, 145 years apart. While galloping through the mountains, Kate rides headlong into a thrilling experience that transports her from 1878 to the future, where she meets Ruby. Kate and Ruby return to 1878, where Kate is secretly taking supplies to her brother Ned and the rest of the Kelly Gang, who are in hiding from the police. Together the girls work to confuse the police and keep the gang from being found and arrested. But the looming disaster makes things less clear-cut for Ruby. They're about the have the ride of their lives! Outlaw Girls is an exciting, fast-paced time-slip novel, narrated by both Ruby and Kate, about family, friendship, loyalty and betrayal, the complexity of right and wrong, and working out what matters most

Categories: Australian History, Past and Present, Time Travel, Bushrangers, Adventure, Suspense, Loyalty, Betrayal, Family



36. PEAK, THE SPY ACADEMY

Jack Heath | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

After thwarting a robbery, Nolan Hawker is invited to the world's most dangerous school. At The Peak, he learns to crack codes, fly planes and deceive enemies so he can someday infiltrate the deadly anarchist group known as Swarm. But someone at the Peak secretly works for Swarm, and they have a plan—the kind no one walks away from. Can Nolan find the traitor before it's too late?

Categories: Action, Adventure, Thriller, Spies



37. ROVER'S STORY, A

Jasmine Warga | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

Meet Resilience, a Mars rover determined to live up to his name. Res was built to explore Mars. He was not built to have human emotions. But as he learns new things from the NASA scientists who assemble him, he begins to develop humanlike feelings. Maybe there's a problem with his programming... Human emotions or not, launch day comes, and Res blasts off to Mars, accompanied by a friendly drone helicopter named Fly. But Res quickly discovers that Mars is a dangerous place filled with dust storms and giant cliffs. As he navigates Mars's difficult landscape, Res is tested in ways that go beyond space exploration. As millions of people back on Earth follow his progress, will Res have the determination, courage, and resilience to succeed... and survive.

Categories: Feelings/Emotions, STEM, Resilience, Survival, Artificial Intelligence, Engineering, Friendship



38. SENSATIONAL AUSTRALIAN ANIMALS

Stephanie Owen Reeder | Cher Hart (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$23.99

Explore the fascinating world of native Australian animals through the five basic senses — sight, sound, smell, taste and touch. Covering more than 145 truly astounding animals — from sharp-eyed whale sharks to sticky-bellied green tree frogs — Sensational Australian Animals showcases the strange things these creatures can do with their eyes, ears, noses, mouths and skin! Meet birds that laugh, frogs that quack and fish that sing. Discover mammals that glow in the dark and seahorses disguised as seaweed. Be surprised by turtles that breathe through their bums and squirm at lizards that clean their eyes with their tongues. And then there's the dangerous creatures that bite and sting!

Categories: Australian Animals, Australiana, Birds, Mammals, Sea Creatures, Wildlife, Conservation



39. SMOKE AND MIRRORS

Barry Jonsberg | Paperback | Age 11+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Grace cares about only two things: performing magic and her cantankerous gran. Gran shares her prickly personality and spiky sense of humour, and she's the only one Grace lets into her tightly locked heart - until she meets Simon, an older student who promises to help her turn her magic tricks into a small business and social media stardom. When Gran is diagnosed with a terminal illness, Grace moves in to become her primary carer. With the help of Simon and some sleight of hand, Grace is determined to bring joy back into their lives. And when she confronts her worst fear, she realises maybe her heart doesn't need to stay locked away after all.

Categories: Relationships, Family Unit, Grandparents, Grief, Magic Tricks, Guilt



40 SUPER SNAKE

Gregg Dreise | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$22.39

Way back, before Once-upon-a-time there was the Dreamtime and the bush was in the middle of a drought. After a storm, one large rainbow curved down. The Super Snake slithered down that rainbow on to the earth and promised the Elders he could help them find water. That Super Snake called out, 'You can't have a rainbow without water. 'Dhurraluwi guuma-li — Come together! Wantima — Rise up! Woorri — Share'. A charming morality tale, this book tells the tale of the Rainbow Serpent and the creation of the Darling/Barka River.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Sharing, Acceptance, Morals, Creation Story, Water, Water Conservation



41. SWIFTS, THE

Beth Lincoln | Claire Powell (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

On the day they are born, each Swift is brought before the sacred Family Dictionary. They are given a name and a definition, and it is assumed they will grow up to match. Unfortunately, Shenanigan Swift has other ideas. So what if her relatives all think she's destined to turn out as a troublemaker, just because of her name? Shenanigan knows she can be whatever she wants - pirate, explorer or even detective. Which is lucky, really, because when one of the Family tries to murder Arch-Aunt Schadenfreude, someone has to work out whodunit. With the help of her sisters and cousin, Shenanigan grudgingly takes on the case, but more murders, a hidden treasure and an awful lot of suspects make thing seriously complicated. Can Shenanigan catch the killer before the whole household is picked off? And in a Family where definitions are so important, can she learn to define herself?

Categories: Mystery, Humour, Adventure, Gothic



42. THERE'S A TIGER ON THE TRAIN

Mariesa Dulak | Rebecca Cobb (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

You'll never guess what happened on our trip down to the sea... A Tiger in a top hat came and sat right next to me.' A boy and his dad board the train. Dad is stuck into his phone and misses the fact that a tiger boards the train too. and so does a family of hippos, and a band of crocs, and a mum with her piglets, and a pug in a boa - or two... On the way to the seaside pandemonium ensues, and then the tiger roars... Has he finally had enough? And what will dad say? Will he even notice?

Categories: Cautionary Tale, Relationships, Rhyming Text

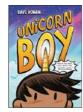


43. TOMFOOLERY! RANDOLPH CALDECOTT AND CHILDREN'S BOOK

Michelle Markel | Barbara McClintock (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$23.99

Quick! If you don't move fast, you'll miss him—there he goes—Randolph Caldecott, future famous illustrator. His sketchbook is full of hurly-burly: wild weather, frisky animals, and people so sprightly they can barely hold onto the pages. But in the 1850s, there were no children's books like that. Not yet. Many books are published, but their pictures look stiff, full of pretty poses and cluttered scenery. No one has imagined how much fun an illustrated book could be because the future hero of children's book illustration is still just a lad. Join Michelle Markel and Barbara McClintock for a riotous adventure through the seminal history of children's books—their art, their joy, and the man who changed them for good.

Categories: Narrative Non Fiction, Books, Illustrators, Authors, Drawing, Art



44. UNICORN BOY GRAPHIC NOVEL UNICORN BOY

Dave Roman | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

The first few years of Brian's life were unremarkable - nothing weird about this kid, no sir. Then he found a bump on his head. And it grew ... And grew ... And grew ... Into a full-blown, sparkling, SINGING unicorn horn! It was the last thing a shy kid like Brian could ever want - but destiny waits for no Unicorn Boy. And when shadowy creatures from another realm kidnap his best friend Avery, Brian must accept his fate as a hero and go on a perilous journey to try and save the day! Can Unicorn Boy save his best friend from the underworld?!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour, Magic, Superheroes

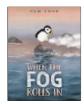


45. WAVERIDER: GRAPHIC NOVEL AMULET

Kazu Kibuishi | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

After her confrontation with Ikol, Emily finally understands the stone's power and what she must do to defend Alledia from the shadows. As she travels to Typhon to help her mum and Navin, Prince Trellis returns to the Kingdom of the Elves to save his countrymen – and confront the fraud who has seized power in the absence of a king. The threat of darkness follows all Stonekeepers closely and it will take the strength of both new friends and old foes to conquer it ... and survive.

Categories: Graphic Novel



46. WHEN THE FOG ROLLS IN

Pam Fong | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

On a clear day, it's easy to see your way. But when the fog rolls in, it's hard to know which way to go. Sometimes the only way to escape the fog is to go through it, knowing that the big, bright world is waiting for you on the other side. With a sensitive, layered text and atmospheric, lush illustrations, Pam Fong has crafted a tender-hearted story about a lost puffin finding its way through foggy circumstances. This expressive picture book will help readers—and their parents—talk about feeling lost, making decisions, and broadening their perspectives.

Categories: Feelings/Emotions, Anxiety, Fear, Uncertainty



47 WHY DO FI FPHANTS HAVE RIG FARS?

Steve Jenkins | Robin Page (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$23.99

Do you know why a camel has a hump? A Zebra has stripes? Or why wombats have cube-shaped poop? Find out the answers in this fun and beautifully illustrated book, and learn oodles of other intriguing facts about the animal world. It's the perfect gift for any kid who loves animals and is always asking "Why?" because who doesn't want to know why a flamingo stands on one leg?

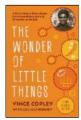


48. WILD AND FREE

Carrie Gallasch | Martina Heiduczek (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Join the children in Wild and Free as they discover the joys of the great outdoors. From climbing trees and crossing creeks to rolling down hills and watching bugs, readers will almost smell the fresh air as they pore over the pages. Written in an energetic rhyme, this story will inspire readers to go outside and be with nature – whether that's through adventure, their creativity or just by being still.

Categories: Imagination Play, Rhyming Text, Outdoors, Nature, Creativity, Environment



49. WONDER OF LITTLE THINGS: YOUNGER READERS' EDITION

Vince Copley | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$18.39

Welcome to my story. 'Always remember you're as good as anybody else,' Vince's mother, Kate, often told him. And he was, becoming a champion footballer and premiership-winning coach. But change was in the air, and Vince wanted to help make life better for his people too. At every step, Vince found light in the darkness, the friendly face in the crowd, the small moments that make the world go round. Welcome to the wonder of little things.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Culture, Identity, First Nations, Community, Family, Prejudice



50. YOUR HOLIDAY WAS THE BEST

Maggie Hutchings | Felicita Sala (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Everyone's favourite cockroach is back, and this time he's going camping! Charming, hilarious and just a tiny bit disgusting, this is a holiday tale with a twist from the all-star team behind Your Birthday Was the BEST! and Your School is the BEST!

Categories: Humour, Adventure, Camping, Bugs, Insects

Australian Picture Book



51. ALFIE THE KIND

Richard Harris | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Alfie is not the bravest dog, he is scared of magpies, swimming in the sea and things with noisy wheels like skateboards and wheelbarrows! But maybe there is something else he's good at? Alfie loves his family and is always looking for ways to help or make them happy, from wake-up licks to sharing his favourite toy. One day at the park when he comes across a small boy who is sad, Alfie discovers that his true talent might be the thing that comes most naturally to him, his kindness. A heartwarming story about Alfie, who may not be the bravest dog, but just might be the kindest, by Richard Harris 2019 Australian of the Year and key member of the international cave-diving team that rescued the Wild Boar soccer team.

Categories: Kindness, Bravery, Courage, Family Unit, Friendship, Pets, Dogs



52. ALL YOU CAN BE

Angela Casabene | Michelle Conn (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

When the sun sits up high In the blue summer sky And you long to dive into the sea, But you're fixed to the pier And you're held there by fear ... Be brave. Be all you can be. This is a love letter to children everywhere encouraging them to embrace their true selves and to live their big, messy, beautiful lives to the full. Be kind. Be strong. Be curious. Be wrong ... Be all you can be.

Categories: Feelings/Emotions, Aspiration, Rhyming Text, Confidence



53. AN AMAZING AUSTRALIAN CAMPING TRIP

Jackie Hosking | Lesley Vamos (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

We're travelling from Melbourne on a camping trip east, so Aunty can paint a fantastical beast. The family from An Amazing Australian Road Trip is off on a camping trip in search of a little-seen Australian beast for Aunty to paint. Encountering all manner of Australian animals, the right one is proving hard to find, and they're starting to wonder if the creature even exists.

Categories: Australia, Australiana, Family Unit, Camping, Rhyming Text



54. ANGUS AND MOUSE READ A BOOK

Jane Godwin | Terri Rose Baynton (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Angus and Mouse are best friends. But when Angus brings home a beautiful new book from the library, what happens as they try to share? When mistakes are made, can they be fixed? An enchanting story about friendship, forgiveness and the magic of reading.

Categories: Friendship, Forgiveness, Kindness



55. BABOON IN A BALLOON

Patrick Guest | Katie Abey (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

Baboon in a balloon, it's a wonderful day. Up through the clouds, up, up and away! YAY! But, look out below! Baboon's day is headed for splat! Booo!

Categories: Humour



56. BAD BUNNY THE PIRATE

Jonathan Bentley | Paperback | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

Bad Bunny, the meanest pirate to sail the seas, is on the hunt for treasure! But when his crew comes up against a nasty enemy, will Bad Bunny prove that he's not the meanest pirate after all?

Categories: Rhyming Text, Humour, Pirates



57. BEACH SONG

Ros Moriarty | Samantha Campbell (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

A day at the seashore can be full of surprise, wonder and excitement. Leap through the waves like a dolphin. Glide through the water like a fish. Soar along the sand with the seagulls. What will you do when you go to the beach? A lyrical story that celebrates the joy found exploring the coast.

Categories: Connectivity, Nature, Ocean Creatures



58. BIG BOOK OF AUSTRALIAN NURSERY RHYMES, THE

Frane Lessac | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$22.95

Row, row, your boat, Gently down the creek. If you hear a Tassie devil, Don't forget to shriek! Tweaked and twisted nursery rhymes include: Twinkle, Twinkle, Southern Stars; Rock-a-Bye, Joey; D-I-N-G-O!; This Little Froggy; Lizzie Had a Little Bat; Here We Go Round the Banksia Bush; Hop Goes the Bilby; Three Blind Moles; Old McDonald Went Out Bush ... and many more in this glorious 96-page volume, destined to be an Australian classic

Categories: Australia, Australiana, Nursery Rhymes



59. BIN CHICKEN FEEDING TIME AT THE ZOO BIN CHICKEN

Kate Temple | Ronojoy Ghosh (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

Wading through bin juice, sticky with grime, Ibis's tummy is rumbling ... it's nearly lunchtime! 'Buzz off! Scram! Shoo! We don't feed bin chickens here at the zoo!' It's feeding time at the zoo and no-one is sharing their lunch. Luckily, Ibis knows just how to steal some snacks ... and the spotlight!

Categories: Humour



60. BIRDSONG BY THE BILLABONG

Maura Finn | Cate James (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

A warbling magpie, A choir of cockatoos, A band of blue fairy wrens... What else might you find on a trip to the billabong? From the creators of the bestselling 'By the Billabong' and 'Babies at the Billabong' comes this cheerful dance through the sunny Australian landscape. But wait - is that a storm?!

Categories: Australian Animals, Australiana, Rhyming Text, Flora, Fauna



61. BIRDY'S TALE OF A STORY

Sally Small | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Birdy's Tale of a Story is a book that encourages children to write, conceptualise or illustrate a story. The book's aim, with some assistance from our heroine 'Birdy' and her faithful Cavoodle 'George', is to help organise a child's thoughts and ideas when structuring a narrative. This book focuses on the basic elements that comprise a good story: setting, characters, problem, climax, and resolution.

Categories: Imagination, Creativity, Adventure, Books



62. BLUEY: CRICKET BLUEY

Compilation | Hardback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

It's time to play cricket.! As the grown-ups try to get Rusty out, Bluey learns that cricket is more than just a game. A gorgeous hardback book for kids of all ages.

Categories: Sport, Cricket



63. BUSH BIG WORLD, TINY WORLD

Jess Racklyeft | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

At times in this big universe, you can feel rather small. But there are worlds of every size to see, worlds for each and all. Wander into the wilderness and explore the many worlds that exist in the bush, from dingoes that croon with the rising moon to possums that enjoy a midnight feast in the treetops. Roam the big worlds and tiny worlds of the bush, find magic in the unique animals, and delight in the busy lives of all who live above, below and within.

Categories: Australia, Australiana, Flora, Fauna, Rhyming Text, Habitats, Nature, Environment, Perspective



64. CHICO THE SCHNAUZER

Taryn Brumfitt | Levi George (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Chico the Schnauzer goes on the biggest playdate of his life, spending time with all his dog friends. There's Susie the Sausage Dog, Penelope the Poodle and Digby the Dalmatian, just to name a few. Chico is amazed to learn about all the things their bodies are good at. He may not be able to do all that they can, but Chico discovers all the incredible things his own body can do!



65. EASTER BUNNY'S GRANDEST EGG HUNT, THE

Jess Racklyeft | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

The Easter Bunny can't wait for his friends to arrive! He's planned an epic Easter event, including The Grandest Egg Hunt. Everyone is going to have so much fun! But Pig, Chick, Cat and Frog start competing against each other, and The Easter Bunny's plans soon go awry. Can he help his friends to remember that friendship is the grandest prize of all?

Categories: Easter, Rhyming Text, Teamwork

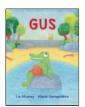


66. GRANNY GROMMET AND ME

Dianne Wolfer | Karen Blair (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

My granny and her friends go to the beach, and I come too. It looks like lots of fun. But I don t want to go in the water. There are strange things under the waves. A story that many young reluctant swimmers will identify with, Granny Grommet and Me is about the power of our elders to transform scary experiences into exciting ones. Watching Granny and her friends duck and dive and twist and turn, enjoying catching waves and revelling in the bracing and invigorating ocean spray, helps a junior grommet gain enough confidence to appreciate the wonders which lie beneath the surface of the water. The book was inspired by the real Granny Grommets, a group of surfing/boogie boarding ladies in Albany, Western Australia.

Categories: Grandparents, Relationships, Family Unit



67 GUS

Liz Murray | Walid Serageldine (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$25.99 | School Price \$20.79

Gus is the star of the reptile house. He enjoys putting on a show for visitors, and no one adores seeing Gus more than Edward. They don't just share a bond; they share a birthday. So, Edward decides to become a zookeeper, looking after all of the reptiles, but especially Gus. Over the years, they spend every birthday together, but one day Edward doesn't show up for their shared celebration. Naturally, Gus decides to leave the zoo and find him. Don't worry, readers. Edward is okay, and Gus is determined to make sure he stays that way. Birthday buddies and true friends stick together.

Categories: Friendship, Adventure, Aging



68. GYMNASTICA FANTASTICA!

Briony Stewart | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Join Gymnastica, a small person with big energy, as they bend and balance, bounce and roll, attempt a cartwheel and a spectacular trapeze flip-out finale. Written in playful rhyming text and with brightly energetic and appealing illustrations, this is a book that kids and parents alike will find irresistible to read aloud and delight in its energy and humour. Gymnastica Fantastica! is a joyful and exuberant picture book about a child discovering and attempting new physical skills and putting on wonderfully imperfect shows for whoever will watch them.

Categories: Rhyming Text, Performance, Gymnastics



69. HOW TO BE A FRIEND

Sarah Ayoub | Mimi Purnell (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Do you know what it takes to be a friend, someone on whom someone else depends? Just a few ingredients, tips and tricks, Make the perfect friendship mix! A lyrical story with heartfelt ideas about what it means to be a good friend from the team that brought us The Love That Grew.

Categories: Friendship



70. HOW TO BE INVISIBLE BUNNY AND BIRD

Nick Bland | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

When Bunny arrives at the park wearing Grandpa's hat, he thinks it has made him invisible. But Bird can still see him! The more Bunny tries, the less invisible he seems. The best friends enjoy the hat even if it's not magical. But are they sure it's not a magical hat?

Categories: Humour, Friendship



71. JEFF GIRAFFE: GREAT ESCAPE, THE

Amelia McInerney | Alexandra Colombo (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Jeff Giraffe dreams of adventure, and he's not going to let his zoo enclosure stop him! With his seal sidekick, Roger, it's time for ... THE GREAT ESCAPE! What could go wrong?!

Categories: Adventure



72. LAST TREE IN THE CITY, THE

Peter Carnavas | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Edward is sad after he finds the last tree in the city is no longer standing. After some reflection, he finds a way to make things better. A poignant tale about the environment and the way children relate to its beauty.

Categories: Environment



73. LITTLE BOOK BABY

Katrina Germein | Cheryl Orsini (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

This little baby loves sharing books! Books on the tram with Dad, books at picnics with Nanna and Pa, and even bath-time books with Mummy. Morning, noon and night, books make everything better. From talented duo, Katrina Germein and Cheryl Orsini, comes a heart-warming story about the joy and delight of sharing books.

Categories: Family Unit, Books, Reading, Sharing, Rhyming Text



74. MAMA BEAR AND ME

Sophie Beer | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

A bear hug from my mama is the warmest place to be. We'll sleep inside our cave, all snuggly brave ... my Mama Bear and me. Bears can be cuddly soft and grizzly grumpy. But who is the cuddliest, grizzliest bear of all? Why, it's MAMA BEAR! From the best-selling author of Love Makes a Family comes this loving tribute to real-life mama bears.

Categories: Family Unit, Mother's Day



75. MOST AMAZING THING, THE

Ian Hayward Robinson | Matt Shanks (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

'What is the most amazing thing?' asks Henry. 'Life,' says his sister. 'The mind,' says his brother. 'The universe,' says his father. Henry can see these things are amazing, but are they the MOST amazing thing? A timely story with an enduring message about the different ways to find wonder in the world.

Categories: Hope, Family, Understanding, Philosophy, Creativity



76. NEW YEAR SURPRISE!

Christopher Cheng | Di Wu (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

Little Brother is told by his brother and his friends that he's too small to help out at the Spring Festival. He's too little to fly a kite and he's not strong enough to hold a dragon pole. But Father says he has a special job to do. What can it be? He knows it's not hanging the lanterns up, as Father has already done that. He knows it's not choosing the treats from the hawker as Father has already chosen a duck. He knows it's not serving tea or lighting fire crackers as he did those jobs last year. Follow Little Brother through the village to find out what his special job is.

Categories: Asian Studies, China, Chinese New Year, Lunar New Year, Tradition, Culture



77. ONE HUNGRY SPIDER 35TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION

Jeannie Baker | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

One hungry spider spins her web between two branches. She waits ... Celebrating 35 years of an Australian classic by Jeannie Baker.

Categories: Spiders, Insects, Nature, Environment, Lifecycles, Counting



78. OUR FAMILY DRAGON: A LUNAR NEW YEAR STORY

Rebecca Lim | Cai Tse (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

It's New Year's Eve - the Lunar New Year. We are in Australia, but Bàba says people around the world have celebrated it for thousands of years. It's my very favourite time. Especially when the dragon is coming. A gorgeous story that celebrates family, tradition, and the magic of the season.

Categories: Asian Studies, Chinese New Year, Multicultural, Culture, Celebrations



79. OUR HOME

Catherine Meatheringham | Max Hamilton (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

Our Home is a picture book about where children live in Australia. From a rugged coast to an outback station to a high-rise apartment, Our Home showcases the landscapes, families and communities that make up our homes in Australia. Our Home is full of onomatopoeia to describe the sounds that homes make. Suburban homes whizz, beach homes sigh and farms rustle. Children will love to join in with this noisy story that fosters belonging, identity and a sense of place.

Categories: People and Places, Diversity, Home



80. OUR HOUSE

Trudie Trewin | Lavanya Naidu (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$22.95

We share a hug, with shiny eyes. 'I love you, house,' I cry. We all hold hands and walk through the door ... One home can tell many stories in this heartwarming, reversible tale about family, togetherness and moving on to new beginnings.

Categories: Family Unit, Diversity, New House



81. READY, SET, BIG SCHOOL PLAY SCHOOL

Jan Stradling | Jedda Robaard (Illustrator) | Hardback | 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



82. SATURDAY IS PANCAKE DAY

Bernadette Green | Daniel Gray-Barnett (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Dada Henry doesn't feel like pancakes this morning, and Milo and the twins aren't sure why. They persist making more and more elaborate concoctions, Maple Come Back for More, Little Puddings Supreme, and Brussel Sprouts Forget Me Never, but nothing will lure Henry out of bed. This funny and heartwarming story tells us that every now and then, everyone needs some 'me-time'.

Categories: Wellbeing, Kindness, Mental Health, Cooking, Same Sex Parents



83 SLOTHS LOVE PARTIES

Rory H Mather | Binny Talib (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Sloths LOVE to sleep. But do you know what else they love? PARTIES. Put on your dancing shoes and join Marty the sloth for the grooviest celebrations the rainforest has ever seen. Just don't forget to bring your PJs ...

Categories: Celebrations, Parties, Bedtime



84. STARTING SCHOOL LIST, THE

Kitty Black | Cate James (Illustrator) | Hardback | 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



85. STORIES FOR BIG BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Compilation | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

A celebration of sibling love in all its forms ... This keepsake treasury of Australian picture books is in turns adorable, heartwarming and hilarious. With tales from bestselling and award-winning creators Sara Acton, Jane Godwin, Libby Gleeson, Andrew Joyner, Zanni Louise, Jan Ormerod, Anna Pignataro and Jedda Robaard, Stories for Big Brothers and Sisters is the perfect collection for any family awaiting a new arrival.



86. STORIES FOR LITTLE ONES

Compilation | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$24.30

A celebration of babies and all the joy they bring ... This keepsake treasury of Australian picture books is in turns funny, tender and playful. With tales from bestselling and award-winning creators Tamsin Ainslie, Jane Godwin, Libby Hathorn, Jane Massey, Ruthie May, Jan Ormerod and Margaret Wild, Stories for Little Ones is the perfect collection to welcome a baby into the world.



87. SUMMER, AUTUMN, WINTER, SPRING

Kaliah Tsakalidid | Lisa Stewart (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Whether it's summer, autumn, winter or spring, there's always fun to be had outside! In this beautifully illustrated celebration of the four seasons, we travel far and wide and delight in the magic and wonder of outdoor play. Lisa Stewart's mesmerising collage and Kaliah Tsakalidis' rhyming text will evoke interest in faraway places and a love for the natural world.

Categories: Seasons, Natural World, Rhyming Text



88. TAYTA'S SECRET INGREDIENT

Amal Abu-Eid | Cara King (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

Billy loves Harmony Day. He loves the colours, the clothes and especially the food. This year Tayta is making kaak, a Lebanese treat, for Billy to share with his class but he can't share the recipe because Tayta bakes with a secret ingredient. Tayta's Secret Ingredient is a heart-warming intergenerational story about everyday life in multicultural Australia, where a curious boy takes centre stage alongside his beloved baking grandmother.

Categories: Harmony Day, Multicultural, Sharing, Love, Grandparents, Family, Diversity, Lebanese



89. THIS IS MY HAPPY PLACE

Emma Bowd | Jen Khatun (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Do you have a special Happy Place, where a smile swims over the whole of your face? Celebrate the places, people and things that bring us joy in this uplifting and spirited book.

Categories: Mindfulness



90. VELVET MESSENGER, THE YOUNG QUEENS COLLECTION

Megan Hess | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$22.95

Violet lives in the wintry forest with her mother, a renowned locksmith. Her mother taught her many things, but the two most important were how to pick a lock in an emergency, and to always trust your instincts – and when Violet finds a lost key belonging to the Queen, she'll need to do both if she wants to survive her visit to the Palace ...

Categories: Fairytale, Fantasy, Mystery, Rhyming Text, Kindness



91. VOICE OF THE SEA

John Williamson | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Where did it go? Where has it gone, your love for me? We love our sandy beaches, our jewel seas and reefs brimming with life. But our precious oceans are in trouble and we all need to become part of the voice to save them.

Categories: Conservation, Environment, Sustainability



92. WAITING AT WOY WOY

Robin George | Emily Snape (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

In a small town, next to a lake called Woy Woy, the locals are nearly frozen in time waiting for something to happen in their lives. Some wait for the lake to be stocked with fish, others are waiting for a chess partner, and still others wait for a glimpse of the person they love. All this waiting keeps life slow and dull at Woy Woy, and the only thing that brings anyone joy is a small, piano-playing mouse named Reggie. It seems as if life will continue to be one long line, when a sudden storm floods the town and poor Reggie is washed away. Locked into complacency, everyone waits for someone else to do something. It's only the courage of a local dog who snaps out of waiting and leaps into action. He saves the town's most talented rodent, teaching a valuable lesson to everyone about letting life pass you by, waiting for others to make decisions for you, and treasuring every moment. Told in playful rhymes and illustrated in soft, friendly watercolours, Waiting at Woy Woy will encourage little ones and their parents to seize the day.

Categories: Rhyming Text



93. WEAR A PURPLE POPPY: REMEMBERING ANIMALS IN WAR

Fiona White | Kathleen O'Hagan (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

On the National Day for War Animals, we wear a purple poppy to remember those animals who have served, and those who continue to serve, alongside our soldiers. This heartwarming tribute explores the different roles of animals in wartime, and honours their strength, courage and dedication. From the horses and the mules to the elephants, cats and dogs, we wear a purple poppy for you.

Categories: War, Remembrance Day, Animals, Gratitude



94. WHEELS AND SPRINGS AND MOVING THINGS SCHOOL OF MONSTERS

Sally Rippin | Chris Kennett (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Frank's dad is a farmer, Jess's brother drives a garage truck, and Jack's mum is a firefighter. In this exciting deep-dive into the world of monsters and beyond, discover the different jobs monsters do all day and the incredible vehicles they drive. In the tradition of Richard Scarry's classic What Do People Do All Day?, every spread is filled with busy, detailed illustrations of the world and its characters in Chris Kennett's inimitable style, alongside Sally Rippin's charming rhymes!

Categories: Occupations

Overseas Picture Book



95. BOOKS MAKE GOOD FRIENDS

Jane Mount | Hardback | RRP \$34.99 | School Price \$29.75

Lotti isn't sure she wants to make friends. She's shy, and she doesn't really know how. While everyone around her is playful, outgoing, and loud, Lotti prefers a quiet place and a book to read. Lotti LOVES books. To her, books are full of magic and aren't as scary as new friends. But perhaps Lotti's books can show her how to find magic in everyday moments, and maybe the friends she can share this magic with are closer than she thinks. Iconic Bibliophile creator Jane Mount makes her children's book debut in this imagination-driven story of a shy booklover's attempts to open her mind and find joy with the people around her. This journal-esque narrative—which includes fun recommended reads on each page—explores the process of book discovery for bibliophiles-in-training, and is perfect for enthusiastic and reluctant readers alike!

Categories: Shyness, Friendship, Books, Reading



96. CAT WHO COULDN'T BE BOTHERED, THE

Jack Kurland | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

There is a cat. A cat that couldn't be bothered to do anything ... anything at all. His friends ask him if he wants to play but he doesn't feel like it. They invite him on adventures to far-off places, but he would rather stay at home. Until one day, a friend asks how he is doing, and the true reason why he'd rather do nothing is revealed. He is feeling sad. This is a story about feelings, friendship and the importance of speaking to someone when you don't feel right.

Categories: Friendship, Mental Health, Compassion, Understanding



97. CONFETTI: COLOURFUL CELEBRATION OF LOVE AND LIFE,

Dean Atta | Alea Marley (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$22.95

One day, Ari discovers a piece of pink confetti under the sofa. She throws is up into the air and watches it helicopter down: a small, bright moment of celebration. And before long, Ari discovers confetti in other places: at her birthday party; at the Pride parade; in autumn's falling leaves; in the magical sprinkling of snowflakes. She finds that when you look around, life is full of celebrations, each moment bursting with colour and joy - just like a handful of confetti.

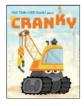


98. COUNTING SHEEP: A FARMYARD COUNTING BOOK

Michelle Robinson | Nikki Dyson (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Down on the farm, it's time to sleep. So sheepdog, Sam, rounds up the sheep... Everyone knows that counting sheep will send you straight to sleep but what happens when the sheep won't go to sleep? And what if they don't know how to count, either?! Sheepdog, Sam, is on the case and he tries everything he can to lull them off to dreamland. But, before long, the whole farm is awake and noisier than ever...

Categories: Maths, Counting, Farms, Farm Animals



99. CRANKY

Phuc Tran | Pete Oswald (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

It's the last day at the construction site and Cranky the crane truck is feeling, well, cranky. And he doesn't want to talk about it. His friends Zippy, Wheezy, and Dump Chuck try to cheer him up. But you know what doesn't help when you're feeling cranky? A lot of talking. But what will help?

Categories: Feelings/Emotions, Friendship, Honesty



100. CRAYONS GO BACK TO SCHOOL, THE

Drew Daywalt | Oliver Jeffers (Illustrator) | Hardback | 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



101. CRAYONS LOVE OUR PLANET, THE

Drew Daywalt | Oliver Jeffers (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

The Crayons love our planet and are proud of their contributions. White ice caps, Green trees, Blue oceans and skies, Brown soil . . . and more! Even Beige is proud of his contribution: Wheat! This funny book shows the beauty of our planet – and why it needs our help. Perfect for Earth Day!

Categories: Conservation, Environment, Nature



102 DINOSAUR ROAR! 30TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION

Henrietta Stickland | Paul Stickland (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Celebrate 30 years of Dinosaur Roar! with this beautiful anniversary edition of the beloved children's classic. The writing flows with a rhyme and rhythm that rolls of the tongue, and illustrations that are colourful and fun, Dinosaur Roar! is the perfect book to read aloud or sit down and enjoy with young children. If you are looking to buy a book for a child in your life, this is one book that the both of you will love it together!

Categories: Dinosaurs



103. EASTER BUNNY HUNT, THE

Stacy Gregg | Sarah Jennings (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Easter is here! But where are the eggs? Join Cat and Dog as they search for a much-awaited Easter visitor! When Dog's descriptions of the Easter Bunny leave a few imaginative gaps for Cat to fill in, they soon find their home full of many other long-eared, fluffy-tailed creatures who are more than ready to enjoy the celebrations...

Categories: Easter, Humour



104. EVERY LITTLE HIPPO CAN

Giles Andreae | Guy Parker-Rees (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Horace the hippo and his sister Hope love going to the lake every day with their granny. But the long walk has become a little too long for Granny. So Horace and Hope make a plan to bring the lake to her instead. But little Horace can't carry as much water as his sister, and he always comes back with an empty bucket. Can Granny help him to see that, with every little splash and spill, an even more wonderful gift is growing?

Categories: Growth Mindset, Confidence, Determination, Patience, Persistence



105. GIGANTIC

Rob Biddulph | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Meet Gigantic, the smallest blue whale in the Atlantic. Dwarfed by the other whales, Gigantic keeps to himself, making new friends and perfecting his somersaults and flips in the bay. But one day when Gigantic's brother, Titan, gets stuck on the sand, it's down to Gigantic and his smallest sea creature friends to save the day. Can they show it's possible to be tiny and tough?

Categories: Sibling Rivalry, Friendship, Brothers, Determination, Rescue



106. GRUFFALO 25TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION, THE

Julia Donaldson | Axel Scheffler (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

A mouse took a stroll through the deep dark wood. A fox saw the mouse and the mouse looked good. Walk further into the deep dark wood, and discover what happens when a quick-witted mouse comes face to face with a fox, an owl, a snake . . . and a hungry Gruffalo! This special 25th anniversary edition of The Gruffalo is a must-have addition to the bookshelves of all Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler fans, featuring special bonus content to enjoy!

Categories: Rhyming Text, Monsters



107. HATCH AND MATCH

Ruth Paul | Hardback | RRP \$25.99 | School Price \$22.10

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



108. HEN IN THE BED: SPLIT-PAGE COUNTING BOOK

Katrina Charman | Guilherme Karsten (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

There were ten in the bed and the speckled hen said, "Roll over! Roll over!"...Bedtime is fun time for the funny animal characters in this hilarious split-page picture book. As each animal noisily tumbles out, one by one, their bed gets emptier and the mayhem in the rest of the room gets crazier. Will anyone ever get any sleep?!

Categories: Nursery Rhymes, Rhyming Text



109. HOME FOR STONE, A

Corrinne Averiss | Rosalind Beardshaw (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$22.95

When a little boy finds a lonely stone on a quiet beach, he decides to find him the perfect home among other stones just like him. But nowhere feels quite right for little Stone. And just as the boy is about to give up, he realises that he may have had the perfect home for Stone all along . . .

Categories: Belonging, Friendship, Companionship



110 IMPERFECTI V PERFECT

Perry Emerson | Hoang Giang (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

What is imperfectly perfect? It's a flower growing from a cracked pavement. It's the memory of a happy time, etched in a wrinkled smile. It's taking something broken, mending it with love, and making something new. Something unique. Beautiful. And imperfectly perfect. A story that cherishes beauty in imperfection.

Categories: Guilt, Forgiveness, Siblings



111. JEWELLER'S APPRENTICE, THE

Axel Scheffler | Rosa Scheffler (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$22.95

When Mr Peacock hires a shy little chicken as a new apprentice in his jewellery shop, he has no idea what awaits him: a royal visit from the Lion Prince, a mysterious robbery, and a miraculous discovery! Richly illustrated in full colour throughout, The Jeweller's Apprentice is an enchanting modern fable, written and illustrated by Axel Scheffler, bestselling illustrator of The Gruffalo.

Categories: Friendship, Honesty, Truth, Mistakes, Mystery



112. JULIA DONALDSON'S BOOK OF NAMES

Julia Donaldson | Nila Aye (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$24.30

Julia Donaldson celebrates her readers in this delightful and imaginative picture book, inspired by the children she has met at hundreds of book signings over the years. Set in a magical transforming bookshop, A Book of Names is a fun-filled love letter to the world of books, imagination and children. From months of the year, colours, flowers, food and gemstones, Julia has seamlessly grouped together a charming selection of children's names and woven them together in her unmistakable rhyming style. Readers will enjoy trying to find their own name, and even if it isn't included, there is a special dedicated space for them to add it!



113. LIS FOR LOVE

Atinuke | Angela Brooksbank (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$23.80

A whole family set off to sell their luscious lemons at the market in Lagos. They leave before dawn with lamps in hand and loads on heads. They have quite an adventure ahead of them ... over logs, on a leaky lorry, through lightning, past lions and leopards until eventually reaching Lagos. The city is bustling and loud – there are lots of legs to get lost between! – but they can finally sell their luscious lemons.

Categories: Language, Love, Alphabet, Multicultural, Markets



114. LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD AND OTHER STORIES

Lucy Cousins | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Multi-award-winning author Lucy Cousins retells three of her favourite fairy tales in spare, bold language and brilliant, vibrant pictures. The famous characters in Little Red Riding Hood, The Three Little Pigs and The Enormous Turnip are given new life and a sprinkle of modern magic.

Categories: Nursery Stories

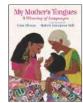


115. MAVIS THE BRAVEST

Lu Fraser | Sarah Warburton (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Mavis is not like her adventurous friend Marge. Mavis is a chicken who finds EVERYTHING scary (night-time and daytime and anything hairy!). So when the slumbering peace of their cosy barn is disturbed by someone trying to steal their friend Sandra the sheep, will Mavis be able to find her bright spark of braveness and save Sandra?

Categories: Feelings/Emotions, Bravery, Courage, Fears, Anxiety



116. MY MOTHER'S TONGUES: A WEAVING OF LANGUAGES

Uma Menon | Rahele jomepour Bell (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$23.80

Sumi's mother can speak two languages, Malayalam and English. She can switch between them at the speed of sound: one language when talking to Sumi's grandmother, another when she addresses the shopkeeper. Sometimes she speaks a combination of both. Could it be she possesses a superpower? With awe and curiosity, young Sumi recounts the story of her mother's migration from India and how she came to acquire two tongues, now woven together like fine cloth.

Categories: Language, English, Malayalam, India, Migration, Multicultural



117. OCEAN GARDENER, THE

Clara Anganuzzi | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Ayla and her marine biologist mum live on a beautiful tropical island, surrounded by a coral reef. One morning, Ayla notices that many of the fish have disappeared, and the once vibrant corals have turned pale. Is it too late to save the reef? This stunningly illustrated picture book captures the beauty and magic of the coral reef, and the important role it plays in the ocean's eco-system. From the impact global warming has on reefs to the amazing things marine biologists are doing to protect it, readers will love learning about this fascinating topic. Clara Anganuzzi's gentle text and breathtaking artwork looks at the complex topic of global warming in an eye-opening but positive way, showing us that we have time to reverse the damage which has been caused.

Categories: Environment, Conservation, Nature, Habitat, Ecosystems, Oceans, Sea Creatures



118. OGRE WHO WASN'T, THE

Michael Morpurgo | Emily Gravett (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

Clara is a small, strong-willed princess who likes running wild, jumping ditches and climbing trees . . . but most of all, she loves collecting creepy-crawlies and making them her friends. That's not easy with a bossy butler and a pernickety nanny always on your case. When Clara discovers that an ogre she keeps in her shoe under her bed isn't an ogre at all, he offers her a way out of her predicament. There's only one thing she needs to do . . .

Categories: Princesses, Humour, Predicament



119. PADDINGTON'S EASTER EGG HUNT

Michael Bond | Karen Jankel (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

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



120. PANDA WHO PROMISED, THE

Rachel Bright | Jim Field (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$24.30

High on a misty mountainside, red panda cubs Popo and Ketu live happily with their mama. As the sisters grow, they promise that they will ALWAYS stay close to home. But while Popo is content to stay in the family's cosy treetop nest, bold Ketu dreams of excitement and exploration. And so when Ketu creeps off down the mountain in search of adventure, Popo must make a choice: will she keep her promise to Mama, or look after her sister? An epic tale about family, love and the power of keeping a promise.

Categories: Adventure, Love, Promises



121. PROBLEM SOLVED!

Jan Thomas | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Rabbit has a problem! Her room is a mess. Luckily, Pete the Problem-Solving Porcupine shows up just in time. He can save the day! Except...things don't go quite to plan, and Rabbit realizes that Pete may actually be a problem-causer! Can Rabbit find a way to solve this unexpected new dilemma before chaos ensues?

Categories: Humour, Problem Solving



122. RAINBOWSAURUS

Steve Antony | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$24.30

We're following a rainbow to find the Rainbowsaurus. We're following a rainbow. Would you like to join us? Join two dads and their three children as they set off on an adventure to find the Rainbowsaurus. On their way, they meet animals that are all the colours of the rainbow who all want to find the Rainbowsaurus, too.

Categories: Diversity, Acceptance, Difference



123. SUPERHERO MERMAID DRAGON ADVENTURE PICK A STORY

Sarah Coyle | Paperback | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$14.40

Davy is on his way to school to show his teacher the AMAZING picture he has drawn for Show and Tell. It's probably the best thing he has ever drawn, ever ever EVER. But all of a sudden, whoa, the picture has DISAPPEARED. Davy needs YOUR help to find it! Has the picture been taken by dragons? Or pinched by mermaids? Has it been pilfered by a superhero? It's up to YOU to decide! Discover not one but THREE fun-filled worlds in this PICK A STORY adventure.

Categories: Interactive



124. SUPERWORM

Julia Donaldson | Paperback | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

Superworm is super-long. Superworm is super-strong. Watch him wiggle! See him squirm! Hip, hip, hooray for Superworm! Never fear, Superworm's here! He can fish Spider out of a well and rescue Toad from a busy road. But who will come to Superworm's rescue when he's captured by a wicked Wizard Lizard? Luckily, all of Superworm's insect friends have a cunning plan...



125. THIS IS NOT A POLAR BEAR!

Barry Timms | Ged Adamson (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

This book is NOT about a polar bear. Well...OK, maybe it is! But this polar bear can drive a train, roller skate, disco dance and even save the world. And there's one thing this bear does best of all - he gives the biggest, cosiest cuddles! With brilliant wordplay and a sweet and playful friendship at its heart, this is the perfect picture book for bear fans everywhere. This fabulously funny story has stacks of appeal for both girls and boys - watch out for bubbles, bumper cars, jelly mountains, treasure chests and magical adventures.

Categories: Friendship, Rhyming Text



126. TRAINS, BOATS AND PLANES

Michelle Robinson | Jez Tuya (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

From Lollies Award-winning Michelle Robinson comes this colourful rhyming story following trains, boats and planes in their busy day. But where are they all going? Join three busy transport vehicles as they speed their doggy passengers to the Big Festival! The running isn't smooth, and there's a rainstorm on the way... Trains, boats and planes: which one would you ride? Featuring hundreds of vehicles, all with doggy drivers, and with a wind-down bedtime ending, this book is sure to keep your little one busy spotting every time you read it together.

Categories: Transport, Boats, Ships, Trains, Planes



127. ZOG

Julia Donaldson | Axel Scheffler (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

Zog is the keenest dragon in school. He's also the most accident-prone, flying into trees and even setting his own wing on fire. Luckily, a mysterious little girl always comes by and patches up his bumps and bruises. But will she be able to help Zog with his toughest test: capturing a princess?

Categories: Dragons

Aboriginal Studies



128. BUSH BUGS

Helen Milroy | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

It's time to get outside and discover the amazing world around us in this stunning new picture book from bestselling Indigenous creator Helen Milroy. This colourful array of Australian insects is sure to delight little ones captivated by all things creepy and crawly. From spiky stick insects to hairy spiders, and from blood-sucking mosquitos to dungeating blowflies and feasting wasps, this is a fun and easy-to-read book introducing tiny readers to tiny bush critters.

Categories: Habitats, Environment, Bush



129. FOR 60,000 YEARS

Marlee Silva | Rhys Paddick (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

For 60,000 years, as sure as the sun rises and rests, our people have thrived and survived. Originally penned as a poetic response to January 26th, this is an empowering story of truth, strength and community, told by Gamilaroi and Dunghutti woman Marlee Silva and illustrated by Yamatji man Rhys Paddick.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Culture, Identity, First Nations, Survival



130. MIIMI BUWAARR, MOTHER AND BABY

Melissa Greenwood | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Being your milmi (mother) is the most precious gift life can give. When you were born you opened my heart as wide as the ocean. Join Milmi (Mother) as she shares stories with her Buwaarr (baby) about the environment, language and totems; passing on the wisdom of Gumbaynggirr culture and a mother's hopes for baby's future.

Categories: Family Unit, Relationships, Connection, Culture, Sharing, Environment, Wisdom



131. MOLLY GETS STUCK (MOLI BIN GIT STAK)

Karen Manbulloo | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Looking for shade on a hot day in Binjari, Moli takes shelter under a local van, but ends up getting stuck! Will she manage to get free? The much awaited follow up to popular children's book Moli det bigibigi, the sequel Moli bin git stak follows the adventures of a now grown-up Moli the pig.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Dual Language, Kriol



132. TREES: LEARNING TREE KNOWLEDGE WITH UNCLE KUU, THE

Victor Steffensen | Sandra Steffensen (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

Take a walk with Uncle Kuu in The Trees, a picture book about caring for Country and respect for Indigenous knowledge. Looking after the trees is important for keeping Country happy and healthy. First Nations People have cared for the trees on Country for thousands of years. In return, the trees look after the people and provide them with gifts of seeds, flowers, wood and more. This creates the balance between giving and taking from the land. Featuring stunning artwork by Sandra Steffensen, The Trees is a powerful and timely story to help future generations manage our landscapes and ensure that they thrive.

Categories: Narrative Non Fiction, Aboriginal Studies, Ecosystems, Trees, Nature



133. WILLY WAGTAIL AND THE LITTLE BOY (JIRNTIPIRRINY)

June Nixon | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

One morning, a little boy and his family go looking for bush berries. The boy wanders off on his own, following the calls of a willy wagtail. Learn more about life on Country with the little boy and his family. The illustrations for this book were produced in workshops with ILF Lifetime Ambassador Alison Lester, and children's author and publisher

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Dual Language, Bilingual, Dhurga Language, Walmajarri



134. WONGUTHA TALES

May O'brien | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

From traditional Indigenous teaching stories to stories based on the author's childhood at Mount Margaret Mission, Wongutha Tales is a unique collection bringing together May O'Brien's wonderful work for the first time. First published as individual titles in 1992, May O'Brien's stories were ground-breaking publications, presenting traditional Indigenous stories in a bilingual text and giving a unique insight into learning English as a second language from a First Nations perspective. Classic tales such as How Crows Became Black and Why the Emu Can't Fly are still as fresh and appealing as ever for a new generation of junior readers. Plus May's simple pronunciation guide for Wongutha words are perfect learning activities for the classroom.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Dreaming Stories

Graphic Novel



135. ADVENTURES OF INVISIBLE BOY GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE

Doogie Horner | Paperback | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

On his first day at a new school, Stanley wishes he could disappear. Then, after a big spill at the science fair, Poof! Stanley is invisible! It's awesome! He can do anything he wants, and no one will know! Except for one person—the inventor of the ruined project. And he plans to take his anger out on kids all over town, including Stanley. Get ready for a battle of the ages!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour, Superheroes, Starting School



136. ANTICS IN ANTARCTICA GRAPHIC NOVEL EVIL EMPEROR PENGUIN

Laura Ellen Anderson | Paperback | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$15.19

In the icy, snow-covered depths of Antarctica is the secret lair of an extraordinary penguin. Evil Emperor Penguin! From the bottom of the world, he's got his sights set on taking the whole thing over! Unfortunately, he's really not very good at it. Especially when his rival, Evil Cat, is trying to beat him at his own world-domination game! With his lovable assistant Eugene, and octopus butler Number 8, Evil Emperor Penguin is the most devious, cutest and funniest evil mastermind ever to waddle the Earth! Just not the most successful...

Categories: Graphic Novel

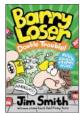


137. ATTACK OF THE ZOMBIES GRAPHIC NOVEL ACADEMY FOR ROBLOX PROS

Louis Shea | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

Four friends are transported through a portal, into the world of Roblox. But there's something weird going on at the Academy for Roblox Pros. Why are all the teachers and students turning green? And why are they all moaning Braaaaaiiins?! Oh no! It's a zombie invasion! Can avatars Play, Bee, Dash and Glitch (as well as Fritz) save the school? Or is it Game Over for the academy?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Gaming



138. BARRY LOSER: DOUBLE TROUBLE! GRAPHIC NOVEL BARRY LOSER GRAPHIC NOVEL

Jim Smith | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

The bestselling, award-winning Barry Loser series is ten years old and Barry, Bunky, Nancy and the gang are off on a series of new adventures – in full colour graphic novel format and with 'how to draw' sections to help you make your own comic books! With three amazekeel stories, including one where Barry's dad turns into a vending machine, and all Barry has to do is 'press his buttons' to get exactly what he wants, and another where hearing the most boring story in the world has a disastrous effect of Barry's mind and body...

Categories: Graphic Novel



139. BEST PARTY EVER! GRAPHIC NOVEL PIZZA AND TACO

Stephen Shaskin | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$10.99 | School Price \$9.35

Pizza and Taco have the oh-so-relatable problem of not knowing what to do when boredom strikes. The answer? Throw a party! They have a location, a guest list and decorations. Everything is perfect ... until it isn't. In fact, it's kind of a disaster! Ice Cream has a meltdown and who knew Hamburger was lactose intolerant? (Who invited Cheeseburger anyway?) Well, now they know how not to throw a party!!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour

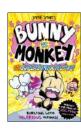


140. BUNNY VS MONKEY AND THE LEAGUE OF DOOM BUNNY VS MONKEY

Jamie Smarts | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

Since he crash-landed to Earth in a rocket, Monkey has been causing absolute mayhem! Bunny and the gang (Squirrel, Pig [the Pig], Action Beaver, and Skunky the Inventor) have almost had enough. Monkey's eternal struggle for world domination is getting more ridiculous every day, and it's impossible to predict which bizarre plan he's going to put into action next... In this comic extravaganza, the pint-sized friends must face a giant robot whale, a pig cannon, a camping trip that goes wrong... oh, and the actual end of the world! Can Bunny and Co stop the apocalypse before it's too late?!.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour



141. BUNNY VS MONKEY AND THE SUPERSONIC AYE-AYE BUNNY VS MONKEY

Jamie Smarts | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

There's a new animal joining Bunny and the gang. Ai - a supersonic, super-fast aye-aye! But how will Ai fit in to the Woods? What mischievous schemes is Skunky cooking up? And will Monkey ever stop trying to hit her with a stick?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour

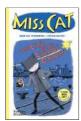


142. BUZZING GRAPHIC NOVEL

Samuel Sattin | Rye Hickman (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

Isaac Itkin can't get away from his thoughts. As a lonely twelve-year-old kid with Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD), everything from studying to looking in the mirror becomes a battle between him and a swarm of unhelpful thoughts. The strict therapy his mother insists on doesn't seem to be working, but when a group of friends invites him to join their after-school role-playing game, the thoughts feel a little less loud, and the world feels a little brighter. But Isaac's therapist says that exposure to games can have negative effects on kids with OCD, and when his grades slip, his helicopter mother won't let him play anymore. Now Isaac needs to find a way to prove to himself, to his mother, and to the world that the way to quiet the noise in his head may have been inside him all along.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Friendship, Belonging, OCD, Neurodiversity



143. CASE OF THE CURIOUS CANARY GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE MISS CAT

Jean-luc Fromental | Joelle Jolivet (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

The first book in a new irresistible graphic novel series for young readers, featuring a cool detective dressed in her cat-ear hoodie. Meet Miss Cat, a private eye with ears on her hat and a nose for mystery! Miss Cat is always keen to get her claws into a new case. When Mr Maximus comes to her detective agency, searching for a kidnapped canary, the scene is set for a tale of crafty crooks, strange secrets, and a huge helping of animal magic.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Detective, Crime, Kidnapping



144. CLAUDIA AND THE BAD JOKE GRAPHIC NOVEL BABY-SITTERS CLUB GRAPHIX

Ann m Martin | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$16.20

Claudia isn't worried when she hears her newest baby-sitting charge, Betsy Sobak, is a big practical joker. After all, how much harm can one little girl do? Plenty! Claudia breaks her leg as a result of one of Betsy's jokes. Now Claudia is feeling like baby-sitting might be too dangerous and she's talking about quitting the club. Kristy thinks Betsy needs to be taught a lesson, and that the baby-sitters are just the ones to do it. Watch out, Betsy Sobak. The joke war is on!

Categories: Graphic Novel



145. CLEAN SWEEP GRAPHIC NOVEL GERONIMO STILTON REPORTER

Geronimo Stilton | Hardback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

What in gouda is happening to New Mouse City? Thea Stilton is missing and someone has been burglarizing the most popular shops! Are the two connected? Geronimo, the famouse editor-in-chief of The Rodent's Gazette, is on the case. But Sally Ratmousen, the owner of the Daily Rat newspaper, thinks Thea is the thief! Can Geronimo and his family find Thea and clear her name?

Categories: Graphic Novel



146. DOGGY SCHOOL GRAPHIC NOVEL PEANUT, BUTTER AND CRACKERS

Paige Braddock | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$11.99

Crackers and floppy-eared puppy Peanut are off to doggy school! But when the two dogs are separated, Peanut is left to fend for himself against canine bullies. Determined to help him, Butter sneaks in and sets off a cat commotion! Can Peanut, Butter and Crackers find a way to make doggy school cool again?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour, Pets



147. ESCAPE FROM MR LEMONCELLO'S LIBRARY GRAPHIC NOVEL MR LEMONCELLO'S LIBRARY

Chris Grabenstein | Douglas Holgate (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.90

When Kyle learns that the world's most famous game maker, Luigi Lemoncello, has designed the town's new library and is having an invitation-only lock-in on opening night, he's determined to be there! But the tricky part isn't getting into the library - it's getting out. Because when morning comes, the doors stay locked. Kyle and the other kids must solve every clue and figure out every secret puzzle to find the hidden escape route!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Mystery, Friendship



148. GEM GANG GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE GERONIMO STILTON REPORTER

Geronimo Stilton | Hardback | Age 7+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Checkmate, cheese-lovers, er, we mean chess-lovers. For once, all is quiet in New Mouse City, so Geronimo Stilton, Editor-in-Chief of The Rodents Gazette can report on an incredible chess match-up. On one side, Gary Goudov, world-renowned chess champion, and on the other side, a super chess-playing computer! But after Geronimo leaves, the infamouse Gem Gang commits a string of robberies that only the Stiltons can untangle. Can Geronimo, Benjamin, and Thea protect the good mice of New Mouse City from the greed of the Gem Gang? Find out in this cheddar-ific volume of GERONIMO REPORTER.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Mystery, Crime, Teamwork

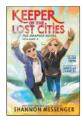


149. I SURVIVED THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, 1776 GRAPHIC N I SURVIVED GRAPHIC NOVEL

Lauren Tarshis | Leo Trinidad (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Nathaniel Fox never imagined he'd find himself in the middle of a blood-soaked battlefield, fighting for his life. He's only eleven-years-old! He's barely paid attention to the troubles between America and England. Instead, he's been worked to the bone by his cruel uncle. But when his uncle's rage forces him to flee home suddenly, Nate finds himself in New York City, in the middle of the American Revolution. He encounters an old friend and joins his army regiment as a camp helper. Soon the British invade — and nothing goes as planned. Can Nate survive the war's biggest battle yet?

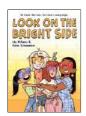
Categories: Graphic Novel, History



150. KEEPER OF THE LOST CITIES: GRAPHIC NOVEL VOL 1 KEEPER OF THE LOST CITIES GRAPHIC NOVEL

Shannon Messenger | Gabriella Chianello (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Twelve-year-old Sophie Foster has a secret. She's a Telepath with the power to hear the thoughts of everyone around her – something that she's never spoken about, even to her own family. But everything changes when she meets Fitz, a mysterious boy with the same ability. She discovers there's somewhere she does belong, and staying where she is will put her in grave danger. In the blink of an eye, Sophie is forced to leave behind everything and start a new life in a magical world. But what if life in the beautiful Lost Cities isn't as idyllic as it seems? And what if there's a reason she was hidden away? This volume contains the first half of the epic novel adapted to a new format with beautiful artwork.



151. LOOK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE GRAPHIC NOVEL

Lily Williams | Paperback | Age 11+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

A new year of school is starting, and Brit finds herself struggling with feelings for a seemingly rude boy from class who might have a soft side. Meanwhile, Christine can't deny that she likes her best friend Abby...as more than just a friend. The only question is, does Abby have feelings for Christine, too? And will their feelings for each other mess things up in their friend group? Misunderstandings, betrayal, and jealousy are bound to get in the way. But hey! Look on the bright side: They're in this together. Always.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Feelings/Emotions, Growing Up, Jealousy



152. LOST TIME GRAPHIC NOVEL

Tas Mukanik | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Twelve-year-old Evie didn't mean to get lost-especially in the Cretaceous period! Now she's alone, without her parents or anyone else to turn to for help. That is until she rescues a baby pterosaur and raises it on her own. As the baby grows into a giraffe-sized flying reptile, which Evie names Ada, the two manage to find a way to survive in the prehistoric wilderness. But Evie will have to risk everything when she makes a discovery that may just be her only chance of returning home. Putting Ada's flying skills to the ultimate test, the duo must embark on a journey halfway across the world-battling all nature throws at them, from fearsome dinosaurs to raging storms. Will Evie manage to overcome all the odds and find a way back to her family... or is she truly lost in time?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Prehistoric, Survival, Quest



153. MARK OF ATHENA GRAPHIC NOVEL HEROES OF OLYMPUS

Rick Riordan | Paperback | Age 11+ | RRP \$32.99 | School Price \$26.39

In The Son of Neptune, Percy, Hazel, and Frank met in Camp Jupiter, the Roman equivalent of Camp Half-Blood, and travelled to the land beyond the gods to complete a dangerous quest. The third book in the Heroes of Olympus series will unite them with Jason, Piper, and Leo. But they number only six--who will complete the Prophecy of Seven? With old friends and new friends joining forces, a marvellous ship, fearsome foes, and an exotic setting, The Mark of Athena promises to be another unforgettable adventure by master storyteller Rick Riordan.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Mythology, Greek



154. MIND CONTROL GRAPHIC NOVEL AGENT 9

James Burks | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Agent 9 is back in action at the Super-Secret Spy Service, and it couldn't come at a better time. The next assignment? Stopping the Wolf, a cunning canine who's been hired by the sinister organization DiViSiON to hunt down the final pieces of a mind-control device. It's a mission of such paramount importance that Nine must do the unthinkable-work with a partner! S4 teams up Agent 9 with Traps, a mouse who specializes in covert operations (and knitting too). Unfortunately, the partnership gets off to a rocky start. And despite their best efforts, the Wolf always seems to be one step ahead. With time running out and DiViSiON's plans to take over the world nearly complete, can Nine overcome the toughest challenge yet: being part of a team?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour, Spy



155. NIGHT OF THE NINJAS GRAPHIC NOVEL MAGIC TREE HOUSE GRAPHIC NOVEL

Mary Pope Osborne | Kelly Matthews (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$16.20

There's a whisper in the shadows, a silent warrior. It's a ninja! The magic tree house has whisked Jack and Annie to ancient Japan. They need to learn the secrets of the ninja in order to help their friend Morgan! But how do you find a warrior that hides in the shadows? You don't find a ninja . . . the ninja finds YOU! For the first time in graphic novel—live the adventure again with new full–color vibrant art that brings the magic to life!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure



156. PABLO AND SPLASH GRAPHIC NOVEL PABLO AND SPLASH

Sheena Dempsey | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

Antarctic penguins Pablo and Splash are polar opposites and besties for life. Pablo is a home-bird and a careful planner. Splash is easily bored and hungry for adventure. Sick to her flippers of the harsh, freezing weather, Splash persuades Pablo to go on a holiday with her. But far from the luxury beach destination that Splash has in mind, the pair end up in a time-travel machine that takes them back to the age of the dinosaurs! Suddenly their icy homeland doesn't seem so dull -

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure



157. PAWS: PRIYA PUTS HERSELF FIRST GRAPHIC NOVEL PAWS

Nathan Fairbairn | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

Gabby's parents finally get her a cell phone for Christmas, but instead of only using it for emergencies, she soon gets swept up in posting about PAWS online. And when one of her cute doggo videos goes viral, she becomes obsessed with becoming internet famous. Meanwhile, Priya receives some awful news- her family is being evicted! And although their new home is in a nice neighbourhood ripe with possibilities, it's also all the way across town, so Priya is reluctant to give the change a chance. Instead, she resorts to long rides on the bus to her old school so she can continue being a part of PAWS with her friends. But when a big storm hits, burying the city in snow, the girls find themselves on the verge of a doggy crisis. With Gabby distracted and Priya stretched thin, will they be able to overcome their challenges, or could this mean the end for PAWS?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Dogs, Pets, Humour, Ingenuity, Friendship

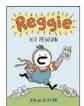


158. PENG AND SPANNERS GRAPHIC NOVEL PENG AND SPANNERS

Steve Webb | Paperback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$18.39

Meet your new favourite superheroes, a sarcastic penguin and a clever cat with a toolbelt. Kids are going to crazy for this penguin and cat combo - with gadgets aplenty, and don't forget the giant talking robot.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour, Robots

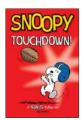


159. REGGIE: KID PENGUIN GRAPHIC NOVEL

Jennifer De Oliveira | Paperback | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.70

Reggie is just like any other kid: always looking for fun and adventure! But Reggie s curious, playful side sometimes gets him into trouble. Like when he tries to give himself a haircut before picture day and ends up gluing his feathers back on his head! Or when he sneaks a mouthful of cookie dough from the kitchen then feels the sun baking cookies in his tummy! Or when his babysitter puts him on a kid leash while they walk to the park and he rebels by acting like a dog! Reggie: Kid Penguin is a collection of six silly stories that explore kid-friendly themes, all through the eyes of a lovable, spunky penguin.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Humour



160. SNOOPY: TOUCHDOWN GRAPHIC NOVEL SNOOPY

Charles Schulz | Paperback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

These classic Peanuts comics by Charles Schulz feature the Peanuts gang at its finest—waiting for The Great Pumpkin, baseball games, and the many escapades of Snoopy, the world's most beloved cartoon beagle.

Categories: Graphic Novel



161. SUNNY MAKES A SPLASH GRAPHIC NOVEL SUNNY

Jennifer | Holm | Matthew Holm (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$17.10

It's summer and Sunny is bored. Most of her friends are out of town. Her mum wants her to babysit way more than Sunny wants to babysit. There's nothing good on TV. The only place that's cool (in a not-boring sense) and cool (in a not-hot sense) is the community pool. Sunny loves going there ... and loves it even more when she's offered a job at the snack shack. Soon she's flinging fries and serving soft ice cream like a pro ... with the assistance of the very sweet boy who works with her. Sunny's mum isn't sure Sunny should be quite so independent. But Sunny is definitely sure: Life is best when it's free to swim.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Swimming, Family Unit, Holidays



162. SWITCH GLITCH GRAPHIC NOVEL COOL CODE

Deirdre Langeland | Sarah Mai (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

When the coding club finds that their app has a malicious user, Morgan, Zoey, and Daniel code an update to contend with a mischievous Al llama that's guiding a not-so-popular kid named Marcus to cause chaos in the school. Annoying little siblings, chaotic pranks, and more abound as they race to repair the glitchy app—and their own friendships—in their school before the damage is irreversible.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Friendship, Artificial Intelligence

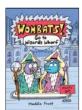


163. WINTER TURNING GRAPHIC NOVEL WINGS OF FIRE GRAPHIC NOVEL

Tui T Sutherland | Mike Holmes (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$15.19

Daring mission ... or deadly mistake. Winter has always been a disappointment to his royal IceWing family. Now he has a chance to save his sister, Icicle, from making a terrible mistake — if he can find her. Winter's new clawmates, Moon, Kinkajou and Qibli, insist on joining his dangerous journey. They don't understand that IceWings, the most superior of all dragon tribes, can fix their own problems. When their search leads the dragonets straight into Queen Scarlet's vicious talons, Winter is grateful to have some help. But even the bravest dragons can't follow him to the Ice Kingdom. There, he'll be alone to face the greatest threat of all: his own family.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Fantasy, Adventure



164. WOMBATS! GO TO WIZARD'S WHARF GRAPHIC NOVEL WOMBATS!

Maddie Frost | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

Pickles decides it's time to make good on an IOU that Albert forgot he gave him four years ago and requests that they take a trip to Wonder Wharf! Albert begrudgingly agrees to accompany his best friend, but amusement parks aren't really his thing. Pickles is determined to make Albert feel the magic around him, but even after exploring all the rides, games, mazes, and prizes that Wizard's Wharf has to offer, Albert still isn't as wowed by this environment as his friend is. Albert doesn't want his practicality to ruin his friend's IOU day, so they continue exploring the park and run into their friend and neighbour, Platters, who's working as a ride mechanic. Platters offers to take them on a tour of a top secret ride that's still under construction, but when the ride has a slight malfunction and the three of them are separated, Albert and Pickles will have to rely on how well they know each other, and maybe even a little magic, to help them find their way out.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Friendship, Humour



165. WORLD WILL BE MINE! GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE EVIL EMPEROR PENGUIN

Laura Ellen Anderson | Paperback | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$15.19

Evil Emperor Penguin's plans to take over planet Earth are in place, and nothing can stop him... wait, is that his archnemesis, Evil Cat?! Surely the world is too small for TWO evil geniuses! Who will become the cutest evil genius in the world? Giggles are guaranteed in this delightfully silly comic, with extra how-to-draw content so young readers can become creators, too!

Categories: Graphic Novel

Australian Novel



166. AGGIE FLEA STEALS THE SHOW! AGGIE FLEA

Tania Ingram | A Yi (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Meet Aggie Flea – She's a girl with a big imagination ... that lands her in even bigger trouble! The school play is almost here and Aggie wants the role of Web Legs, the superhero spider from Mars! But Aggie's stage time has always been a disaster! Will she break a leg or break the set?!

Categories: Imagination, Adventure, Mystery, Humour, Community, Integrity, Teamwork



167. ANDROMACHE BETWEEN WORLDS

Gabriel Bergmoser | Paperback | Age 12+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

All fourteen-year-old Andromache Peters wants is a normal life. But normal is pretty near impossible when your parents were famous adventurers who saved the world and nobody will let you forget it. On top of this, Andromache's father has been missing and presumed dead since she was only two, and her mother has retreated into grief ever since. So it's no surprise that the last thing Andromache needs is to be reminded of where she came from. But when a mysterious stranger reveals that Andromache's father is not only still alive but trapped in a parallel world, Andromache is thrown into a daring journey across other universes to find and save the father she never knew. A journey so strange and dangerous that it will forever transform Andromache's life to anything but normal.

Categories: Adventure, Mystery, Parallel World, Humour, Action



168. BAD GUYS: INTERGALACTIC GAS FULL COLOUR EDITION BAD GUYS

Aaron Blabey | Hardback | Age 7+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

The Bad Guys are back in full colour! The bad news? The world is ending. The good news? The Bad Guys are back to save it! Sure, they might have to 'borrow' a rocket ... And there might be something nasty in one of the spacesuits ... And Mr Piranha might have eaten too many bean burritos ... but seriously, how bad can it be? How bad?! Super bad. It's one small step for the Sort-Of-International-League-Of-Good-Guys-Guys. It's one giant leap for The Bad Guys.

Categories: Humour



169. BILLIE'S BACK TO SCHOOL STACK BILLIE B BROWN

Sally Rippin | 5 in 1 | Age 6+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

What does the B in Billie B Brown stand for? Back to school! Join Billie B Brown in five favourite school stories!

Categories: Short Stories



170. BLUEY: TRAINS BLUEY

Compilation | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Join Bluey on an adventure in her first fiction novel! As the Heelers play a game of Trains, what could possibly go wrong? Everything!

Categories: Transport, Trains, Adventure



171. BOTHER WITH THE BONKILLYKNOCK BEAST, THE MISS MARY-KATE MARTIN'S GUIDE TO MONSTERS

Karen Foxlee | Freda Chui (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

Mary-Kate and her granny are going to stay at a very quiet castle near a very quiet Loch in the Scottish village of Bonkillyknock. The perfect destination for reading beside fireplaces, going for long walks in galoshes and drinking cups of tea with Granny's old friends. At least, that's what Mary-Kate thinks. However, this is no ordinary reunion – it's a World Society of Monster Hunters' conference. So, when an ear-shattering howl interrupts the convention, Mary-Kate isn't too anxious. After all, the experts are on hand to investigate. But when the castle kitchen is turned upside-down and the experts suspect the usually secretive Loch Morgavie monster, Mary-Kate isn't sure the clues add up. Could there be some other kind of beastly problem bothering Bonkillyknock Castle?

Categories: Adventure, Family, Mystery, Detective



172. COUNTRY SCHOOL FILA AND OLIVIA

Yvette Poshoglian | Danielle McDonald (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$7.99 | School Price \$6.80

Meet Ella and Olivia. Big sister. Little sister. Best friends. Ella is off on an excursion to a country school, which has their own farm animals! Ella gets to feed the chickens, collect eggs, pat fluffy lambs ... but the smallest lamb goes missing. Can Ella help find him?

Categories: Friendship, First Experiences, Rural, Farms, Farm Animals



173. DAREDEVIL PRINCESS AND THE GOBLIN KING DAREDEVIL PRINCESS

Belinda Murrell | Rebecca Crane (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Princess Tillie and Honey Blossom go exploring down a secret tunnel in Rosenburg Palace. It leads to Apple Tree Creek Farm, just outside the town walls. But strange things are happening there. Kobold, the Goblin King, and his minions are causing much mischief, mess and mayhem. Lukas, the farm boy, is at his wits' end. Can Princess Tillie and Honey Blossom trick the wicked goblins and send them home?

Categories: Adventure



174. FARTY PETS: NEW HOBBY FARTY PETS

Adam Wallace | James Hart (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$9.99 | School Price \$9.00

When the kids go to school, their pets get together and play. Clumsy Bum is the only pet that doesn't have a hobby. He tries sewing, bowling and dancing but it's all a disaster! Will he ever find a hobby?

Categories: Toilet Humour



175. FLOWER FAIRY, THE PEARL AND FRIENDS

Sally Odgers | Adele k Thomas (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$9.99 | School Price \$8.50

From the world of Pearl the magical unicorn! Join Floss the Fairy for lots of flower magic fun! Pretty pink flowers have appeared everywhere ... but they're making everyone sneeze! Can Pearl and her friends find the flower fairy, and fix this magical mess?

Categories: Dragons, Adventure, Magic, Unicorns



176. FUNDRAISER FAIL SASKIA SPARK-LEE

Rebecka Sharpe Shelberg | Sofya Karmazina (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

Saskia Spark-Lee loves animals – she's almost adopted a whole zoo-worth! But when Da and Dee say they can't add another to the collection, she must come up with a new plan to continue supporting her furry friends. With some help from Nanna, and the amazing fundraising skills of her friends, Saskia may find where there's a will there's a way!

Categories: Animal Welfare, Activism, Friendship



177. FUNNY KID SNOWBALLS FUNNY KID

Matt Stanton | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

Every kid wants to laugh, but Max is the boy who can make it happen. When Max and his friends holiday at a ski resort for the rich and famous, Max realises that everything he could ever need to be happy is all here in one place and he's determined to fit in quick-smart! Max is the funny kid, but will his jokes work in the snow? Frozen pyjamas, fast cars, falling gracefully off cliffs, a wild mountain man, impossible chair lifts and a high-end fashion parade from lost property are just some of the things in store for Max and his friends in this brand-new Funny Kid adventure.

Categories: Humour, Adventure, Comedy



178. GREAT GALLIPOLI ESCAPE, THE

Jackie French | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

Sixteen-year-old Nipper and his Gallipoli mates Lanky, Spud, Bluey and Wallaby Joe are starving, freezing and ill-equipped. By November 1915 they know that that there is more to winning a war than courage. The Gallipoli campaign has been lost. Nipper has played cricket with the Turks in the opposing dugout, dodged rocket fire and rescued drowning, freezing men when the blizzard snow melted. 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. An unforgettable story told through the eyes of a boy who lied about his age to defend his country.

Categories: Australian History, World War 1, Gallipoli, Anzac Day



179. HANA THE THUNDER DRAGON DRAGON GIRLS

Maddy Mara | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Hana, her twin sister, Mina, and their cousin Zora are the best of friends. Now they share something more than a fierce family bond: The three are also Storm Dragons! As the Thunder Dragon, Hana has a roar louder than any storm. She'll need all her powerful abilities to confront the Magic Forest's newest villain, the Chaos Queen. The queen is creating dangerous weather that only the Storm Dragons can defeat!

Categories: Fantasy, Dragons



180. HEY JACK! THAT'S A BIG BOOK! VOLUME 1 HEY JACK

Sally Rippin | Stephanie Spartels (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$27.00

Jack and his friends love to make cubbies, build Lego castles and play soccer. Wherever there's fun to be had, Jack will be there! Hey Jack! That's A Big Book includes 13 stories and loads of cool activities. Each Hey Jack! book is carefully designed with word art and illustrations, and there are no mountains of text or super-tricky words to intimidate the early reader. So join the fun and read along!



181. HOTTEST DOGS, THE CROSS BONES

Jack Henseleit | David Kennett (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

After answering a DISTRESS CALL from a doggy damsel, Magnus, Daisy, Ed, and Spot must enter the DEADLY DESERTS of Cat Island. With the Spymaster beside them, the dogs are sure to succeed – but is this CATTY CREWMATE really the dogs' best friend?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Humour



182. JAWSOME: LICENCE TO ROCK JAWSOME

RJ Timmis | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

Finley, Hunter, Gilleon and Gnash are busy juggling their double lives as ordinary school sharks and as members of the sensational rock band, JAWSOME! But they soon find themselves deep in a sea of suspicious shark-nanigans. From stopping evil A.B.B.A agents to unmasking a strange new band, JAWSOME will need to use all their rockstar skills to save Chumville.

Categories: Friendship, Mystery, Sharks, Music, Sea Creatures



183. KIMMI: QUEEN OF THE DINGOES

Favel Parrett | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Kimmi sleeps with her mama at her back, her aunty at her front and her three brothers squeezed in beside her. They are a family. But when the farmer who took her father returns to threaten the rest of them, Kimmi is separated from her mama. In an incredible act of determination, Kimmi's mama runs over mountain tops and dusty red earth to spend one last day with her cub and share with her the knowledge that will one day make her a queen. This is Kimmi's story, the story of how she became Queen of the Dingoes in a sanctuary that saves them from extinction. It is her mama's story, too. But mostly it is a story that goes back thousands of years, and follows the long line of female dingoes they belong to.

Categories: Survival, Courage, Determination, Dingoes



184. LANI AND THE UNIVERSE

Victoria Carless | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$16.20

Lani Scrub has a plan: study hard and become a world-renowned scientist like her hero, Kit Galway, who wrote The Meaning of the Universe. The plan is ruined when Lani's mum decides to 'find herself' by joining a nature-loving community called Passing Waters. Lani should have known things were up when they got backyard chickens. At Passing Waters, Lani fails every test thrown her way - despite coaching from nine-year-old nature kid Lentil and a chef/astronomer named Meadow. Turns out failing is hard, and what's worse is their tree change is making her question the meaning of the universe ... And when the community's future is threatened, will Lani Scrub pitch in to save the day?

Categories: Community, Science, Nature



185. LET'S GO EXPLORING

Sue Wiedermann | Andrew Hopgood (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Follow two children as they set off on an adventure to explore their neighborhood. Share their delight as they discover and connect with the natural environment. This book, with detailed digital gouache illustrations encourages children to explore nature, look closely to find the creatures and objects listed, and teaches them a variety of yoga poses.

Categories: Natural World, Nature, Environment, Habitats

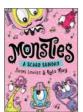


186. MIM AND THE VICIOUS VENDETTA TRAVELLING BOOKSHOP

Katrina Nannestad | Cheryl Orsini (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Mim Cohen roams the world in a travelling bookshop, with her dad and brother and a horse called Flossy. Flossy leads them where she will, to the place where they're needed most ... the place where the perfect book will find its way home. Now Mim has arrived in wonderful Venice, city of canals, palaces, bridges, boats and ... quarrels. Gondolier battles, cat nappings and laundry theft are just the beginning. The Magnifico family and the Forte family are at war. Mim knows they're here to help the feuding families. To show them a better way to behave. To bring an end to the vicious vendetta. If only Mim could find each of them the right book. If only they'd all stop reading the wrong books.

Categories: Reading, Books, Adventure, Travel



187. MONSTIES: SCARY SUNDAY MONSTIES

Zanni Louise | Kyla May (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Meet Orla, Pearl, Mig, Boo and Oops – they are THE MONSTIES! The Monsties are five best friend monsters . . . who are a bit hopeless at being scary. They live in Scaryland, surrounded by scary monsters and scary places (the ScaryMart, the Howlpital, the Shriek Factory) but they much prefer candy and cupcakes to spiders and centipedes. In Scary Sunday, Orla writes a bedtime story. But this time, a mysterious noise is stopping her! Can the Monsties find the source of the scary sound before the day is over?

Categories: Friendship, Kindness, Problem Solving



188. NEW HOME MILLIE THE CUTEST PUPPY IN THE WORLD

Cate Whittle | Nicky Johnston (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.70

Millicent-Mae Moonbeam-White was quite the tiniest little fluffy white puppy that had ever been left on the doorstep at St Bernard's Home for Little Lost Dogs.

Categories: Family Unit, Creativity



189. NINJA KID 13: NINJA GAMES! NINJA KID

Anh Do | Anton Emdin (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

It's time to go bananas! Thanks to Grandma's awesome new invention, Nelson and Kenny are inside their favourite video game. But can they defeat the big, bad Super Boss before they run out of time ... and lives?!

Categories: Adventure, Action, Inventions, Ninjas

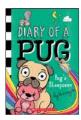


190. PEARLY AND PIG AND THE ISLAND OF SECRETS PEARLY AND PIG

Sue Whiting | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

Pearly Woe is a worrier. On remote Mammút Island off the coast of Iceland, Pearly's worrying is put to the ultimate test when she and Pig are winched from a helicopter onto the island to complete a five-day survival challenge – alone. But they are not alone. And that is not the only surprise in store for Pearly and Pig as Mammút Island reveals its many secrets.

Categories: Adventure, Friendship, Anxiety



191. PUG'S SLEEPOVER DIARY OF A PUG

Kyla May | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$9.99 | School Price \$9.00

Meet the cutest pug on the planet! Name: Baron von Bubbles Nickname: Bub Likes: naps; peanut butter treats; his human, Bella Dislikes: rain; Nutz the squirrel. Bub and Bella are planning a pirate-themed sleepover. It's going to be epic! But on the night of the party, a surprise puts Bella's plans in peril. Can Bub save the sleepover, or will this epic party become an epic fail?



192. RACE IS ON, THE WOLF GIRL

Anh Do | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Gwen's goal is simple: win the Championship Games and free the people of Hookville. But that's before she discovers that the enemy commander running the games is none other than her long-lost sister Kate. What is Kate doing working with the Braxans? And does she know where their parents are? Suddenly, things are a lot more complicated. Can Gwen win the race, save the villagers, and reunite her family too?

Categories: Adventure, Friendship, Mystery

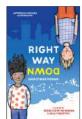


193. REVENGE OF THE CHICK-OATS SUPER SLOTH

Aleesah Darlison | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Romeo's nemesis, the unhinged Professor Ian Weird-Warp, is at it again. Bent on revenge, he concocts a quirky catastrophe. Mixing chicken and goat genes, he spawns a gang of eccentric chick-oats and they're on the loose in the Big Apple, destroying everything in their path all the while chanting, 'Berk-berk-baa!'. As the team faces off against Professor Weird-Warp's sinister demands for Romeo's surrender, they must hatch a brilliant plan to thwart the mad professor's wicked schemes once and for all. Can this unlikely crew save the city from the clutches of the chick-oats?

Categories: Humour, Adventure, Comedy, Danger



194. RIGHT WAY DOWN AND OTHER POEMS

Sally Murphy | Briony Stewart (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

Stand on your head with Sally Murphy, explode some dynamite with Cristy Burne or shoot some hoops with Cheryl Kickett-Tucker. Grow a poettree with Meg McKinlay or curl up next to your cat with Amber Moffat and watch a bit of Stink-o-Vision with James Foley. These and loads more poems by Australian poets are there to discover in Right Way Down. With striking illustrations by Briony Stewart, these poems will have you laughing, thinking, and playing with words - whichever way you read them.

Categories: Poetry, Anthology



195. SECRET SPARROW

Jackie French | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

In 1917 sixteen-year-old Jean McLain is working as a Post Office assistant in England. But when she wins a national Morse code competition, the British army makes a request Jean cannot refuse – to take a secret position as a signaller in France. If Jean can keep the signals flowing between the soldiers at the Front and at headquarters, Britain might possibly win the war. But the British army are determined to hide their desperation – they will go on to burn every document that showed how women and girls were working behind the scenes, in the trenches, and even in battles during World War I. Decades later, and half a world away, an old woman on a motorbike tells the young man she has rescued from a flash flood the story of 'the telegraph girl': the friends she lost, the man who loved her, and the happiness she so surprisingly found again. Based on true events, this story of adventure, courage and unshakable loyalty restores women and girls to their place in history that the authorities tried to erase.

Categories: War Stories, World War 1, Morse Code, Courage



196. SLEEPOVER FAIL ELLA DIARIES

Meredith Costain | Danielle McDonald (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

Warning: You are about to read my utterly biggest secrets. Can I trust you? OK then. I'm Ella, and this is my diary. Ella is staying at her best friend Zoe's house for a whole week. The girls are sure everything will be perfect. But Zoe's bedroom isn't quite big enough for all of Ella's stuff. And Zoe seems to be obsessed with horse toys, which makes Ella feel like her head will explode! Will their friendship survive the week?

Categories: Friendship, Adventure



197. SOFIA THE LAGOON DRAGON DRAGON GIRLS

Maddy Mara | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

The Sea Dragons have a final adventure left in their quest to save the Magic Forest. One last Sea Keeper needs to be rescued—and it's the most important one yet! Sofia will lead the group using her diving skills. Together, the girls must travel to the depths of the ocean to find a missing magical narwhal. The girls are running out of time before the Magic Forest is left to the fate of the Fire Queen!

Categories: Fantasy, Dragons



198. TWINNING: BFFS (NOT) TOP SECRET DIARIES OF TWIN SISTERS

Alexa Moses | Sofya Karmazina (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

Grace and Izzy are twins—identical twins—and they're closer than BFFs. But even though they look alike, they're not similar at all! It's Harmony Day at Rocky Point Primary, and Izzy and Grace are entering the best presentation competition. But when the girls choose the same topic, the battle between the sisters is on. Who will win? And will they ever be BFFs again?

Categories: Siblings, Sisters, Frindship, School



199. WHAT THEY TOLD ME

Hayley Lawrence | Paperback | Age 12+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

We are the luckiest, Elliot's dad told her. And Elliot, of course, believed him. Elliott and her family have lived in the house of a thousand storms by Crooked River all her life, with her best friend, Drake, just a kayak ride downstream. But one ordinary evening, Elliott's parents tell her some shattering news and Elliott realises they are no longer the luckiest. Has it all been a lie? As Elliott's life is split apart, she stands to lose all the places and the people she calls home. Except Elliott refuses to lose anything. Because if she lets go of everything she loves, Elliott will surely lose herself too.

Categories: Family Unit, Divorce, Relationships, Separation, Change

Younger Novel



200. ADVENTUREMICE: MERMOUSE MYSTERY ADVENTUREMICE

Philip Reeve | Sarah McIntyre (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Pedro is getting used to the thrilling life of the Adventuremice. But one stormy night, he finds something he's only ever dreamed of seeing: a real, live mermouse! This little mermouse is lost, and Pedro and the Adventuremice need to get him safely home. They must summon all their bravery and brilliance, plunge into the depths of the ocean and find the mysterious Mermouse City. It won't be straightforward, but it will be another exciting, friend-filled adventure for Pedro and the team!

Categories: Adventure, Bravery



201. ADVENTUREMICE: MICE ON THE ICE ADVENTUREMICE

Philip Reeve | Sarah McIntyre (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

The Frost Fair is coming! But when a surprise snowfall puts the mice's plans at risk, it's upto Pedro and the team to save the Fair and bring joy to the town!

Categories: Adventure, Bravery



202. BEST FRIENDS FUREVER LOVE PUPPIES

Janay Brown-Wood | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.05

When Rosie and the rest of the Love Puppies find out that Meiko is struggling to make friends at her new school, they are sure they can sniff out a solution! But it takes more than magic to break the ice. If they can be creative, these caring canines might just find a lonely girl her paw-fect match!

Categories: Problem Solving, Pets, Dogs



203. DASH TAKES OFF PUPPY CLUB

Catherine Jacob | Rachael Saunders (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.05

When Jaya's aunt reveals that Underdogs Rescue Centre needs funding for a new wing of kennels, the Puppy Clubbers have the perfect solution: a sponsored dog walk! There's only one problem. Arlo's puppy Dash is always racing about, and despite attending training classes, shows no signs of slowing down. Arlo is trying all he can to get Dash to work with him. Will he learn to listen in time to join the others on the Waggy Tails Walk?

Categories: Pets, Dogs, Friendship



204. DOTTY AND THE SWEET SURPRISE PIXIE MAGIC

Daisy Meadows | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

It's Christmastime in Crystal Bay - and also in Cobbletown, home of the Pixies and the Glitterbugs. But not everyone is feeling the magic of the festive season, and when Alice and Leo discover that their friend Oliver and his sister Ivy have fallen out, they ask the Pixies for help. Can Dotty the Pottery Pixie work her magic to repair the siblings' relationship and make sure everyone can enjoy the fun of the Crystal Bay Christmas fete?

Categories: Friendship, Magic



205. DRAGON TOWERS DRAGON TOWERS

Pip Bird | David O'Connell (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

Ten-year-old Theo LOVES dragons – he knows every dragon type, has every dragon book there is and has even made his own Dragon Rider jacket. So when he gets his letter inviting him to dragon school it's a dragon-y dream come true. At Dragon Towers every child is paired with their very own dragon best friend, and every dragon has their own special magic power, from fire-breathing to going invisible and even making slime. Theo can't wait to find out what type of dragon he has. But when he meets his dragon Wanda, she doesn't seem to have any powers at all...

Categories: Adventure, Humour, Dragons, Friendship



206. FIRST PRIZE FOR THE WORST WITCH WORST WITCH

Jill Murphy | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$16.20

Lovable but disaster-prone Mildred Hubble is possibly the worst ever trainee witch to darken the doors of Miss Cackle's Academy for Witches. As if by magic Mildred has made it to Year Four without being expelled. Even though everyone knows her as the worst witch in the school, she's secretly set her sights on winning the highest honour - that of Head Girl of Miss Cackle's Academy. Can she stay out of trouble and prove to everyone that even the worst witch can turn her fortunes around?...

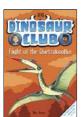


207. FIVE AND THE MISSING PRIZE FAMOUS FIVE COLOUR SHORT STORIES

Enid Blyton | Becka Moor (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

When the Five go to the village show, they find themselves in the heart of a storm! Can they help find the prize that has mysteriously disappeared?

Categories: Mystery, Adventure



208. FLIGHT OF THE QUETZALCOATLUS DINOSAUR CLUB

Rex Stone | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

Jamie has just moved to Ammonite Bay, a stretch of coastline famous for its fossils. Jamie is a member of the Dinosaur Club - a network of kids around the world who love all things prehistoric. Jamie is exploring Ammonite Bay when he meets Tess, a member of Dinosaur Club who lives in Ammonite Bay too. Tess shows Jamie her favourite place - a secret cave with fossils all over the walls. They go through a tunnel at the back and discover some dinosaur footprints. When they walk along them, the two new friends find themselves back in the time of the dinosaurs! It's amazing, but dangerous, too - they'll definitely need help from Dinosaur Club... In this fun, action-packed adventure, Jamie and Tess encounter a massive pterosaur called Quetzalcoatlus (KWETS-ul-coe-AT-lus), the largest animal in history ever to fly!

Categories: Prehistoric World, Dinosaurs

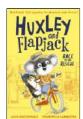


209. HEDHEHOG CALLED SNUFFLE, A JASMINE GREEN

Helen Peters | Ellie Snowdon (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$13.99 | School Price \$12.60

Jasmine's dad is a farmer, and her mum is a vet, so Jasmine spends a lot of time caring for animals and keeping them out of trouble. Unfortunately, this often means she gets into hot water herself... Jasmine is delighted to be nursing an injured hedgehog back to health until, on the afternoon of Bonfire Night, Snuffle escapes. As darkness falls and everyone prepares their bonfire celebrations, can Jasmine find Snuffle's hiding place before the first match is lit?

Categories: Farms, Farm Life, Animal Rescue



210. HUXLEY AND FLAPJACK RACE TO THE RESCUE

Alan MacDonald | Francesca Gambatesa (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

Meet Huxley, an irrepressible koala with BIG ideas, and his best friend, Flapjack, a rather jumpy penguin. Flapjack would rather stay at home, but for Huxley, each new day sparkles with possibility and the chance of adventure! Huxley has some pocket money to spend, and where better to spend it than the grand opening of Jollygoods, a new department store in town. But after a mix up with a robber, Huxley is mistaken for a thief. Can Huxley – with a LOT of help from Flapjack – catch the real robber and still make it home in time for tea?

Categories: Humour, Crime, Robbery, Adventure, Thief



211. LOST BEAR CUB, THE

Holly Webb | David Dean (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

Lucy is so excited to spend the summer holidays with her cousins in Canada, but when they tell her to watch out for wild bears in the forest, her excitement turns to fear. One day, she stumbles upon a bear cub on its own. At first she's scared, before realizing that the poor creature is lost. Can Lucy help the cub find its mother without also putting herself in danger?

Categories: Nature, Bears, Fear, Forest, Jealousy



212. LOST PET BLUES LOVE PUPPIES

Janay Brown-Wood | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.05

The Love Puppies have a new mission: help Caleb find his missing pet! Noodles hopes they can come up with a pawfect plan to bring Maximus home. Only, the furry friend is nowhere to be found! The puppies begin to wonder: Will this be the first mission they fail to complete?

Categories: Problem Solving, Pets, Dogs



213. MAYA AND RAINBOW MERMAID ACADEMY

Julie Sykes | Lucy Truman (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Hidden deep beneath the waves is Mermaid Academy, a magical school where mermaids are paired with their very own dolphin and must discover their unique mermaid magic, with plenty of adventure along the way! Maya loves studying at Mermaid Academy. She just wishes her playful dolphin, Rainbow, would take school seriously too. But when they get lost on a school trip and Maya can't magic a Bubble Tunnel home, things get very serious indeed! Can their friends find them before a sea monster does?

Categories: Mermaids



214. MURRAY THE VIKING MURRAY AND BUN

Adam Stower | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

Meet your favourite new duo: MURRAY AND BUN! Murray is a cat. Murray loves snoozing, fluffy blankets, and peace and quiet. Bun is a bun. Bun loves... EVERYTHING! And together they are unstoppable! SOMETIMES Murray's enchanted cat flap leads to the garden... but mostly it leads to ADVENTURE! And when Murray and Bun travel through the cat flap and find themselves in a land of VIKINGS, they are given a VERY IMPORTANT MISSION: to travel to TROLL ISLAND and rescue Eggrik the Viking... if he hasn't already been gobbled up by the trolls, that is.

Categories: Adventure, Humour



215. MYSTERY OF THE LOST CHICKEN, THE LIZZIE AND LUCKY

Megan Rix | Tim Budgen (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Lizzie and Lucky are visiting the Five Freedoms Sanctuary. It's a lovely place for all sorts of rescued animals. When a local farmer announces some terrible plans for his land that could endanger the surrounding wildlife, our dynamic duo know they must investigate the case. Can they use their detective skills to stop him? While looking for clues, Lizzie spots some strange footprints and an unusual blue creature that stands out from the rest! But what is it, and where did it come from? Could it be the key to saving the day?

Categories: Mystery, Pets, Dogs



216. NAUGHTIEST UNICORN AND THE ICE DRAGON, THE NAUGHTIEST UNICORN

Pip Bird | David O'Connell (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$14.40

Mira, her UBFF (Unicorn Best Friends Forever) Dave and Class Red are super excited because they've been given a dragon egg to look after! The only problem is theirs' is refusing to hatch! How will the gang encourage their new class pet out of its shell? And what adventures will happen when they discover it's a super-rare – and fast growing! – Ice Dragon?

Categories: Humour, Magic, Friendship



217. PIPPIN AND THE BIRTHDAY BAKE PIXIE MAGIC

Daisy Meadows | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Best friends Alice and Leo love making things, and they're never happier than when they're working together in Leo's garden shed. Then one day they are transported to a miniature world where magical creatures - the Pixies and Glitterbugs - use their creative talents to make special objects from items that were once treasured. Pixie Magic gives these objects the power to solve people's problems! But disaster strikes when Grimble and Grumble, the mean Nixies, steal Pippin the Baking Pixie's magical tools. Now Pippin can't bake a magical birthday cake to help the children's friend Hannah's birthday party go with a swing. Can the friends work together to use their talents - and a dash of Pixie Magic - to save the day, so that everyone can enjoy the magic of creativity?

Categories: Friendship, Magic



218. RACE, THE DOG SQUAD

Clara Vulliamy | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

Eva has always wanted to be a journalist, so when she and her friends go whippet racing and find some underhand competitive cheating, she might just have found her next story. Can she get to the bottom of it, with a little help from a furry friend?

Categories: Family Unit, Friendship, Pets, Dogs, Humour, Journalism



219. REX: UNDERCOVER ALIEN REX: DINOSAUR IN DISGUISE

Elys Dolan | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

Life is going well for Rex until the school's guinea pigs suddenly vanish from the pet show. As a dinosaur-turned-PE teacher, Rex immediately gets the blame. Determined to prove he hasn't eaten any beloved pets, Rex – along with his friends Sandra, Anish and Bigfoot – set out to solve the guinea pig mystery. First they have to face up to the shifty city mayor, Jimmy Prigg, and then Rex must go undercover on a daring intergalactic rescue mission.

Categories: Dinosaurs, Humour



220. SAND FILLY MOONLIGHT RIDERS

Linda Chapman | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

The Moonlight Stables friends are heading to the seaside for a week long pony training camp - and Willow's coming too! Unfortunately, the Storm Stables riders aren't far behind and they're determined to ruin the week for Willow and Amara after they bested them at summer camp. To make matters worse, Bea's dad wants to move her to Storm Stables. The friends have to find a way to convince him to let her stay. Can a new Storm Stables ally help them and will Sandy finally choose Bea to be her True Rider?

Categories: Horses, Horse Lovers, Family, Friendship



221. SKYE AND SOULSINGER DRAGON STORM

Alastair Chisholm | Eric Deschamps (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

In the land of Draconis, there are no dragons. Once, there were. Once, humans and dragons were friends, and created the great city of Rivven together. But then came the Dragon Storm, and the dragons retreated from the world of humans. To the men and women of Draconis, they became legends and myth. When Princess Skye returns to Rivven she discovers a city in chaos. After an attack by the fearsome dragon Firedreamer, everyone is preparing to go to war with the Dragonseer Guild! But Skye knows the Guild is not a threat, and something is terribly wrong. Can she stop it before the dragons disappear forever and in doing so find her own dragon, Soulsinger?

Categories: Dragons, Adventure, Fantasy, Courage, Magic

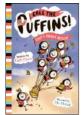


222. TINDIMS OF RUBBISH ISLAND AND THE SPOOKY SECRET THE TINDIMS

Sally Gardner | Lydia Corry (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

Halloween has nearly arrived, but a young witch is in a pickle. She has cast a spell and shrunk herself by mistake! When a gust of wind blows her out to sea, her best friend, a little ghost, goes with her. They find themselves landing on Rubbish Island where the Tindims haven't met witches or ghosts before, and the witch and ghost didn't know the Tindims even existed. But Skittle, Brew, Pinch and the gang are soon helping their spooky new friends get back to the right size and home in time for their Halloween parade. And the Tindims give us their tips on how to celebrate Halloween the right way.

Categories: Conservation, Environment, Rubbish, Recycling, Dyslexic Friendly, Halloween



223. TINY'S BRAVE RESCUE CALL THE PUFFINS

Cath Howe | Ella Okstad (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Welcome back to the island of Egg where a group of young puffins are training to join a search and rescue team. Tiny is worried about whether he is good enough to join the team, particularly as he can't always see very well. But luckily Muffin and his other teammates are there to help. Together they can face anything – even a scary wild cat on the beach!

Categories: Resilience, Teamwork, Belonging, Rescue



224. WORST WITCH ALL AT SEA, THE WORST WITCH

Lovable but disaster-prone Mildred Hubble is possibly the worst ever trainee witch to darken the doors of Miss Cackle's Academy for Witches. When the class goes for a week's school trip to the seaside, Mildred can't bear to leave her beloved cat Tabby behind, so she smuggles him along. But keeping Tabby hidden leads Mildred into more trouble...



225. WORST WITCH AND THE WISHING STAR, THE WORST WITCH

Jill Murphy | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$16.20

Mildred makes a wish on a shooting star and to her great surprise it comes true! Mildred's wish-come-true is a small dog but how can she keep him a secret from her friends, and especially the formidable Miss Hardbroom? . . .



226. WORST WITCH SAVES THE DAY, THE WORST WITCH

Jill Murphy | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Something is up at Miss Cackle's Academy for Witches- Mildred Hubble's new form teacher is really weird...Or is she? Investigating isn't easy, especially when Mildred's potions go wrong, the class know-it-all insists on being 'helpful' and her beloved cat is having a meltdown...



227. WORST WITCH TO THE RESCUE, THE WORST WITCH

Jill Murphy | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Lovable but disaster-prone Mildred Hubble is possibly the worst ever trainee witch to darken the doors of Miss Cackle's Academy for Witches. Mildred just knows this term will be different. She's done the best holiday project ever and she's sure fearsome Miss Hardbroom will be impressed but when even her arch-enemy, Ethel Hallow, begins to be nice to her - all seems too good to be true... could this spell trouble?



228. BUTT SANDWICH AND TREE

Wesley King | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

Eleven-year-old Green loves his devoted older brother, Cedar, a popular basketball star, but that doesn't mean he wants to follow in his footsteps. He doesn't really care about sports or making friends. Still, eventually Green caves to pressure to try out for the basketball team. He may be tall like Cedar, but he's nowhere near as skilled. And when a confrontation with the coach spurs Green to flee the court, his flight coincides with a priceless necklace going missing—making him the number one suspect. To clear Green's name, the two brothers team up to find the necklace, and along the way, they learn to appreciate their differences...and the things that bring them together.

Categories: Mystery, Basketball, Siblings, Autism, Brothers

Middle Novel



229. CALL OF THE TITANIC

Lindsay Galvin | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Sid is proud to be working on the Titanic, while Clara's a stowaway on a much smaller boat, Carpathia, with a dog called Rigel. When disaster strikes it will take all their courage – and the help of a remarkable sea creature – to answer the call of a sinking ship.

Categories: Titanic, History, Disasters, Adventure, Tragedy

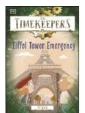


230. DEADLY DEEP DREAD WOOD

Jennifer Killick | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

It's summer term and time for a school trip with a difference! Year 8 are on a boat off the coast of France, learning about ocean life. But things are about to get WEIRD... Who is the creepy man on board the ship? And what IS the vast, shadowy creature seen lurking at the bottom of the ocean? When the ship is sunk Club Loser realise that they are the only ones who can save the day, and their classmates. Can they outwit and defeat a giant, deadly sea monster from the depths? It's a fight for survival and if they fail, Club Loser will find themselves in a watery grave...

Categories: Horror



231. EIFFEL TOWER EMERGENCY, THE TIMEKEEPERS

SJ King | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

In this instalment, the Timekeepers travel back to the 1889 World's Fair to see the unveiling of the newly-built Eiffel Tower. However, things don't go as planned when they discover that the villainous DeLay is up to his old tricks and has stolen the blueprints! Monsieur Eiffel and the organisers of the fair are dismayed. No one has ever built a tower so tall, and if they fail, maybe no one will be so ambitious again. It's up to The Timekeepers to stop DeLay and save the day!

Categories: History, Adventure, Time Travel, Mystery



232. ESCAPE FROM STALINGRAD

Andy Marino | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

Artem lives in the sleepy city of Stalingrad, which has mostly been cut off from war with Nazi Germany — until now. That July, martial law is declared as the Nazis begin their unprecedented march toward the city. Artem's older brother is a soldier in Stalin's Red Army, and Artem is worried for his brother's safety once he and his family have evacuated the city. Then the announcement comes. Stalin has ordered that no civilians be allowed to leave Stalingrad. The city that bears his name is an important symbol, and the Red Army believes that the soldiers defending it will fight all the harder if their families' lives are at stake. Artem and his new friend Yuna are put to work shoring up the city's defences, digging trenches and building fortifications. Then, on August 23rd, the bombing begins. A massive German air raid reduces most of the city to rubble. With Stalingrad blockaded by both the Germans and their own government, escape from the coming battle seems all but impossible ...

Categories: Historical Fiction, War Stories, Thriller



233. FIGHT FOR THE CURSED UNICORN TIGER WARRIOR

Maisie Chan | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Jack has always wanted to meet a unicorn, and with its black coat, golden hooves and truth-telling powers, the magical xiezhi is the most amazing unicorn ever! But when the xiezhi accuses the Jade Emperor of a crime, Jack doesn't know what - or who - to believe. Can Jack harness rat's power over the weather and find out the truth? One thing's for certain, a storm is coming...

Categories: Adventure, Action, Thriller, Mystery



234. FIGHT FOR THE HIDDEN REALM, THE PAPER GRAGONS

Siobhan McDermott | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Twelve-year-old Zhi Ging has always been an outcast. Until she receives an invitation to Hok Woh, an underwater school that offers her the chance to become immortal, and to finally belong. There, she battles in hair-raising boat races, meets age-shifting tutors and competes in thrilling trials. But there are rumours of a growing dark force . . . and students who fail the trials are disappearing. Can Zhi Ging uncover the truth before it's too late?

Categories: Fantasy, Magic Realism, Adventure, Mystery



235 FINALLY SEEN

Kelly Yang | Natelle Quek (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

A gripping middle-grade novel about Lina, who leaves China to live with her parents and sister in the US, after five years apart. She's been waiting for this moment but it's not exactly like the postcards... As Lina reckons with the big change and feeling left out, she learns about family, friendship, and the power of belonging. And when her teacher starts facing challenges for her latest book selection, a book that deeply resonates with Lina, it will take all of Lina's courage and resilience to get over her fear in order to choose a future where she's finally seen.

Categories: Family Unit, Belonging, Friendship, Hope



236. FINDING BEAR

Hannah Gold | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

April Wood has returned home from her adventure on Bear Island. But, over a year later, she can't stop thinking about Bear. When April hears that a polar bear has been shot and injured in Svalbard, she's convinced it's her friend and persuades her dad to travel with her to the northernmost reaches of the Arctic. So begins an unforgettable journey across frozen tundra and icy glaciers. But along the way, she discovers much more than she bargained for – a tiny polar bear cub, desperately in need of her help. In freezing temperatures, April must navigate the dangerous Arctic terrain and face her deepest fears if she's to save him.

Categories: Survival, Adventure, Love



237. FINDING WONDER

Lauren St John | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$16.20

Orphaned Roo Thorn feels like the unluckiest girl in the world. Until she discovers a letter. A letter which urges her to 'Grab life by the wings and fly.' With the help of her aunt, Joni, Roo sets out to buy her dream horse - a fiery showjumper named Wonder Boy. Then Wonder vanishes without a trace. Determined to save him, Roo and Joni investigate his disappearance. But as the mystery deepens and more prize horses are stolen, the pair find themselves drawn into a thrilling - but dangerous - adventure . . . How far will they go, and what will they risk, to find Wonder?

Categories: Horse Lovers, Adventure



238. FUTURE HOPES: HOPEFUL STORIES

Lauren James | Paperback | Age 11+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

Skyscraper farms. Insects for dinner. Guerilla gardening. Nine authors pose ingenious and thought-provoking solutions to the climate crisis in this anthology of climate fiction. Rooted in real-world science and technology, the stories offer a roadmap for a future where our planet can thrive. From a rewilding project with unexpected consequences to a rebellion against augmented reality, these wide-ranging stories will leave the reader feeling a little less powerless in the fight to save planet Earth.

Categories: Short Stories, Environment, Climate Change



239. HAUNTED HOUSE DIARY OF A ROBLOX PRO

Ari Avatar | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$9.99 | School Price \$9.00

Ari is just a regular avatar from Blockville who loves hanging out with his two best friends – Zeke, an obby and parkour pro, and Jez, the ultimate hacker and Queen of Tech. When Ari, Jez and Zeke go hunting for candy on Halloween, they unexpectedly find themselves agreeing to Trip's latest challenge—to explore the mysterious house on the hill. But when they quickly discover the house is haunted, it's too late to turn back. Trapped, Ari and his friends must find a way to escape the hidden horrors before they meet their doom!

Categories: Adventure, Action



240. HER MAJESTY'S LEAGUE OF REMARKABLE YOUNG LADIES

Alison Stegert | Paperback | Age 11+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

At her dull Victorian finishing school, fourteen-year-old Winnie dreams of becoming a top inventor like her father. Then, she's recruited into a league of young ladies guarding Her Majesty the Queen. Soon, Winnie is not only serving royalty but learning what she needs to save her papa.

Categories: Historical, Inventions, STEM, Adventure, Spies

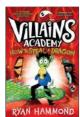


241 HEROES

Alan Gratz | Paperback | Age 11+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

December 6, 1941: Best friends Frank and Stanley have it good. Their dads are Navy pilots stationed at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii and the boys get a front-row view of the huge battleships and the sparkling water. Yes, World War II is raging in Europe and in Asia, but the US isn't involved in the war and the boys are free to dream about becoming comic book creators. December 7th, 1941: Everything explodes. That morning, Frank and Stanley are aboard the battleship the USS Utah when Japanese planes zoom overhead and begin dropping bombs on the ships below. Frank and Stanley realise what's happening: Japan is attacking America! The war has come to them. As the boys fight to make their way home amidst the carnage, it's clear that everything has changed. Stanley's mother is Japanese-American and he is suddenly facing a terrible prejudice that he's never known before – he's now seen as the "enemy," and Frank, who's white, cannot begin to understand what Stanley will now face. Can their friendship – and their dreams – survive this watershed moment in history?

Categories: War, World War 2, Pearl Harbor, Bravery, Historical Fiction



242. HOW TO STEAL A DRAGON VILLAINS ACADEMY

Ryan Hammond | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$16.20

It's the start of the winter term and there's a new teacher in town at Villains Academy – the notorious dragon-rider Felix Frostbite. Class Z are in awe of him and his lessons on venomous beasts and mythical creatures, but werewolf Bram is suspicious. Soon Bram and his friends the Cereal Killers uncover Felix Frostbite's evil plan to steal all the dragons from the Wicked Woods and leave Villains Academy undefended. Have the gang learnt enough to outsmart their troublesome teacher, or will Felix Frostbite's heist go down in villain history?

Categories: Humour, Adventure, Villains



243. INTO THE GLADES

Laura Sebastian | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Best friends Cordelia and Larkin have always called the Glades-a peaceful swamp full of magical creatures-home. But when Oziris, Cordelia's father and the leader of their village, dies unexpectedly, a dark curse sweeps over the land. The girls know that the curse must be tied to Oziris's death, and they're determined to break its hold on their home and bring Oziris back to life. Together, Cordelia, Larkin, and their two little brothers set off into the wild Glades in search of an elusive and enigmatic witch who is rumored to have the power to reverse death. The Glades are no longer a familiar and friendly place, though, and danger lurks around every corner. But on their journey, the children discover that the most difficult challenge isn't wild marsh-maids or bogilisks or dragon-gators-it's the grief threatening to consume them.

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure, Curse, Grief



244. IT CAME FROM THE WOODS SHIVER POINT

Gabriel Dylan | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Shiver Point is boring. Nothing interesting ever happens there and there's never anything fun to do. At least that's what Alex has always thought. Until one night, in the dead dark, he spots what looks like a meteorite plummeting into Howlmoor Forest. Intrigued, Alex goes to investigate. But little does he know, four other kids have also spotted the strange streak in the sky: 'troublemaker' Oli, studious Sophia, curious Mo and budding engineer Riley. What they discover is far beyond their wildest dreams – in fact it belongs in their nightmares. Can the gang work together to save the town from the bloodthirsty body snatcher that's arrived with the meteorite before it's too late? One thing's for sure: Shiver Point will never be the same again.

Categories: Horror, Mystery



245. JAWBREAKER

Christina Wyman | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

Max Plink's life is complicated. Her parents aren't getting along. The school bullies are relentless—and her own sister is the cruelest of them. Worst of all, her mouth is a mess. Max has a Class II malocclusion, otherwise known as a severe overbite. She already has braces, but now Max has to wear painful (and totally awkward) orthodontic headgear called "the jawbreaker." Could things get any worse? Yes. The journalism competition Max wants to enter has a video component. But being on camera means showing her face to her junior high classmates, and possibly the whole city. Turns out, following her dreams is complicated, too.

Categories: Bullying, Siblings, Braces, Malocclusion, Self Esteem



246. LABYRINTH OF LOST AND FOUND, THE WHISPERWICKS

Jordan Lees | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Eleven-year-old Benjamiah Creek believes in science, logic and the power of reason. He definitely does not believe in magic. But when he receives a mysterious gift in the post - a doll that can transform into a bird - he is led into the impossible (and most definitely magical) world of Wreathenwold, where dark secrets are lost amongst a vast labyrinth of streets. Benjamiah soon finds himself swept along in a dangerous quest - led by the fierce and brilliant Elizabella, who is determined to solve the disappearance of her missing brother. Will Benjamiah ever find his way home and discover his puzzling connection with this strange, enchanted world?

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure, Magic, Parallel World



247. LAST BOOKWANDERER, THE PAGES AND CO

Ann James | Hardback | Age 9+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

When Tilly, Oskar, Milo and Alessia venture into Arthurian legend to find the first bookwanderer – the wizard Merlin – they discover that everything they thought they knew about bookwandering might be wrong. Working together to figure out how to untangle the Alchemist's grip on the world's imagination, save Pages & Co. and defeat an unexpected enemy, they learn about the true power of imagination in a journey through myths and legend that will help them to save the very foundations of bookwandering . . .

Categories: Reading, Books, Mystery, Magic, Adventure, Imagination



248. LENNY LEMMON AND THE TRAIL OF CRUMBS LENNY LEMON

Ben Davis | James Lancett (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

When an important visitor turns up at school one day, Lenny and his friends are surprised to find themselves sent to the back field to count the footballs and tidy up the bibs. The school dag, Crumbs, has been sent there too. He's quite a lively dag and prone to over-enthusiasm. Suddenly they realise it's all a ruse to keep them away from the guest! Furious, and not a little hurt, our heroes rush into school, demanding answers and an apology. The subsequent encounter (chase) with the important visitor nearly brings down the school. But, of course, Lenny and friends, with the help of the enthusiastic Crumbs, save the day and show everyone that Fleurwood Academy is the place to be!

Categories: Humour, Comedy, Superpowers



249, LOI COLLECTION 2

Marcus Emerson | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Ten more hilarious, action-packed stories from Marcus Emerson are now bundled into another epic collection! Aliens, mutants, ninjas and a battle-hardened Santa Claus will have kids laughing until their cheeks hurt! Each of these stories is the perfect length for reading aloud, making quick reads on road trips, before bed, or just for the heck of it! This collection of stories includes Noodle: The Not-So-Undercover Alien, Night of the Mutant Glowworms, Battle Robots, My Best Friend is an Alien, The Epsilon Academy, Vampire for Hire, Monster Food Fight, Battle of the North Pole, Gym Class Werewolf and Attack of the Recess Ninjas.

Categories: Short Stories, Humour



250. LOSING THE PLOT

Annaleise Byrd | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Basil Beedon and Terry Clegg are neighbours, and that's all they have in common. Terry loves sport and Basil loves books – but to Basil's absolute dismay, he's been roped into helping Terry with his reading. Every. Single. Saturday. However, that's the least of his worries when Gretel comes shooting out of The Complete Fairytales of the Brothers Grimm. The boys are plunged into a dangerous world run by the Fairytale Alliance Network of Character Yunions (FANCY), where not everyone is what they seem, Hansel has been kidnapped and a plot hole threatens to destroy everything.

Categories: Twisted Fairytales



251. LUNAR BARRINGTON STOKE

Chris Bradford | Charlotte Grange (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$14.40

Luna loves living on the moon. She enjoys helping her father - a Moon Miner - on his search for precious minerals and rocks. But when a devastating meteor strike destroys their base, Luna is left stranded alone on the moon. With no shelter and few supplies, she must find a way to survive. The problem is - any hope of rescue is at least 3 days and 400,000 kilometres away ... and her oxygen is fast running out!

Categories: Reluctant Readers, Dyslexia, Survival, Science Fiction



252. MAYHEM AT CAMP CROAK! GHOST SCOUTS

Taylor Dolan | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

The fourth in this hilarious, ghoulish story of Lexie Wilde and her ghost scout pals. Alongside werewolf Emmy-Loulou, skeleton Bebe, silent ghost Boo and zombie, Mary Poppins, Lexie has to use all her skills to save Camp Croak from being taken over by the wicked Euphemia Vile, who will stop at nothing to get her hands on Camp Croak, even to the extent that she involves her own daughter in the wickedness ... Can the ghost scouts find the courage to save the camp from certain disaster? Knowing them... yes, in the most extraordinary way!



253. MISSING SWORD, THE CHRONICLES OF NEVER AFTER

Melissa De La Cruz | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

To save her mother from Olga's evil clutches, Filomena must travel to the legendary land of Camelot to find the legendary sword Excalibur. But Camelot is not all that it seems. Fil and the crew quickly realize that another fairy tale has taken hold in the land of Arthurian Legend . . . the Wizard of Oz! With the help (and hindrance) of the Wicked Witches of East and West, the League of Seven follow the yellow brick road to retrieve the sword and complete their most important quest yet. In a land where nothing is truly as it seems, will Fil and the League of the Seven survive the witch's tests? Or will Olga's perilous plans rip Fil's mother away from her forever?

Categories: Fairytales, Fantasy, Adventure



254. MOB MANOR MYSTERY DIARY OF A MINECRAFT ZOMBIE

Zack Zombie | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$9.99 | School Price \$8.50

Ever wonder what life is like for a Minecraft Zombie? Zombie's family and Steve are invited to spend the weekend at the manor of the richest mob in Minecraft, joining the host's other guests. But when one of the guests disappears and a rare diamond ring goes missing, Zombie and Steve start to get suspicious and try to solve the mystery. Can they discover who the culprit is?

Categories: Reluctant Readers



255. MOON SHIFTER

Penny Chrimes | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Loveday Gwynne is a shapeshifter. When she transforms into Hare, she is full of joy, running and leaping through the grass on the moors, a silver hare with a special connection to the silver moon. But as a girl, she must be quiet and stay unnoticed, because the old magic of the shapeshifters is no longer trusted in the village of Penros. The new Elder of Penros is determined both to rid the village of Shapeshifters and to mine the cliffs below for gold, something forbidden by the old magic. Balanced between the human world and the animal, Loveday must find a way to use her powers to reclaim her home, before it falls into the sea...

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure, Magic, Bravery



256. MOST MYSTERIOUS MONSTER, A KEVIN THE VAMPIRE

Matt Brown | Flavia Sorrentino (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Kevin Aurelius is just like any other almost eleven-year-old. Well, apart from his fangs obviously. And that he's immortal. Oh and did I mention he's a vampire? Together with his vampire parents and annoying older siblings, Kevin's on his way to Monstros City when, due to dodgy batnav, they get stranded in a strange, quiet place full of humans called Lower Drudging. With empty coffers in need of filling, their only choice is to put on an impromptu carnival to earn the gold they need to get back on their way. But Lower Drudging has a monstrous secret of its own. A secret that is old, very hungry and has just woken up! It's up to Kevin and his new best friend Susie to save the town – or else!

Categories: Humour, Fantasy, Vampires, Adventure



257. NETHER GHOST, THE MINECRAFT WOLF DIARIES

Winston Wolf | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$9.99 | School Price \$8.50

Winston is a Minecraft wolf on a mission: to work out who, or what, is haunting The Nether! After receiving a nether star from his nemesis, Winston and his junior agent, Brian, follow the clue to a nether fortress. Can they help the hostile wither skeletons uncover what the ghosts are up to before someone gets hurt?

Categories: Adventure, Humour, Gaming



258. NIGHT TRAIN, THE DREAMSTALKERS

Sarah Driver | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

Everything changed the day the dreams disappeared... and the nightmares came. Twelve-year-old Bea lives with her mother Ula and her owl Pip in a cottage on the wild moors. Since the day the dreams disappeared, and an affliction of nightmares began sweeping across the lands, everyone is leaving and their settlement is being abandoned. But when Ula grows sick with the affliction, she won't leave – and she's keeping a secret from Bea. Just as Bea begins to despair, the mysterious Night Train steams across the moors, bringing a stranger who offers her the chance to save her mother. Bea is flung into a faraway adventure in the world of the Dreamstalkers, skilled warriors and performers who must go to work each night inside the dreams of the powerful. But the nightmares are following close behind.

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure

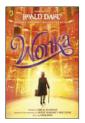


259. ONESTAR'S CONFESSION WARRIORS SUPER EDITION

Erin Hunter | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

In this Super Edition, follow the journey of WindClan's Onestar, destined to lead his Clan through battle, hardship, and the long journey to the lake territories—and pay the price of the checkered legacy he left behind. As a young WindClan warrior, Onewhisker never thought he would one day become Clan leader. But when he is unexpectedly chosen by Tallstar as his successor, Onestar must learn to guide his Clanmates through the hardships of forging a new life in unknown territory—and face the deadly consequences of a mistake he tried to bury in the past.

Categories: Fantasy



260 ROALD DAHL'S WONKA

Sibeal Pounder | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

WONKA tells the wondrous story of how the world's greatest inventor, magician and chocolate-maker becomes the beloved Willy Wonka we know today. Based on the upcoming Warner Bros. Pictures movie WONKA, created by Paul King and written for film by Simon Farnaby and Paul King. An intoxicating mix of magic and music, mayhem and emotion, all told with fabulous heart and humour - WONKA introduces readers to a young Willy Wonka, chock-full of ideas and determined to change the world one delectable bite at a time . . . proving that the best things in life begin with a dream, and if you're lucky enough to meet Willy Wonka, anything is possible.



261. SAGA OF THE SHOOTING STAR LEIF THE UNLUCKY VIKING

Gary Northfield | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$16.20

Leif is not unlucky. Yes, he does split his trousers at least once a week. And yes, he's always tripping up and falling down a hole. But he's determined to become a true Viking hero, just like his dad. Can he unravel the riddles of a witch to find a magical shard of rock that has fallen from a shooting star and wield its mystical powers? He will have to journey deep into the heart of polar bear country, outwitting all kinds of mythological creatures along the way. Thankfully, he has Olaf, the annoying duck, Toki, the nincompoop Puffin, and Flora, the incredibly smelly Muskox, for company. He's going to need all the luck he can get!

Categories: Humour, Adventure, Vikings



262. SCARE, RESPAWN, REPEAT DIARY OF A MINECRAFT ZOMBIE SUPER SPECIAL

Zack Zombie | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

Have you ever wondered what life is like for a Minecraft Zombie? Take a peek into the diary of thirteen-year-old Zack Zombie. He's just like any other kid, only a lot more dead! And in a lot more trouble! Zombie and his friends are on an excursion to the Ocean Biome. But when Zombie gets separated from his friends, which way will he go to find them? Straight ahead, left or right? Join Zombie, Slimey, Skelee, Creepy and Steve as they battle evil ghosts, solve a cave mystery and help secret agents on a mission.



263. SECRET AGENT 6TH GRADER SECRET AGENT 6TH GRADER

Marcus Emerson | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

My name is Brody Valentine (please don't make fun of my last name), and this is the story of how I accidentally became a 6th grade secret agent at my school. My life is plain and boring, but I do my best to keep it that way. That's why when a dangerous secret fell into my lap, I wasn't exactly jumping for joy. Everything I knew to be true was completely flipped around and suddenly I've found myself buried in special codes and conspiracies. Now I'm being hunted because my brain knows a secret so huge your head would explode if you heard it.

Categories: Humour, Action, Adventure



264. SECRET EXPLORERS AND THE CAVE CRISIS, THE SECRET EXPLORERS

SJ King | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.70

In this fun, fact-filled instalment, Leah the biology explorer and Cheng the geology expert are sent on a daring mission to a network of caves in India. However, when they get there they realise there's more to this mission than meets the eye. With a gripping narrative that keeps kids engaged, The Secret Explorers and the Cave Crisis by SJ King is the perfect book for children who are into all things nature and science. It's written with lots of information about caves, the subterranean world, and the animals that live there. At the end of this fictional book, you'll find "Leah's Mission Notes" which is a summary of the scientific facts and discoveries made throughout the story. With fun illustrations, quizzes, and a glossary, the educational value of this book is outstanding and great for a classroom read

Categories: Adventure, Exploration, Discovery



265. SECRET OF THE BLOOD-RED KEY, THE STOLEN DREAMS ADVENTURE

David Farr | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

Rachel and Robert have defeated the tyrant Malstain and become the heroes of Krasnia, but all is not how it should be. Robert is swept away with his new friends, leaving Rachel alone to take care of her ailing father, who's lost without their beloved mother. From nowhere, a boy appears knowing the secrets of the hidden blood-red key. For the key is a way into the Hinterland - and Rachel must promise that, as a new key keeper, she will answer when it calls. When a young girl, Elsa Spiegel, is illegally smuggled into the Hinterland, Rachel has no choice but to use her key to save Elsa. But her fate is linked to Krasnia, and Rachel must battle to save her home as she knows it.

Categories: Fantasy, Magic, Adventure



266. SERPENT'S LAIR, THE PREY ZONE

Wilbur Smith | Paperback | Age 11+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

In the wild Lebombo Mountains of South Africa, Ralph and Robyn are on the run from the nefarious Josef Gerhard. His beastly man-made predasaurs have unleashed a deadly virus and only the Ballantynes have the evidence to prove it. They need to regroup and plan their next move if they want to stop him before it's too late and find a cure for the virus. But deep in the forest, dangers lurk; poachers are circling, and Gerhard has a brand-new creation he wants to show off, if he can lure the Ballantynes to its lair... Can they outrun him in time to expose his monstrous crimes? And more importantly will they make it out of the serpent's lair alive?

Categories: Adventure, Action



267 SHOW US WHO YOU ARE

Elle McNicoll | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

When Cora is dragged to a dinner, she doesn't expect to strike up a friendship with Adrien – son of the intimidating CEO of Pomegranate Technologies. As she becomes a part of Adrien's life, Cora is also drawn into the mysterious projects at Pomegranate. At first, intrigued, Pomegranate uses AI to recreate real people in hologram form, often to comfort grieving families. However, as Cora digs deeper, she uncovers their darker aim: to wipe out any trace of neurodivergence in their holograms and create the 'perfect' versions of people like her and Adrien. Cora knows she must unravel their plans. Can she fight to make her voice heard, whilst never losing sight of herself?

Categories: Neurodiverse, Neurodiversity, Dystopian, Artificial Intelligence



268. SPACEBOY

David Walliams | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

America. The 1960s. Stuck on a remote farm with her awful aunt, twelve-year-old orphan Ruth spends every night gazing at the stars, dreaming of adventure. One night she spots a flying saucer blazing across the sky... before crash-landing in a field. When the spaceship opens and reveals a mysterious alien, all Ruth's dreams come true. But does this visitor from another planet have a giant secret?

Categories: Adventure, Mystery, Humour

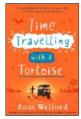


269. SPRINKLING OF DANGER, A ALICE ÉCLAIR, SPY EXTRAORDINARE!

Sarah Todd Taylor | Beatriz Castro (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Baker by day, spy by night - Alice Éclair leads an exciting double life! On a glamorous movie set at the Palace of Versailles, someone is leaking national secrets. Is it the American director with the shady past, or the flamboyant lead actress whose Renaissance wig is full of secrets? Or is it someone so devious, Alice hasn't even noticed them? Whoever it is, this person has a deadly plan... Armed with a light sponge mix and an airy disregard for danger, Alice Éclair is on the case! And she'll need to use every trick in her recipe book to survive this mission...

Categories: Mystery, Adventure, Baking, France, Action



270. TIME TRAVELLING WITH A TORTOISE

Ross Welford | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Al Chaudhury travelled back in time to save his father's life. And it worked – Al's dad is alive again and life is back to the way it should be. At least, that's what Al thinks. But when an accident robs Al's beloved Grandpa Byron of his world-beating memory, Al is forced back in time again, this time leaving someone behind, trapped in a prehistoric dimension. Al is forced into a rescue mission to recover his friend from the past... and to make sure that there will be a future waiting for them all. It turns out time travel is far more complicated than Al thought.

Categories: Adventure, Time Travel



271. TRAIN OF DARK WONDERS, THE

Alex Bell | Beatriz Castro (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Following the death of her beloved grandfather, Bess is left to take care of his odditorium – a rambling museum packed with odd objects and curious creatures. When the Train of Dark Wonders pulls into town, she hopes that she will be able to get hold of some new attractions to draw in the crowds. Bess can't resist sneaking on board this fantastical steam train and soon learns that they too are always on the lookout for spectacular wonders. This time, they're off to the Land of Halloween Sweets in search of the famed, and extremely rare, ghostly gobstopper. If Bess can help her new friends Beau the puppeteer, Louis the violinist and Maria the fire witch find it, she hopes that they in turn will be able to help her. But beneath its sugary exterior, the land is more dangerous than it looks. And to reach the gobstopper they will have to venture into the most perilous part of it – the haunted home of the Candymaker himself.

Categories: Adventure, Fantasy, Journey, Danger, Death/Bereavement



272. TRIP TO THE MOON, THE BUTTERFLY CLUB

MA Bennett | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

The adventures of the time-travelling Butterfly Club continue. Professor Lorenz invites the children to come to 1969 and stop a dreadful accident in order to make sure the trip to the moon can go ahead.

Categories: Adventure, Fantasy, Time Travel



273. WEATHER WELL, THE BARRINGTON STOKE

Vashti Hardy | Natalie Smillie (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$14.40

It's the height of summer in Moreland, and Grace Griffin and her fellow warden Tom Eely are sweltering in the heat until they answer a strange call for help that comes through on the amazing Griffin map. After teleporting to Oakwell, they find the town paralysed by a freezing snowstorm, which is ruining the famous summer market that brings in visitors and trade. Using their mystery-solving skills and amazing inventions, can Grace and Tom find the cause for the weird weather and restore summer from the snow?

Categories: Reluctant Readers, Dyslexia, Mystery



274. WILD ROBOT PROTECTS, THE WILD ROBOT

Peter Brown | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Roz the robot has made an unlikely home for herself on an idyllic island dense with forests, wildflowers and friendly animal inhabitants – including her own young son Brightbill the gosling. Life on the island is perfect, until a dying seal washes ashore and warns of dangerous, cloudy waters that are flowing towards the island, bringing new dangers for the animals. Forced inland they will have to fight over fewer resources – and Roz realises that she must march into the waves and undertake an incredible undersea adventure to find a way to protect her beloved island and all who live on it.

Categories: Technology, Nature, Artificial Intelligence, Adventure, Friendship



275. YESTERDAY CRUMB AND THE TEA WITCH'S SECRET YESTERDAY CRUMB

Andy Sagar | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Yesterday Crumb is determined, brave and nearly ready to defeat a formidable foe: Mr Weep, the Lord of the Dead. Reunited with her beloved Dwimmerly End - a magical, walking teashop - apprentice tea witch Yesterday and her friends begin to search for Mr Weep's weakness. Except the dark influence of a strange flower is taking hold of Yesterday's friends and allies, turning them cold-hearted and pitting them against each other. As the flower's effects spread further, Yesterday needs to save her friends and rally the magical world to overcome Mr Weep's dark reign... But there's nothing that can't be solved with a pot of tea, best friends and a BIG dash of magic!

Categories: Fantasy, Mystery, Magic, Friendship



276. ZOMBIE WHO CRIED SHEEP, THE DIARY OF A MINECRAFT ZOMBIE

Zack Zombie | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$9.99 | School Price \$9.00

Ever wonder what life is like for a Minecraft Zombie? Zombie gets invited to join a secret adventurers club—but only because he told a lie to a Sheep! He wonders if anyone will find out when he goes to their underground cave meeting. But when the brakes of the adventurers' minecart stop working, can Zombie and his friends prove themselves worthy and save everyone from plunging off a cliff?

Categories: Adventure, Action, Humour



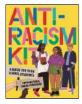
277. ALPHABETTER

Maura Pierlot | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Here is an alphabet that teaches us positive qualities and values to embrace a kinder, compassionate and more inclusive world. Being better is easy as A, B, C - adventurous, brave, considerate!

Categories: Inclusivity, Kindness

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278. ANTI-RACISM KIT: GUIDE FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Jinyoung Kim | Emma Ismawi (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Written by two bright young Australian thinkers, the Anti-Racism Kit is a liberating, eye-opening exploration of anti-racism and racial justice centring on the lives and experiences of young adults. Covering three actionable, tangible areas for change – Self, School and Society – this guide breaks down key steps in learning about and practising anti-racism, including understanding important concepts such as privilege and internalised racism and learning to speak up effectively and safely in challenging situations. Packed with first-person experiences and interviews, the Anti-Racism Kit explores what it means to rise above as a young person of colour in Australia today, and how to be a force for change.

Categories: Racism, Self Esteem/Resilience



279. EXTRAORDINARY ELEPHANTS

Tim Flannery | Katie Melrose (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

There's so much more to elephants than their enormous size! Have you heard about their excellent memory or their adorable sense of humour? Did you know that they actually walk on their tippy toes? And wait till you see who their cousins are – you're in for a surprise!

Categories: Wild Animals, Elephants, Nature



280. HOW TO AVOID BEING EATEN BY SHARKS

John Larkin | Chrissie Krebs (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

There is one sure-fire method to avoid being eaten by sharks. Don't go in the ocean. How can you avoid being eaten by sharks? What does it mean to 'skateboard' someone? Is there a chance you could be abducted by aliens? Are there zombies hiding under your brother's bed? In this hilarious guide, John Larkin relates his tried and tested advice for navigating the mysteries of life, with a sprinkling of some the facts and history he's discovered along the way. Accompanied by entertaining comic-style illustrations from Chrissie Krebs, this is an education not to be missed!



281. MADDY MCALLISTER: SHIPWRECK DETECTIVE AUSSIE STEM STARS

Deb Fitzpatrick | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

Maddy's love of the sea and everything in it was nurtured by her beloved grandfather who would take her fishing and snorkelling in the ocean off Busselton, south of Perth. On these trips he would regale her with his many stories of shipwrecks around the coast and share his great curiosity in the natural and human-made world. Still only a 14-year-old teenager and already a certified SCUBA diver, her passion for maritime archaeology in particular, was sparked by a lecture she attended in Busselton where her family had finally settled. A maritime archaeologist from the Museum of Western Australia in Perth told the gathering the story of the shipwreck of a cargo ship Georgette, that occurred in 1876, south of Busselton. Dr Maddy McAllister is now the Senior Curator of Maritime Archaeology at Queensland Museum Network and is based in the Museum of Tropical Queensland in Townsville. Her PhD research was on the notorious Batavia shipwreck of 1629 in the Houtman Abrolhos Islands of Western Australia.

Categories: STEM, Science, Shipwrecks, Batavia

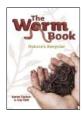


282. MINI AND MILO: ELEPHANTS CAN'T JUMP MINI AND MILO

Venetia Dimos | Natashia Curtin (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$25.99 | School Price \$22.10

When Mini's friend Milo gives her a trampoline for her birthday Mini is upset. She even stops speaking to Milo. Milo has no idea what is wrong – how could he? Mini realises that talking about a problem is much easier than running away from it.

Categories: Resilience, Friendship, Birthdays



283. WORM BOOK: NATURE'S RECYCLER, THE

Karen Tayleur | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Worms are working for us day and night. They improve our soils by aerating and fertilising and they recycle our organic waste in the process. Where would we be without them? The Worm Book introduces different types of worm: segmented worms, roundworms, ribbon worms and flatworms with all that is weird and wonderful and the crucial role they play in recycling organic waste.

Categories: Recycling, Soil, Nature, Worms



284. YOU CAN DO HARD THINGS LIFE LESSONS FOR LITTLE ONES

Jess Sanders | Martina Stuhlberger (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Have you ever felt like giving up because something was too hard? Everyone feels like this sometimes, even grown-ups. This book is for any child who needs a reminder that hard things won't be hard forever.

Categories: Persistence

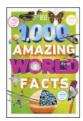


285. YOUR BRAIN IS A LUMP OF GOO

Idan Ben-Barak | Christopher Nielsen (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Hi, I'm your brain. Here are some things you should know about me: I'm about the size of a pineapple. I sit behind your eyes. I look like a big walnut (but gooey). I'm not a computer. So, what do I do? Oh, just about everything.

Categories: Human Body, Brain



286. 1000 AMAZING WORLD FACTS

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

Did you know that Earth could fit inside Jupiter more than 1,000 times? Can you believe the Eiffel Tower would fit inside a Sahara sand dune? Or the blue whale's heart is as big as a car and the colossal squid has eyes the size of beach balls? Wow your friends and amaze your family with hundreds of new facts in this fun-filled, picture-packed bumper book. From the tiniest microchip to our unimaginably enormous Universe, no subject is left unexplored. Astounding images, inspiring visual comparisons, and informative graphics combine in one unforgettable journey around the world.

Categories: General Knowledge

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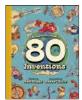


287. 50 FANTASTIC IDEAS FOR SUPPORTING NEURODIVERSITY

Kerry Murphy | Paperback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$22.95

This dip-in-and-out guide will help practitioners to adapt their teaching style to become more inclusive of neurodivergent children, and provide meaningful and innovative ideas that can be embedded into everyday practice. Featuring activities such as mirrored play, meditation, symbol stories and treasure baskets, these ideas are expertly formulated to support and develop children's sensory regulation skills and communication skills, whilst enabling practitioners to understand and engage with non-speaking or pre-verbal children. All forms and templates can be downloaded from the companion website.

Categories: Neurodiversity, Neurodiverse, Teaching Resource



288. AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 INVENTIONS

Matt Ralphs | Robbie Cathro (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$35.00 | School Price \$29.75

From the wheel to the space rocket, the bow and arrow to the atom bomb, chocolate to toothpaste, and the battery to the quantum computer, find out about innovations from the ancient world right up to the twenty-first century. Read the fascinating story about how each one was developed, with bite-sized labels and captions. Spot the adventurous aviator, complete with goggles and flailing scarf, on each page, as they guide you through the book.

Categories: STEAM, Science, Inventions, Engineering, Technology



289. BRONZE RULES FOOTBALL SUPERSTARS

Simon Mugford | Dan Green (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$10.39

Is Lucy Bronze your ultimate football heroine? The current England lionesses vice-captain is a three-time Women's Champions League champion with superclub Lyon. She is a two-time French League winner and also earned third place for England at the Women's World Cup in 2015. Playing in her best position as a roving right-back, Bronze loves to get forward on the pitch and has scored some sensational volleys in huge matches for club and country! Her story is one of defying the odds: she overcame career-threatening knee injuries and was told she would never again play for England, to become one of the finest and most-decorated English players in women's football. An inspiration to young girls and boys alike.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



290. BUSTLING CITIES

Jana Sedlackova | Magdalena Konecna (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$34.99 | School Price \$29.75

A unique guide to 30 of the world's most beloved cities, including 5 U.S. cities, accompanied by more than 1,000 gorgeous watercolour illustrations, matched by a vibrant writing style. From the rain-soaked streets of London to the blooming cherry blossoms of Kyoto and the sun-scorched alleys of Cairo, this captivating book takes kids on a globe-trotting journey through the world's most picturesque cities.

Categories: People and Places, Cities



291. CASEMIRO ULTIMATE FOOTBALL HEROES

Matt Oldfield | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Hailing from Sao Paulo, Brazil, Casemiro enrolled in the youth academy of Sao Paulo, playing for his country in the Under-17s and Under 20s, and making his senior debut in 2011 against Argentina. Proving himself a highly skilled player, it wasn't long before he caught the eye of European scouts during his 2012 Copa Sudamericana performance, and earned a loan to Real Madrid and then to Porto. In 2022, Casemiro transferred to Manchester United. Discover how this defensive midfielder from Brazil overcame family struggles, balancing his home life with a burgeoning football career to hone his skills. From playing in the Sao Paulo youth academy and representing Brazil in the 2009 FIFA U-17 World Cup to signing for Manchester United and becoming a crucial member of the Brazil National Team.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



292. CLEVER CROW

Chris Butterworth | Olivia Lomenech Gill (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$23.80

Whatever the changing seasons and evolving world presents to the crow, they use their adaptability, discerning memory and crafty problem-solving techniques to overcome every possible hurdle. Young readers will be bowled over by these unassuming creatures they come across every day, and will find a new-found respect for the birds that are smart, clever, crafty and playful, just like them.

Categories: Narrative Non Fiction, Birds, Crows, Environment, Habitat



293. FEELINGS DOCTOR AND THE EMOTIONS TOOLKIT, THE COLOUR MONSTER

Anna Llenas | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

One day, Nuna was in situation where she didn't know how to say no and it left her feeling strange and confused. So she goes to see Colour Monster who is now a doctor and who can help to heal emotions, especially those that are big and difficult to understand. To begin with, Nuna cannot find the right words. But with the help of Colour Monster and his emotions toolkit, Nuna learns how to use tools and techniques that will make her feel better. Together they try things like deep breathing, arts and crafts, blowing bubbles and dancing until she starts to feel calmer. Now will Nuna be able to talk about what's bothering her? This story addresses complex themes around consent, saying no and mental wellbeing in a sensitive, age-appropriate way. Including big, fold-out pages, children can look inside the emotions toolkit, making use of the ideas for themselves (with the support of a grown-up when needed).

Categories: Feelings/Emotions, Mental Health, Consent, Wellbeing



294. FOOTBALL ENCYCLOPEDIA: FIFA OFFICIAL, THE

Emily Stead | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

This newly updated edition of The Football Encyclopedia (FIFA) will make you an expert of the most popular game in the world. The pages are brimming with the latest facts, stats and records, plus punchy profiles of the best international teams on the planet, as well as essential info about the top leagues and tournaments in world football. What's more, you can get the lowdown on all the FIFA competitions from the World Cup to the eWorld Cup and the latest recipients of the FIFA awards. With a comprehensive list of honours citing every international and intercontinental competition, FIFA's The Football Encyclopedia is a must-have for every young fan of the sport.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer



295. FOOTBALL LEGENDS 2024

David Ballheimer | Paperback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Messi may have won the World Cup in 2022 but is he really a better striker than Mbappe? Which midfielder creates more chances for his side - City's De Bruyne or Barca's Pedri? While every fan has their opinion, back yours up with the latest stats featured in Football Legends 2024 and show them who's the best football pundit! Showcasing the top 100 stars in the modern game, Football Legends 2024 offers the latest facts and stats of players in every position who play in Europe's elite leagues. With a star profile on each page, this visually arresting almanac is packed with incisive data and includes stunning heat maps that show the pitch movements of every player featured. Get your copy now and start comparing the goals, assists, saves, freekicks (and a host of other data) of the current icons in world football.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer



296. FOOTBALL SCHOOL ENCYCLOPEDIA, THE FOOTBALL SCHOOL

Alex Bellos | Spike Gerrell (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$32.99 | School Price \$28.05

Discover everything you've EVER wanted to know about football, from fascinating facts about your favourite players and clubs, to incredible international stats and terrific trivia. Packed with hilarious illustrations, this encyclopedia is anything but boring! Learn about all aspects of the game, including the positions, rules, mascots, nicknames, trophies and tournaments and laugh loads along the way.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer



297. FOSSIL EYEWITNESS

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$18.39

Discover the natural treasures to be found in rocks and find out about the creatures and plants that lived long ago. Find shells, bones, teeth, and plants, all turned to rock, and learn how they tell a story of a long-lost world that existed before modern people. Learn how fossils form and how palaeontologists dig to find out about ancient life forms., See a shell with a precious coating, find out which type of early human lived 1 million years ago, and discover similarities between ichthyosaurs and modern-day dolphins. DK Eyewitness Fossil is crammed full of fascinating information, statistics, and facts. Stunning photography, diagrams, and lots of examples of fossils will help you to learn what can be discovered around the world. Learn why some fossils lead to new discoveries about the past.

Categories: Fossils



298. GOAL! EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT FOOTBALL

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$23.80

This book is a visual guide to the world's most popular game. From the rules of the game to the top tournaments the information leaps right off the page! Learn about historic ball games and the birth of football. Gen up on the laws of the game and the new technology that referees use to make vital decisions. See what it takes to run a club and keep the players in tip-top shape. There's a chapter, too, on all the international trophies and tournaments, including the FIFA Women's World Cup, Copa America, and the Olympic Games. This new edition includes updates to football's roll of honour to include the latest tournament winners. Packed with vital tips and tricks, as well as astounding facts and mind-boggling stats, GOAL! is a winner!

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer

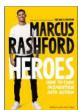


299 GREEN: STORY OF PLANT LIFE ON OUR PLANET

Nicola Davies | Emily Sutton (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$22.39

This tree doesn't look like it's doing very much: it just stands there in the sunlight, big and GREEN. But this tree is busy... Starting with the secret workings of a tree, this book transports readers billions of years into the past; back to the moment when plant life first appeared on our planet. Covering its evolution, the steady emergence of fossil fuels and the extraordinary communities of plants around the world today, Nicola Davies and Emily Sutton combine essential biology with a powerful message – a call to protect the most precious colour on Earth ... GREEN.

Categories: Environment, Planet Earth, Evolution, Ecosystems, Biology, Photosynthesis



300. HEROES: HOW TO TURN INSPIRATION INTO ACTION

Marcus Rashford | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

The third non fiction children's book from Marcus Rashford and Carl Anka, following You Are a Champion and You Can Do It, full of tips and advice for young kids.

Includes profiles of people who have inspired Marcus throughout his life, from well-known figures throughout history to unsung community heroes. The book will include a small piece about each of them and then Marcus will show readers how they can use each person's story to inspire positive change in their own lives.

Categories: People and Places



301. HOME ACTIVITY LAB: 28 EXCITING EXPERIMENTS

Robert Winston | Hardback | RRP \$32.99 | School Price \$29.70

This stunning book includes 28 brilliant science projects, which use simple step-by-step instructions, everyday ingredients that can be found around the house, and amazing photography to guide you from start to finish. Each experiment describes the science behind the project, highlighting STEM facts with STEM icons pointing out the key science, technology, engineering, and maths learning involved in each project. "Take it further" panels encourage young readers to experiment and take their projects to the next level, developing their independence, initiative, and creative thinking skills.

Categories: STEM, Science, Experiments

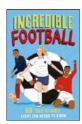


302. HOW TO SAY NO TO YOUR PHONE: AN EMPOWERING GUIDE

Brad Marshall | Lauriane Bohemier (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Drawing on over twenty years of experience as psychologists, Brad Marshall and Lindsay Hassock share cutting-edge insights on how children can say 'no' to their phones. Kids will discover the effects that their phone has on their brain and body. They'll learn how to create a relationship with their phone on their terms. They'll even establish simple, healthy screen time habits that stick.

Categories: Communication, Technology, Mental Health, Addiction



303. INCREDIBLE FOOTBALL: 60 TRUE STORIES INCREDIBLE SPORTS STORIES

Clive Gifford | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

Whether you're a die-hard fan or new to the sport, prepare to be amazed by this fun-filled book of stories, facts and stats from the world of football. Meet the dog that saved Manchester United! Discover the match that was played in space. . . and the game that was abandoned when the ref sent off ALL the players! Find over 60 extraordinary football stories in this fun-filled book, packed with facts, stats and match-day excitement. Meet the most inspiring players from the men's, women's and para games. Discover the world's best – and worst – teams, hilarious moments, mind-blowing skills, bizarre rules, funny mascots, and the amazing lengths fans will go in support of their team.

Categories: Sport, Soccer, Football



304. LENNY HENRY LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS

Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Diane Ewen (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Ever since he was small, Lenny Henry wanted to be a comedian. At home in Dudley, England, he would pretend to be the characters he watched on TV, copying scenes from his favourite shows to entertain his six brothers and sisters. But life wasn't always easy, and at school Lenny found himself the subject of racist bullying-until he figured out a way to beat the bullies using humour. This was when he realised he had a gift: he could make people laugh. He shot to fame aged 16 and the following decades were full of great successes, such as his hugely popular TV programme The Lenny Henry Show. Lenny co-founded the charity Comic Relief in response to a terrible famine in East Africa. Over 25 years later, Lenny and the charity remain committed to creating a just world, free from poverty, and have raised millions of pounds. An actor, a comedian, an author and a champion of inclusivity, Lenny is a much-loved figure whose story encourages us to keep smiling.

Categories: Famous People, Activist, Comedian, Actor



305. LUCKY RED ENVELOPE: LIFT-THE-FLAP LUNAR NEW YEAR

Vikki Zhang | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

Get ready for Lunar New Year, following a little girl and her family as they get ready for and celebrate the Lunar New Year festival. With non-fiction information about the significance of certain rituals, but told through the excited eyes of a child, this is a book to return to year after year in the run up to the biggest festival in the Chinese calendar.

Categories: Asian Studies, China, Chinese New Year, Lunar New Year, Tradition, Culture



306. LUNAR NEW YEAR

Natasha Yim | Jingting Wang (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Lunar New Year captures the magic of the celebration by exploring how Ling and her family enjoy the biggest Chinese festival of the year. The new year festival lasts for 15 days full of preparation, celebration, and symbolism. Join Ling, her sister Mei and granny Poh Poh as they clean the house from top to bottom, pick fresh flowers from the garden, visit friends and family, and carry red lanterns through their neighborhood. Ling invites the reader into her home and family, allowing the reader to experience this special celebration first-hand through an authentic narrative non-fiction story.

Categories: Asian Studies, China, Chinese New Year, Lunar New Year, Tradition, Culture



307. MAX VERSTAPPEN RACING LEGENDS

Maurice Hamilton | Paperback | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.05

Find out how Max Verstappen went from go-karting to becoming one of the world's best RACING LEGENDS! Detailing his super-fast rise to fame this book shows just how much of a legend Max Verstappen is, as well as shedding light on the team that helped him become number 1 in Fl.

Categories: Sport, Motorsports, Formula One



308. MICRORAPTOR ULTIMATE DINOSAURS

Ben Garrod | Paperback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

When hunters become the hunted, they need to adapt or die. Living in China over 120 million years ago, Microraptor was a predator, but a very small one. To survive, Microraptor took to the skies and became a flying dinosaur. TV scientist, Professor Ben Garrod, is proud to be a geek as he mixes top level science and humour to prove that science is for everyone. Looking at the evolutionary arms race, prey, predators, place, time, groups and species, Ben reveals new-look dinosaurs. Additional sections include- Ask an Expert, New Science and Fossil Finder as well as quizzes to test your dinosaur knowledge.

Categories: Dinosaurs

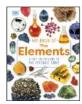


309. MY BOOK OF HORSES AND PONIES

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Do you dream about riding a horse and want to know more about them? Would you like to learn how to look after a horse, what kit to use, or enter the world of equestrian sports? Discover the secrets of gorgeous horses and ponies in this fun, lively book. Read all about favourite breeds from Shire horse to Shetland pony, find out about horses and ponies from around the globe, and be amazed by their beautiful colourings and patterns. Filled with stunning photographs, simple illustrations, and fantastic facts, this book features all the information a child would need to know about these wonderful animals, including their gaits – from trotting to galloping, horse families, and why horse-riding is good for you.

Categories: Horse Lovers, Breeds



310. MY BOOK OF THE ELEMENTS: PERIODIC TABLE

Adrian Dingle | Hardback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

My Book of the Elements is a wonderful introduction to the periodic table. Covering all the elements, from the unreactive to the radioactive, as well as key science topics, such as states of matter, this visual book is something that every young science enthusiast will want to own. This series is written by an expert author. From Hydrogen to Oganesson, each element is explored in detail, with information on properties and use cases, as well as fun facts. As well as this, eye-catching images are augmented with friendly illustrations, giving the reader plenty to take in and enjoy.

Categories: STEM, Science, Elements, Periodic Table

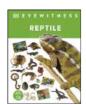


311. REBEL GIRLS CELEBRATE NEURODIVERSITY: 25 TALES

Compilation | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

This collection features 25 inspiring tales of neurodivergent artists, athletes, innovators, and more. Read about how these women and girls thought creatively, achieved their dreams, and advocated for the rights of neurodivergent people everywhere. Walk the runway with Madeline Stuart, the first professional model with Down syndrome. Steal the scene with Salma Hayek, the award-winning actor with dyslexia. Learn how journalist and TV host Lisa Ling thrives with ADD, and how Temple Grandin's autism has opened up new and compassionate ways of interacting with animals. This book pairs inspiring, easy-to-read text with colorful full-page portraits created by female and nonbinary artists from all around the world.

Categories: Neurodiverse, Neurodiversity, Autism, Down's Syndrome, Dyslexia



312. REPTILE EYEWITNESS

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

A picture-packed guide to one of nature's most fascinating animal species. From small pets to large crocodiles, discover how reptiles sense the world, move, use camouflage, and more. Learn how crocodiles look after their young, how lizards store fat in their tails, and how chameleons swivel their eyes. Find out how snakes are charmed, how geckos walk upside down, why crocodiles swallow stones, and how a snake is milked of venom. With stunning close-up photographs of snakes, crocodiles, lizards, and turtles, DK Eyewitness Reptile offers a unique eyewitness view of these amazing creatures. See how an anole lizard frightens its enemies by displaying its bright red beard and watch a boa constrictor swallowing its prey whole.

Categories: Reptiles



313. SALLY RIDE LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS

Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Alona Millgram (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

This magical biography charts the life of the first American woman to go into space. As a science-loving kid, Sally Ride dreamed of reaching the stars, and this book tells the story of how she made it happen. With a detailed biography spread and photos at the end of the book, its the perfect gift for young dreamers.

Categories: Famous People, Biography, Space, Astronaut, Space Travel



314. SIZE WISE: FROM COLOSSAL SQUIDS TO SNOWFLAKES

Camilla De La Bedoyere | Vasilisa Romanenko (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$22.39

This book explores the wonders of nature with awe-inspiring, realistic illustrations at life-size. Across each fascinating spread, beautiful artwork shows breathtakingly large or unbelievably small natural wonders, including eyes, wings, tentacles, sand, snowflakes, flowers and much more, all at real-life size, or zoomed in for extra interest. Marvel at the dinner-plate-sized eye of the colossal squid, the rainforest flowers you can sit inside, the fingernail-width dwarf blue butterfly and what sand really looks like when magnified. Paired with captivating information about these incredible things, size comparisons and extra fun facts, this book will have you absorbed with the littlest and largest things on our astonishing planet.

Categories: Comparisons, Size, Perspective, Animals, Natural World, Maths

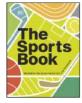


315. SLOPES SIMPLE TECHNOLOGY

Liz Lennon | Paperback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Explore the science of slopes and wedges, which are key physical science concepts. Young children will enjoy the fun illustrations and learn from the simple diagrams. The book encourages the reader to see science in action in their everyday lives. It is perfect for budding scientists who are curious about machines and how they work, and allows readers to encounter this STEM topic in an approachable way.

Categories: STEM, Science, Technology



316. SPORTS BOOK, THE

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | RRP \$42.99 | School Price \$36.55

Discover everything you need to know about more than 200 sports, including all of the Olympic and Paralympic events featured in Tokyo and Beijing. Get the authoritative inside scoop from leading experts in each sport. Discover match-winning insights into the strategies and tactics of the world's top competitors. And learn all of the facts, stats, and stories behind the Olympic Games - the most spectacular sporting event on the planet. Fully revised with the latest facts, stats, rules, and results of world sport, The Sports Book also includes details of the current world and Olympic records. It is perfect for any sports buffs in need of an ultimate quick-reference guide, or anyone looking to top up their sports knowledge.

Categories: Sport



317. STEGASAURUS ULTIMATE DINOSAURS

Ben Garrod | Paperback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

Why was Stegosaurus scared of flowers? How long were the spikes on its tail? And did you know the top of Stegosaurus teeth looked like the edge of a cartoon cloud? There is so much to discover about this dinosaur and 7 others in the Ultimate Dinosaur series.

Categories: Dinosaurs



318. SUPER SPORTS STARS WHO ARE CHANGING THE GAME

Rick Broadbent | Alexander Mostov (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Discover 20 incredible true stories of sporting legends. Incredible facts about each sportsperson's life and times are accompanied by bright and accessible illustrations, making this book ideal for young children wanting to learn about amazing athletes who through their achievements and action on and off the pitch have changed the world for the better. Positive, uplifting and packed full of information, this book will show children that no one is too small to make a difference.

Categories: Famous People, Sport



319. TENZING NORGAY LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS

Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Bandana Tulachan (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Discover the life of Tenzing Norgay, one of the first two people to reach the summit of Mount Everest in 1953. When Tenzing was young, he spent much of his childhood tending to the family's yaks and gazing up at the Himalaya mountains, dreaming of the day he would reach the top. Once he grew up, he joined many other Sherpas who were offering to take Europeans up the highest mountain of all - Chomolungma or Everest. It was the chance he needed to make his childhood dream a reality. He was 39 when he was joined by Edmund Hilary and they became the first two people to reach the summit of Chomolungma. Tenzing came back down the mountain as one of the most respected mountain climbers and a hero across the world.

Categories: Exploration, Discovery, Biography, Mountainering



320. THIS BOOK WILL MAKE YOU AN ARTIST

Ruth Millington | Ellen Surrey (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$32.99 | School Price \$28.05

This book will make YOU an artist as you explore 25 different art techniques - from cave painting to contemporary performance - inspired by ground-breaking artists from around the world. Pick up your pencils, collect your collage materials and find out more about some of the world's best-known creatives in this fact-filled book full of step-by-step activities that are easy to try at home. Including information about tools, materials and basic art theory, this imaginative book is jam-packed with ideas for aspiring artists everywhere.

Categories: Art/Craft, Artists, Painting, Drawing



321. TIGER YOUNG ZOOLOGIST

Samantha Helle | Hardback | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$10.39

You might know that tigers are the largest of the big cats, but there's so much more to learn about these incredible predators! Discover why tigers have stripes, what makes them stick out their tongue, and how they can survive in habitats ranging from snowy Siberia to the tropical rainforest of Indonesia. You'll also discover what it takes to become a tiger zoologist - including learning how to track a tiger using its paw prints! Filled with simple science and plenty of animal facts, this book also looks at the conservation challenges these iconic animals face.

Categories: Conservation, Tigers, Animals



322. TRICERATOPS ULTIMATE DINOSAURS

Ben Garrod | Paperback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

Did Triceratops have huge, inflatable nose balloons? Was it smaller or larger than an elephant? And did it have a beak or teeth or BOTH? Quench your thirst for dino knowledge with the Ultimate Dinosaur series! Pop a dinosaur in your pocket! Introductions from Chris Packham, Steve Backshall and Dr Jane Goodall. These are the most up-to-date dino books in 66 million years, also available in audio download!

Categories: Dinosaurs



323. UNIVERSE EYEWITNESS

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$18.39

Explore our Universe through out-of-this-world objects captured by space telescopes, roaming probes, and planetary rovers. Discover incredible celestial bodies and our Solar System through incredible photography and detailed illustration. Discover how past, present, and future space exploration has helped our understanding of the Sun, our Solar System, rocky planets, gas giants, and explosive stars, and wonder at far-off galaxies captured by powerful space telescopes. Find out how the Universe started with a Big Bang and what scientists think will eventually happen to it. Learn the secrets of pulsars and black holes, and learn how they are created by dead stars.

Categories: Space, Solar System, Universe



324. UP AND DOWN

Tracey Turner | Dawn Cooper (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$22.95

Read one way, Up and Down focuses on what's up above us – clouds, stars, the Sun and Moon, things that fly. Flip the book and read it the other way to find out what's down beneath our feet – burrowing animals, the Earth's crust, fossils, caves, the Earth's core. Colourful illustrations by Dawn Cooper bring a multitude of vivid scenes to life, from birds flying in bright blue skies to the inside of a volcano, while expert text from Jane Burnard engages the reader in learning all about the natural world.

Categories: Space, Earth, Planets



325. VELOCIRAPTOR ULTIMATE DINOSAURS

Ben Garrod | Paperback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

Did you know Velociraptor was about as tall as a turkey? But could it fly? And how did it use its deadly claws? Pop a dinosaur in your pocket! Introductions from Chris Packham, Steve Backshall and Dr Jane Goodall. These are the most up-to-date dino books in 66 million years, also available in audio download!

Categories: Dinosaurs



326. WE NEED MUD! ICKY WORLD

Addy Farmer | Scott Garrett (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

It's time to show MUD some LOVE! This book is an icky, drippy celebration of the incredible work mud does all day long. Mud is a home, a defence, a climate protector, a work of art and lots and lots of fun, too! Icky World takes a look at the science of the messiest parts of nature and reminds us all to protect these icky but important bits of our precious planet.

Categories: STEM, Science, Nature, Ecology



327. WE NEED POO! ICKY WORLD

Addy Farmer | Scott Garrett (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

It's time to show POO some LOVE! This book is an icky, stinky celebration of the incredible work poo does all day long. Poo is a home, a defence, a nursery, a seed-sower and lots of laughs, too. Icky World takes a look at the science of the messiest parts of nature and reminds us all to protect these icky but important bits of our precious planet.

Categories: STEM, Science, Nature, Ecology



328. WE NEED SLIME! ICKY WORLD

Addy Farmer | Scott Garrett (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

It's time to show SLIME some LOVE! This book is an icky, sticky celebration of the incredible work slime does all day long. Slime is a shield, a weapon, a climate protector, a nursery and lots of fun, too. Icky World takes a look at the science of the messiest parts of nature and reminds us all to protect these icky but important bits of our precious planet.

Categories: STEM, Science, Ecology



329. WHAT A ROCK CAN REVEAL: WHERE THEY COME FROM

Maya Wei-Haas | Sonia Pulido (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

Award-winning science writer and geologist Maya Wei-Haas introduces young readers to the fascinating world of rocks through the art of observation. Starting with a friendly question-and-answer format, she explores the diversity of rocks and minerals and how a rock's shape, colour, or texture help to tell the stories of how it was formed, where it comes from, and the incredible journeys it has had. This hands-on introduction reveals how rocks are time capsules of our planet's past, recording the thrilling events that once built Earth's incredible geology.

Categories: Geology, Fossils, Rocks, Minerals



330. WHAT'S THE POINT OF ART?

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | RRP \$32.99 | School Price \$28.05

Why is art important? What's so great about it? In this book, you'll see the world through famous artists' eyes, learning what inspired them to make art. Did you know that early humans spent a great deal of time on their cave paintings? And that before cameras were invented, the only way to record your face was to sit for a portrait? Many artists, such as Vincent Van Gogh and Frida Kahlo, used art as a language to express their feelings, thoughts, and emotions. What's the Point of Art? reveals how art has changed the world, one artistic movement at a time, and it is guaranteed to inspire, surprise, and entertain everybody who picks it up. If you want to learn why art has the power to be beautiful, shocking, entertaining, and even political, this is the place to start.

Categories: Art/Craft, Artists



331. WHEELS SIMPLE TECHNOLOGY

Liz Lennon | Paperback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Explore the science of wheels and cogs, which are key physical science concepts. Young children will enjoy the fun illustrations and learn from the simple diagrams. The book encourages the reader to see science in action in their everyday lives. It is perfect for budding scientists who are curious about machines and how they work, and allows readers to encounter this STEM topic in an approachable way.

Categories: STEM, Science, Technology



332. WORLD WAR 1 EYEWITNESS

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$18.39

In collaboration with the Imperial War Museum, go back in time and experience history with this picture-led guide to the First World War. From disaster to victory, Eyewitness World War I captivates readers and gives an insight into life in the muddy trenches, and what it was like to be a soldier, along with a broader picture of the world-changing events that led to the start of the conflict. More than 250 photographs, illustrating the people, places, and stories of the conflict, give a unique eyewitness view of the conflict dubbed the "war to end all wars". DK Eyewitness World War I expertly illustrates the lessons of the First World War and how they impact our world today. This museum in a book uses striking full-colour photographs and illustrations of warfare, weaponry, vehicles, maps, and secret documents along with amazing facts, infographics, statistics, and timelines to reveal this conflict as never before.

Categories: War, World War 1

All in Year

333. ALL IN A YEAR

Chihiro Takeuchi | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

The Tanaka family are moving out of their apartment building and into a house. Follow them on their journey to see how their life changes over the course of a year. See the family engage with their new environment and keep ties with their old community, as they enjoy a year full of adventures. This isn't your typical book of seasons. Instead, award-winning paper-cut artist Chihiro Takeuchi has crafted a celebration of the way one family spends a year and the relationships that change and develop over time.

Categories: Moving House, Seasons, Lifecycles

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334. ALWAYS NEVER ALWAYS

Meg McKinlay | Leila Rudge (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$25.99 | School Price \$20.79

Always follow secret tracks – the paths that wind and wend through cracks. Never worry where they go. When you get there, then you'll know. A poetic and quirky one-of-a kind classic-in-the-making, that encourages readers to explore their world.

Categories: Mindfulness, Curiosity, Rhyming Text, Imagination, Exploring, Nature, Patience



335. ARTICHOKE TO ZUCCHINI: ALPHABET OF DELICIOUS THING

Alice Oehr | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

A is for artichokes and long spears of asparagus. It's for bright, creamy avocados and salty little anchovies ... From apple pie to zeppole, and everything in between, Artichoke to Zucchini introduces young readers to fruit, vegetables, and dishes from around the globe. Full of tasty favourites and delicious new discoveries, it's sure to lead to inspiration in the kitchen! Following from the award-winning Off to The Market, acclaimed artist Alice Oehr takes you on a mouth-watering trip through the alphabet and around the world.

Categories: Multicultural, Food



336. AUSTRALIAN ANIMALS: FROM BEACH TO BUSH

Brentos | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Australia is home to many unique animals. Let's see how many we can meet! Find Humpback Whales in coral reefs, seek out Australian Sea Lions in kelp forests, search for Short-Nosed Wombats on mountains and spot Saltwater Crocodiles in wetlands. This is Australia's native wildlife as you have never seen before: a dreamy, pastel-popping meditation on these special animals, their conservation status and what we can do to protect them, from award-winning artist Brentos.

Categories: Australian Animals, Australiana, Wildlife



337. BATTLE FOR IMPERIA, THE DRAGON GAMES

Maddy Mara | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

Team Dragon is facing their most challenging adventure yet! Luca, Yazmine and Zane have been dropped in the ancient dragon city of Dracopolis. They have only one more Thunder Egg to return before the prophecy can come true, and dragons can return to Imperia. The people of Dracopolis are counting on Team Dragon to win, but the evil ruler Dartsmith never plays fair. Luca, Yazmine and Zane will need all the help they can get if they're going to defeat him for good and finally bring peace to Imperia.

Categories: Fantasy, Dragons, Magic, Quest, Peace, Danger



338. BILL DUP, THE

Zewlan Moor | Simon O'Carrigan (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$27.95 | School Price \$22.36

A young boy notices a line of ants marching in, right into the house. His mum says they spell rain but she doesn't want to get his hopes up... A charming and linguistically playful story about a boy's first experience of The Bill Dup — a heady build-up to rain after a long period of drought.

Categories: Weather, Drought, Rain, Outback



339. BLUNDERS, THE

David Walliams | Adam Stower (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$18.39

Meet the Blunders: Bertie, Betsy, their children, Brutus and Bunny, along with their beloved grandma Old Lady Blunder, and their pet ostrich, Cedric. An ostrich is not a sensible pet, but then the Blunders are not sensible people. This family of upper-class twits live in a crumbling country house named Blunder Hall. When their home comes under threat, they must embark on a series of comic misadventures to save it. Absurd and hilarious, The Blunders is David Walliams' funniest book yet. A laugh-out-loud tale of the most blundering and lovable family in history.

Categories: Humour, Family Unit

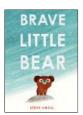


340. BODY IN THE BLITZ, THE MINISTRY OF UNLADYLIKE ACTIVITY

Robin Stevens | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

March 1941. Britain is at war, and a secret agency called the Ministry of Unladylike Activity is training up children as spies – because grown-ups always underestimate them. Enter May, Eric and Nuala- courageous, smart, and the Ministry's newest recruits. May's big sister Hazel has arranged for them to stay on a quiet street close to the Ministry, home to an unlikely collection of people thrown together by the war. And it is in the basement of the bombed-out house at the end of that street that they discover something mysterious. Something that was not there when the Blitz wreckage was first combed through. Something that has been placed there recently. A body... Could this be the missing Ministry spy that Daisy Wells is on a dangerous mission in France to find? Or could it be someone else – someone a resident of the street wanted silenced...?

Categories: Historical, Mystery, World War 2, Spies

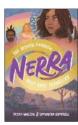


341 RRAVELITTLE REAR

Steve Small | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

It's time for Arlo's family to leave their winter den and journey to Spring Valley, but he isn't so sure about all this change. Arlo likes their home just as it is; and after all, his sister, Eva, is the brave one. But when a snowstorm separates them as they travel through the Great Wood, Arlo finds that when it's his turn to be brave, being afraid won't stop him from saving the day.

Categories: Bravery, Fear, Family Unit, Danger, Problem Solving



342. BROKEN RAINBOW, THE NERRA: DEEP TIME TRAVELLER

Tasma Walton | Samantha Campbell (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

"Nerra, you are the next Deep Time Traveller, as your great-grandmother was before you." When Nerra's great-grandmother passes away, she leaves a box of artefacts to Nerra. Nerra is drawn to the clapsticks which glow red hot, and when she picks them up, she is transported back in time. Dreaming is out of balance and a hero needs to help. Bineal and Pirnbial, husband and wife of the rainbow, have been split apart and captured by the evil Devour'ena. With the help of the Keeper of Clean Sand and Clear Water and the cleverman, Bobbinary, can Nerra reunite the rainbow and bring Dreaming back into balance?

Categories: Adventure, Time Travel, Magic, Ancestry, Connection, First Nations, Dreaming



343. CAN YOU TEACH A FISH TO CLIMB A TREE?

Jane Godwin | Terry Denton (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

So ... can a fish climb a tree? Can a horse drive a car? Can a baby bake a cake? And if they can't, what wonderful things can they do? From bestselling creators Jane Godwin and Terry Denton comes a quirky and inspiring book about celebrating who YOU are and the power and peace to be found in not trying to be anyone else.

Categories: Comparisons, Differences, Uniqueness, Diversity, Individuality



344. CLARIS: PASTA DISASTER

Megan Hess | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

Ciao! Claris the mouse and her best friend Monsieur are in Italy! ?But after a pasta disaster at their favourite bistro, Claris meets a seamstress who needs her help. Can she make the perfect dress in time for the Venice Film Festival and find Monsieur again?

Categories: Rhyming Text, Travel, Italy, Courage, Compassion



345. DIPROTODON: A MEGAFAUNA JOURNEY

Bronwyn Saunders | Andrew Plant (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Diprotodon leaves the protection of his family herd to find his own place in the world. He is vulnerable, and survival will be challenging. Follow him as he discovers his surroundings and encounters other creatures along the way. Diprotodon: A Megafauna Journey features the largest marsupial that ever lived, and its Ice Age environment. This enthralling and fascinating story, with fabulous illustrations, brings this extinct giant back to life.

Categories: Prehistoric World, Megafauna, Survival, Environment



346. DO YOU REMEMBER?

Sydney Smith | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$22.39

Tucked up in bed at their new flat, a boy and his mum share memories. Some are idyllic, like a picnic with Dad, but others are more surprising: a fall from a bike into soft piled hay, the smell of an old oil lamp when a rainstorm blew the power out. Now it's just the two of them, and the house where all of those memories happened is far away. But maybe someday, this will be a favourite memory, too: happy and sad, an end and a beginning intertwined.

Categories: Separation, Moving House, Relationships, Memories



347. DOGTOWN

Katherine Applegate | Wallace West (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

A story of kindness and finding a home. Dogtown is a shelter for stray dogs, misbehaving dogs, and discarded robot dogs, whose owners have outgrown them. When two dogs - and a mouse - embark on an adventure to find their forever homes, there is danger, cheese sandwiches, a charging station, and some unexpected kindnesses along the way.

Categories: Dogs, Kindness, Home

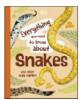


348. DORK DIARIES: I LOVE PARIS! DORK DIARIES

Rachel Renee Russell | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

OMG, oh la la! Join Nikki Maxwell and her BFFs as they jet off to Paris in the fifteenth book in the bestselling Dork Diaries series!

Categories: Travel, Paris, Friendship



349. EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT SNAKES EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT

John Woodward | Hardback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$18.39

All the basics of these amazing creatures are covered in this beautiful and informative photographic book on snakes and other reptiles. Anatomy, along with habitat and behaviour, and lots of fascinating facts about reptiles that every child will just love reading about. See how they survive in forests, deserts, and oceans, and how these clever creatures have adapted to live in seemingly inhospitable habitats. Alongside, in between, and on top of all that, Everything You Need To Know About Snakes also provides ideas for things to make, games to play, quizzes, and amazing facts to share with friends. From the very first page it combines little-known information with engaging text and innovative, high-quality design. It's everything you need to know, and everything you WANT to find out.

Categories: Reptiles, Snakes

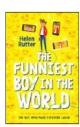


350. FIRESTORM SKYDRAGON

Anh Do | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

Amber paused. When she spoke again, it was almost a whisper. 'What if we could be a family again?' Reunited at last, Amber and Reggie combine forces to save insects and humans from a catastrophic fire. But somehow, Agent Ferris is tracking their every step. Could they have been lured into a trap?

Categories: Adventure, Fantasy, Friendship, Courage, Identity, Survival



351. FUNNIEST BOY IN THE WORLD, THE

Helen Rutter | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Billy Plimpton took to the stage and captivated the crowd at the triumphant ending to The Boy Who Made Everyone Laugh, and in the sequel, he's going to go viral. Celebrity comedian Leo Leggett takes Billy under his wing, as his new sidekick: when Leo tweets a clip of his stand-up act, Billy suddenly becomes the most famous boy in the country. At first, this is great -- all the kids at school think he's cool and he gets to appear on his favourite morning TV show. But Leo's motives turn out to be shady and Billy must turn the tables in a very public way ...

Categories: Humour, Determination, Kindness, Empathy



352. G.O.A.T. GREATEST OF ALL TIME

Kate Temple | Joel Temple (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$15.19

This is Goat. He's a pretty great goat. In fact, he thinks he's the Greatest of all Time! But some of Goat's friends are great too. Who is really the Goat?

Categories: Humour, Acronyms



353. GIINAGAY GAAGAL, HELLO OCEAN

Melissa Greenwood | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Gaagal (ocean) is our special place, we love to swim in the waves. We'll catch some yamaarr (fish), eat, dance and play games. An ode to joyful days spent by the ocean, from Gumbaynggirr artist Melissa Greenwood, the creator of the heart-stirring picture books Miimi Marraal, Mother Earth and My Little Barlaagany (Sunshine).

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Connectivity, Ocean, Dual Language



354. HOT DOG! TOY TIME HOT DOG!

Anh Do | Dan Mcguiness (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

Hotdog and his friends are entering a Toy-Making Contest! The winners score a trip to Doc Spot's Toy Factory! Toy-Tally Awesome! Can they turn their trash into treasure and snatch the prize?

Categories: Friendship, Teamwork, Recycling, Problem Solving, Creativity, Kindness



355. HOW ARE YOU FEELING NOW?

Molly Potter | Sarah Jennings (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

Feelings visit us all the time. They are a normal part of being human! This is the perfect picture book to help children understand and manage their feelings early on. This book looks at 12 complex emotions and makes them simple for children. From feeling proud, brave and grateful to frustrated, anxious and lonely, it shows children just what to do when they're faced with these everyday emotions. Notes at the back of the book explain emotional intelligence to parents, carers and practitioners and provide more ideas and strategies to use with children. Written by an expert and covering topics like feelings, relationships, diversity and mental health, these comforting picture books support healthy discussion right from the start.

Categories: Feelings/Emotions, Wellbeing



356 IF I WAS A HORSE

Sophie Blackall | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

If you were a horse, what would you do? Could you fit in your clothes? Would you give your little sister a ride? Would your brother even notice? Gallop along with two-time Caldecott Medallist Sophie Blackall through this riotous day in the life of a child who imagines their life as a horse. Sophie's delightful text and resonant illustrations that feature a giant horse in familiar settings offer a visual feast, a grand dose of joy and a celebration of the real power of imagination to help us navigate the world.

Categories: Horse Lovers, Imagination



357. LIFE SONG. A

Jane Godwin | Anna Walker (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

When you are born, you make up a song It doesn't rhyme, and it isn't long A song of everything you hold dear It's your own tune, it's loud and clear A musical journey from the time a child's life song first begins, through all its modulations, adding new verses and extra voices through the years, until it becomes their own unique composition – and one that is ultimately a part of the beautiful, grand and glistening score of the world.

Categories: Rhyming Text, Individuality, Connectivity, Family, Lifecycles, Experiences, Challenges, Community, Love, Music



358. LISTEN

Duncan Smith | Jandamarra Cadd (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Listen encourages the reader to reflect on the importance of listening and truth-telling in response to Australia's complex history. The poetic writing style creates a rich and respectful text, and the bright colours inject a sense of joy into a text that explores what is often a painful history. The use of traditional First Nations techniques reinforces the longevity and importance of a culture that has lived on Australian land for over 65,000 years.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Ancestors, Listening, First Nations, Reconciliation



359. LUCKY BOTTLE, THE

Chris Wormell | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Ten-year-old Jack is stranded on a desert island. He's been very lucky: he's survived a terrible storm and the mysterious island he has found himself on has a kindly if unusual inhabitant, fresh water and plenty of food. But Jack needs to find his way home, and as he uncovers incredible hidden treasures on the little island, he starts to formulate a plan. A plan that will involve witchcraft, terrifying sea monsters and pirates! But if Jack's going to succeed he will need to be very very lucky.

Categories: Survival, Danger, Shipwreck



360. MONSTER GAME, THE

Philip Bunting | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Do you see monsters in your mind at bedtime? This book is here to help! The Monster Game is a refined collection of tried and tested techniques to help you bust the bedtime baddies in your brain.

Categories: Humour, Monsters



361. MY LITTLE STAR

Rory H Mather | Matt Shanks (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

My sister is a star; I'm not on my own. As long as she looks down on me I'll never be alone. A beautiful and gentle exploration of grief and loss in memory of all the little stars who live in our night sky.

Categories: Death/Bereavement, Family Unit, Grief, Healing, Siblings

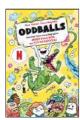


362. NIGHTSONG

Sally soweol Han | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

A gorgeous new picture book about the wonder of nature from Sally Soweol Han, shortlisted for the 2023 CBCA Award for New Illustrator. A joyful story about listening to the world around you. After a big day in the noisy city, Lewis and his mother are heading home. But on the way, their bus breaks down, leaving them stuck on the side of a country road. It's still and quiet, but when Lewis ventures into a nearby field, he discovers that nature is full of wonder and music.

Categories: Onomatopoeia, Connectivity, Engagement, Nature



363. ODDBALLS: GRAPHIC NOVEL

James Rallison | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Join James, Max, Echo and all of your favourite Oddballs characters as they get into epic amounts of preventable trouble. In these five exclusive mini stories, James grows sentient bacteria in his mouth, sells his yard, turns the whole town into ASMR zombies, enrages several birthday girls and faces his own impending death. And, of course, he learns nothing.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Humour, Short Stories



364. ODEGAARD ULTIMATE FOOTBALL HEROES

Matt Oldfield | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

As the son of a former footballer, Martin Odegaard spent his early years at local Norwegian sports club Drammen Strong and, at the age of 10, joined the youth division at Stromsgodset where he trained with older players. By the age of 15, Odegaard was playing in the UEFA Champions League and even represented Norway in a friendly against the UAE, making history as Norway's youngest ever national team player. In 2015, Odegaard caught the eye of Real Madrid where he trained with both the first team and the reserves. In 2021, Odegaard moved to Arsenal where he quickly became an essential part of the team and was named captain ahead of the 2022-23 season.

Categories: Famous People, Football, Soccer, Sport



365. PEAS ON EARTH

Huw Lewis Jones | Ben Sanders (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

In this festive edition, Bad Apple faces his greatest challenge yet: it's Christmas day and everyone is just so ... jolly. Granny Smith's carol singing and Pineapple's incessant dancing are grating to say the least, but it's the cheery arrival of Pea and his extended family that pushes Bad Apple over the edge. It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas ... but how long can the Peas last?

Categories: Christmas, Humour



366. PERCY JACKSON AND THE CHALICE OF THE GODS PERCY JACKSON AND THE OLYMPIANS

Rick Riordan | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

After saving the world multiple times, Percy Jackson is hoping to have a normal senior year. Unfortunately, the gods aren't quite done with him. Percy will have to fulfil three quests in order to get the necessary three letters of recommendation from Mount Olympus for college. The first quest is to help Zeus's cup-bearer retrieve his goblet before it falls into the wrong hands. Can Percy, Grover, and Annabeth find it in time?

Categories: Mythology, Greek, Fantasy



367. REAL PIGEONS FLAP OUT REAL PIGEONS

Andrew McDonald | Ben Wood (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

The Real Pigeons love flapping around the city and fighting crime. But when lunches start mysteriously DISAPPEARING from tummies, a LOOKALIKE pigeon makes evil plans and a dangerous DOVE starts DESTROYING the city, the pigeons will need to use all the powers they have – and more! Can the Real Pigeons stick together through the chaos? Or will someone fly away for good? One thing is for sure: the squad will never be the same again!

Categories: Mystery, Adventure, Danger, Teamwork



368. SEASONS: AN INTRODUCTION TO FIRST NATIONS SEASONS ASK AUNTY

Aunty Munya Andrews | Charmaine Ledden-lewis (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Have you ever been excited for the first day of summer, only to be disappointed when it arrives cold and rainy? For First Nations People, the seasons don't change when the calendar does. Instead, we can look for changes in plants, animals, water, weather and the stars to mark the start of a new season. Aunty Munya explains how there are six seasons on her Country. Mankal is the rainy season, bringing strong winds from the ocean, while Barrgan is the season when bush fruits are most plentiful. With stunning illustrations by Charmaine Ledden-Lewis, Ask Aunty: Seasons encourages all readers to develop a deeper connection with the land, waters and sky.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Seasons, Weather



369. SECRETS OF THE SALTMARSH

Claire Saxby | Alicia Rogerson (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

You will find me where land meets sea... Saltmarshes are full of energy and life. They protect our coastlines, and provide food and shelter for migratory birds and microscopic plants and animals. Most of all, saltmarshes are places of discovery and wonder. With lyrical text and captivating illustrations Secrets of the Saltmarsh offers a close-up look at the fascinating world of saltmarsh wetlands.

Categories: Water Cycle, Lifecycles, Migration, Habitats, Conservation



370. SILVER LININGS

Katrina Nannestad | Hardback | Age 11+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

A new heart-warming novel set in 1950s Australia from bestselling author Katrina Nannestad. Nettie Sweeney has a dad, three big sisters, a farm full of cows and a cat called Mittens. But it's not enough. She longs for a mother. One with a gentle touch and sparkles in her eyes. Instead, she has Aunty Edith with slappy hands, a sharp tongue and the disturbing belief that peas are proper food. When Dad marries Alice, all Nettie's dreams come true. The Sweeney home overflows with laughter, love and, in time, a baby brother. Billy. The light of Nettie's life. Then tragedy strikes. The Sweeney family crumbles. Nettie tries to make things right, but has she made everything so much worse?

Categories: Historical, Humour, Kindness, Love, Family Unit, Siblings



371 SOMEONE JUST LIKE YOU

Helen Docherty | David Roberts (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Somewhere in this world, there is someone just like you, who finds the same things funny and who laughs the way you do. Have you ever stopped to think that there might be someone out there who is just like you? And if they needed you, would you help them? A deeply moving, vitally important picture book encouraging empathy and kindness.

Categories: Feelings/Emotions, Empathy, Resilience, Growth Mindset, Acceptance, Kindness



372. SONGLINES FIRST KNOWLEDGES

Margo Neale | Blak Douglas (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

How do you find your way around, get your food and drink, connect with your friends and family? How do you know the right and safe way to do things, or how to make things? Before the white people came to the continent, all Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples knew how to do all these things – and much, much more. Margo Ngawa Neale and Lynne Kelly invite you on a journey through the oldest, biggest library of knowledge on Earth. This knowledge isn't held in books: you will find it in Songlines of the land, sea and sky. Learn about history, art, song, science and more in this engaging and inviting introduction to Indigenous traditional knowledges, how they apply today and how they can help all people thrive into the future.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, History, Art, Song, Science, Tradition, First Nations



373. SPIES IN THE SKY

Beverley McWilliams | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

From the writer of The Reindeer and the Submarine comes a tale of courage and hope, inspired by the true lives of the brave pigeons who helped win the war... Royal Blue is a royal racing pigeon of impeccable pedigree. His father was a racing champion, and Blue can't wait to follow in his impressive footsteps. Every morning he wakes up in his comfortable box in the beautiful loft at Sandringham House, eats the very best of seeds, and spends the day training with his friends to be the fastest and strongest pigeon in Britain. But the landscape beneath him as he flies is beginning to change: the lovely gardens are being dug up, ugly vegetables are replacing the beautiful flowers, and large trucks are driving up and down the roads. Until one day the King himself comes to visit the loft, choosing Blue personally for a very special assignment. Blue finds himself on the coast of England, far away from his comfortable home, the newest member of the Royal Pigeon Service, a group of pigeons that don't appreciate his refined manners and requests for better food. Racing soon falls away, as Blue takes on new responsibilities, helping with rescues, carrying secrets, and facing dangers he could never have imagined. As he and his new friends face the dark days of war, one thing will become clear: courage and friendship can be found in the unlikeliest of places. For readers of Katrina Nannestad and Bren MacDibble comes an uplifting adventure story about how even the smallest of us can make a big difference.

Categories: Historical, World War 2, Spies, Adventure



374. STINKY WONKY DONKEY, THE

Craig Smith | Katz Cowley (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

The whiffy Wonky Donkey is back, and this time he is playing an outrageous bad Dad joke on Dinky. As Wonky listened, his face was deadpan, but he was devising an outrageous plan! Dinky Donkey loves hooved animals so much, Wonky Donkey poses the question to her: "Are you hoof-hearted?" Hilarity ensues as Dinky innocently enquires of other members of her family if they are 'hoof-hearted', much to the delight of her dad.

Categories: Rhyming Text, Humour, Toilet Humour



375. SUPER SPEEDY SLOTH, THE

Rebecca Young | Heath McKenzie (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Ever since she was small, Spike wished she could be a Super Speedy Sloth on a great rescue spree. The other sloths said it just wasn't right. But Spike was ready to show them her might! A joyful and inspiring zero-to-hero story by award-winning creators Rebecca Young and Heath McKenzie.

Categories: Persistence, Determination, Rhyming Text



376. TINY TIMMY: INDOOR SUPER SKILLS! TINY TIMMY

Tim Cahill | Heath McKenzie (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

Timmy is super excited to show off the Lions home pitch to his old friend, Nic. But what's this?! The pitch has been turned into a big pile of dirt! Where will Timmy and the team play and train now? Luckily, Coach Roach has some ideas to keep the Lions' skill levels up – but it's going to take some getting used to! Can Timmy take the hard knocks in the small-sided skills sessions? Find out in Book 15 of the best-selling series from Socceroos Legend, Tim Cahill!

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer



377. TO THE RESCUE SMARTY PUP

Anh Do | Anton Emdin (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

'I've decided what to be when I grow up!' announced JJ. 'I want to be a firedog!' Lily and JJ the genius pup are thrilled when Chief Firefighter Do and his son Weirdo visit their school. JJ would love to be a firedog! But when fire threatens to burn down a local building, they realise there's more to firefighting than just driving a big red truck. Will JJ's and his latest invention save the day?

Categories: Animal Stories, Dogs



378. TOM GATES: FIVE STAR STORIES (HOORAY!) TOM GATES

Liz Pichon | Paperback | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

Q: Who wants their five star funny story included in Oakfield School's story book? A: Everyone! But what will Tom write about? Inspiration strikes when he looks at his excellent collection of odd objects and remembers the funny stories behind each one. Starting with Great Great Aunt Aggie's fake bird hat, the weird stone with a hole and his very special doodle pen. Marcus wants to write about Tom (which is annoying), Amy's got a funny poem and Norman's story is all about ... cheese. But Mr Fullerman can only choose the Five Star Stories – will Tom get his work in on time? And will Granddad read Tom's story and find out what really happened to Aunt Aggie's hat? (Spoiler alert – probably.)

Categories: Humour, Family Unit



379. TURTLE AND THE FLOOD

Jackie French | Danny Snell (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Myrtle the turtle knows everything about the waterhole where she lives in the creek. She can also sense the giant flood that is coming, long before other animals or humans. And when Myrtle begins her long, slow climb up the mountain to safety, who will follow her? A companion title to the best-selling The Fire Wombat, this is the story of Myrtle, a small turtle who, by heading uphill, tells the other animals that a flood is coming.

Categories: Natural Disaster, Connectivity, Flood, Environment, Weather, Turtles



380. ULTRAWILD: A PLAN TO REWILD EVERY CITY ON EARTH

Steve Mushin | Hardback | RRP \$34.99 | School Price \$27.99

Join maverick inventor Steve Mushin as he tackles climate change with an avalanche of mind-bending, scientifically plausible inventions to rewild cities and save the planet. Jump into his brain as he designs habitat-printing robot birds and water-filtering sewer submarines, calculates how far compost cannons can blast seed bombs (over a kilometre), brainstorms biomaterials with scientists and engineers, studies ecosystems and develops a deadly serious plan to transform cities into jungles, rewilding them into carbon-sucking mega-habitats for all species, and as fast as possible. Through marvellously designed and hilarious engineering ideas, Mushin shares his vision for super-high-tech urban rewilding, covering the science of climate change, futuristic materials and foods, bio reactors, soil, forest ecosystems, mechanical flight, solar thermal power and working out just how fast we could actually turn roads into jungles, absorb carbon and reverse climate change.

Categories: STEAM, Science, Inventions, Environment, Climate Change, Lateral Thinking



381. WALK WITH US WELCOME TO OUR COUNTRY

Adam Goodes | David Hardy (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Harvey and Mum are heading to their favourite park for a walk on Cammeraygal land. 'Time to awaken the ancestors,' says Uncle Boris.' Every time we sing or acknowledge Country, the ancestors are listening.' What do you know about the Country where you live? Inspired by the Uluru Statement from the Heart, Walk With Us is an invitation to go on a journey of learning and appreciation – with family, with friends, and with our nation – together. The bestselling Welcome to Our Country series aims to connect young children, parents and educators with First Nations history and culture.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, First Nations, Connection, Country, Bilingual, Culture, Bushwalking



382. WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU'RE NOT SURE WHAT TO DO

Davina Bell | Hilary jean Tapper (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Another warm and whimsical guide to negotiating life's little and big moments, What to Do When You're Not Sure What to Do focuses on situations outside a child's home and domestic realm where they might feel unsure. It's another gentle exploration of empathy, courage and confidence from award-winning and much-loved author Davina Bell and with beautiful, heartwarming illustrations by Hilary Jean Tapper.

Categories: Empathy, Courage, Confidence, Uncertainty, Dilemma

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383. BOWERBIRD BLUES

Aura Parker | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) Join us as together we read Bowerbird Blues on Wednesday 22nd of May 2024 at 12:00 pm AEST / 2:00 pm NZST. I am a collector. Always looking, finding ... and keeping! Bowerbird loves BLUE. Magnificent colbalt. Brilliant, vibrant blue! But something is missing. What could it be? This picture book from Aura Parker stars a beautiful bowerbird on the search for blue! It's a moving story of longing and connection, that unfolds as the bowerbird's search sends him soaring across the sea, sky and city. He swoops and snatches vibrant treasures for his collection, and soon his bower—a mix of natural and unnatural objects—attracts something greater and more fulfilling than he could ever have imagined.

Categories: Patience, Persistence, Environmental Issues, Home, Mateship