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## Highlights



### 1. ABOUT TIME

[Dorling Kindersley](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$32.99** | **School Price \$26.39**

Time is central to our experience as humans, and it's important for children to know not just how to tell the time, but also how to make the most of it. About Time will help them learn how to tell the time on a variety of devices, and about all the different ways humans have tried to do this. Through unique and fun interactive elements, the book will also help children understand how clocks work and even build some time-telling and clockwork devices for themselves! This book benefits from the unique partnership of an award-winning practising watchmaker and experienced physics teacher to pair the best of timekeeping mechanics and history with the national curriculum.

**Categories:** [Time](#), [Science](#), [History](#)

### 2. AMARI AND THE METALWORK MENACE [AMARI](#)

[BB Alston](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Amari used to be a Junior Agent at the Bureau of Supernatural Investigations, but ever since the war with the League of Magicians, Amari has spent the year as a normal kid. As she prepares to graduate eighth grade, she's faced with a decision: Return to the Bureau, or retire for good. But she may not have a choice. A deadly new curse is threatening both the supernatural and mortal worlds and it's somehow related to the First Magician. Hundreds of cases have been cropping up, with no cure in sight. And when the curse hits someone close to Amari, it's up to her to get to the bottom of this deadly mystery—even if it means trusting an old enemy...

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#), [Magic](#), [Mystery](#), [Supernatural](#)

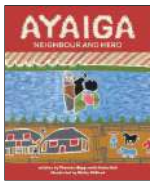


### 3. ANSWERS TO DOG

[Pete Hautman](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$14.39**

Evan doesn't seem to fit in at school or at home. He goes out of his way to avoid attention. He sits at the back of the bus, keeps his head down in class, and keeps to himself. But when a burr-covered border collie starts following him around, Evan's simple duck-and-dodge existence becomes a lot more complicated. Evolving from wary companions to steadfast friends, Evan and the dog run fast and far together, thwart an abusive dog breeder and the school bully, and find the courage to stand up for themselves and to open up to those who matter most. This contemporary coming-of-age novel is filled with hope and emotional complexity – a deeply satisfying read for animal lovers.

**Categories:** [Relationships](#), [Friendship](#), [Bullying](#), [Courage](#)



#### 4. **AYAIGA: NEIGHBOUR AND HERO**

Thomas Higgs | Wally Wilfred (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Ayaiga had been arrested for stealing from one of the vast cattle stations established on traditional Alawa Country. The heavyweight boxing champion of the Australian Police, Constable William Francis Johns, was bringing him in to Leichhardt's Bar Police Station the constable on horseback, with Ayaiga, manacled by the neck, attempting to keep up on foot. Johns foolishly attempted to cross a flooded creek and was knocked unconscious when his panicked horse kicked him in the head. Ayaiga, burdened by his heavy chain, heroically saved Johns from drowning and remained by the constable's side as he recovered. Ayaiga became one of only 8 Australian recipients and the only Indigenous recipient of the Albert Medal for Gallantry in Saving Life.

**Categories:** Heroism, Aboriginal Studies, Bravery, First Nations, Courage



#### 5. **BEAR RESCUE**

Hannah Gold | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$10.39**

August Wood lives in the far north of the Arctic. His best friend is a husky called Blaze, and he's the younger brother of April Wood – the girl who once famously rescued a polar bear. But one summer's day, when a sudden snowstorm strikes, August goes missing. With temperatures plummeting, it's up to April, Bear and Blaze to track him down and bring him safely home... before it's too late.

**Categories:** Adventure, Survival

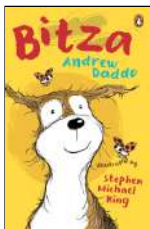


#### 6. **BEATRIX POTTER LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS**

Maria Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Sarah Rhys (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

During her childhood in London, little Beatrix loved to draw. As an adult, she began writing and drawing her own stories, and she created a story about a naughty little rabbit named Peter. That story, which she decided to publish with her own money, became The Tale of Peter Rabbit, which today is a true classic. Beyond her writing, Beatrix was a pioneering conservationist, preserving much of the Lake District for future generations. Her story, of self-belief and perseverance, is a reminder that we should always follow our dreams, and that everyone has a story to tell.

**Categories:** Famous People, Biography, Author, Writing



#### 7. **BITZA BITZA**

Andrew Daddo | Stephen Michael King (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$11.99**

I'm Bitza the dog! A bit Labrador and a bit Poodle. A bit Kelpy and Staffy and maybe even Hound. Lots of different dog bits make up the lot of me. I'm also a bit lost. A good dog always looks after its ball, which is why I followed Jasper and the ball thief home from the park. She was looking for a dog, I was looking for a home. It's perfect ... unless Dad gets his way.

**Categories:** Pets, Dogs, Humour, Belonging, Family



#### 8. **BLAST OFF!**

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | **RRP \$35.00** | **School Price \$28.00**

From early rockets to distant space probes, learn what it takes to blast off from Earth and even live in space. With incredible cross-sections, discover what happens to a spacecraft during take-off, what life is like inside the International Space Station, and what future missions the Moon will look like. Oversized pages, with incredibly detailed cross-sections and cutaways, show magnificent spacecraft and rockets up-close and in detail, revealing their inner workings. With a wide variety of spacecraft, children will pore over the densely illustrated cross-sections for hours on end!

**Categories:** Space, Space Travel, Astronaut

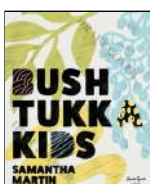


#### 9. **BOY AND THE DOG TREE, THE**

Fiona Wood | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$14.39**

Mitch and his sister are staying with their gran, while their parents are working on other side of the world. He's struggling to fit in at school. The one thing that would make his life better is a dog. Then Mitch discovers an old oak tree that seems to... growl. And one night, a huge, strange dog-like creature emerges from the trunk. His name is Argos and he has been bound in the tree by 'history, mystery, magic and chance'. But being different can be dangerous, especially for a wild and wilful beast like Argos... While at first Mitch looks to Argos for friendship and protection, there comes a time he must stand up for this magical creature who has changed him forever.

**Categories:** Friendship, Courage, Belonging, Magic



#### 10. **BUSH TUKKA GUIDE FOR KIDS**

Samantha Martin | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

First Nations People have cared and lived off Country for tens of thousands of years. Australia's flora and fauna are not only sources of food and drink, but tools and medicine too. Learn how to spot a ripe Davidson's plum, discover how mountain bush pepper has been used to treat toothaches, explore how sandpaper fig can soothe itchy symptoms, and find out how to grow your very own bush tukka garden for your home or school. You'll also find tasty kid-friendly recipes for foods, such as lemon myrtle damper, kangaroo burgers, crocodile nuggets, and caramelised cluster figs and ice-crea.

**Categories:** Aboriginal Studies, First Nations, Culture, Food



#### 11. **BUSH TURKEY: EASTER HUNT** BUSH TURKEY

Kate Temple | Jol Temple (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Bush Turkey is building, flinging mess far and wide, when suddenly he spies shiny eggs there outside! Turkey gathers them up and takes off with a run... and crashes into a pile of hot cross buns! 'Stop!' yells the baker. But Bush Turkey's long gone. 'I've got to find out where these eggs belong!' Get ready for the most eggshasting Easter ever in this new story from the best-selling creators of Bin Chicken!

**Categories:** [Easter](#), [Humour](#), [Calamity](#)

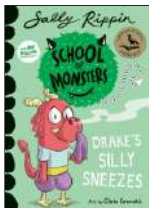


#### 12. **CROCODILES UP CLOSE**

Lisa McLellan | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Crocodiles walked the earth alongside dinosaurs. This is a closeup look at these dynamic, fascinating reptiles.

**Categories:** [Reptiles](#), [Crocodiles](#)



#### 13. **DRAKE'S SILLY SNEEZES** SCHOOL OF MONSTERS

Sally Rippin | Chris Kennett (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | **RRP \$11.99** | **School Price \$9.59**

Drake is sneezing, Drake is sick. Can his friends help cure him, quick? Drake's got a cold, so his friends brew him some medicine – but the first batch makes him sneeze fire, and the second batch makes him sneeze ice! Luckily, the third batch works ... with some surprising side effects!

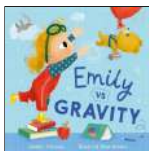
**Categories:** [Monsters](#), [Humour](#), [Early Reader](#)



#### 14. **ELLA AND THE MYSTERY OF THE MISSING FROGS**

Cassy Polimeni | Paperback | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$12.79**

If frogs make a home somewhere it means things are in balance. But if something changes, they are the first to know. They can tell when something isn't right. Have you ever had a day when everything goes wrong? Ella is having one of those. To make matters worse, the orchestra of frogs that lives in her backyard has disappeared! Ella thinks the two things might be connected and is determined to solve the mystery of the missing frogs. There's only one problem: her brother Will keeps getting in the way. Can Ella find the frogs and break the curse or will her little brother ruin everything?

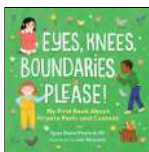


#### 15. **EMILY VS GRAVITY**

Isabel Thomas | Rosalind Beardshaw (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$21.59**

What comes up must come down! When Bear falls at Emily's feet, she is determined to get him back where he belongs. But Gravity keeps pulling Bear straight back down. So, Emily makes it her mission to defy Gravity and make the impossible, possible! She tries balancing him on a see saw, making him a pair of wings and even launching him into the air with a catapult. But how will she get him to stay in the sky? This empowering picture book is about the forces that keep us grounded, and the equally powerful forces of determination, knowledge and human ingenuity that allow us to fly.

**Categories:** [Determination](#), [Persistence](#), [Science](#), [Gravity](#), [Problem Solving](#)

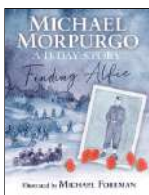


#### 16. **EYES, KNEES, BOUNDARIES, PLEASE!**

Krupa Bhojani Playforth | Hardback | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$18.39**

Knowing how to talk about their bodies and establish safe boundaries with others is critical to kids' health and safety—but body safety can be a tough topic to tackle. This friendly, illustrated picture book from board-certified pediatrician Dr. Krupa Bhojani Playforth makes it simple, with age-appropriate but accurate text and illustrations that describe the correct names for private parts, what body boundaries are, and how kids can advocate for themselves—because their body should belong to them and only them.

**Categories:** [Consent](#), [Permission](#), [Privacy](#), [Respect](#), [Personal Space](#)



#### 17. **FINDING ALFIE: A D-DAY STORY**

Michael Morpurgo | Michael Foreman (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$23.99**

Young Michael Morpurgo always loved the small painting of a boat hanging on Auntie Iris's wall. But all she would ever say about it was that her beloved Alfie had painted it and given it to her years ago—before he'd left for France during World War II and had never come back. Michael decides to try and find out what happened to Alfie himself. He embarks on a journey that takes him to the marshes of an English coastal village and across the Channel into France, learning a profound lesson along the way about service and the surprising endurance of memory.

**Categories:** [War Stories](#), [History](#)





## 18. FLAT STANLEY GRAPHIC NOVEL

Jeff Brown | Corey Egbert (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Stanley Lambchop was just an ordinary boy – until a noticeboard fell on him. Now he's flat as a pancake! Being flat is fantastic – he can be rolled up, sent in the post and even fly like a kite. But it's not all fun and games ... there are thieves in town. Can the flattest boy in the world be its biggest hero? Jeff Brown's world-famous character Flat Stanley continues to charm 60 years after he first found his way into print – and now he's in graphic novel format for the first time!

**Categories:** Graphic Novel, Adventure, Humour



## 19. FLOWER GARDEN: A CHANGI SECRET, THE

Claire Saxby | Lucia Masciullo (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$25.99** | **School Price \$20.79**

I have a secret – we have a secret – in this place where secrets are not allowed. The children in the Changi camp are working on a surprise for Mrs Ennis' birthday. They scavenge for scraps of fabric in every colour, and hide in cornered shadows to stitch flowers. But they must keep their surprise a secret, not just from Mrs Ennis, but from their black-booted captors... A gorgeously illustrated historical picture book about the women and children of the Changi POW camp.

**Categories:** World War 2, Prisoner of War, Girl Guides, Narrative Non Fiction



## 20. FOOTBALL ENCYCLOPEDIA, THE

Clive Gifford | Paperback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$21.59**

Dive into the latest stats, information, and fascinating facts about the world's biggest sport. Explore profiles of star athletes, track your favourite teams across top leagues and gain insights into legendary tournaments and competitions. This edition is packed with vibrant photos and profiles of past and present superstars from Harry Kane and Mohamed Salah to Kylian Mbappé, Messi, Sam Kerr, and David Beckham. Examine over 50 iconic teams that have enhanced the game, including the England men's and women's teams and relive the excitement of the beautiful game through dynamic images and artwork that captures iconic movements and goals. Enjoy comprehensive coverage of every football aspect, including rules, skills, fan culture, media, coaches, and tactics.

**Categories:** Sport, Soccer, Football



## 21. FUN, FAST AND EASY CHILDREN'S COOKBOOK

Annabel Karmel | Hardback | **RRP \$32.99** | **School Price \$26.39**

Did you know that cooking actually encourages fussy eaters to eat, as they're more likely to dig in to something they've prepared? Instil a love of cooking to last a lifetime with Annabel Karmel's 'Fun, Fast and Easy Children's Cookbook'. This is the ultimate kitchen companion for young children and their parents, turning mealtimes into the most fun part of the day! Inside, you'll find: Delicious, easy-to-make recipes from Perfect Pancakes and Teddy Bear Burgers, to Animal Cupcakes, vibrant, enticing photography and illustrations, fascinating food facts to make mealtimes fun, step-by-step instructions and essential kitchen tips to get the family cooking together.

**Categories:** Cooking, Cookbook, Recipes



## 22. FUTURE BOOK, THE

Mac Barnett | Shawn Harris (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** | **School Price \$22.39**

You might think you know what the future is like, and what words and phrases we use. But lots of things are different here in the future. Have you seen the colour BLORANGE? And how is it you say 'goodbye' again? It's not 'YOU SMELL LIKE A BABY?' Well ... that might seem goofy to you, but it's absolutely normal for us in the future. We invite you to turn the pages of this book to discover what else has changed in the future, and to see just how certain word combinations lead to a silly narrative that will have you rolling in the aisles of the BOLLY BOLLY HOO HOO.

**Categories:** Humour



## 23. HOW TO DO PARIS WITH ONE LEG

Ella Dove | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

Maya's class is going on a French exchange trip to Paris and she can't wait to climb to the top of the Eiffel Tower, learn how to make macaroons and visit Disneyland. In hopes of becoming a disability influencer, Maya decides to share the trip with her online followers. But things don't go to plan when Maya is matched with Levi, a grumpy boy who isn't even on social media. Sightseeing with a prosthetic leg isn't easy, but Maya doesn't want her followers to know she's struggling. When Maya falls out with her real-life friends over her carefully curated content, can she find the courage to be honest and win them back?

**Categories:** Courage, Disability, Honesty, Activism, Friendship



## 24. HOW TO GET HOME

Deborah Frenkel | Karen Blair (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$18.39**

Briiing! sings the bell. It's home time. Hooray! Head straight to Gate B. Wave goodbye. Hug g'day. School is done for the day, so let's use the signs to guide us home! Remember to give way to bugs, stop at the crossing and keep a look out for the missing budgie as you find your way to home sweet home.

**Categories:** Family Unit, Relationships, Rhyming Text, Routine



## 25. **I SURVIVED THE DUST BOWL, 1935** | **I SURVIVED**

Lauren Tarshis | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$12.79**

The Dust Bowl of the 1930s was the worst environmental disaster in American history, a time when 'black blizzards' of dust, some hundreds of miles wide, swept across the southern plains. Hundreds of people were killed. Thousands of farms were buried. Millions of refugees fled starvation and sickness in the plains only to face hatred and prejudice in California. Lauren Tarshis brings this desperate time of poverty and fear to life through the thrilling story of an eleven-year-old boy who risks his life to save his family and friends during the worst dust storm of all, an event that would become known as 'Black Sunday'.

**Categories:** [Survival](#)

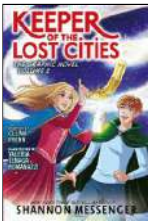


## 26. **IF YOU MAKE A CALL ON A BANANA PHONE**

Gideon Sterer | Emily Hughes (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

A love letter to making friends from unexpected places – silly, wise, and surprising all at once. If you make a call from a banana phone, who will answer? What will you talk about? Will you share secrets or ask questions? No one knows what will happen, really. This very silly story is full of the joy and wisdom that comes from making new friends from unexpected places. Go ahead, pick up a banana and make a call. You'll be glad you did.

**Categories:** [Friendship](#), [Listening](#), [Communication](#), [Connection](#)



## 27. **KEEPER OF THE LOST CITIES PART 2 GRAPHIC NOVEL** | **KEEPER OF THE LOST CITIES GRAPHIC NOVEL**

Shannon Messenger | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Life with the elves has been unlike anything Sophie has ever known, filled with new friends, amazing creatures, and incredible powers. But it's also had its share of challenges. Sophie had been an advanced student in the human world – but thanks to her struggles with alchemy, she's not even sure if she will pass her Foxfire Academy midterms! And then there are the bigger worries. Guardians who may or may not adopt her. Whispers of conspiracies. Mysterious fires. Memories in her brain that don't feel like hers. Could someone have hidden those secrets in Sophie's head? Why would they do that? Is Sophie part of something much bigger than she imagined?

**Categories:** [Secrets](#), [Telepathy](#), [Magic](#), [Danger](#)



## 28. **LETTERS FROM THE UPSIDE**

Katya Balen | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

Con has been angry ever since Dad left. He doesn't want to be. He wants to play FIFA with his best friend Kyron, to make his mum proud. Instead, rage builds inside him until he explodes. And when Con gets suspended from school, the good person he longs to be feels unreachable. And then his neighbour, Mr Williams, lets him in on a secret. Mr Williams keeps homing pigeons. Every day they fly out, carrying messages to people. Mr Williams wants Con's help looking after them. But how could someone like him be trusted? Then Mr Williams goes away. Con is left in charge, and he begins to wonder whether the pigeons might be able to find his dad.

**Categories:** [Friendship](#), [Hope](#), [Responsibility](#)

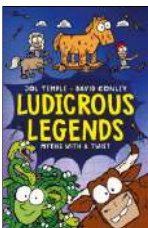


## 29. **LIONS' RUN, THE**

Sara Pennypacker | Hardback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Lucas is tired of his cowardly reputation at the orphanage, just as he's tired of the war and the Nazi occupation of his village. The chance to show his bravery arrives when he saves a litter of kittens. He soon meets Alice, who is hiding her beloved horse. Lucas begins to realise they are not the only ones in the village with secrets. The housekeeper and a priest at the orphanage pass coded messages; a young mother makes dangerous plans to keep her baby from forced adoption; and a neighbour may be harbouring a Jewish family. Emboldened by the unlikely heroes around him, Lucas must decide how much he is willing to risk to make the most courageous rescue of all.

**Categories:** [War Stories](#), [World War 2](#), [Courage](#), [Bullying](#), [Resilience](#)

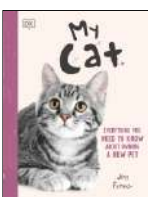


## 30. **LUDICROUS LEGENDS**

Joel Temple | David Conley (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

Hector and his best friend, a centaur named Hylo, are about to be tested on Greek mythology by their teacher Mr Socrates. Join them as they come to grips with the mighty Minotaur, the famous Trojan Horse/Cow, and the terrifying Medusa whose snake-hair is definitely not keen on a haircut. A ludicrous, light-hearted and very loose retelling of three classical legends.

**Categories:** [Mythology](#), [Legend](#)

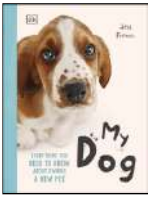


## 31. **MY CAT** | **EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT OWNING A NEW PET**

Jess French | Paperback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

This is your one-stop guide to everything cat care. From preparing for the arrival of your new cat or kitten, to the moment you bring them home, and everything after, this book will provide you with all you need to know. Find out about the supplies they need, how to bond with them, how to train them, and how to keep them happy and healthy throughout their life. Learn how to make your fluffy companion feel safe and loved with tips on creating them a comfortable, cosy space and understanding their body language. Discover playful games and activities you can play together and fun tricks you can teach them.

**Categories:** [Pets](#), [Cats](#)



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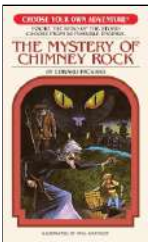


### 33. **MY NONNA LOVES**

Adelle Frittitta | Claudia Frittitta (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

My nonna loves gossiping on the phone, sharing biscotti, and making passata with the whole family. But most of all, my nonna loves me! Perfect for grandparents to read aloud to their grandchildren, this heartwarming picture book is an ideal keepsake for grandmothers everywhere. With lovingly drawn illustrations and gently humorous text, the book highlights how grandmothers relish every waking moment, cook with their souls, and cherish their family above all else. A story of joy, love and togetherness.

**Categories:** [Grandparents](#), [Grandmothers](#), [Family](#), [Love](#), [Culture](#), [Humour](#), [Tradition](#)



### 34. **MYSTERY OF CHIMNEY ROCK, THE** CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE

Edward Packard | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$14.39**

You are on vacation in Connecticut when you notice a huge, empty stone house at the top of a hill. Your cousins call it "Chimney Rock," and they tell you no one who goes inside is ever seen again. But you venture inside its crumbling walls. Will you break the curse on Chimney Rock and come back a hero? Or will you face any number of grisly ends at the hands of the malevolent forces within? New readers will love to explore one path after another, with every ending telling them a little more about the mystery of what happened at Chimney Rock and what can be done to break the curse.

**Categories:** [Interactive](#), [Adventure](#)



### 35. **NINJA GIRL 3: RUNNING WILD!** NINJA GIRL

Anh Do | James Hart (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$14.39**

Connor really wants to join Niki on her school excursion to the zoo. There's just one problem ... No kittens allowed! But when Niki's amazing new invention turns Connor into a human, he gets his wish after all! Can Karate Kitten help Ninja Girl save the day when everything goes totally wild?!

**Categories:** [Martial Arts](#), [Ninja](#), [Adventure](#), [School](#), [Friendship](#), [Excursion](#)

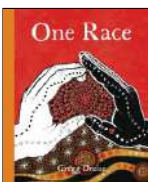


### 36. **NINJA KID 17: INVISIBLE NINJA!** NINJA KID

Anh Do | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$12.79**

The basketball competition is coming up, but Nelson and Kenny can't pass... or dribble... or shoot. It's going to be so embarrassing, they wish they could just disappear! Luckily, Grandma has invented a new invisibility ring, and vanishing might be their best move yet! Can the boys bounce back and score the perfect slam dunk?!

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Action](#), [Ninjas](#)

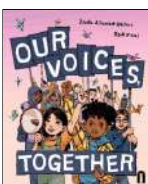


### 37. **ONE RACE**

Gregg Dreise | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$21.59**

How can there be racism when we are one human race? Our difference is our biggest strength; not something to debase. From award-winning Kamilaroi and Euahlayi author and artist Gregg Dreise, comes this empowering call for unity, embracing what connects us all ... our humanity.

**Categories:** [First Nations](#), [Culture](#), [Human Rights](#), [Equality](#), [Racism](#), [Discrimination](#), [Empathy](#)



### 38. **OUR VOICES, TOGETHER**

Inda Ahmad Zahri | Syd Fini (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

A silence can be broken by the might of one small word. Our voices are our power ... and together we'll be heard. Our Voices, Together speaks to the power we all have to stand up against war, violence and inequity. Written in rhyme and illustrated thoughtfully, this picture book acknowledges the realities of children in conflict zones and suggests tangible steps that we can take to speak up. Thought-provoking yet hopeful, Our Voices, Together encourages empathy and critical thinking, and shows children how they can be activists and allies in promoting justice and peace. This book is a call to action for children who wish to make a difference in the world.

**Categories:** [Activism](#), [Leadership](#), [War](#), [Rhyming Text](#), [Conflict](#), [Empathy](#), [Critical Thinking](#), [Violence](#)





### 39. PLATYPUS BEND

Diane Jackson Hill | Craig Smith (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

The rivulet begins high on a mountain top. It twists and turns and turns and twists until it swirls around a bend and softens into a calm pool... No-one knows but in that pool there is a secret. From the award-winning author and illustrator behind Saving Seal and Chooks in Dinner Suits comes a meditative story about the elusive platypus, and the need to respect and nurture the environment it calls home.

**Categories:** [Habitats](#), [Environment](#), [Platypus](#), [Lifecycles](#)

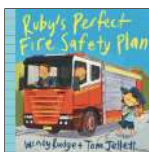


### 40. ROCKET: FEEL THE FORCE OF THE WORLD'S POWERFUL MAC

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$23.99**

When rocket engines fire, they burn through thousands of tonnes of fuel in seconds. See behind the scenes and into the hangar as engineers fine-tune the machinery ready for launch. Meet the transporter vehicles that haul these enormous engines to the launchpad. Then strap in and get ready for lift off! This book is a celebration of the machines that make space exploration possible, using sheer power to blast spacecraft off Earth's surface and into orbit. Alongside the breathtaking photographs, supporting sections lay out the history of rocketry, compare notable launch vehicles from history, and explain the science behind space flight.

**Categories:** [Space](#), [Space Travel](#)

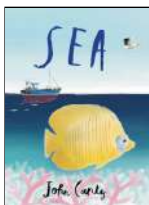


### 41. RUBY'S PERFECT FIRE SAFETY PLAN

Wendy Rudge | Tom Jellett (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Hot on the heels of the wildly successful Emergency! Emergency!, Rubys Perfect Fire Safety Plan provides the perfect companion story to primary school fire safety programs. Young readers will be able to take the get down low and go, go, go message into the home as they follow Ruby's efforts to make sure her family is prepared for any emergency.

**Categories:** [Emergency Services](#), [Fire Engines](#), [Fire](#), [Safety](#), [Planning](#)



### 42. SEA

John Canty | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$21.59**

In this beautifully illustrated picture book, acclaimed author-illustrator John Canty invites young readers to explore the wonder and mystery of the ocean. With lyrical text and stunning artwork, this captivating journey reveals the sea's many moods, habitats, and creatures. Perfect for curious minds and lovers of nature.

**Categories:** [Sea Creatures](#), [Ocean](#)



### 43. SILVERWING GRAPHIC NOVEL

Kenneth Oppel | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$23.99**

Shade the young silverwing bat is determined to prove himself on the long, dangerous winter migration to Hibernaculum. But when a fierce storm catches him in its grasp, Shade is separated from his colony and left alone. On his journey back to his family, Shade meets other winged loners. Marina the brightwing bat, Zephyr the mystical albino bat with an unusual gift, and Goth the carnivorous vampire bat. Shade needs all the help he can get, but with a long and perilous flight ahead, how will he know who to trust?

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Family](#), [Danger](#), [Trust](#)



### 44. TOMORROW'S GHOST

Tanya Landman | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$14.39**

Haunted by the past, can Anna rewrite the future? 1976: Twelve-year-old Anna, bored and lonely away from her friends for the summer, finds herself dreaming about a girl from 1919 – a neglected and lonely girl living in a mansion with an austere and unloving grandfather. As Anna's dreams grow more vivid, she realizes that the girl from the past is calling out to her – and that Anna must cross time to save her from an untimely death...

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Time Slip](#), [Historical](#), [Ghosts](#)



### 45. TRAVIS HEAD GREATEST CRICKET STARS

Thomas Scoble | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$11.99**

Follow the journeys of the best batters and bowlers in cricket, from playing with friends to competing against the biggest teams in the world. Whether they're playing for their domestic team or for their country, these inspiring players give their all in every game to find success after success! Read this fascinating story about Travis Head!

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Cricket](#), [Famous People](#), [Biography](#)

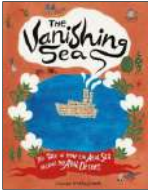


### 46. UMBRELLA, THE

Niki Foreman | Binny Talib (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

For everyone who's ever felt, 'I don't fit.' This is for you. "I don't fit ... Do I need to fit? I'd like to fit." Not everyone finds their place under the same umbrella. So what happens when you want to fit, but can't?

**Categories:** [Neurodiverse](#), [Neurodiversity](#), [Belonging](#), [Differences](#), [Inclusion](#)



#### 47. **VANISHING SEA, THE**

[Dinara Mirtalipova](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$28.99** | **School Price \$23.19**

The Aral Sea once stretched across modern-day Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan. A large saltwater lake of Central Asia, the Aral Sea's 26 square miles (67 square kilometers) sustained its surrounding communities for generations. Beginning in the 1960s, aggressive Soviet industrialization diverted water for agricultural production and caused the lake to shrink. Today, the waters that had thrived for centuries have almost entirely disappeared—and along with them, the biodiversity of the lake, its thriving fishing industry, and the many homes along its shores. This true tale chronicles what happens when nature's generosity is exploited. It gently invites readers to consider the reality of irreversible environmental harm, its global impact, and what it means to be compassionate to the land we live on.

**Categories:** [Sustainability](#), [Water](#), [Environment](#), [Biodiversity](#)

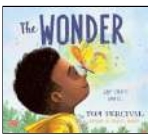


#### 48. **WANTED: THE CUTEST BABY IN THE WORLD**

[Davina Bell](#) | [Sarah Zweck](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Late one evening, a detective knocks on the door of two exhausted parents. She's on the hunt for the world's most devious master criminal: The Cutest Baby in the World... Should you find yourself in this rogue's clutches, your entire world will be turned upside-down! But the most villainous bit? You wouldn't have it any other way.

**Categories:** [Family Unit](#), [Humour](#), [New Baby](#), [Cautionary Tale](#)



#### 49. **WONDER, THE**

[Tom Percival](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Daniel is having a terrible day. From the rain that tumbles down from the dark, grey skies to the puddles that soak his shoes, Daniel's convinced that nothing will lift his mood. But everything changes when he hears the sweet, delicate sound of music, barely audible beneath the rain. Perhaps, if he looks carefully enough, Daniel might find that there are moments of joy and wonder that can brighten even the darkest of days...

**Categories:** [Feelings/Emotions](#), [Moods](#), [Mindfulness](#), [Attitude](#)



#### 50. **ZAC POWER: MISSION FILES VOLUME 1** [ZAC POWER](#)

[HI Larry](#) | 2 in 1 | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$11.99**

Armed with the latest high-tech gadgets and his wits, Zac Power can take on anything the world throws at him. Whether he's foiling Dr Drastic's latest evil scheme or taking out the trash, Zac can do it all with time to spare. Zac Power has entertained kids worldwide for almost twenty years! Mission Files Volume #1 contains two stories from the smash hit series, Poison Island and Fossil Fury.

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Action](#), [Spies](#)



# Australian Picture Book



## 51. ANZAC BISCUITS

[Phil Cummings](#) | [Owen Swan](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

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

**Categories:** [Anzac Day](#), [Australian History](#), [War](#), [Family](#)

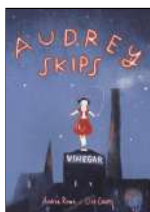


## 52. ARE YOU THE EASTER BUNNY?

[Janeen Brian](#) | [Lucinda Gifford](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

Deep in the hot Australian desert lives a cute little creature with long soft ears and a whiskery nose. Could it be the Easter Bunny? From award-winning duo Janeen Brian and Lucinda Gifford comes this celebration of the bilby, one of Australia's most important and endangered animals.

**Categories:** [Australian Animals](#), [Bilbies](#), [Easter](#), [Rhyming Text](#)

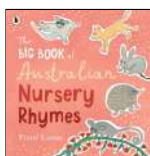


## 53. AUDREY SKIPS

[Andrea Rowe](#) | [Lisa Coutts](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$25.50**

Bright and shiny Audrey loves to skip a jump rope rhyme, right off her rooftop and through the sleeping streets of a city. Skittering across the skyline and peering in windows, Audrey spies folks struggling with hard times as her own light dims. With a little help from city friends, Audrey's light and her hopeful spirit shine again, brighter than ever.

**Categories:** [Community](#), [Conservation](#), [History](#), [Resilience](#), [Belonging](#)



## 54. BIG BOOK OF AUSTRALIAN NURSERY RHYMES, THE

[Frane Lessac](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Chant and clap, play and sing along to this fun-filled collection of nursery rhymes with an Australian twist. Row, 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 volume, destined to be an Australian classic.

**Categories:** [Australia](#), [Australiana](#), [Nursery Rhymes](#)

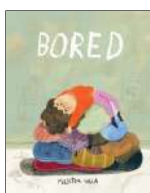


## 55. BLUE: DRAGON OF THE SEA

[Aleesah Darlison](#) | [Tamlyn Teow](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$22.95**

Meet Blue, a Dragon of the Sea! He's also known as a nudibranch or sea slug. Blue's fleet roam the ocean, gliding on the currents, and dancing their way through dangerous adventures. Join Blue and his fellow dragons as they explore the sea!

**Categories:** [Narrative Non Fiction](#), [Ocean Creatures](#), [Nudibranchs](#)



## 56. BORED

[Felicita Sala](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

Rita is bored. So, so, so bored. Flopped in her bedroom, limp and tragic, Rita tries everything to cure her malaise. But time drags on, and there she remains: catatonic with boredom. If only there were a special place, a non-boring place just for bored people ... From award-winning creator Felicity Sala comes a slyly brilliant ode to boredom and imagination, and a guaranteed antidote to the doldrums.

**Categories:** [Feelings/Emotions](#), [Boredom](#), [Humour](#), [Imagination](#)



## 57. BOY AND THE SHARK, THE

[Cate James](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

William is stuck at his little sister's noisy birthday party. William does not like parties. William likes sharks. He wonders if sharks do not like parties either. Perhaps he should find one and ask... Join William on a timeless adventure full of curiosity, surprises and friendship

**Categories:** [Humour](#)



## 58. CAMPFIRE KISSES

[Sheila Knaggs](#) | [Michelle Conn](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

There's nothing more delightful than to sleep beneath the stars and wake up in the morning to the screech of the galahs. Come toast a marshmallow and celebrate the universal magic of camping in this heartfelt and joyous ode to holidays in the Great Australian Bush.

**Categories:** [Holidays](#), [Adventure](#), [Camping](#), [Bush](#)



#### 59. DOG STAYED

Tammy Forster | Margeaux Davis (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

When Dog turns up one day and stays – despite Mr Hindbottom’s protests – they gradually find a comfortable way to get along. Life is good, but of course life doesn’t stand still... When Mr Hindbottom is gone, can Dog ever love again?

**Categories:** Relationships, Loyalty, Lifecycles, Grief, Hope, Renewal, Change



#### 60. DROVER'S SON, THE

Leah Purcell | Dub Leffler (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$25.50**

With his father away for much of the year, Danny has had to grow up fast. He thinks that soon he will have no choice but to leave home and go droving with his father. But then he meets Yadaka, and Danny finds another path – one in which a man can be wise and gentle, and a warrior too. A story of healing, care and connection that also shares challenging truths about the history of this country and life on the land in the late 19th century.

**Categories:** Survival, Hope, Responsibility, Resilience, First Nations



#### 61. FIRST EASTER, THE

Jess Racklyeft | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

A long time ago, in a country far away a man called Jesus travelled to the big city to spread a message of peace and goodwill . . . A beautiful book for every family who celebrates the Easter holiday. The First Easter brings the powerful story of the Easter period to even the youngest reader. And celebrates the ways we remember it with joy and happiness, surrounded by those we love. A beautiful gift book with irresistible illustrations by the creator of The First Christmas.

**Categories:** Easter



#### 62. GLIMMERING GHOST, THE YOUNG QUEENS COLLECTION

Megan Hess | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$24.30**

While she tends to the royal roses, young Coco Blair daydreams about flying like a bird – and making a friend. But first, she'll have to solve the mystery of the ghost that's haunting the palace. Who could it be – and why can only Coco see her? And why does the ghost insist Coco can fly? This spirited adventure about friendship, helping others and living out your dreams is the fourth gorgeous picture book in the Young Queens Collection, a series of original fairytales about young girls coming into their own power.

**Categories:** Fairytale, Adventure, Kindness

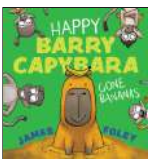


#### 63. GOING HOME

Simon Howe | Hardback | **RRP \$25.99** | **School Price \$22.10**

It's good to know where things are going ... and where other things have gone. A father and child head out for the day – just what they feel like doing. They see beetles wandering past, snails sliding by, and bees and balloons flying above. Where are they all going? Going home, perhaps, says Dad. A beautiful and quietly meaningful tale of life, loss and love.

**Categories:** Connectivity, Home, Belonging, Change

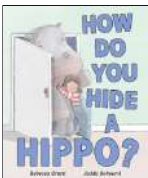


#### 64. HAPPY BARRY CAPYBARA: GONE BANANAS

James Foley | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Happy Barry Capybara is the most chilled-out animal on the savannah. But when his friend the cheeky squirrel monkey, Harry, and his cousins are fighting over the last banana, Barry is left to decide who will get it. Which monkey will win the favour of Barry? Or will Barry have a new lesson to teach them about what it means to share?

**Categories:** Rhyming Text, Humour



#### 65. HOW DO YOU HIDE A HIPPO?

Rebecca Grant | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

How DO you hide a ginormous hippo? The shed is too small, the beds are too low, and the hippo? He's not great at blending in. A playful story with a cosy twist ... this hippo might be fluffier than he looks!

**Categories:** Bedtime, Humour



#### 66. HOW TO GO TO BIG SCHOOL

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

Big school is a place where all children go when it's time to learn new things and grow. It's a big change that's worth the wait – one that those you love will celebrate! Learn all about going to big school! Find out how to get ready in the morning, what to bring, the teachers and friends you'll meet, and where you'll play and learn together. A gentle and reassuring story to help children prepare for school from the creators of The Love That Grew and How to Be a Friend.

**Categories:** Starting School, First Experiences

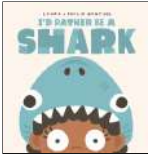


## 67. HOW TO HAVE THE BEST SCHOOL YEAR EVER

Jess Sanders | Satoru Onishi (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

School is where you learn, grow, and make friends, and when you are doing all three, school can feel like the best place to be! But when learning is tough and friendships are complicated, school can feel like the last place you want to be. That's when you need this book! It will see you through the highs and lows and help you to have the Best School Year Ever! From the award-winning and bestselling author of the Life Lessons for Little Ones series comes the ultimate guide for children (and their grown-ups) when it comes to starting school, returning to school, and even resetting the school year.

**Categories:** [Starting School](#), [Friendship](#), [First Experiences](#)

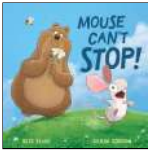


## 68. I'D RATHER BE A SHARK

Laura Bunting | Philip Bunting (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Being a goodie-goodie is the WORST! Taking turns? Boring! Table manners? Meh. Sharing?! Chomp! Life would be so much better as a romping, chomping shark... Wouldn't it?

**Categories:** [Perspective](#), [Differences](#), [Humour](#)



## 69. MOUSE CAN'T STOP!

Beck Blake | Shiloh Gordon (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

Bear and Mouse are about to climb the Amazing Mountain. But Mouse is in such a hurry, he doesn't have time to stop along the way – not for this, not for that, not to play, not to chat! Will Mouse find what he's looking for on top of the mountain? Or will he need some help from Bear to slow down? An energetic and entertaining picture book about enjoying the journey, helping others, and making friends along the way!

**Categories:** [Mindfulness](#), [Feelings/Emotions](#), [Reflection](#), [Impatience](#)



## 70. MY LOVE IS BIGGER THAN THE SKY

Anna Pignataro | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

In the brambly forest Oli asked, 'Mummy, how much do you love me?' 'More than the whole world and everything in it,' said Mummy.

**Categories:** [Love](#), [Family](#), [Reassurance](#)

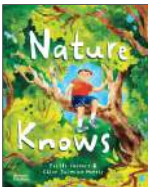


## 71. MYSTERY OF THE MISSING TURTLES, THE

Deborah S Bower | James O'Hanlon (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$22.95**

Where have all the baby turtles gone? Brooke loves watching the turtles in the creek on her farm. But in spring, she notices broken eggshells down near the water. What is happening to the turtle eggs? Brooke decides to use her detective skills and sets out to solve the mystery of the missing turtles!

**Categories:** [Conservation](#), [Environment](#), [Nature](#), [Turtles](#)



## 72. NATURE KNOWS

Yvette Farmer | Chloe Jasmine Harris (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$22.95**

Sometimes life gets busy – too busy. Mum calls it feeling foofy. Dad calls it time-to-go-camping! Journey into the wild and discover what nature knows about calming busy minds and bringing us home to ourselves.

**Categories:** [Nature](#), [Mindfulness](#), [Camping](#)



## 73. NIGHT TIGER, THE

Sherryl Clark | Hannah Sommerville (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

After the sun sets, the night creeps in and it's time for bed. But darkness shrinks as the full moon springs up above the trees, lighting the garden and inviting a child to take on an intrepid night-time adventure, prowling the back garden with the family cat. A glorious and poetic celebration of imagination, courage and daring.

**Categories:** [Imagination](#), [Adventure](#), [Nocturnal](#), [Courage](#)



## 74. ONE KEEN KOALA ABC

Margaret Wild | Bruce Whatley (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

One Keen Koala, all alone. 'Will you play with me?' But Bilby's bumping down a slope, Crocodile's swinging on a rope ... Will Koala find someone to play with? From the creators of the best-selling Australian classic, One Keen Koala, comes One Keen Koala ABC. Read along as Koala journeys through an alphabet of busy animals, in search of a friend! Funny illustrations of an A-Z of iconic Australian animals, paired with simple rhyming text.

**Categories:** [Alphabet](#), [Rhyming Text](#)



#### 75. **SHADY, THE RIVER RED GUM**

Angus Cameron | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

Shady is a river red gum tree growing by a creek in the Australian bush. Shady is home to a host of native wildlife—birds, animals and insects that come and go from Shady's branches each day. Through bold, hand printed linocut illustrations and simple factual text, young readers are introduced to each of these animals one by one. The story invites interactive engagement, encouraging children to observe, name and connect with the natural world around them. Together these creatures form a lively ecosystem centred around the tree, highlighting the importance of community in nature. The book aims to foster curiosity, recognition and appreciation for native Australian flora and fauna while nurturing a deeper relationship between children and their local environment.

**Categories:** [Nature](#), [Environment](#), [Habitat](#), [Trees](#), [Wildlife](#)



#### 76. **TINY**

Laura Stitzel | Hardback | **RRP \$25.99** | **School Price \$22.10**

Tiny is the story of a little girl and her desire to be big! A colourful, joyful celebration of looking at things differently and finding perspective. I'm tiny. Too tiny. I'm really too small. The world is so big. The people so tall. There's nothing to do down here on my own, But wait for the day when I've finally GROWN. Come on a magical adventure when a little girl longing to be big shrinks instead, and discovers that the world for tiny creatures is perfect ... and perfectly wonderful.

**Categories:** [Perspective](#), [Rhyming Text](#), [Imagination](#)



#### 77. **TREESHAPE**

Trace Balla | Hardback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$32.99** | **School Price \$28.05**

This beautiful book tells the story of young Trace's awakening to the preciousness of the environment, including her participation in the protests against uranium mining at Jabiluka in the 1980s. Channelling her gift for visual storytelling, Trace reveals emotional truths, shares her commitment to environmental activism, highlights trees that have been meaningful in her life, and explores her deep appreciation of place and connection with First Nations peoples.

**Categories:** [Graphic Picture Book](#), [Activism](#), [Environment](#), [Community](#), [Connectivity](#)

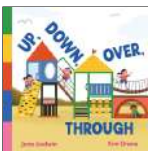


#### 78. **UNBEARABLE**

Kathryn Apel | Beau Wylie (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

This is the story of three grumpy bears, who couldn't see anyone's viewpoint, but theirs. Until, with a bowl ... and a bed ... and a stool, a little girl taught them the Golden Grr-rule!

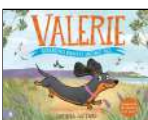
**Categories:** [Rhyming Text](#), [Humour](#), [Nursery Stories](#)



#### 79. **UP, DOWN, OVER, THROUGH**

Jane Godwin | Kim Drane (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

I'm swinging high and swinging low. Up the steps. Stop and go! A simple and engaging picture book set over a morning in a playground where two young children spontaneously meet and play together. As they do, they explore spatial concepts – up, down, over, through!



#### 80. **VALERIE: AUSTRALIA'S BRAVEST SAUSAGE DOG**

Lucinda Gifford | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

All over Australia and all around the world, people fell in love with Valerie – the bold-hearted dachshund who escaped a campground on Kangaroo Island and roamed the wilderness for over 500 days before being reunited with her loving owners. In this gloriously warm-hearted romp of a picture book, bestselling author and illustrator Lucinda Gifford has imagined Valerie's adventures and brought them to vivid and hilarious life, as she befriends dolphins, eats her fill, and explores the wilds... before finding her way safely home again.

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Bravery](#), [Survival](#), [Wilderness](#)



#### 81. **WE ARE ALL AMAZING**

P Crumble | Jonathan Bentley (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

No matter who you are with all your unique talents and quirks, this book celebrates the ways in which we are all... amazing.

**Categories:** [Difference](#), [Acceptance](#), [Individuality](#)



#### 82. **WHAT DO YOU CALL YOUR MUM?**

Ashleigh Barton | Martina Heiduczek (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

In every country around the world are mums – some short, some tall. Though they go by different names, we love them one and all. A heart-warming celebration of ways to say 'Mum' from Okaasan in Japanese to Miimi in Gumbaynggirr. Go on a journey through different countries to discover love letters to mums and families from across the world.

**Categories:** [Multicultural](#), [Mother's Day](#), [Family](#), [Culture](#)





**83. WOWEE! LOOK AT THAT TREE!**

[Ben Knight](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Not every tree grows straight and tall. Some twist and turn, some lean and fall. This is the story of one small tree who chose to grow a little differently.

**Categories:** [Rhyming Text](#), [Individuality](#), [Identity](#), [Environment](#), [Resilience](#)

# Overseas Picture Book



## 84. BEAR WORRIES

Natalia Shaloshvili | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

Bear is very happy eating his cookie. But then, he has his first worry: what if this is the LAST cookie he has at home? When this turns out to be true, he sets off for the shops – and his worries mount and mount. He worries he'll miss the bus... and misses it. He worries he'll get lost... and gets lost. By the time he finds the cookie queue, he's at the very back; and his worst worry comes true. The very last cookie goes... to Duck! But: "What if?" says Duck, and he shares his cookie with Bear.

**Categories:** Feelings/Emotions, Anxiety, Worry, Humour

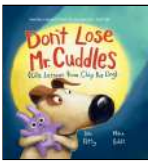


## 85. BUNNIES TO THE RESCUE

Sophy Williams | Eszter Miklos (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

When the Easter Bunny is struck by illness, it's up to his little bunnies to save the day! But even the best of intentions can't stop these cheeky bunnies from having a little bit of Easter fun ... A sweet and spirited story about family, teamwork and seasonal cheer.

**Categories:** Rhyming Text, Easter



## 86. DON'T LOSE MR CUDDLES (LIFE LESSONS FROM CHIP) LIFE LESSONS FROM CHIP THE DOG

Dev Petty | Mike Boldt (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Chip the dog from Don't Eat Bees and Don't Trust Cats is back, but his best stuffie Mr. Cuddles is missing! Any child who has ever lost a toy will relate! Chip and his best friend Mr. Cuddles have been through a lot together, including that terrible time when Mr. Cuddles had to go in the washing machine. The two are inseparable, but now Mr. Cuddles is gone! Where could he be? How will Chip cope without his constant companion? And what role did Mittens the cat have in this mystery?

**Categories:** Humour



## 87. EMPIRE STRIKES BACK STAR WARS CINEMATIC CLASSIC

Compilation COMPILATION | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

Relive the excitement of the cinematic classic The Empire Strikes Back. The thrilling tale follows the story of the battle between the Galactic Empire and the Rebel Alliance, as Luke Skywalker masters the Force to take on Darth Vader. Enjoy the hit movie through this all-ages retelling accompanied by concept art from the original artists. Alongside the art, fascinating facts about each piece give an insight into the design process behind iconic characters and settings like Yoda and Cloud City.



## 88. FRANK AND BERT: ONE WHERE BERT IS SCARED OF FROGS FRANK AND BERT

Chris Naylor-Ballesteros | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

Frank and Bert love to sail Bert's toy boat on the little pond. But – oh no! – there's a FROG in the pond and Bert is scared of frogs. Poor Bert! Frank wants to help his best friend, but is he just a little bit frightened too ...?

**Categories:** Friendship, Adventure, Fear, Frogs

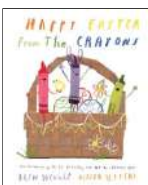


## 89. GOOD DEED DOGS, THE

Emma Chichester Clark | Hardback | **RRP \$25.99** | **School Price \$23.40**

Bodger, Billy and Betty are VERY good dogs. They like doing good deeds and are always on the lookout for ways to help people. Unfortunately, things don't always go to plan... From flying socks to runaway shopping, chaos follows them wherever they go. But when a little girl's kitten gets into trouble, the good deed dogs are determined to save the day. A heartwarming picture book from Emma Chichester Clark, celebrating the power of kindness, friendship and never giving up.

**Categories:** Friendship, Dogs, Mistakes, Empathy, Helping

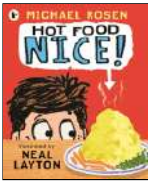


## 90. HAPPY EASTER FROM THE CRAYONS

Drew Daywalt | Oliver Jeffers (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Easter is the perfect time for crayons! They get to learn new shapes and decorate one giant egg together... but where will they hide it?! Blue Crayon has some ideas... In a book perfect for Easter baskets, this story is sure to make kids – and grown-ups – giggle as they celebrate together!

**Categories:** Easter, Humour



#### 91. HOT FOOD, NICE!

Michael Rosen | Neal Layton (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Young Michael thinks his dad knows everything. But then one day, one terrible day, he found that his dad does NOT know everything: this is how it goes. They sit down to eat, and the potato's a bit hot. Michael knows to blow on it to cool it down before eating it. His brother knows it, and his mum knows it. So why does his dad pop it straight into this mouth? And what happens next? A funny slice of family life, told in irresistible repetitive text, that will delight young and old alike.

**Categories:** Humour, Parents, Family Unit, Dads, Father's Day



#### 92. LOGAN'S LANTERN

Lucy Tandon Copp | Ya-ling Huang (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Logan is very excited about the big lantern festival tonight – and he's made a little dragon lantern to take with him! But when it turns out that the little dragon is afraid of the dark, Logan will need to muster all of his own courage to get them to the festival. Will Logan and his dragon be brave enough to reach the lights and fireworks of the Lunar New Year celebrations?

**Categories:** Asian Studies, Lunar New Year, Celebrations, Empathy



#### 93. LOST ROBOT, THE

Joe Todd-Stanton | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

Deep in the heart of a rubbish dump, a little broken robot woke up . . . Mio can't remember where they came from or how long it's been, but they know they're not meant to be there. They go in search of their memories and the home they once knew, only to discover that everything has changed. A stunning picture book with a beautiful message about loving yourself and knowing there is always a place where you belong.

**Categories:** Belonging, Home, Robots

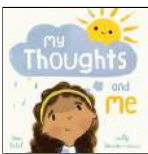


#### 94. MAGIC FEATHER, THE

Julia Donaldson | Catherine Rayner (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$25.50**

Imagine if you could speak to birds . . . that's just what happens to one little girl when she is given a magic feather that transforms their trills and twitters into words – and she discovers that they need her help. Join her as she embarks on an amazing journey across the sea to save their nests from the queen's woodcutters.

**Categories:** Rhyming Text, Magic, Journey, Nature, Environment, Conservation

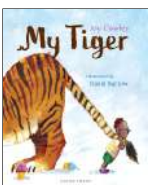


#### 95. MY THOUGHTS AND ME

Nima Patel | Cally Johnson-Isaacs (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

We all have difficult thoughts sometimes, but we don't have to believe them. Discover a variety of helpful and age-appropriate strategies for managing troubling thoughts and negative self-talk in this uplifting follow-up to The Best You. A comforting and inclusive exploration of an important issue for young readers.

**Categories:** Neurodiverse, Neurodiversity, Feelings/Emotions, Differences



#### 96. MY TIGER

Joy Cowley | David Barrow (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** | **School Price \$23.80**

My tiger loved cake, and I went with him to the cake shop. Then he got a bad tooth, so I went with him to the dentist. My tiger didn't like sitting in the waiting room, climbing onto the dentist chair, being told by the dentist what to eat. Especially when she said no more cake! What's a tiger supposed to eat? A bossy adult is made to look silly and a charming tiger wins the reader's heart in this funny story about a love of cake and the pull of natural tiger instincts.

**Categories:** Humour



#### 97. NEW HOPE, A STAR WARS CINEMATIC CLASSIC

Compilation | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

Relive the excitement of the cinematic classic A New Hope, the classic adventure that launched the Star Wars saga. As the evil Empire tightens its grip on the galaxy, Darth Vader seeks the stolen plans to a terrifying weapon – and a young man takes his first steps on the path of destiny ... Enjoy the hit movie through this all-ages retelling accompanied by concept art from the original artists. Alongside the art, fascinating facts about each piece give an insight into the design process behind iconic characters and settings like Darth Vader and the Death Star itself.

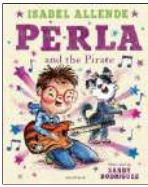


#### 98. NO MORE MR MICE GUY

Fiona Ross | Paperback | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

When Squeak the mouse wins a beastly-looking jelly in a competition, Granny throws it in the bin. But Squeak can't resist a sneaky taste . . . and UH OH! No more Mr. MICE guy – he turns into Hyde, a food-guzzling, slime-spewing monster mouse! Soon, the cupboards are bare, so hungry Hyde builds a machine that zaps clocks, chairs and sofas into food! Can anyone stop this monster from eating everything . . . and help Squeak turn back to normal? This child-friendly twist on the creepy classic Jekyll and Hyde taps into all the fun tropes of creepy stories and comic books.

**Categories:** Humour, Halloween



#### 99. PERLA AND THE PIRATE

Isabel Allende | Sandy Rodriguez (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

Get ready to meet Perla – the feisty, magical rescue dog who will steal your heart! Perla is a small dog with a BIG personality and a very impressive roar. Her best friend is seven-year-old Nico Rico. But when Nico goes missing after school one day, it's up to Perla – and The Pirate who lives next door – to find Nico and bring him home safely. Can Perla save the day once again? The adorable follow-up to Perla – The Mighty Dog.

**Categories:** [Rescue Animals](#), [Dogs](#), [Friendship](#), [Pirates](#), [Family](#)



#### 100. PORRIDGE PLEASE!

Laura Mucha | Marc Boutavant (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** | **School Price \$25.20**

All day long, fairy tale characters have been knocking on Bear's door. They all want his scrumptious porridge. But Bear just wants to read his brand new book. "Knock, knock, knock! Porridge, please! Who's at the door now? No, no, no... not the Big Bothersome Wolf!"

**Categories:** [Humour](#), [Twisted Fairytale](#), [Interruption](#), [Reading](#)



#### 101. RAINBOW FISH AND THE GREAT ESCAPE

Marcus Pfister | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$23.99**

The tenth book in the New York Times bestselling Rainbow Fish series encourages care and respect for the ocean and its creatures. Rainbow Fish and his friends have only ever heard stories about the nets that come through and take away shoals of fish from the ocean. Luckily, they've never had to experience that danger for themselves. All is peaceful until one day, Rainbow Fish and his friends come face to face with the trawling net.

**Categories:** [Problem Solving](#), [Critical Thinking](#), [Conservation](#), [Environment](#), [Habitats](#), [Survival](#)



#### 102. THERE WERE TEN IN THE BED

Carla Martell | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

There were ten in the bed and the little one said, "Roll over, roll over." So they all rolled over and one fell out ... Sing along and count along with the irresistible and roll-icking nursery rhyme favourite! This classic nursery song remains a bedtime favourite around the world, and Carla's playful illustrations will inspire a new generation to fall in love with it all over again.

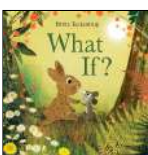


#### 103. THERE'S A BEAR ON MY CHAIR 10TH ANNIVERSARY EDITIO

Ross Collins | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Poor Mouse! A bear has decided to settle in his favourite chair, and that chair just isn't big enough for them to share. Mouse tried all kinds of tactics to move Bear, from glaring at him and scaring him, to luring him with a pear, but nothing works. Eventually, Mouse gives up. Once Mouse has gone, Bear gets up from the the chair and walks home. But what's that? Is that a Mouse in Bear's house?! This paperback edition comes with a free audio reading featuring music and using children's voices – accessible anywhere and anytime you're connected to the internet by scanning a QR code on your smartphone or tablet.

**Categories:** [Rhyming Text](#)



#### 104. WHAT IF?

Britta Teckentrup | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$21.59**

When strolling through the woods with Mouse, she fears that the trees might come crashing down. And when Squirrel wants to play hide-and-seek, Little Rabbit asks "But what if nobody finds me?" One day, Little Rabbit feels so overwhelmed by her noisy thoughts that she decides to hide away in her burrow. Can Little Rabbit's friends help her to quiet her anxious mind and enjoy the here and now?

**Categories:** [Feelings/Emotions](#), [Anxiety](#), [Worry](#)



#### 105. WINNIE-THE-POOH BEST FRIENDS TREASURY WINNIE-THE-POOH

AA Milne | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$22.95**

Wander through the Hundred Acre Wood in this charming collection of four classic stories. Join Winnie-the-Pooh, Piglet, Tigger and Eeyore on hilarious adventures filled with friendship, fun and lots of honey! With beautiful illustrations and lovable characters, this treasury is sure to delight.



# Graphic Novel



## 106. ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: A GRAPHIC HISTORY AMAZING INVENTIONS

Emma Carlson-Berne | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

From science fiction to science fact, artificial intelligence has shifted from far-fetched entertainment to a wide variety of important, real-world applications. In this graphic history, learn all about the early iterations of machine learning, a famous chess match between a grandmaster and a computer, the first chatbot, and the threats that modern AI may pose to humanity.

**Categories:** [Graphic Information](#), [History](#), [Artificial Intelligence](#), [Science](#), [Technology](#)



## 107. BRAVE THE WILD GRAPHIC NOVEL THE FLOOFS

Penelope O'Neill | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

The Floofs are back – and this time, they're heading into the wild. Join this loveable group of friends as they set off on new adventures filled with fun, friendship and plenty of surprises. From forest hikes and snowy slopes to secret places hidden in nature, the Floofs never shy away from a challenge. Whether they're outrunning avalanches, helping a very special giant or learning to open up about big feelings, they always face the wild together. With three short, standalone stories, this is the perfect read for children building confidence – or anyone who loves dipping into a world full of heart, humour and a little bit of magic.

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Adventure](#), [Humour](#), [Friendship](#)

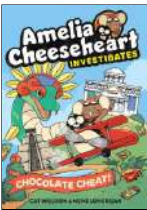


## 108. CASE FILES GRAPHIC NOVEL INVESTIGATORS

John Patrick Green | Hardback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Mango and Brash are back, and this time they're asking you to help them crack the case! The InvestiGators have been given the G.R.I.D., a brand-new tool to help gather evidence and clues. Using the prompts in each chapter, readers can make their own deductions alongside the Gators and solve the case! Featuring plenty of familiar faces from investigations past, and packed full of hilarious hijinks, join Mango and Brash as they get to the bottom of cases big and small

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Interactive](#)



## 109. CHOCOLATE CHEAT! GRAPHIC NOVEL AMELIA CHEESEHEART INVESTIGATES

Cat Weldon | Nene Lonergan (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$11.99**

Oh no! Someone has stolen all the chocolate bars from the museum gift shop. It's time for Amelia and Webster to investigate! They follow the trail to the Aztec exhibit, where all the mice are trapped in a giant melted chocolate lake ... Only Amelia Cheeseheart can save everyone from this sticky situation!

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Mystery](#), [Detective](#), [Crime](#), [Investigation](#)



## 110. CINDERELLA GRAPHIC NOVEL FAIRY TALE FIXERS

Deborah Underwood | Jorge Lacera (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

Every fairy tale needs a fairy. Because sometimes stories go off the rails, and this fairy knows just what to do to fix them. Actually, he doesn't ... He makes it up as he goes along. And sometimes he needs help. A lot of help. Which is where Mouse comes in. Together, she and Fairy will make sure this tale has a happily ever after—just maybe not the one you expect.

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Twisted Fairytale](#)

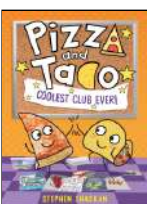


## 111. COMIC BOOKS: A GRAPHIC HISTORY AMAZING INVENTIONS

Blake A Hoena | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

From the late 1800s to today, comic books have been a distinct and beloved form of literature, but the history of using pictures to tell stories stretches back centuries. From prehistoric cave paintings to modern superheroes to the Manga we know and love, learn about the format's many iterations through history and the remarkable people who have helped make comics what they are today.

**Categories:** [Graphic Information](#), [History](#)



## 112. COOLEST CLUB EVER! GRAPHIC NOVEL PIZZA AND TACO

Stephen Shaskan | Paperback | Age 5+ | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.05**

What happens when these foodie besties have to compete with a video game club for members? Pizza and Taco are serving up more awesomeness with a cool new club! They can't wait to talk about all their favourite interests... including making comic books. Lots of people signed up, so they know it's going to be popular! Then why does everyone go to Cheeseburger's video game club instead?! Pizza and Taco have no choice but to check it out. They just might learn that kids want to make comics just as much as they want to play video games!

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Humour](#)



### 113. DETECTIVE STANLEY AND THE GREEN THUMBED THIEF DETECTIVE STANLEY

Hannah Tunnicliffe | Erica Harrison (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

It's a botanical burglary! Who is swiping precious and priceless plants from the Narlybone Gardens? Barnaby Moss, Head of Horticulture is flummoxed. Somebody is thieving very rare specimens from the wintergarden and they are worth a lot of money! The latest Detective Stanley mystery is curlier than a vine and full of twisty secrets. Join Detective Stanley and his pal, Parker Pine, to catch the botanical bandit! A perfect comic for young readers moving on from picture books, children who love comics, or anyone who likes a good mystery

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Mystery](#)



### 114. DOWN A DARK PATH GRAPHIC NOVEL BIZARRE BAZAAR

Daniel Nayeri | Lesley Vamos (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$19.55**

It's the dead of July, in the midst of yet another boring summer, and sisters Lucy and Frida Buford are clamouring to be taken to the elusive town they've never been allowed to visit. And danger is closer to home than they even know – there's something in the nearby woods uprooting trees, scaring fish from the water, and scratching at Lucy's window in the middle of the night. Lucy can't shake the feeling that there's a monster around with two pointy fangs who only comes out at night. It's up to these two sisters to discover what this monster wants. But the further they stray from home, the weirder things become. What's really going on beyond the Buford family farm?

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Adventure](#), [Mystery](#), [Friendship](#)

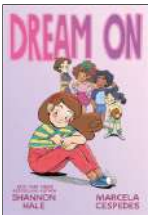


### 115. DR. JEKYLL AND MR. HYDE GRAPHIC NOVEL CLASSIC COMICS

Fiona MacDonald | Penko Gelev (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Who is the mysterious Mr Hyde, who stalks the streets of Victorian London at night committing indescribable crimes? And why does he have such a hold over the famous and respectable Dr Henry Jekyll? As the mystery unfolds, a shocking truth emerges... This engaging story is presented as an exciting and fast-paced graphic novel which remains faithful to Robert Louis Stevenson's original text. full-colour artwork brings excitement and atmosphere to this classic tale. Speech bubbles work with the main text to emphasise and enhance the retelling. A running glossary at the foot of each page helps young readers with any challenging vocabulary without disrupting their reading experience.

**Categories:** [Classics](#)



### 116. DREAM ON GRAPHIC NOVEL

Shannon Hale | Marcela Céspedes (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$24.30**

Something is missing from Cassie's life. Her parents don't have much money, she has to share her bedroom with her sisters, and her family never seem to have time for her. And her best friend Vali is always busy with a new friend. When Cassie gets a prize letter from a magazine, she thinks it's the answer to all her problems. She could buy new furniture to replace their shabby old sofa. Or maybe a car. Or maybe she can make Vali her best friend forever by taking her on a fabulous vacation. The possibilities are endless! But will prizes really solve Cassie's problems? And what will she lose if she doesn't win anything at all?

**Categories:** [Friendship](#), [Compassion](#), [Kindness](#), [Empathy](#), [Forgiveness](#)

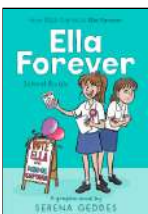


### 117. DRONES: A GRAPHIC HISTORY AMAZING INVENTIONS

Emma Carlson-Berne | Sareki Lopez (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

The history of drones is as fascinating as it is complicated. From the early 1900s to now, they've been used for a wide variety of purposes, ranging from warfare to synchronized entertainment to exploring other planets like Mars. This graphic novel reveals the pivotal moments and important inventors that ushered the technology into the modern age—and beyond.

**Categories:** [Graphic Information](#), [History](#), [Drones](#), [Technology](#)

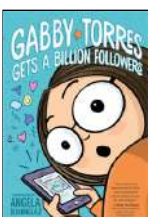


### 118. ELLA FOREVER GRAPHIC NOVEL ELLA FOREVER

Serena Geddes | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$18.99** | **School Price \$15.19**

Ella is now in Year 6 and she is ready to take on the top year of primary school. And to make things even more exciting, it's time to vote for the school captain. But her rival, Peach Parker is standing in her way. Will Peach use nasty tricks to win the votes? Or can Ella find a better way to win the top job? An all-new graphic novel adventure with everyone's favourite friend, Ella.

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Adventure](#), [Friendship](#), [Leadership](#)



### 119. GABBY TORRES GETS A BILLION FOLLOWERS GRAPHIC NOVEL GABBY TORRES

Angela Dominguez | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Gabby Torres is nine years old and ready to conquer the world. She's already joined the Sea Musketeers, the environmental protection club founded by her idol, Stella Díaz, and plans to be their best (and youngest) member ever. Gabby's latest and greatest idea: start a social media page for her club. But her parents think she's too young! Nothing stops Gabby though... until some online meanies get her in some serious trouble! But she's totally got everything under control all on her own. Right?

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Bullying](#), [Social Media](#)

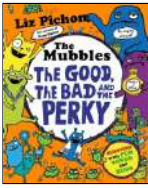


## 120. GHOST BOYS GRAPHIC NOVEL

Jewell Rhodes Parker | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$19.55**

ALIVE Twelve-year-old Jerome doesn't get into trouble. He goes to school. He does his homework. He takes care of his little sister. Then Jerome is shot by a police officer who mistakes his toy gun for a real threat. DEAD As a ghost, watching his family trying to cope with his death, Jerome begins to notice other ghost boys. Each boy has a story and they all have something in common... Bit by bit, Jerome begins to understand what really happened – not just to him, but to all of the ghost boys.

**Categories:** Graphic Novel, Racism



## 121. GOOD, THE BAD AND THE PERKY, THE THE MUBBLES

Liz Pichon | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Welcome to the Isle of Smile! Come on in and meet the colourful, fun-loving Mubbles – Bash, Dash, Cheery and the gang. The Mubbles love their island, especially the mysterious Uncertain Curtain, which always delivers an unexpected surprise! What will it be today? Filled with colourful characters, boundless fun and lots of adventures this series is a guaranteed hit for kids.

**Categories:** Graphic Novel, Adventure, Humour



## 122. JANE EYRE GRAPHIC NOVEL CLASSIC COMICS

Fiona MacDonald | Penko Gelev (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 12+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Jane Eyre's world is about to change for the better, but all is not as it seems... Will she get the life she's always wanted, or will her dreams be set ablaze? This classic tale of social class, love and suffering is presented as an exciting and fast-paced graphic novel which remains faithful to Charlotte Brontë's original text. Full-colour artwork brings excitement and atmosphere to this classic tale. Speech bubbles work with the main text to emphasise and enhance the retelling. A running glossary at the foot of each page helps young readers with any challenging vocabulary without disrupting their reading experience.

**Categories:** Classics



## 123. LAMINGTON LEFT BEHIND GRAPHIC NOVEL

Andrea Innocent | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Discover a land steeped in magic and danger, a girl left behind, and the animals who need her help. Ever since a great flood wiped out her home, Lamington has lived alone in the Australian wilderness – until the day she stumbles upon a ragtag family of animals hiding underground. Lamington is astonished to discover she can understand the animals, and they can understand her. They need her help to find a precious library of seeds – but the journey will be perilous, and there are troublemakers who want the seeds for themselves. Yet if Lamington and her new friends don't try, the forest will die. And this could be Lamington's only chance to find her mother again...

**Categories:** Graphic Novel, Adventure, Survival, Wilderness, Flood



## 124. LIONEL MESSI'S WORLD CUP TRIUMPH GRAPHIC NOVEL HISTORY'S GREATEST GAMES

Chris Barish | Nate Sweitzer (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$21.99** | **School Price \$18.70**

It's the 2022 FIFA World Cup final, and Lionel Messi—one of the greatest players to ever take the field—is one match away from victory. Despite his many awards and accolades, Messi has never been able to add a World Cup trophy to his collection. If Argentina wins, this would be a historic moment not just for the country, but for the entire legacy of soccer on the international stage. Travel back in time to learn how the World Cup began and see the incredible players—from Maradona to Mbappe—who built it into the global phenomenon we know today.

**Categories:** Graphic Information, Sport, Soccer, Football

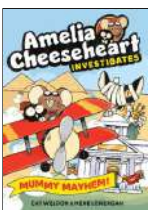


## 125. MACBETH GRAPHIC NOVEL CLASSIC COMICS

Stephen Haynes | Nick Spender (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

The three witches have prophesied that Macbeth will be king, and both he and his wife will stop at nothing to make this prophecy come true! But will he succeed, or will his bloody crimes come back to haunt him? This timeless tragedy is presented as an exciting and vivid graphic novel which remains faithful to Shakespeare's original text. Full-colour artwork brings excitement and atmosphere to this classic tale. Speech bubbles work with the main text to emphasise and enhance the retelling. A running glossary at the foot of each page helps young readers with any challenging vocabulary without disrupting their reading experience.

**Categories:** Classics



## 126. MUMMY MAYHEM! GRAPHIC NOVEL AMELIA CHEESEHEART INVESTIGATES

Cat Weldon | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Every evening after the museum closes, Amelia Cheeseheart and her best friend Webster go exploring. But what's this? Special objects are being stolen from the museum's Ancient Egyptian Room! Cleo the Cat Mummy is up to something... It's time for Amelia Cheeseheart to investigate!

**Categories:** Graphic Novel, Mystery, Detective, Crime, Investigation





## 127. NEW DOG IN THE DEN GRAPHIC NOVEL WAGNIFICENT

Bethanie Deeney Murguia | Paperback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Thunder loves her life by Sage's side—together, they make the paw-fect pack! But when Sage invites a foster dog named Byron into their den, suddenly things get a lot more complicated. Byron doesn't seem to know the pack rules—he's sleeping in Thunder's bed, eating out of her bowl, playing with her toys, and is even stealing love from her human! Will Thunder find a way to get along with this unwelcome guest? And can she maybe, just maybe, call him friend?

**Categories:** Graphic Novel, Adventure, Dogs

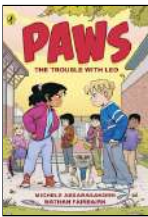


## 128. PAWS: HAZEL HAS HER HANDS FULL GRAPHIC NOVEL PAWS

Nathan Fairbairn | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Summer break is just around the corner, and when the opportunity to cat-sit two new pets arises, Hazel jumps at the chance. But when everyone's hectic summer plans mean she would have to take on the job alone, Hazel knows her overprotective mother would never approve. On the other hand, managing this could prove that she's more capable than her mom thinks... So maybe what she doesn't know, won't hurt...? It's worth a try! But turns out juggling multiple cats and dogs by yourself isn't super easy. When trouble strikes, can Hazel make everything right by herself – or will she learn that help from friends is worth more than anything?

**Categories:** Graphic Novel, Dogs, Pets, Humour, Friendship, Family, Change



## 129. PAWS: TROUBLE WITH LEO, THE PAWS

Nathan Fairbairn | Michele Assarasakorn (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

The girls of PAWS have a bone to pick with a group of rival (BOY!) dog walkers... It's been seven whole dog years of PAWS (or just one if you're a human!), and the girls' business is at an all-time high! But after a run-in with Gabby's arch-nemesis, Leo, things take a turn – and Leo leaves the girls with a message—"You're not the only one who can walk dogs..." It's not long before the PAWS girls notice flyers advertising a new dog walking business, SCAMPS! So Gabby and Mindy take some revenge on the boys. As the battle between the two groups escalates, the girls are forced to consider just WHO is the real bad guy here?

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

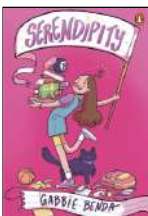


## 130. ROMEO AND JULIET GRAPHIC NOVEL CLASSICS COMICS

Fiona MacDonald | Penko Gelev (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 13+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

This title chronicles Shakespeare's tragic tale of two doomed star-crossed lovers, an ancient family feud and its terrible consequences. Follow Romeo and Juliet as they meet, fall in love and ultimately fall apart in Verona, and see how their revolutionary love shakes the foundations of Verona itself. Full-colour artwork brings excitement and atmosphere to this classic tale. Speech bubbles work with the main text to emphasise and enhance the retelling. A running glossary at the foot of each page helps young readers with any challenging vocabulary without disrupting their reading experience.

**Categories:** Classics



## 131. SERENDIPITY GRAPHIC NOVEL

Gabbie Benda | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

Serendipity is your classic overachiever. She's class president, lead in the school play and star of the basketball team. She's also incredibly lucky, like, wins everything all the time lucky, even random radio raffles. Which is how she finds herself with free tickets to the town carnival where an accident curses her with bad luck FOREVER. And just like that Serendipity's luck really does seem to run out. Missed shots, fumbled lines and a slip in the polls. Can it get any worse? Oh yes it can. Permanent bad hair days. Serendipity becomes convinced the curse is real. She's definitely not disorganised or spread too thin. Nope, it's all the curse. And she'll have to find a way to reverse it soon.

**Categories:** Graphic Novel, Friendship, Humour, Disappointment, Resilience

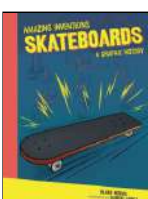


## 132. SET SAIL FOR TREASURE! GRAPHIC NOVEL THE PI-RATS

Alexis Vivallo | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$21.99 | School Price \$18.70

The Captain of the Pi-Rats, along with his trusty crew, Miguel and José, set sail on this sea-faring adventure! When the Pi-Rats crash their teapot ship on a mysterious island, they must band together to explore – and survive – the creatures that live there! Beyond that though, they must try to save the other rats from a wizard and his yowling beast. Then, the Pi-Rats fight! Are the Pi-Rats over so soon? Now venturing into the sewers for treasure, our intrepid heroes have separated and joined new crews... but is this goodbye for now or goodbye for ever? And can they all escape the stinking sewers?

**Categories:** Graphic Novel, Adventure, Action



## 133. SKATEBOARDS: A GRAPHIC HISTORY AMAZING INVENTIONS

Blake A Hoena | Sareki Lopez (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

For the better part of a century, skateboards have played a unique role in sports and popular culture. From wheels stuck to a milk crate to the highly technical craftsmanship of today's skateboards, the invention's journey is a fascinating one filled with great stories, incredible minds, and colourful characters. Learn all about their evolution over the decades, see the many forms the sport has taken, and meet the amazing people who have helped shape skater culture.

**Categories:** Graphic Information, History, Skateboards





### 134. **SNOT JELLY ISLAND GRAPHIC NOVEL** [FAR-OUT FIVE](#)

[Olaf Falafel](#) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

One funfair, a group of kids and one grumpy amateur magician... plus one magical mega tornado equals The Far-Out Five! Stewart, Sophie, Zainab and Jeffrey – and the Great Waldini – are magically transformed into strange creatures and whisked far away from home – and the wand that could change them back is LOST! Sailing across the ocean in Tubbs the bathtub, the Far-Out Five have to face bizarre creatures, weird landscapes and mysterious tasks on their quest as they try to find Wally's missing wand and get back home. Can they escape the wobbly statues of Snot Jelly Island?

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Humour](#), [Adventure](#), [Magic](#)



### 135. **SPECTACULAR SPACE LOOP GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE**

[Javi De Castro](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Cosmo and his team are ready to test his new jetpack, but when it explodes, sending Cosmo into space with no hope of communicating with his companions, he's about to embark on the biggest adventure yet! Meeting aliens, destroyers, magicians, sewer mutants, and a friendly, slightly egg-like creature – countless whacky encounters await our brave space hero!

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Space](#)



### 136. **STAR WARS ADVENTURES VOLUME 2 GRAPHIC NOVEL** [STAR WARS](#)

[Compilation](#) [COMPILATION](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Get ready for action-packed Star Wars adventures in this thrilling ride across the galaxy! With stories from across the saga, a mix of legendary heroes and exciting new faces, these exhilarating tales are sure to excite Jedi of all ages. Get ready to experience the epic struggle between good and evil as you never have before! May the Force be with you...

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#)



### 137. **STUCK GRAPHIC NOVEL** [CLICK](#)

[Kayla Miller](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$18.99** | **School Price \$17.10**

Olive is excited to reunite with Max and Bree at Camp Acorn Lake, but then they both start fighting. They refuse to speak to each other and try to make Olive choose sides, leaving Olive stuck in the middle. With Willow enjoying her busy activity and social schedule, Olive has no choice but to spend most of her time with unhappy first-time camper Nat. Luckily, Olive is able to distract herself with a new challenge: pitching a plan for improving the camp! Everyone wants to help Olive make the camp a better place, but they're lacking the teamwork to make it work. Can Olive find a way to free her friends from everything that's holding them back, or are they doomed to stay stuck in their disagreements?

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Friendship](#), [School](#)



### 138. **SWAMP THING GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE** [PENG AND SPANNERS](#)

[Steve Webb](#) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Welcome to a story of radioactive ice cream, monsters in the sludge, and two superheroes who spend more time chatting than actually saving the world . . . When everyone's favourite stately home becomes haunted by a terrible swamp monster (who seems to love kidnapping cows), Peng and Spanners are called in to investigate the swamp and unblock the mystery. Luckily the robot dog Secret Business is prepared to hang out in a miniature submarine and snoop on suspicious conversations between anyone who has an interest in causing mischief. Meanwhile Peng and Spanners interview suspects, debate everything, and try to get their hands on more pizza . . .

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Humour](#), [Robots](#)



### 139. **TALONS OF POWER GRAPHIC NOVEL** [WINGS OF FIRE GRAPHIC NOVEL](#)

[Tui T Sutherland](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

For every villain, there is a hero ... Turtle isn't one of the heroes he reads about in stories. If he were, he'd use his animus powers to help Pyrrhia – instead of keeping his abilities a secret, even from his own sister. Now that Darkstalker, the sinister and impossibly old dragon from Pyrrhia's most notorious legends, has returned, Turtle knows his own role is simple: hide. And stay hidden. The more he watches Darkstalker from the shadows, the more Turtle knows that someone needs to stop the powerful dragon. A real hero. But Turtle is running out of time to find one, which means he might have to try to save the day himself.

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Adventure](#), [Fantasy](#)



### 140. **THING ONE AND THING TWO HAVE HOMEWORK TO DO** [DR SEUSS GRAPHIC NOVEL](#)

[Art Baltazar](#) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

The Cat in the Hat is back and he's ready to have some fun! But Sally and Conrad just have so many things to do. Luckily, they know a certain someone who knows a thing or two about Things... School can be tough. There's SO MUCH maths, SO MUCH science, SO MUCH history – how can anyone get through all of that homework? Sally and Conrad could really use some help! But the Cat has a plan– it's time for a Thing-filled homework party!! With dynamic illustrations, fun-filled stories and easy-to-follow panelled storytelling, this graphic novel series is an excellent bridge for kids moving into independent reading – a must-have for young readers and Dr. Seuss fans alike.

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Adventure](#), [Humour](#)



#### 141. **THREE'S A CROWD GRAPHIC NOVEL** [SWEET VALLEY TWINS](#)

[Francine Pascal](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

The Sweet Valley Twins have a lot of work to do—between Elizabeth’s newspaper articles and Jessica’s new celebrity cook book project, there’s barely any time for anything else! When their friend Mary decides to help them, both the twins are relieved – but Mary seems more determined to help their mum around the house than help them with their work! Jessica is suspicious that Mary is more interested in Mrs Wakefield being her new mum than in actually being friends with her and Elizabeth, but Elizabeth isn’t so sure. There has to be a reason why she’d rather be with the Wakefields than at home, right?

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Adventure](#), [Family](#), [Humour](#)



#### 142. **TINY HERCULES GRAPHIC NOVEL**

[Jon Lock](#) | [Nich Angell](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$18.39**

He’s brave! He’s strong! He’s the size of a jam jar! He’s Tiny Hercules, the world’s tiniest, mightiest hero – and he’s winning his way back to Tiny Olympus, one legendary deed at a time! Tiny Hercules has been banished to Earth as a punishment for ruining Tiny Zeus’s bodacious party. To get home he must complete twelve legendary tasks but it isn’t going to be easy – even for a demigod. Tiny Hercules soon accomplishes his first task: defeating a lion! Except it’s not a lion... it’s actually a cat! Soon Tiny is causing chaos wherever he goes. When the cat’s owner and a suspiciously Zeus-like swan join the chase all hell breaks loose in this zany comic book adventure!

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Adventure](#), [Humour](#)



#### 143. **TODAY I WILL RULE ALL! GRAPHIC NOVEL** [ALAN, KING OF THE UNIVERSE](#)

[Tom McLaughlin](#) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

ALAN IS KING OF THE UNIVERSE. Well, not yet. But he WILL be. Join Alan and Fido on more hilarious adventures as they try to take over the universe – as long as they’re home in time for tea, of course.

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Adventure](#), [Humour](#)



#### 144. **UNICORN SECRETS GRAPHIC NOVEL** [PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN](#)

[Dana Simpson](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Ten-year-old Phoebe Howell and her best friend, the enchanting unicorn Marigold Heavenly Nostrils, have a truly magical friendship, filled with spells, ancient unicorn lore, and everyday adventure. In this new collection of Phoebe and Her Unicorn comics by the award-winning, bestselling author Dana Simpson, the pair of best friends play games, make new friends, and pack each day with exploration, fun, and laughter.

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Unicorns](#)

# Australian Novel

## 145. **BAD GUYS: DO-YOU-THINK-HE-SAURUS?! 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 dawn of time! Nothing on Earth could rival the terrifying power of the dinosaurs. Except maybe that Wolf over there... yeah, the one standing next to the Snake and the Shark and that other sardiney-looking thing. Huh?! This is all wrong. This is all bad. This is all awesome. It's time to get your Jurassic on, baby. It's time... for the Bad Guys Episode 7.

**Categories:** [Humour](#)



## 146. **BATTHEW AROMASCENT AND THE PHANTOM INGREDIENT** **BATTHEW AROMASCENT**

[Ella Mulvey](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$18.99** | **School Price \$16.15**

The city of Candlenut is hosting a major perfume-making tournament! But this is no ordinary competition. Batthew Aromascent's own fragrance house Olfactory is on the line, after a sneaky competitor named Emesis raises the stakes for the ultimate prize. Can Batthew follow his nose to a winning formula ... or will he finally lose the scent? Hogwarts meets Willy Wonka's factory in this uproarious mystery-adventure series set in the world of fragrance. With brilliantly funny storytelling and a cast of memorable characters, this sensory extravaganza will keep readers enchanted until the very last page!

**Categories:** [Mystery](#), [Fantasy](#), [Adventure](#), [Humour](#)



## 147. **BEA, BART AND THE BIRDS** **YOUR NEXT READ SILVER**

[Katrina Nannestad](#) | [Cheryl Orsini](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.05**

Do you like animals, family and surprising stories? Then this book is your next read! It all starts with Boo, the owl. Bea and Bart take her home and love her. Soon, they have a feathered family! But Bea and Bart are not the only ones interested in these unusual birds...

**Categories:** [Family](#), [Friendship](#)



## 148. **BEACH PARTY, THE** **MARY FOWLER**

[Jasmin McGaughey](#) | [Cate James](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.05**

Hey. My name is Maz! A vibrant new series from football star Mary Fowler about friendship, sport and fun. Today, Mary and her friends are going to a birthday party at the beach. She has made a special card and can't wait to share her present. When a cute dog appears and causes mayhem, Mary and her friends need to be creative to save the party and enjoy some cake.

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Football](#), [Soccer](#), [Friendship](#), [Problem Solving](#)



## 149. **BRAVEPAW AND THE FANGSTONE OF FLINTFALL** **BRAVEPAW**

[Lili Wilkinson](#) | [Lavanya Naidu](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Titch knows that she must find the Gems of Harmony if she is to have any hope of fulfilling the prophecy of Bravepaw. If only she knew where to begin her quest! The magnificent Library of Lexhelm seems to hold the answers, or at least its books can help Titch and her friends ask the right questions as they journey into danger... But prophecies can be twisted, enemies can be slippery, and sometimes the person it is hardest to trust is yourself. With all of Alluria on the line, can Titch make the right decision?

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Bravery](#), [Quest](#), [Friendship](#)



## 150. **BREAK IN, THE** **WOLF GIRL**

[Anh Do](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

A long awaited family reunion sees Gwen and her father, along with her trusty dog, team up to take on the bad guys in this brilliant story in the mega-bestselling series! Gwen and her dad are finally reunited - but deep in the wilderness, a lost spaniel wanders into camp and the gang discovers that dogs are being forced into the dangerous work of digging for minerals along a towering cliff. Sometimes there's no way to stage a break out without first breaking in! Can Wolf Girl pull off a daring rescue, and keep her pack united?

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Fantasy](#), [Friendship](#), [Courage](#), [Identity](#), [Survival](#)



**151. BREAK UP, THE IT'S A TWIN THING!**

Kristen Darell | A Yi (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$11.99**

Being a twin is forever, but for Abigail and Brooklyn, starting grade five is about to test their bond in ways they never expected. Identical twins Abi and Brook are inseparable. They've always been in the same class; they dance together; they're in a rock band together; they even have the same best friend. But for the first time, they've been put in different classes at school and everything they think they know about each other is put to the test. Can Abi and Brook find a way to accept the changes in themselves and each other? And can they pull together in time to play in the school talent show?

**Categories:** [Twins](#), [Siblings](#)



**152. CRICKET CHAMPS HOWZAT PAT!**

Pat Cummins | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$14.40**

I'm Pat Cummins and I love playing cricket. I love it so much that I sleep with my bat! Prav, Beth and me are on track to be selected for the state cricket team! It's our dream come true! But first, can we survive things like ... Being on the SAME team as the school bully? Prav losing his favourite shoes? (It's no joke!) Rescuing a teammate from CERTAIN DEATH?! If you want to know more, READ THIS BOOK!

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Cricket](#), [Bullying](#)



**153. DINGO'S DREAM TALES FROM THE BUSH MOB**

Helen Milroy | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

There is someone in distress, but who? Dingo checks on everyone in his community but they're all fine. He mounts a search and rescue mission. He searches all over the countryside until he stumbles across his homeland he hasn't visited for many years and is now an empty landscape. They find a strange animal stranded at the bottom of the ravine. It was Dingo's country that called him to rescue the stranger – a Tasmanian Devil a long way from home. Tasmanian Devil helps Dingo on his way home and tells all the dingoes across the land, their country is calling them home. Filled with gorgeous illustrations of Australian animals and exciting tales, this will be a popular book for the whole family.



**154. DISAPPEARING TROPHY, THE NETBALL BESTIES**

Jo Weston | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

When the prized school netball championship trophy goes missing just days before the grand final, Jo and her best friend Ava are thrown into another adventure. mWith the clock ticking and pressure mounting, Jo and Ava – along with some surprise new sleuths – must search the school, question teachers and follow leads to solve the mystery before the big game. Will they find the trophy in time, or will the thief outsmart them and ruin everything?

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Netball](#), [Friendship](#), [Adventure](#), [Mystery](#)



**155. GIMME SOME SPACE! MARVELLOUS SUBMARINE**

Clayton Zane Comber | Conor McCammon (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Readers – you are warned. Again! This book will have you saying, hey, GIMME SOME SPACE! When moon rocks begin to crash-land on Monkey Island, Poppy and Billy suspect The Fugitives might be behind the chaos. Luckily, they have an idea: modifying Mum's greatest invention, The Marvellous Submarine, to fly it INTO SPACE! Together with seriously smart Harold the Gorilla and their animal crew, Poppy and Billy try to solve the mystery of an intergalactic heist, get caught up in a wild space storm, climb the biggest volcano in the universe and meet a space cowboy in search of his Super-Duper Lasso Blaster! So hold on, partner, as you're about to be rocketed into A WHOLE LOT OF SPACE!

**Categories:** [Inventions](#), [Humour](#), [Space](#), [Mystery](#), [Adventure](#)



**156. GRAVE ROBBING AND OTHER CURIOUS ACTIVITIES**

Joel McKerrrow | Paperback | Age 11+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

There's a body missing at the morgue. Alexander Steeple should know – he sleeps directly above the corpses. Growing up at Steeple and Sons Mortuary and Crematorium, with a mortician mum who cuts up cadavers, Alexander is pretty used to death. The thing is, the dead usually stay where they belong. Not today. Alexander wasn't planning to launch a full-blown investigation, but when his mother knows more than she is letting on and when a trail of clues begins to show itself, he cannot help but chase the mystery. Will he uncover what happened, or will the truth stay buried?

**Categories:** [Thriller](#), [Relationships](#), [Family](#), [Mystery](#)



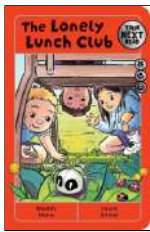
**157. GREAT ORANGE BAKE-OFF, THE AMANDA COMMANDER**

Coral Vass | Heidi Cooper Smith (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.05**

How will the Dolphin Squad survive being on different teams? Amanda and her squad need to learn how to trust in their friendship with each other, even when they can't work together. As Amanda and her friends prepare for the school bake-off, their plans are derailed when Amanda is separated and paired up with Eve instead. So, the Dolphin Squad concoct a plan to get back on the same team, but is working with Eve really so bad? Time to bake some delicious treats! It's OPERATION TEAMWORK!

**Categories:** [Kindness](#), [Friendship](#), [Loyalty](#), [Compassion](#), [Empathy](#)





**158. LONELY LUNCH CLUB, THE** YOUR NEXT READ SILVER

Maddy Mara | Laura Stitzel (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.05**

Do you like friendship, school and funny stories? Then this book is your next read! One lunchtime, Benji goes to the worst bench in the whole school instead of playing footy. There he meets a girl named Alice and a spider named Mabel. And Mabel needs their help! But can Benji and Alice do it alone?

**Categories:** Friendship, Humour, School



**159. MARY'S GAME** MARY FOWLER

Jasmin McGaughey | Cate James (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.05**

Hey. My name is Maz! A vibrant new series from football star Mary Fowler about friendship, sport and fun. Today, Mary can't wait to get to school. She has an exciting surprise to share with her friends. But when something unexpected happens, Mary and the crew must work together to solve the problem and get back to what they love best – playing sport and having fun.

**Categories:** Sport, Football, Soccer, Friendship, Problem Solving

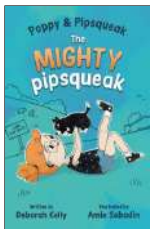


**160. MAYA THE EMBER DRAGON** DRAGON GIRLS

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

We are Dragon Girls—hear us roar! Maya is returning to the Magic Forest with her friends Eloise and Ash for an important quest. When the girls transform into powerful Fire Dragons, they become the hope that the animals there desperately need. Beating the Chaos Queen is far from an easy task, however. Maya must take charge and work with her friends to save the land and the creatures they love before it's too late.

**Categories:** Fantasy, Adventure, Dragons



**161. MIGHTY PIPSQUEAK, THE** POPPY AND PIPSQUEAK

Deborah Kelly | Amie Sabadin (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$11.99** | **School Price \$10.20**

Poppy is determined to prove that this tiny puppy can become a great working dog, despite its size. Jessie-Dog has had her puppies, but one is much smaller than the others. Dad says there's no place for weak pups on a farm. But Poppy insists it can do everything the others can, too. After all, when Poppy was born, it was a long time before she could come home from the hospital. So Poppy is determined to convince him that Pipsqueak can grow into a fine dog. But what if she fails? What if Dad decides Pipsqueak needs another home, far away from Poppy?

**Categories:** Farms, Farm Life, Family, Rural, Dogs, Disability, Problem Solving



**162. MIKKA'S MAGICAL SURPRISE** PRINCESS AND UNICORN

Zanni Louise | Kyla May (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$13.60**

Princess Mikka has a palace, a dress for every occasion and even her own waterslide. But there's one thing she wants more than anything else: a pet. So when her parents surprise her with her very own unicorn called Marshmallow, all her dreams come true. That is, until Marshmallow's magical horn zaps everything in sight! Can Mikka help Marshmallow manage her magic, or will the kingdom be covered in orange juice, floating sheep and dancing teapots forever?

**Categories:** Friendship, Magic, Unicorns



**163. MIM AND THE FRAZZLED FRUIT FARMER** 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 thrilling Norway – the land of mountains and fjords, Vikings and trolls, friendly folk and cuddly sheep, and one super-greedy apple thief. Norbert the fruit farmer is desperate. If the thief is not stopped, his farming days will end. Mim knows they're here to help Norbert. If only Mim could find Norbert the right book. If only Dad would stop giving everyone the wrong book.

**Categories:** Adventure, Travel, Reading, Books, Community



**164. MISSING AT SEA** PIRATE ACADEMY

Justin Somper | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Pirate Academy is buzzing with anticipation about the upcoming Oceans Bound weekend. It's a competition that requires five crews, five ships, excellent leadership and amazing teamwork. Each crew must complete a range of challenges delivered to them via a message in a bottle. And there'll be no teachers on board! But when the ringleader of the League of True Pirates escapes from prison, the competition turns deadly serious. Unbeknownst to the Academy, for one particular crew, Oceans Bound has turned into a series of near-impossible tasks, leading Jasmine, Jacoby and Neo into terrible danger. Will the young pirates-in-training complete the course and triumph against their fiendish enemy? Or will the League of True Pirates have even more spine-tingling surprises up their sleeves?

**Categories:** Action, Adventure, Futuristic, Pirates, Danger, Teamwork, Leadership, Loyalty



#### 165. MISSING PENCIL CASE, THE YOUR NEXT READ SILVER

Jasmin McGaughey | Jade Goodwin (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.05**

Do you like mystery, family and funny stories? Then this book is your next read! Lea has lost her pencil case. It's full of money she has collected for charity! Lea must search all over her apartment block for the missing pencil case. Where could it be?

**Categories:** [Mystery](#), [Humour](#), [Friendship](#), [Family](#)



#### 166. MY BROTHER OTTO

Ingrid Laguna | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$11.99**

Quinn's not happy about all the fuss her mum and Alex are making about the new baby. She's sick of their excitement. She likes things the way they are – just the three of them and her lop-eared rabbit. She doesn't want a baby brother. But when Otto is born three months early things change more than anyone could have expected. Quinn meets her little brother in the hospital neonatal intensive care unit surrounded by tubes and beeping machines. And she becomes the best big sister any baby brother could have. My Brother Otto is a story about family, love and sadness that delves into an experience of heartbreaking loss with sensitivity, warmth and the comfort that memories can hold.

**Categories:** [Death/Bereavement](#), [Family Unit](#), [Grief](#), [Healing](#), [Sadness](#), [Premature](#), [New Baby](#), [Resilience](#)



#### 167. MYSTERY OF THE TROUBLESOME TREES, THE FREDDIE JONES

Kate Foster | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Freddie, along with his trusty assistance dog Hobnob and Grandma Lilly, is off to join his parents at a luxury resort for his first ever holiday. He can't wait to see the rainforest and its incredible and dangerous inhabitants like cassowaries and crocodiles. But it turns out there's more to explore – and in store – than Freddie ever imagined. The ecosystem is not behaving as it should, and noises, lights and sounds are popping up all around the resort, leaving behind a trail of mysterious and unexpected trees. Who, or what, is behind it? Can Freddie, Hobnob and Grandma Lilly solve the mystery, or will it be too late?

**Categories:** [Mystery](#), [Adventure](#), [Environmental](#), [Nature](#), [Wellbeing](#)

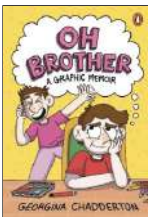


#### 168. NEEKA AND THE GREAT SEARCH WILDER ZOO

Tina Strachan | Max Hamilton (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Eleven-year-old Neeka Wilder is living her dream – spending her days with wildlife, learning how to be a vet like her mum, and hanging out with Hudson and Rumi, her two best friends. When Hudson and Rumi go away for the school holidays, Neeka creates a big list of zoo jobs to keep herself busy. But her plans go anything but smoothly. With three am wake-ups, video editing fails, friendship troubles, and a search for an injured wild koala joey, Neeka's life just got a whole lot busier!

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Family](#), [Animals](#), [Zoo](#), [Animal Rescue](#)

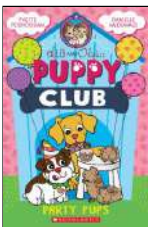


#### 169. OH BROTHER GRAPHIC NOVEL

Georgina Chadderton | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

New house. New school. New best friend? For a nervous kid who doesn't like change, it's a lot to deal with. And that's before Gina's brother, Rob, gets involved. From stealing Gina's treats to climbing on the neighbours' garage roof, Rob has a knack for causing chaos. Gina knows he doesn't mean it, but worries that his quirks might scare off her new friend, Callie. Then again, maybe Gina's own quirks are enough to drive Callie away! This heartfelt and irresistible graphic memoir captures the complicated feelings that come from growing up with an autistic sibling who requires substantial support. It's a story about friendship, family, disability, and the power of Vegemite toast.

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Autism](#), [Neurodiverse](#), [Neurodiversity](#), [Compassion](#), [Friendship](#), [Family](#), [Siblings](#), [Disability](#)



#### 170. PARTY PUPS ELLA AND OLIVIA'S PUPPY CLUB

Yvette Poshoglian | Danielle McDonald (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | **RRP \$8.99** | **School Price \$8.10**

Meet Bob the puppy, and his humans, Ella and Olivia! Rocco is turning one and he's invited all his friends, including Bob, to a big party. But what Bob didn't know is that Rocco's family breed guinea pigs! Everything turns chaotic when the guinea pig family crashes the party. Can Bob and the pups round up the guinea pigs and get the party back on track?

**Categories:** [Pets](#), [Dogs](#), [Family](#)

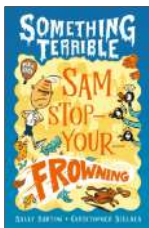


#### 171. RULES? WHAT RULES? BITZA

Andrew Daddo | Stephen Michael King (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$11.99**

I've found a new home! It's the best. I've got a new best friend. A new top dog. A new place to sleep – and lots and LOTS of new rules – they're probably more weird than good. When Jassy and Dad leave me home alone, I forget the rules. I'm thinking more about digging for bones and remodelling. Backyard Bitza!

**Categories:** [Pets](#), [Dogs](#), [Humour](#), [Belonging](#), [Family](#)



## 172. **SAM STOP-YOUR-FROWNING** SOMETHING TERRIBLE

Sally Barton | Christopher Nielsen (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$13.60**

Sam Crisp lives at 6 Rufus Street. You might be surprised to know that is his name, because most people think his name is Sam Stop-your-frowning. But no matter how many people tell him, or how often, Sam never stops his frowning. One morning, just as Sam was leaving for school, his mum called, 'Sam! Stop your frowning. Something terrible could happen!' This is the story of the something terrible that did. Sally Barton weaves a tale of mayhem, mess and moping in this frowningly funny fourth instalment of the terrible things that happen in Rufus Street.

**Categories:** Cautionary Tale, Humour



## 173. **SAND TRAPPED** 18,000 HOLES IN THE UNIVERSE

Adam Wallace | James Hart (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

The heat is turned up on the GOLF Squad when the friends are sucked into a desert world. Giant sand dunes full of traps, lava-filled hazards and a MEGA-GIANT SAND ZOMBIE stand between them and the golf hole. Will hideous mutant spiders carry them away? Will they be eaten by a massive, fang-filled sand mouth? Or will Grandpa Galileo finally return home to foil GOOF's evil plans? But BEWARE! If you keep reading, YOU might get sucked into THE MOST INCREDIBLE GOLF COURSE IN THE UNIVERSE too ...A hilarious golfing fantasy adventure by the creators of Fartboy!

**Categories:** Humour, Golf, Adventure, Fantasy



## 174. **SEABIRD**

Michelle Kadarusman | Paperback | Age 11+ | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

In late nineteenth century Indonesia, then known as the Dutch East Indies, a Javanese girl from a noble family is confined to her home before her thirteenth birthday, where she must remain until she is married. Removed from school and the outside world, Kartini writes to her former Dutch schoolmate, Lesty, who has returned to the Netherlands. With Lesty's support Kartini begins to challenge the role expected of her, and that of girls and women in her community. Determined to gain her freedom, Kartini bravely battles prejudice and tradition stirring change for her family, and for her country.

**Categories:** Friendship, Relationships, Identity, Feminism, Family, Colonialism, Prejudice



## 175. **SNELL'S SHOW AND TELL** SCHOOL OF MONSTERS

Sally Rippin | Chris Kennett (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | **RRP \$11.99** | **School Price \$10.20**

In this adorable story, Snell learns it's okay to go at her own pace! Snell needs some time to come out of her shell. Will she take part in today's Show and Tell? Snell has something cool to share with all her classmates, but she's nervous. How can she build up the courage to speak?

**Categories:** Monsters, Humour, Early Reader



## 176. **SUNNY AND STORM** SUNNY AND STORM

Tanya Hennessy | Rachael Mclean (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Best friends Sunny and Storm are besties with a wondermonious talent for creating new words. But now they're also prime suspects in a crime they didn't commit. Armed with their diary, their secret language and some very tasty cupcakes, they'll have to become the best detectives in town to put things right. Join them as they sidestep ickstastic cowpats and dodge biggity trouble to investigate... and maybe, just maybe, clear their names! This book will make you laugh. It will make you cry. It will even make you wobblebobbly!

**Categories:** Friendship, Adventure, Humour

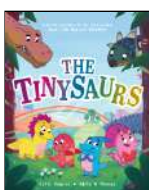


## 177. **SWEARWOLVES** DEAD SCARY

TJ Doom | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Do you dare to be scared? Luna Wilkinson wants to stand out - but not like this. Something that lurks in the dark and shadowy woods behind her house just bit her. Rude. And also, extremely unhygienic. Now she's the victim of an ancient curse that forces her to blurt out every swear word in the dictionary (as well as a few she's pretty sure aren't in any dictionary). Yes, she's become a walking, talking agent of chaos and she can't turn it off. Major ick. She only has three days to undo the curse or she'll be stuck swearing her head off forever.

**Categories:** Horror



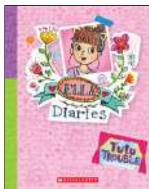
## 178. **TINYSAURS, THE** THE TINYSAURS

Sally Odgers | Adele k Thomas (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

The tinysaurs are the smallest dinosaurs in the land: living in tunnels, foraging for food and hiding out of the way of big stomping feet and swooshing tails. Until one day, they discover a hidden entrance to The Enchanted Valley! Could this magical new world of sparkling lakes, ancient forests and mysterious creatures become their new home?

**Categories:** Adventure, Friendship





**179. TUTU TROUBLE** [ELLA DIARIES](#)

[Meredith Costain](#) | [Danielle McDonald](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Warning: You are about to read my utterly biggest secrets. A tree falls on Ella's gymnastics centre, and all the classes are cancelled! So when Ella hears that the local ballet school is getting ready for a big dance concert, she and Zoe decide to use their extra time to help out. The only problem? Peach Parker, Ella's archrival, is suddenly also interested in ballet!

**Categories:** [Humour](#)



**180. WILL FIN WIN?** [YOUR NEXT READ SILVER](#)

[Jane Godwin](#) | [Tom Jellett](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.05**

Do you like animals, sport and friendship? Then this book is your next read! Fin never wins anything. On school sports day, a naughty puppy stops Fin from coming first in his race. Will Fin ever win? Or will he learn that there are more important things than medals?

**Categories:** [Friendship](#), [Sport](#), [Animals](#)



**181. ZAC POWER: MISSION FILES VOLUME 2** [ZAC POWER](#)

[Hi Larry](#) | 2 in 1 | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Join 12-year-old secret agent Zac Power in two of his most dangerous missions yet! Armed with the latest high-tech gadgets and his wits, Zac Power can take on anything the world throws at him. Whether he's foiling Dr Drastic's latest evil scheme or taking out the trash, Zac can do it all with time to spare. Zac Power has entertained kids worldwide for almost twenty years! Mission Files Volume #2 contains two stories from the smash hit series, Frozen Fear and Shock Music.

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Action](#), [Spies](#)



**182. ZAC POWER: MISSION FILES VOLUME 3** [ZAC POWER](#)

[Hi Larry](#) | 2 in 1 | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Join 12-year-old secret agent Zac Power in two of his most dangerous missions yet! Armed with the latest high-tech gadgets and his wits, Zac Power can take on anything the world throws at him. Whether he's foiling Dr Drastic's latest evil scheme or taking out the trash, Zac can do it all with time to spare. Zac Power has entertained kids worldwide for almost twenty years! Mission Files Volume #3 contains two stories from the smash hit series, Swamp Race and Lunar Strike.

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Action](#), [Spies](#)

**183. ZAC POWER: SPY RECRUIT VOLUME 1** [ZAC POWER SPY RECRUIT](#)

[Hi Larry](#) | 4 in 1 | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Action](#), [Spies](#)



**184. ZOMBIE ROAD** [DEAD SCARY](#)

[TJ Doom](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

Do you dare to be scared? Ace Walker has one rule – never stay out after sunset. Because when the sun goes down, the dead rise – fast, hungry and hunting for brains. So, when his best friend Cassie collapses with appendicitis, Ace has one shot to save her– steal a truck and race across the desert to the nearest hospital before nightfall. A flat tyre, an undead bike gang and an exploding petrol station? Just the beginning. Because on Zombie Road, one wrong turn means death – or worse.

**Categories:** [Horror](#)



# Younger Novel

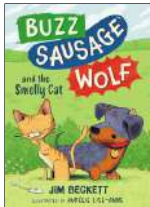


## 185. AMELIA FANG AND THE TROUBLE WITH TOADS AMELIA FANG

Laura Ellen Anderson | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$14.40**

When Amelia Fang's baby brother, Vincent, accidentally enters a mysterious land – the place where all squished toads go – Amelia has to embark on a daring adventure to rescue him. But even if Amelia and her friends do find Vincent, will they be able to find their way home? Or will they be trapped in the toad afterlife FOREVER?

**Categories:** Adventure, Mystery, Rescue



## 186. BUZZ SAUSAGE WOLF AND THE SMELLY CAT BUZZ SAUSAGE WOLF

Jim Beckett | Aurelie Lise Anne (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Buzz Sausage Wolf has a new neighbour – but OH NO, it's a CAT! Everyone knows, cats and dogs are NEVER friends. But maybe this strange Smelly Cat is different... A hilariously silly full-colour illustrated story about making friends.

**Categories:** Neighbours, Humour, Pets, Dogs, Cats

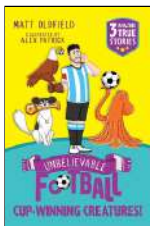


## 187. CINDERELLA FAIRYTALE FIASCO

Myles Mcleod | Paperback | **RRP \$18.99** | **School Price \$17.10**

Cinderella wants to go to the ball, and here comes Cleo to save the day! ZIP and BOOM and FLASH and KAZAM! Just like that, Cleo falls into a different fairytale each bedtime. But even Cleo can't charm Cinderella's mean stepmother. Luckily the fairy godmother arrives and magics up some cool, comfy outfits and a helicopter! When the party is over, can Cleo get Cinderella and the prince together (without any yucky kissing!) and be home in time for her bedtime story?

**Categories:** Twisted Fairytales



## 188. CUP-WINNING CREATURES! UNBELIEVABLE FOOTBALL SHORT COLOUR STORIES

Matt Oldfield | Alex Patrick (Illustrator) | 3 in 1 | Age 6+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Get ready to read three amazing stories about some of the greatest animals in world football. In the first half, meet Pickles the Dog Detective, who helped track down the most famous trophy in the world. In the second half, meet Paul, the incredible football-score-predicting octopus! In extra time, meet the footballing eagle that was so good he was transferred between clubs! Full of football action and fun facts at half time, 'Cup-Winning Creatures!' is perfect for shared reading or for newly confident readers to enjoy independently. Plus, feel the thrill of the game with vibrant full-colour illustrations.

**Categories:** Sport, Football, Soccer, Short Stories

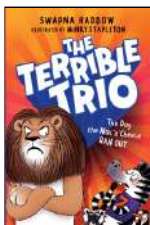


## 189. DANGER AT THE BLACK LAGOON ASTRID AND THE SPACE CADETS

Alex T Smith | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Astrid and the gang are excited to help two scientists track down a mysterious, never before seen fish rumoured to be living on an underwater planet. But it isn't long before things take a shocking turn when Astrid and the Space Cadets discover that they have been tricked – the scientists are actually infamous Intergalactic Sea Bandits! Can the gang catch the Sea Bandits and rescue the treasure? It's going to prove a difficult job especially when they find themselves swallowed whole by one of the Guard Sharks...

**Categories:** Adventure, Action, Space, Teamwork



## 190. DAY THE MAC 'N' CHEESE RAN OUT, THE TERRIBLE TRIO

Swapna Haddow | Minky Stapleton (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

When Zeb uses his superpower to blend in with a zebra crossing to play tricks on unsuspecting pedestrians, he finds himself in hot water with a very angry lion who threatens to eat him! In an effort to extricate himself from the cooking pot, he promises Marge will make endless mac'n'cheese to feed Lion's whole pride. Not a great time to discover that Marge has suddenly lost her power! How can Zeb and Barry help her regain it in time to save Zeb's bacon?

**Categories:** Humour, Adventure, Friendship

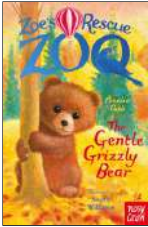


## 191. ELIZA AND THE HOBGOBLINS FAIRY DOOR DIARIES

Megan McDonald | Lenny Wen (Illustrator) | Hardback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Eliza hears faint music coming from behind the teeny-tiny fairy door she created low on the wall. So she presses her ear to the door and is whisked into the rocky land of hobgoblins, leaving behind her messy room. Luckily, Eliza discovers that the pointy-hatted hobs love to play, love a mess, and can grant wishes! But when she wishes that they would help her with her room, she learns that what hobgoblins actually love is playing tricks. Can she outrun their mischief before they decorate all of her walls with crayon and turn her ceiling fan into a hobgoblin merry-go-round? Just maybe... but only if she can come up with a few tricks of her own!

**Categories:** Fairies, Magic, Fantasy, Adventure



#### 192. GENTLE GRIZZLY BEAR, THE ZOE'S RESCUE ZOO

Amelia Cobb | Sophie Williams (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

Zoe loves living at her uncle's rescue zoo because there's always something exciting going on. And Zoe also has an amazing secret... She can actually talk to the animals! Gus the grizzly bear is very sad. He's missing his mum, he's grumpy and doesn't want to eat. Can Zoe help him to feel better and be kind to the other animals?

**Categories:** Adventure



#### 193. HANSEL AND GRETEL FAIRYTALE FIASCO

Myles Mcleod | Paperback | **RRP \$18.99** | **School Price \$17.10**

Hansel and Gretel are lost in the woods, and here comes Cleo to save the day. ZIP and BOOM and FLASH and KAZAM! But even Cleo can't resist taking a nibble (or two!) of the witch's delicious cottage, and suddenly they're all trapped in a cage and about to be baked in the oven! Can Cleo put things right and get back home in time for her bedtime story?

**Categories:** Twisted Fairytales



#### 194. I LIKE CHEESE! KAT AND MOUSE BOOK

Salina Yoon | Hardback | Age 5+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Kat and Mouse are opposites – Kat is spontaneous and creative, and Mouse likes routine and cheese. While Kat's lunchtime is always an adventure, Mouse, on the other hand, has cheese every day. Kat wonders – doesn't Mouse ever get bored of cheese?! Mouse wonders– does Kat ever get bored of me?! Can this duo find a lunch that fits their friendship? Join these friends for a hilarious and sweet story about stepping out of our comfort zones and finding joy in unexpected things, old and new.

**Categories:** Friendship



#### 195. INVASION OF THE DOGGY-SNATCHERS SQUIRREL AND DUCK

Tom Percival | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Squirrel and Duck, the world's only two talking animals, have noticed something – dogs are acting peculiarly everywhere. It's the first clue to a shocking truth. ALIENS are invading and they're taking over dog's bodies. ONLY Squirrel and Duck can stop them! A fully illustrated story that readers who love to laugh – and their families – will lap up. Don't miss the first book in the series, Squirrel and Duck- Mission Improbable.

**Categories:** Humour, Friendship

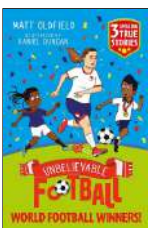


#### 196. SCAVENGER HUNT, THE FAMOUS FIVE COLOUR SHORT STORIES

Enid Blyton | Sufiya Ahmed (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Kirrin Village is having a scavenger hunt for half term and the Famous Five are excited to take part! But someone is destroying the trail, and no one knows who . . . will the Five solve the mystery before the event is ruined? Set in the world of Enid Blyton's best-loved series, this newly created story follows Julian, Dick, Anne, George and Timmy the dog on a special new adventure. The story is broken down into short chapters with vibrant, full-colour illustrations on every page – perfect for shared reading or for newly confident readers to enjoy independently.

**Categories:** Adventure



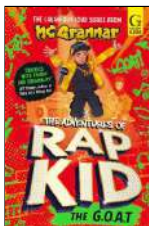
#### 197. WORLD FOOTBALL WINNERS! UNBELIEVABLE FOOTBALL SHORT COLOUR STORIES

Matt Oldfield | Daniel Duncan (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Get ready to read three amazing stories about some of the greatest ever moments in world football. In the first half, discover the friendships formed at the first ever international women's tournament. In the second half, relive the action from the incredible tournament for street children. In extra time, meet Maradona, one of the greatest players of all time. Full of football action and fun facts at half time, 'World Football Winners!' is perfect for shared reading or for newly confident readers to enjoy independently. Plus, feel the thrill of the game with vibrant full-colour illustrations.

**Categories:** Sport, Football, Soccer, Short Stories

# Middle Novel



## 198. ADVENTURES OF RAP KID: THE G.O.A.T. [ADVENTURES OF RAP KID](#)

[MC Grammar](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Fresh from their Golden Mic Rap Battle win, Rap Kid and SFX must solidify their status as Rap GOATs. With a little help from Mr G, Paige Turner – the school librarian, and an unexpected new friend can the dream-team beat some of the best wordsmiths in history and become the true greatest of all time? Get ready for the biggest rap battles in history in this epic adventure. Let's go, My G!

**Categories:** [Reluctant Readers](#), [Humour](#)



## 199. AT THE MOUNTAINS OF MADNESS [CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE](#)

[Jacopo Della Quercia](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

You are the child of two scientists and you've just spent your summer at Camp Starkweather in Antarctica. Your time at the bottom of the world is coming to an end when you receive an emergency distress call from another camp nearby, where your parents have spent the summer doing top-secret research. Will you answer the call or will you stay at camp and hope that the ancient unknowable horrors won't come and find you next? Kids who love monsters and mystery will devour this thrilling adventure story of survival on the ice. With every choice, you'll take charge of your fellow campers and bring everyone home safe and sound ... or else doom them all to a terrible fate!

**Categories:** [Interactive](#), [Adventure](#)



## 200. AVALANCHE

[Simon Fox](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

Tom thought going to a luxury ski resort was the holiday he and his mum needed. But he didn't expect kidnappers to take over their chalet – looking for the dangerous technology her boss has created – or for an avalanche to trap them even further. Can Tom figure a way out, before it's too late?

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Thriller](#), [Survival](#)



## 201. BOBLAND

[Matt Lucas](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$16.20**

Bob Grubb and his family live on a ramshackle smallholding backing on to the world-renowned theme park, Happy World, run by Arthur Happy and his dreadful granddaughter, Maisie. When Bob accidentally gets into Maisie's bad books, he is banned from Happy World – for ever. What is an entrepreneurial boy to do? Build his own theme park in his back garden, of course! With the help of friends and family, BOBLAND is go! But with Arthur and Maisie doing everything in their power to derail Bob's plans, will they make it to the Grand Opening in one piece, where they are due to meet the king himself? And what is the big family secret that lurks beneath it all?

**Categories:** [Humour](#), [Adventure](#)



## 202. BOOK OF ANANSI, THE [NIC BLAKE AND THE REMARKABLES](#)

[Angie Thomas](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$16.20**

All of Nic's dreams have come true at last. After years of living in hiding as a Remarkable in an Unremarkable world, she has a big family, a forever home, and a chance to learn the Gift at Manifestor school. But then she's given a deadly ultimatum: find the Book of Anansi or put her family's life in peril. Not only does no one know where the book is – they don't even believe it exists. Nic must team up again with her twin brother, Alex, and her best friend J.P. to complete this impossible mission – or risk losing it all.

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#), [Folklore](#), [Adventure](#), [Africa](#)



## 203. DR ZEUS

[James Patterson](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Nick Andino is a normal twelve-year-old who works in his family's Greek diner in Athens, Ohio. He's no hero material – he's too shy to talk to his crush, Daisy, and is being bullied by Orson 'Dingus' Macklemore, whose parents rent the diner to Nick's mom. But Nick must become a hero quick – with the help of Zeus and Hermes, Nick discovers that he is suffering from a case of 'destinitis' and must travel back in time to Ancient Greece to save his family line.

**Categories:** [Ancient Civilizations](#), [Ancient Greece](#), [Family](#), [Time Travel](#)





**204. DRAGONBORN**

[Struan Murray](#) | Paperback | Age 11+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Life is no fun for Alex Evans. Ever since her dad's death, her overprotective mother has smothered her with unbreakable rules and unspoken fears. When the frustration inside Alex finally gets too big to bear, it rushes to the surface. And flames spill from her mouth. Because Alex is a dragon. Led by the mighty Oliphos to the legendary island of Skralla, Alex must now train alongside fierce, frightening dragon children, if she is to unlock the power of her birthright. But other dragons are rising too. Drak Midna, the greatest dragon of all, is preparing a war against the human world, and Alex has to be good enough for this fight, or we all will burn...

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#), [Dragons](#), [Magic](#)



**205. ELDERS' QUEST, THE WARRIORS: CHANGING SKIES**

[Erin Hunter](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

As Leafbare approaches, a new danger threatens the Clans. Twoleg construction has encroached on Clan territory, poisoning the stream and making prey especially scarce for SkyClan. Meanwhile, Leafstar is struggling with a loss of vision while trying to maintain authority over her Clan. In ShadowClan, Tawnypelt senses peril, but she can't get any cat, especially her son, TigerStar, to listen. Frustrated with the younger cats who don't respect her, she decides to take matters into her own paws. In the midst of the chaos, Moonpaw, an apprentice struggling to understand the mysterious voice in her head, thinks that she might be having visions. But the voice becomes increasingly sinister, and Moonpaw wonders if it's a sign of darkness on the horizon.

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#)



**206. FATE OF FINNEGAN QUICK, THE**

[Larry Hayes](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

By night, Finnegan Quick has horrible nightmares. By day, they come true. Unfortunately for him, after dreaming his parents out of reality, his nightmares are the only hope he has of one day finding them again. His only lead is a mysterious urban legend about a banshee – whose unearthly scream, it was said, could drive anyone who heard it to instant madness. In a dream, Finn finds the banshee. He hears her scream and with it, sees a vision of his best friend. Face down in water, dead. In the waking world, Finn is left with no choice – unravel the mystery of the Banshee's curse, or risk losing the only family he has left.

**Categories:** [Horror](#), [Humour](#)



**207. FEAR, THE THE UNDERDOGS**

[Tom Palmer](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Kian's best mate Azeem is desperate for them both to join the local football team. He can't understand why Kian's reluctant as he's one of the best players on their estate. But a bad experience with a former coach has robbed Kian of all his confidence. He wants to support his friend, but he doesn't think he can face the pressure of being part of a team again. Can Kian overcome the Fear?

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Football](#), [Soccer](#)

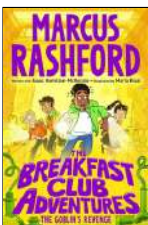


**208. FIVE AND THE SMUGGLER'S CODE NEW FAMOUS FIVE**

[Chris Smith](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

The Famous Five are back as a new group of kids head to Smuggler's Top to crack their second mystery. Maddy, Fran, Tom and Gilbert can't wait for their holiday with Professor George at Kirrin Cottage. But when they arrive, they realise George is missing. They follow her to an old house called Smuggler's Top, full of secret tunnels and ancient hiding places, where they discover a master criminal who must be stopped at all costs.

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Mystery](#), [Crime](#), [Detective](#)



**209. GOBLIN'S REVENGE, THE BREAKFAST CLUB ADVENTURES**

[Marcus Rashford](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$18.99** | **School Price \$17.10**

Join Marcus and friends as they solve another mystery in The Breakfast Club Adventures: The Goblin's Revenge. This is the sixth exciting adventure by England International footballer, child food-poverty campaigner and bestselling author Marcus Rashford MBE. Inspired by Marcus's own experiences growing up! A vengeful goblin is targeting bullies at Rutherford School. Notes warning students to 'be nice or be next' start appearing after each incident and soon no one is safe from the goblin's wrath – not even the Breakfast Club Investigators. As the school descends into chaos, the head teacher threatens to cancel the annual science competition unless the creature is caught. Can Marcus and his friends stop the goblin before it's too late?

**Categories:** [Detective](#), [Crime](#), [Investigation](#), [Mystery](#), [School](#)



**210. HAPPILY NEVER AFTER DIARY OF A MINECRAFT ZOMBIE SUPER SPECIAL**

[Zack Zombie](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$13.60**

Zombie stumbles across a book on Player fairytales, which doesn't seem all that exciting. Until he reads through it and realises how familiar the stories sound. Like the story that reminds him of the time he followed his brother up a gigantic beanstalk that had grown in his backyard overnight. Or the time he accidentally entered a building competition, dressed as a pig. Or that time he had to sleep on a hundred stacked mattresses, which were, by the way, very uncomfortable. Hmm, maybe there's something to this...

**Categories:** [Adventure](#)





## 211. HAVEN: A SMALL CAT'S BIG ADVENTURE

Megan wagner Lloyd | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

A warm lap. The toasty smell of baking bread. Tasty food served in a bright-blue bowl. These make Haven's life as an indoor pet heaven. But when Ma Millie becomes too sick to care for her, Haven's cosy life is turned upside down, and she decides to seek out another human for help. Her vow pulls her out into the shadowy forest and down dangerous roads. But Haven finds herself pitted against creatures far wilder than she ever could be, testing her strength and spirit to their limits. Will her loyalty to Ma Millie be enough to help Haven see the quest through to its conclusion? Can she stand up against the fierce predator that is tracking her every move?

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Survival](#)



## 212. HYBRID PRINCE, THE WINGS OF FIRE

Tui T Sutherland | Hardback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$25.50**

The #1 New York Times best-selling series is back with a brand new tale! Discover what happens next in this thrilling addition to the Wings of Fire saga, where one of its biggest secrets will be revealed. In the and highly-anticipated sixteenth book, beloved author Tui T. Sutherland will answer the question her fans have been asking her for years. Be the first to read this exciting new story in the series that is devoured by dragon devotees around the world. Where will the next adventure take us? You'll find out in Wings of Fire: The Hybrid Prince.

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#)



## 213. LAST SPELLBREAKER, THE ARTEZANS

LD Lapinski | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

For 400 years magic was fading. Two extraordinary twins have changed everything. Now magic is back, but not everyone is using it for good... Twins Elodie and Edward Crane are Artezans, inheritors of strange and powerful magic. After surviving an epic battle with The Sandman, and a shipwreck on a mysterious island, they are now in search of Last Spellbreaker to try and undo some of the chaos that the newly strong magic has created. But the twins are separated in two different worlds. And both are in danger. With dark forces only steps behind them, can Ed and Elodie use their newfound powers to protect each other and stay alive?

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#), [Adventure](#), [Magic](#), [Dreams](#)

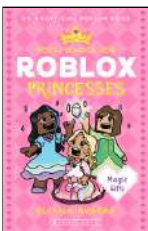


## 214. LET'S BOO THIS! FRIGHT CLUB

Sibeal Pounder | George Ermos (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

The night Joe Bones spots a cloaked figure leaving his gran's house, he's sure that something is afoot. Then he hears that his gran has passed away and discovers she was keeping a secret. She was part of an ancient society called Fright Club – investigators of crimes in supernatural hidden worlds, from Clinks, the world of skeletons, to the ghostly Veiloo and demon-filled Devilbend. So, Joe convinces his three best friends to revive the club and track down the mysterious figure to find out what really happened to his gran. What Joe doesn't know is that each of his friends has a supernatural secret of their own and starting their own Fright Club could unleash a whole heap of trouble.

**Categories:** [Interactive](#), [Horror](#)



## 215. MAGIC GIFTS ROYAL SCHOOL FOR ROBLOX PRINCESSES

Elaina Avatar | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.70**

Princess Eliana has arrived at the Royal School for Roblox Princesses and it's everything she's ever dreamed of! Join Eliana and her friends as they take classes in fashion, design and magic. At the Royal School for Roblox Princesses, the Gifting Ceremony is the most important event for first-year princesses. Eliana and her friends can't wait to be sorted into their magical Realms and be gifted their unique Whimsy ability. But when Eliana is left with no sign of her powers, she begins to question everything—her magic, her future and whether she truly belongs.

**Categories:** [Gaming](#), [Adventure](#), [Magic](#), [Roblox](#)

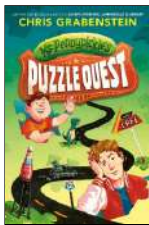


## 216. MAISIE VS THE HIMALAYAS

Jack Jackman | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

When Maisie travels with her Dad to the Himalayas to research his book, How to Find Buried Treasure, she doesn't expect their exploration to take them deep into the caves beneath the mountains. Before long, Maisie has discovered a cursed treasure, stolen a shark, been hunted as a thief, walked through an underground lake and outrun an explosion. Just another average day! Turns out there's more to Maisie than she even realised herself, but will Dad tell her truth? Or is this secret just too dangerous?

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Humour](#), [Action](#), [Superpower](#), [Travel](#), [Survival](#)



### 217. MS PENNYPICKLE'S PUZZLE QUEST

[Chris Grabenstein](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Benjamin and Ethan Broderick don't fit together. Twelve-year-old Ben loves retro arcade games and puzzles, while his older brother would rather play sports and hang out with his friends. The only thing they have in common is how much they resent being forced to go on a summer road trip. But at the quirky diner where the brothers make their very first stop, they discover a clue leading to a giant puzzle race with a million-dollar prize! Along with five other families, the Brodericks are thrust into a high-stakes competition along the famous Route 66. Can Ben and Ethan put their heads together-and put aside their differences-to beat out the other families and solve Ms. Pennypickle's ultimate puzzle?

**Categories:** [Humour](#), [Puzzle](#), [Road Trip](#), [Competition](#), [Teamwork](#)



### 218. PHOENIX RIDE ON

[Kimberly Brubaker Bradley](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Harper's life just exploded. Her parents are getting a divorce and eleven-year-old Harper and her mother are starting again-in a new town, with riding stables next door. Harper has never been around horses before and she does not want to learn to ride. Then a truck dumps a starved horse right in Harper's yard. She has no idea what to do with a live horse let alone a nearly dead one. But one look at the horse's huge eyes and something inside Harper unlocks. She names the horse Phoenix, and she will not give up on him. Neither, it turns out, will Phoenix give up on her. Will this be Harper's first step towards new friends and new adventures? Towards riding?

**Categories:** [Divorce](#), [Separation](#), [Family](#), [Growing Up](#), [Loyalty](#), [Determination](#)



### 219. RISE OF NEPTUNE, THE THE DRAGONSHIPS

[Scott Reintgen](#) | Paperback | Age 11+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

NEPTUNE IS COMING Lunar Jones and the Dread Knights have brought hope to Mars. The once-dying planet is now flourishing. The only shadow is the one cast by Dav Robinson's warning... As predicted, Neptune's ships arrive in Martian space - and they're not interested in talking. They launch an immediate attack, but they are far from the formidable force Lunar was expecting. Neptune's dragons are divided and their ships, while countless in number, are almost too easy to defeat. It's clear there's more to Neptune's story than meets the eye, and the Dread Knights must figure out the who their foe really is before Mars is doomed for good.

**Categories:** [Science Fiction](#), [Adventure](#), [Fantasy](#), [Dragons](#)



### 220. ROBIN

[Sarah Ann Jukes](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$14.39**

Eddie feels invisible - his sister Scarlet isn't well and nobody seems to remember that he's here. Out in the forest, as the ice hardens and winter gets deeper, the world is quiet. But there's a monster deep among the trees - a monster that grows with every sad and angry thought Eddie says. When a little red bird takes him to meet Mari, a strange and fierce girl with blurred edges just like him, she shows Eddie how to be loud, how to make new friends at school and enjoy the music he loves again. As Scarlet's big operation approaches, will he find his way back through the snow and put the monster to rest once and for all?

**Categories:** [Family](#), [Friendship](#), [Hope](#), [Courage](#), [Illness](#), [Nature](#)



### 221. ROLLING ON

[Jamie Sumner](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$16.20**

It's the very end of eighth grade and all everyone can talk about is high school-everyone except Ellie Cowan. Ellie wants to freeze time. Middle school was epic. She moved to Oklahoma, made her best friends, won a baking championship, quit a beauty pageant, and dominated Putt-Putt golf in her wheelchair. But now her feelings for her best friend Bert are starting to change. When did Bert get so cute? And why are all the other girls suddenly noticing, too? As if that isn't enough to deal with, Grandpa's health takes a turn for the worse. So what do you do when you don't know how to hold on or when to let go?

**Categories:** [Relationships](#), [Romance](#), [Friendship](#), [Disability](#), [Family](#)

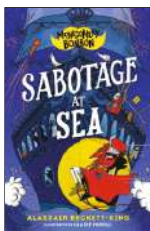


### 222. RUNNING MY OWN RACE

[Abena Eyeson](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

Kofi's mum is determined he's going to be 'somebody'. But when Kofi is given a place at a prestigious private school because of his athletic ability, everything changes. Kofi dreams of being a professional athlete - but he soon finds following your heart isn't an easy road. Under pressure from his mum to make the most of his academic opportunity, his best friend who doesn't want him to change, his community to make them proud, and a rival who will do anything to make sure Kofi doesn't outshine him - Kofi isn't sure where to turn. Can Kofi find a way to follow his own path?

**Categories:** [Coming of Age](#), [Pressure](#), [Dilemma](#), [Athletics](#)



### 223. **SABOTAGE AT SEA** MONTGOMERY BONBON

Alasdair Beckett-King | Clair Powell (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Shenanigans are once again afoot in the town of Widdlington, and this time they're on board the Dreadnought – a galleon ship that's set to host a fireworks display for the town. Bonnie Montgomery and Grampa Banks are on board as guests, but just after sundown, a fog rolls in and a terrible cry is heard over the crash of the waves. Captain Valancourt stumbles out of the mist, dripping wet and covered in red welts, and is soon pronounced dead by the doctor on board. While Inspector Sands takes over as captain, Bonnie transforms into Montgomery Bonbon, and it's not long before she's laid anchor on her prime suspects. Can Montgomery Bonbon solve... the crime of the ancient mariner?

**Categories:** [Mystery](#), [Detective](#), [Murder](#), [Crime](#)

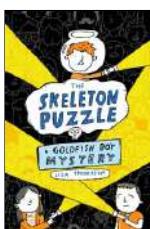


### 224. **SHADOW PONY, THE**

Olivia Wakeford | David Litchfield (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Evan hates change, which is a big problem because the last few years have brought a lot of it. His family is split down the middle, and lately Grandad hasn't been himself. When a school trip takes Evan to an old mine where Grandad used to work, things go disastrously wrong. Grandad refuses to talk to Evan about the mine, and especially about the poor pit ponies that worked down there in the dark. But Evan is desperate to know more about Grandad's past and if he can only find out what Grandad's hiding, the weird gulf between them will surely disappear. Can Evan uncover Grandad's secrets before they are lost forever?

**Categories:** [Family Unit](#), [Horses](#), [Love](#), [Secrets](#), [Grandparents](#)

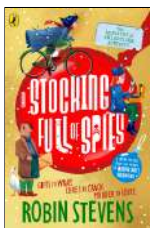


### 225. **SKELETON PUZZLE, THE** GOLDFISH BOY MYSTERY

Lisa Thompson | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Matthew, Melody and Jake – stars of The Goldfish Boy – are back, cracking clues and solving a mystery on Chestnut Close! When a skeleton is found buried in an elderly neighbour's garden, the kids are determined to discover its identity and who was responsible for their death. At the same time, the long-lost son of the neighbour arrives, with his young son in tow. But are the pair really who they are claiming to be – or are they imposters? As Matthew, Melody and Jake investigate, they uncover incredible secrets and a plot to stash some priceless jewels on the Close...

**Categories:** [Mystery](#), [Secrets](#)



### 226. **STOCKING FULL OF SPIES, A** MINISTRY OF UNLADYLIKE ACTIVITY

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

It's December 1941, and almost Christmas, when a bomb falls on Deepdean School for Girls. May and Nuala are whisked away from the chaos and sent to stay with May's big sister, who is working at Bletchley Park. Soon, they learn that a codebreaker has been shot in what first appears to be a tragic accident – until a suspicious and top-secret message is discovered. Was this murder? Worst of all, Daisy's big brother, Bertie Wells, is being blamed. It's up to May, Nuala and their friend Eric to prove Bertie's innocence and solve the mystery. But Bletchley is a strange and secretive place, full of Britain's most ingenious minds. They'll need to watch, listen, and puzzle out the incredible, unthinkable truth...

**Categories:** [Historical](#), [Mystery](#), [World War 2](#), [Spies](#)



### 227. **STONEWITCH** HEDGEWITCH

Skye McKenna | Tomislav Tomic (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

To complete the next step in her witch's training, Cassie Morgan must invent a brand-new spell. Struggling for inspiration, she jumps at the chance to attend the Covenmoot. Every five years, covens from all over Britain and Ireland meet to take part in a series of challenging games in the hopes of winning the Covenmoot Cup. Cassie and her friends travel to Glen Carlin, a remote valley in the Scottish Highlands, to take part. But menacing forces haunt the moors and rumours of the ancient Stonewitch swirl through the camp. Cassie and her coven must work together to prove themselves in the Covenmoot, while long-hidden secrets come to light and the wicked Erl King's power grows.

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#), [Mystery](#), [Magic](#)

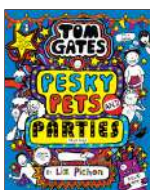


### 228. **STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE OF IMOGEN GOOD, THE**

Kirsty Applebaum | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Fran doesn't want to stay with her aunt and uncle and her annoying cousin, Imogen. Imogen is rude and unfriendly and, it turns out, missing... But her parents don't seem to know who Fran means – don't be silly, we don't have a daughter, you know that. So it's up to Fran, and Imogen's best friend, Bex, to find out what's happened to her. Except Bex doesn't know who Imogen is either. All Fran knows is that it's got something to do with the hidden garden at Stillness Hall and the twelve statues that belong there. Could a mysterious old tale, a story of enchantment and death, hold the answers?

**Categories:** [Mystery](#), [Adventure](#)



### 229. **TOM GATES: PESKY PETS AND PARTIES** TOM GATES

Liz Pichon | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$16.20**

Norman's told the whole school that DogZombies have a new song and a new look for the big end of term party. But the problem is ... they don't. How can they be the best band when they will be up against Oakfield Manor school? Will Tom make it to Leroy's party on time? Is dressing as a dolphin with a blue face a good idea? And will Mum and Dad ever do a fun run again? These questions and so much more answered in this hilarious extra special story.

**Categories:** [Humour](#)



**230. TRAITOR ISLAND** [PICK-YOUR-OWN PATH ADVENTURE](#)

[Tim Collins](#) | [Steven Wood](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

You are part of a research team who have been sent to another planet. Just as you prepare to head back to Earth, an alien life form is detected on board your ship. Everyone is placed on a quarantine island for seven days, but arguments break out as the crew accuse each other of being infected. A sense of paranoia soon sweeps through the group... Who can you trust on the island? And can you work out who the aliens are before your mind is taken over, too? This exciting adventure story for readers aged 9+ features over 45 possible endings. At the end of each page there are two distinct options that will take the reader on different paths through the action.

**Categories:** [Interactive](#)



**231. YUMNA AND THE GOLDEN HORSE** [SILVERBROOK](#)

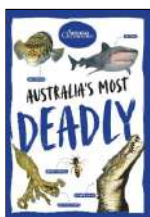
[Yassmin Abdel-Magied](#) | Paperback | Age 11+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Thirteen-year-old Yumna lives in a sleepy town where nothing ever happens. So when her friends start sneaking into the woods at night, curiosity gets the better of her and she follows. There, she discovers something unbelievable. Kareem can turn into a golden horse. Sami can touch fire without burning. Even her cousin Nafisa has a strange new power. Everyone's changing... except Yumna. But when Kareem vanishes and a mysterious new family seem to be hiding something, Yumna is the only one asking the right questions. As secrets unravel and danger creeps closer, it's up to Yumna to uncover the truth. In a town full of secrets and powers, can one ordinary girl become the hero they all need?

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#), [Magic Realism](#), [Adventure](#), [Mystery](#), [Secrets](#)



# Australian Information



## 232. AUSTRALIA'S MOST DEADLY AUSTRALIA'S MOST DANGEROUS

Compilation COMPILATION | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

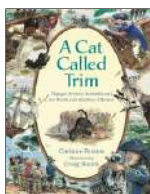
Dive into the lives of the country's most dangerous animals, from venomous snakes and deadly spiders to powerful sharks and saltwater crocodiles. This engaging book reveals where these creatures live, how they behave, and what to do in case of an encounter. Packed with facts, safety tips and striking imagery, it's a gripping guide to Australia's top predators. Full of detailed illustrations and beautiful images, interesting fact files and information about where our killer creatures eat, where they live and much more!



## 233. AUSTRALIA'S MOST FREAKY AUSTRALIA'S MOST DANGEROUS

Compilation COMPILATION | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

A fascinating look at some of the country's strangest and most extraordinary creatures. From air-breathing fish to frogs that carry their young in pouches, this book reveals the unusual adaptations, colours and behaviours that make these animals truly unique. With detailed illustrations, striking photographs and curious facts, it's a brilliant introduction to the weirder side of Australian wildlife.



## 234. CAT CALLED TRIM: VOYAGE AROUND AUSTRALIA, A

Corinne Fenton | Craig Smith (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$24.30**

Trim was a cat born for adventure ... This is the true story of a courageous, mischievous and fearless cat called Trim, who sailed with Matthew Flinders on his voyages to map the coastline of Australia and beyond. Flinders was a navigator and cartographer who was involved in several voyages of discovery between 1791 and 1803, including the circumnavigation of Australia, and another voyage that proved Tasmania is an island. Trim was a cheeky black cat, born on ship, who was rescued by Flinders after falling overboard. Trim travelled with Flinders and kept the ship free of mice, maintained order among the other cats and even survived a shipwreck.

**Categories:** Australian History, Explorers



## 235. DISCOVERING NEW SOUTH WALES KIDS' GUIDE TO AUSTRALIA'S STATES AND TERRITORIES

Kyle Surry | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$25.50**

New South Wales was the first place in Australia where British people settled over 230 years ago. Find out how they changed the landscape, and what the effect was on the First Nations people who were already there. An easy-to-follow series that explains the history and geography of all the eight States and Territories of Australia. Written and designed in a child-friendly style, this series encourages even the youngest children to be aware of where they live and how it is different from other places.



## 236. DISCOVERING QUEENSLAND KIDS' GUIDE TO AUSTRALIA'S STATES AND TERRITORIES

Kyle Surry | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$25.50**

Queensland is well-known for its beautiful landscapes and for the Great Barrier Reef. With rivers, deserts, mountains and rainforests, Queensland is bursting with natural wonders. An easy-to-follow series that explains the history and geography of all the eight States and Territories of Australia. Written and designed in a child-friendly style, this series encourages even the youngest children to be aware of where they live and how it is different from other places.



## 237. DISCOVERING SOUTH AUSTRALIA KIDS' GUIDE TO AUSTRALIA'S STATES AND TERRITORIES

Kyle Surry | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$25.50**

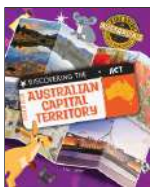
South Australia's history is unique amongst the States, as it never had any convicts sent there in colonial times. It is known for its wine industry, the vast Nullarbor Plain, and for its remarkable salt lake, Kati Thanda-Lake Eyre. An easy-to-follow series that explains the history and geography of all the eight States and Territories of Australia. Written and designed in a child-friendly style, this series encourages even the youngest children to be aware of where they live and how it is different from other places.



## 238. DISCOVERING TASMANIA KIDS' GUIDE TO AUSTRALIA'S STATES AND TERRITORIES

Kyle Surry | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$25.50**

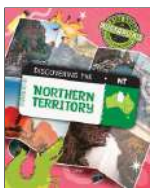
Tasmania is an island that treasures its clean air and wilderness areas. Although it has a small population, Tasmania is renowned for the high quality of its agricultural produce. An easy-to-follow series that explains the history and geography of all the eight States and Territories of Australia. Written and designed in a child-friendly style, this series encourages even the youngest children to be aware of where they live and how it is different from other places.



### 239. **DISCOVERING THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY** [KIDS' GUIDE TO AUSTRALIA'S STATES AND TERRITORIES](#)

Kyle Surry | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$25.50**

The ACT is surrounded by NSW, but it is not part of that State. It is the location of Australia's capital city, Canberra, but there is much more to the ACT than government buildings. Find out about the features that make the ACT such a special part of Australia. An easy-to-follow series that explains the history and geography of all the eight States and Territories of Australia. Written and designed in a child-friendly style, this series encourages even the youngest children to be aware of where they live and how it is different from other places.



### 240. **DISCOVERING THE NORTHERN TERRITORY** [KIDS' GUIDE TO AUSTRALIA'S STATES AND TERRITORIES](#)

Kyle Surry | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$25.50**

The whole Northern Territory has a very small population of people, but covers a large area of land. Many tourists visit Kakadu and Uluru in the Northern Territory, but mining and cattle exports are also important local industries. An easy-to-follow series that explains the history and geography of all the eight States and Territories of Australia. Written and designed in a child-friendly style, this series encourages even the youngest children to be aware of where they live and how it is different from other places.



### 241. **DISCOVERING VICTORIA** [KIDS' GUIDE TO AUSTRALIA'S STATES AND TERRITORIES](#)

Kyle Surry | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$25.50**

The Gold Rush of the late 1800s has left Victoria with country towns that are full of wonderful colonial buildings. Today, the capital city, Melbourne, prides itself on being a cultural centre. An easy-to-follow series that explains the history and geography of all the eight States and Territories of Australia. Written and designed in a child-friendly style, this series encourages even the youngest children to be aware of where they live and how it is different from other places.



### 242. **DISCOVERING WESTERN AUSTRALIA** [KIDS' GUIDE TO AUSTRALIA'S STATES AND TERRITORIES](#)

Kyle Surry | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$25.50**

Western Australia is enormous, spreading across a third of Australia. It has a long coastline, many deserts and vast areas of grasslands. Most of this large State has a very low human population, with the majority of people living in or near Perth, the capital city. An easy-to-follow series that explains the history and geography of all the eight States and Territories of Australia. Written and designed in a child-friendly style, this series encourages even the youngest children to be aware of where they live and how it is different from other places.

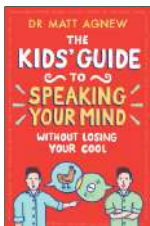


### 243. **GIWANG: WEATHER AND WILDLIFE ON WIRADJURI COUNTRY**

Belinda Bridge | Peta-Joy Williams (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$24.95** | **School Price \$19.99**

The dry central western region of New South Wales is Wiradjuri Country. Here, the landscape slips from one weather cycle into another as hot, dry and windy times soften into crisp chill. Meet the animals you can find on Wiradjuri Country in this intricately illustrated introduction to the Wiradjuri Language by two Wiradjuri creatives. In Giwang, Wiradjuri animals are shown along with Wiradjuri Language and English translations. Belinda Bridge's words weave an unpredictable cycle onto the page against beautiful paintings by Wiradjuri artist Peta-Joy Williams. This evocative resource speaks to readers of all ages. It is rich with cultural meaning and is a significant Wiradjuri title to add to bookshelves.

**Categories:** [Aboriginal Studies](#), [First Nations](#), [Weather](#), [Language](#), [Culture](#)



### 244. **KIDS' GUIDE TO SPEAKING YOUR MIND, THE**

Matt Agnew | Paperback | Age 11+ | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

How do we end up with different ideas and opinions? How can we talk about these ideas and opinions to each other even when we disagree? Such as: When I read, see or hear something, how do I know if it's true or false? Is it okay to change my mind? Dr Matt explains how to avoid confirmation bias and 'us' vs 'them' thinking, and how to stay calm and show respect to others in the heat of an argument, along with tips on how to debate like a pro! Included are some thought experiments to do at home or in the classroom that will help kids speak their mind without losing their cool.

**Categories:** [Critical Thinking](#), [Ethics](#), [Technology](#)

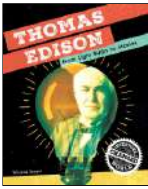


### 245. **SAVING SHARK PUP**

Sharon Dalglish | Amandine Thomas (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

When a great white shark pup washed up on Manly Beach, the local community rushed to the shark's rescue, eventually releasing it back into the ocean. Great white sharks are vital for the ocean ecosystem, and yet despite this, their beauty and mystery are rarely celebrated. This glorious picture book is a lyrical and emotive account of the shark pup's journey back to the ocean, interspersed by fascinating facts about great white sharks. The two narratives work together to inspire compassion and hope for one of the ocean's most feared and misunderstood threatened species.

**Categories:** [Narrative Non](#), [Fiction](#), [Science](#), [Sharks](#), [Conservation](#), [Animal Rescue](#)



**246. THOMAS EDISON: FROM LIGHT BULBS TO MOVIES** [INVENTORS WHO CHANGED THE WORLD](#)

[Warren Singer](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$23.99**

Thomas Edison is one of the most important inventors who ever lived. His inventions mainly focused on ways to use electricity. As a result of his ground-breaking creations, we now have movies, centralised electricity generation and reliable light bulbs. He never stopped inventing, and his passion for making something that was new and remarkable continued right up until the end of his life. The world's greatest inventors used their passion for science and engineering to create technological inventions that have changed the way we all live. Even inventors who lived long ago still influence us today, laying the foundations for technologies that have now become familiar to people all around the world.

**Categories:** [STEM](#), [Science](#), [Technology](#), [Inventions](#)



**247. WORLD FROM HERE, THE**

[Cassy Polimeni](#) | [Mel Armstrong](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$22.95**

Do you ever look for shapes in the clouds? Milo lies in the grass watching cottony cumulus clouds transform into animals. Maya looks out a plane window and marvels at the sky outside and the shapes countries make below. Through their different perspectives, Milo and Maya remind us that there are countless ways to experience the world. The World from Here explores the fascinating areas of nephology (the study of clouds), meteorology and geography. These sciences help us understand our world and the wonders that make living here on Earth so rewarding.

**Categories:** [Narrative Non Fiction](#), [Science](#), [Environment](#), [Nature](#), [Patterns](#), [Weather](#), [Astronomy](#)



**248. YOU ARE LOVED** [LIFE LESSONS FOR LITTLE ONES](#)

[Jess Sanders](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

You are loved by your friends, those new and old. You are loved by your family, both near and far. And you are loved by yourself. If you have ever felt left out, lonely, or misunderstood, you are not alone. This book is for any child who needs a reminder that they are loved, just as they are.

**Categories:** [Feelings/Emotions](#), [Love](#), [Family](#)

# General Information



## 249. ALL ABOUT STARTING SCHOOL

Felicity Brooks | Marc Ferrero (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

What is a school? Why do we have to go there? How will we get there? What do we need to take? Who will we meet and what will we do when we are there? Children can find out about who works in a school, what happens during the school day and get tips on how to make friends. Includes Quicklinks for further information and useful notes for grown-ups on helping prepare children for the big day; encourages conversation about starting school; and supports the early years curriculum.

**Categories:** [Starting School](#), [First Experiences](#)



## 250. BABAR AZAM GREATEST CRICKET STARS

Thomas Scoble | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Follow the journeys of the best batters and bowlers in cricket, from playing with friends to competing against the biggest teams in the world. Whether they're playing for their domestic team or for their country, these inspiring players give their all in every game to find success after success! Read this captivating story about Babar Azam!

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Cricket](#), [Famous People](#), [Biography](#)



## 251. BEN STOKES GREATEST CRICKET STARS

Thomas Scoble | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Follow the journeys of the best batters and bowlers in cricket, from playing with friends to competing against the biggest teams in the world. Whether they're playing for their domestic team or for their country, these inspiring players give their all in every game to find success after success! Read this incredible story about Ben Stokes!

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Cricket](#), [Famous People](#), [Biography](#)



## 252. BROTHER BOOK, THE

Todd Parr | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Some brothers are big. Some brothers are little. Some brothers are quiet. Some brothers are a little wild. All brothers are a special part of your family! Following his family classics The Mommy Book, The Daddy Book, The Grandma Book, and The Grandpa Book, Todd celebrates all different kinds of brothers with his trademark child-friendly art and silly humour. Whether they are older or younger, enjoy playing sports or dancing, prefer to hang out together or need time to themselves, brothers are always a special part of your family. This sibling celebration is perfect for brothers of all ages, and for children who are expecting a new little brother.

**Categories:** [Family Unit](#), [Brothers](#)



## 253. CARLOS SAINZ RACING LEGENDS

Maurice Hamilton | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Race through fun facts, stats and stories about your favourite drivers with F1 expert, Maurice Hamilton. Illustrated throughout by Cat Sims. Find out how Carlos Sainz became a racing legend! Covering his rise through the ranks, records, and rivalries, this book tells you everything you need to know about the Spanish superstar. Easy to read and fun to share, Racing Legends: Carlos Sainz is perfect for fast and curious minds, whatever their reading ability. Check out the rest of the Racing Legends series for more books to speed through!

**Categories:** [Famous People](#), [Biography](#), [Sport](#), [Motor Racing](#)



## 254. CHICKENS WATCH ME GROW

Sara Forster | Bianca Austria (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

With colourful, engaging illustration and simple explanations, this is a fun and informative introduction to the life cycles of chickens. This book will take the reader on a journey from the hatching of a tiny chick, learning about how it grows, eats and the habitat it lives in.

**Categories:** [Chickens](#)



## 255. CLUCK! EGGSTRAORDINARY STORY OF CHICKENS, THE

Evelien De Vlieger | Jan Hamstra (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$34.99** | **School Price \$29.75**

Explore the wide variety of chicken breeds, uncover how they think and feel, learn the terminology for their anatomy, delve into their history and find out which types of eggs different breeds lay. You'll also discover how to 'speak chicken', along with tips on handling and caring for these characterful birds.





**255. CHRIS HOY** LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS

Maria Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Edita Hajdu (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

As a boy growing up in Scotland, Chris loved nothing more than racing around on his BMX and dreaming of becoming a champion. He wasn't the fastest cyclist at first, but that didn't stop him! With determination, courage, and relentless effort, he went on to become one of the greatest cyclists of all time, winning six Olympic gold medals and eleven world titles! But Chris's story doesn't end at the finish line. After retiring, he became an author, writing books to inspire children and young athletes to chase their dreams. In 2024, he showed remarkable courage once again, by openly sharing his cancer diagnosis and offering hope through his strength.

**Categories:** Famous People, Biography, Sport, Cycling



**257. CRISTIANO RONALDO** GREATEST FOOTBALL STARS

Luke Paton | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Cristiano Ronaldo is one of the greatest players of all time. After proving himself under Sir Alex Ferguson at Manchester United, he earned a mighty reputation at Real Madrid. His talent and unmatched ability took the footballing world by storm.

**Categories:** Sport, Soccer, Football, Famous People



**258. EVERYTHING YOU KNOW ABOUT BIRDS IS WRONG!**

Nick Crumpton | Gavin Scott (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$27.00**

Bird fans will quickly become bird experts with this informative, inventive and entertaining take on an animal book! Do you know all there is to know about birds? They're boring, defenceless and not very smart, right? Well, this book is here to show you that you're wrong! But don't worry, even the experts can't be right all the time . . . So, let's uncover the truth! From incredible feats of flight to super-powerful senses, discover how everything you think you know about birds is actually untrue in this in-depth, ingenious book.

**Categories:** General Knowledge, Birds



**259. EXPLORING COMETS AND ASTEROIDS** EXPLORING OUR SOLAR SYSTEM

Rosie Rowntree | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Calling all budding astronauts and space scientists! Prepare to blast-off on a journey through space with this guide to the comets and asteroids flying and bashing into things around the solar system. Learn about where most of them can be found, how comets might have helped create life on Earth, the asteroid that killed the dinosaurs and so much more! Packed with full-colour photographs, awesome graphics, and fun, bite-sized facts, 'Exploring Comets and Asteroids' is perfect for young explorers wanting the latest news about the celestial objects that call our solar system home. A book to inspire the astrobiologists of the future!

**Categories:** Space, Solar System, Universe, Comets, Asteroids



**260. EXPLORING NEPTUNE** EXPLORING OUR SOLAR SYSTEM

Rosie Rowntree | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Calling all budding astronauts and space scientists! Prepare to blast-off on a journey through space with this guide to Neptune, the furthest planet in the solar system. Learn about the fastest winds found on any planet, its dark spot that is the same size as Earth, its moons that have barely changed since they were first formed and so much more! Packed with full-colour photographs, awesome graphics, and fun, bite-sized facts, 'Exploring Neptune' is perfect for young explorers wanting the latest news about the celestial objects that call our solar system home. A book to inspire the astrobiologists of the future!

**Categories:** Space, Solar System, Planets, Neptune



**261. EXPLORING PLUTO** EXPLORING OUR SOLAR SYSTEM

Rosie Rowntree | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Calling all budding astronauts and space scientists! Prepare to blast-off on a journey through space with this guide to Pluto and other dwarf planets found in the solar system. Learn about why scientists don't consider Pluto a planet anymore, what the Kuiper Belt is, what a dwarf planet is in the first place and so much more! Packed with full-colour photographs, awesome graphics, and fun, bite-sized facts, 'Exploring Pluto' is perfect for young explorers wanting the latest news about the celestial objects that call our solar system home. Buckle up and get ready for lift-off! A book to inspire the astrobiologists of the future!

**Categories:** Space, Solar System, Planets, Pluto



**262. EXPLORING URANUS** EXPLORING OUR SOLAR SYSTEM

Rosie Rowntree | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Calling all budding astronauts and space scientists! Prepare to blast-off on a journey through space with this guide to Uranus, coldest planet in the solar system. Learn about why it looks blue when viewed through a telescope, why it's tilted on its side, why scientists think it might rain diamonds and so much more! Packed with full-colour photographs, awesome graphics, and fun, bite-sized facts, 'Exploring Uranus' is perfect for young explorers wanting the latest news about the celestial objects that call our solar system home. A book to inspire the astrobiologists of the future!

**Categories:** Space, Solar System, Planets, Uranus



### 263. **FORMULA 1 GREATEST MOMENTS** **ULTIMATE SPORTS HEROES**

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

From the creation of Formula One all the way to present day, this book collects together ONE HUNDRED of the most thrilling and significant races, cars and drivers from the last 75 years of racing. Featuring Fangio's 1957 win, the closest finish in the race's history in 1971, Maria Teresa de Filippis, the First Lady of F1, and Lewis Hamilton's 2008 win, this is an endlessly fascinating treasury of stories for fans of all ages.

**Categories:** Sport, Motorsports, Formula One



### 264. **GEORGE RUSSELL** **RACING LEGENDS**

Maurice Hamilton | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Race through fun facts, stats and stories about your favourite drivers with F1 expert, Maurice Hamilton. Illustrated in black and white throughout by Cat Sims. Discover how George Russell became a racing legend in this fun, illustrated, fact-filled book! Read about his wins, losses and find out about the history of Formula One. Easy to read and fun to share, Racing Legends: George Russell is perfect for fast and curious minds, whatever their reading ability. Check out the rest of the Racing Legends series for more books to speed through!

**Categories:** Famous People, Biography, Sport, Motor Racing

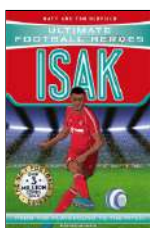


### 265. **HEROES OF THE WORLD CUP RULE** **FOOTBALL SUPERSTARS**

Simon Mugford | Dan Green (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.05**

Get ready for a globe-trotting football adventure in this superstar-packed guide to the greatest players in World Cup history! From Pele and Maradona to Marta and Alex Morgan, this book celebrates the legends who lit up the world's biggest stage. Written by Simon Mugford and packed with Dan Green's hilarious cartoon illustrations, it's bursting with jaw-dropping stats, unforgettable moments, and epic goals from both the men's and women's tournaments. Whether you dream of lifting the trophy or just love the beautiful game, this fun and fact-filled book is perfect for football-mad kids who want to meet the true World Cup greats!

**Categories:** Sport, Football, Soccer



### 266. **ISAK** **ULTIMATE FOOTBALL HEROES**

Matt Oldfield | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Alexander Isak discovered his love of football at the age of just six when his older brothers would take him to their local pitch. His talent and unwavering skills earned him the title 'King of the Cage' and he soon joined the ALK youth academy. Despite early doubts from his coaches, Isak rose through the ranks and proved himself to be an indispensable player. This is the story of the superstar striker from Sweden who caught the attention of Borussia Dortmund, before finding his way to Newcastle United to compete with the best on the world stage.

**Categories:** Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



### 267. **JASPRIT BUMRAH** **GREATEST CRICKET STARS**

Thomas Scoble | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Jasprit Bumrah's unique bowling style makes him an incredibly tough bowler for any batsman to beat. He was the Mumbai Indians' highest wicket-taker in three of their Indian Premier League wins, becoming an irreplaceable member of the squad. His career has been full of many highs and great achievements, but he's also experienced his fair share of lows. Follow his rise to the top!

**Categories:** Sport, Cricket, Biography, Famous People

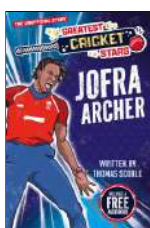


### 268. **JOE ROOT** **GREATEST CRICKET STARS**

Thomas Scoble | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Follow the journeys of the best batters and bowlers in cricket, from playing with friends to competing against the biggest teams in the world. Whether they're playing for their domestic team or for their country, these inspiring players give their all in every game to find success after success! Read this amazing story about Joe Root!

**Categories:** Sport, Cricket, Famous People, Biography

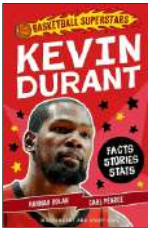


### 269. **JOFRA ARCHER** **GREATEST CRICKET STARS**

Thomas Scoble | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

No bowler is quite like Jofra Archer. After making a big name for himself on the county circuit with Sussex, he earned a spot on England's national team. Batsmen fear coming up against him, and with good reason. His deliveries often reach lightning-quick speeds of ninety miles per hour, making him one of the fastest bowlers in the world. With a player like Jofra on your side, anything seems possible.

**Categories:** Sport, Cricket, Biography, Famous People



## 270. **KEVIN DURANT** BASKETBALL SUPERSTARS

[Hannah Dolan](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.05**

Kevin Durant is a scoring machine who can shoot from anywhere on the court and dominate with his size, skill, and versatility. Follow his journey from a standout high school player to an NBA superstar, and track all of his key stats along the way! This fun chapter book is packed with original illustrations showing every step of his rise to greatness. Inside, you'll find real-life quotes, stories about his teammates and rivals, and tons of amazing stats. It's the perfect book for anyone who wants to learn more about this incredible player.

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Basketball](#), [Famous People](#), [Biography](#)



## 271. **LIONEL MESSI** GREATEST FOOTBALL STARS

[Luke Paton](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Lionel Messi's rapid rise to stardom was filled with hardship, determination, bravery and over 800 goals. It's almost impossible to believe that this Argentinian giant of football was once considered too small to play. Proving any doubters wrong, he showed the world just how talented he was and took both club and country to new, victorious heights. If Messi is on a team, there just is no stopping them.

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Soccer](#), [Football](#), [Famous People](#)



## 272. **LIVERPOOL'S GREATEST MOMENTS** ULTIMATE FOOTBALL HEROES

[Tom Palmer](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

From the founding of the club in 1892 to present day, bestselling author and football expert Tom Palmer picks ONE HUNDRED of the most thrilling and significant goals, games, players and moments from more than 130 years of The Reds. Featuring the 2022 FA Cup win, the 2005 Miracle of Istanbul, Liverpool's first division title in 1947, the 2006 "Gerrard Final", and the ongoing Hillsborough Justice Campaign, this is an endlessly fascinating treasury of stories for fans of all ages.

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Football](#), [Soccer](#)



## 273. **MY AMAZING AUTISTIC BRAIN**

[Emily Snape](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Jai and their friends are a brilliant bunch of little monsters who can't wait to meet you! They're all on the autistic spectrum, and in this book, they each share what that means for them – from things they find challenging to the amazing strengths their unique brains bring. My Amazing Autistic Brain celebrates the wonderful diversity of neurodivergence and the power of thinking differently. Packed with playful illustrations and designed to spark meaningful conversations, this book will help children to: – Explore what being autistic means for them. – Celebrate their unique strengths and differences. – Understand that autism is a spectrum – Learn how communication and understanding help us support one another. – Build empathy towards others and confidence in themselves.

**Categories:** [Neurodiverse](#), [Neurodiversity](#), [Autism](#)

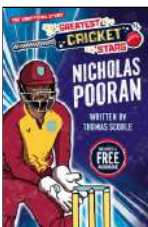


## 274. **NATURE**

[Olivia Watson](#) | [Tjarda Borsboom](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$19.55**

Our planet is teeming with unique natural wonders, from tiny insects that keep the ecosystem in balance to awe-inspiring mountains rising above us. Explore the science behind nature in a fun and curious way, with fun accessible bite-size facts and stunning full-colour illustrated scenes. Journey through four key parts of nature, including the physical features that make our planet unique, weird and wonderful plant species, remarkable animals with clever adaptations, and diverse habitats around the world. Beautifully bound with wide appeal, it's a high-interest read showcasing everything from the water-cycle to fungi sending messages and more!

**Categories:** [Nature](#), [Environment](#), [Habitat](#), [Trees](#), [Wildlife](#)



## 275. **NICHOLAS POORAN** GREATEST CRICKET STARS

[Thomas Scoble](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Nicholas Pooran is a star player for the West Indies. His aggressive batting style can cause him to lose his wicket too early, but his determination and dedication are unmatched. He has the ability to turn matches around within minutes, doing everything possible to help his team succeed. He has played in leagues all over the world, from the Caribbean Premier League to the Indian Premier League.

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Cricket](#), [Biography](#), [Famous People](#)



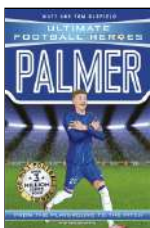


## 276. **OUR FAVOURITE FOOD** THIS IS OUR WORLD

Valerie Wilding | Asa Gilland (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$25.50**

Find out about all sorts of delicious food eaten across the globe with this fascinating title in the critically acclaimed This Is Our World series! By turning the pages of This Is Our World – Food, readers will embark on a culinary adventure through twenty different countries. From meals cooked in an underground oven in Fiji, to sweet mini pancakes served in the Netherlands, there are so many dishes to discover. The vibrant artwork illustrated by Asa Gilland brings every page to life, while the engaging text written by Tracey Turner makes information accessible and fun. By celebrating a variety of food, we can learn more about customs and cultures all over the planet. This is both a beautiful gift book and a highly-accessible home reference, sure to inspire young readers with an interest in the world around us.

**Categories:** Celebrations, Culture, Food

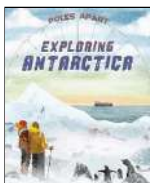


## 277. **PALMER** ULTIMATE FOOTBALL HEROES

Matt Oldfield | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

Blessed with a natural talent and unwavering determination, Cole Palmer proved himself a prodigy from a young age. Quickly rising through the youth ranks at Manchester City and later joining their main squad as part of the winning team who took home victories for the Premier League, FA cup and UEFA Championship all in the same year. He then signed with Chelsea FC. Known for his composure, this attacking midfielder is one of the best young footballers in the world. Follow the story of Cole Palmer, ultimate football hero, from academy player at Manchester City all the way to scoring the equalising goal at the UEFA Euro 2024 final and being named England's Men's Player of the Year in 2024.

**Categories:** Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



## 278. **POLES APART: EXPLORING ANTARCTICA** POLES APART

Compilation COMPILATION | Oliver Averill (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$32.99** | **School Price \$28.05**

This book explores Antarctica, showing the plants and animals that survive here in the long dark winters and acute cold. Learn about ice floes and pack ice so heavy and hard they can tear a ship's hull and read about the amazing Antarctic fish who have anti-freeze in their blood. See the stunning Southern lights rippling across the sky in glowing greens and yellows and find out what sparkling diamond dust is. Because so few humans can live in such cold conditions, this means the region is mostly unspoilt, providing a great environment for scientific research. This book looks at the work that happens in Antarctica as well as exploring some of the problems that affect the region, such as climate change and toxic pollution. Oliver Averill's atmospheric illustrations provide a visual guide to one of our planet's extraordinary polar regions.

**Categories:** Polar Lands, Explorers, Antarctica



## 279. **POLES APART: EXPLORING THE ARCTIC** POLES APART

Compilation COMPILATION | Oliver Averill (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$32.99** | **School Price \$28.05**

Covered in vast expanses of ice and snow, and battered by gale-force winds, the Arctic is one of Earth's most hostile habitats. And yet many amazing animals and plants thrive in these extreme conditions. This book explores the Arctic, showing the plants and animals that survive here in the long dark winters and acute cold. Read about icebergs as tall as a 10-storey building and ice sheets as big as countries. See the stunning Northern lights stretching across the sky in glowing colours. Read about Arctic animals, including polar bears, Arctic foxes and wolverines, reindeer, narwhals and beluga whales. See how life has changed for the people who live and work in the Arctic. This book also explores some of the problems that affect the region, such as climate change and pollution.

**Categories:** Polar Lands, Explorers, Arctic



## 280. **RASHID KHAN** GREATEST CRICKET STARS

Thomas Scoble | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Rashid Khan, an Afghan sensation, burst onto the cricket scene at just seventeen, quickly establishing himself as one of his country's finest bowlers. Renowned for his deceptive leg-spin, he possesses the skill to outwit even the most astute batsmen. Whether representing his nation or competing in various leagues worldwide, Rashid electrifies every competition he enters. He's shattered numerous records, including becoming the youngest captain of an international team at the age of nineteen. Once Rashid Khan takes the field, there's simply no stopping him.

**Categories:** Sport, Cricket, Biography, Famous People



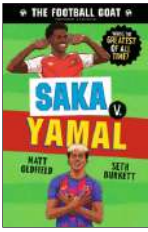
## 281. **RIHANNA** LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS

Maria Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Nina Mata (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Follow the incredible story of Rihanna, from a young girl in Barbados to an international superstar and successful businesswoman. Robyn Rihanna Fenty grew up on the Caribbean island of Barbados. Bursting on to the scene with hits like 'Umbrella' and 'Diamonds', she quickly became one of the most popular artists of all time. She was also inspired to launch a game-changing inclusive beauty and fashion brand, Fenty, and is a dedicated philanthropist, working through her Clara Lionel Foundation to support education, disaster relief and healthcare worldwide. Rihanna's journey proves that hard work, creativity and self-belief can break down any barriers. Now a mother herself, Rihanna continues to shine bright and inspire others to be confident and proud of who they are.

**Categories:** Famous People, Biography, Music





## 282. **SAKA V YAMAL** FOOTBALL GOAT

Matt Oldfield | Seth Burkett (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Saka v. Yamal: these football legends go head-to-head to decide who is the Greatest Of All Time! Get ready for the superstar showdown of Bukayo Saka v. Lamine Yamal in the ultimate football debate. Compare all the latest data, including sizzling stats, fascinating facts and awesome stories, then decide which football legend is the greatest of all time. Are you ready to VOTE FOR THE GOAT?

**Categories:** Sport, Football, Soccer



## 283. **SHEVOLUTION: CELEBRATING GIRL POWER THROUGH HISTORY**

Lou Treleaven | Petra Braun (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$24.30**

There is a beginning to every story and this story begins with a woman. Everyone alive on the planet today can trace their ancestry back to just one person—we call her Mitochondrial Eve. But who would she have been, what would her life have been like? And what has happened for her billions of descendants? A whistlestop tour through prehistory, history and on to the future, Shevolution spans an extraordinary 200,000 years, following the journeys of the female pioneers who have shaped us all. And all can trace back to our shared relative and the origin of our Shevolution.

**Categories:** Women's Rights, Suffragette, History

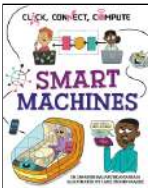


## 284. **SISTER BOOK, THE**

Todd Parr | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Some sisters are big. Some sisters are little. Some sisters want to be scientists. Some sister want to be mermaids. All sisters are a special part of your family! Following his family classics The Mommy Book, The Daddy Book, The Grandma Book, and The Grandpa Book, Todd celebrates all different kinds of sisters with his trademark child-friendly art and silly humour. Whether they are older or younger, enjoy helping in the kitchen or the garage, live with you or live far away, sisters are always a special part of your family. This sibling celebration is perfect for sisters of all ages, and for children who are expecting a new little sister.

**Categories:** Family Unit, Sisters

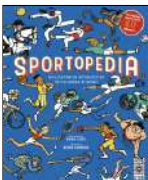


## 285. **SMART MACHINES** CLICK, CONNECT, COMPUTE

Dharini Balasubramaniam | Luke Seguin-Magee (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

This book uncovers how machines that can learn are created and how they operate. Readers will discover the meaning of Artificial Intelligence (AI), the benefits of teamwork in tech, and the role that the 'Internet of Things' plays in helping homes, hospitals and cities run. And the end of the book fast-forwards to the future of computer science, robotics and AI and considers what it might mean to live in a 'smarter' world. It features fun, friendly comic strip illustrations, pioneer bios and a quiz!

**Categories:** STEM, Science, Computers, Technology

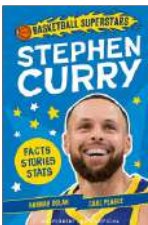


## 286. **SPORTOPEDIA: EXPLORE MORE THAN 60 SPORTS**

Adam Skinner | Mark Long (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$27.99** | **School Price \$25.20**

Sportopedia is your ultimate guide to the exhilarating world of sport. Learn amazing facts about all your favourite sports, and discover new ones you may not have come across before. Whether you're into team sports, target sports, track and field, or aquatic sports, this book showcases a diverse array of athletes - male, female, able-bodied and Paralympians - and celebrates the unique talents of sportspeople everywhere, making it a treasure trove for all the family to share. With basic tenets and rules as well as more niche facts all explained, this book serves as a complete encyclopaedia to the sporting world. Sport-loving kids will find hours of entertainment and fascinating information in this awesome encyclopedia.

**Categories:** Sport

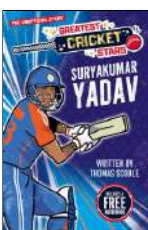


## 287. **STEPHEN CURRY** BASKETBALL SUPERSTARS

Hannah Dolan | Paperback | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.05**

Steph Curry is an amazing shooter who can make long three-pointers and change the game with his quickness and skills. Follow his journey from high school basketball star to NBA legend, and learn every one of their key stats along the way! This fun chapter book is filled with original illustrations showing every step of his story. In this book, you'll find real life quotes, information about his friends and his rivals, and lot of amazing stats. It's perfect for anyone who wants to find out more about this incredible player.

**Categories:** Sport, Basketball, Famous People, Biography



## 288. **SURYAKUMAR YADAV** GREATEST CRICKET STARS

Thomas Scoble | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Suryakumar Yadav makes batting look easy, but his journey into India's national team was long and difficult. After finding success in the Indian Premier League with the Mumbai Indians and Kolkata Knight Riders, he fought extra hard to finally earn his spot on the world stage. Proving he had what it took to stay at the top, he then scored a six on his very first international T20 ball.

**Categories:** Sport, Cricket, Biography, Famous People



## 289. **THIS BOOK WILL MAKE YOU A SCIENTIST**

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

Measure the speed of light like Albert Einstein! Train to be an astronaut like Mae Jemison! Extract DNA like Dorothy Hodgkin! Be inspired by ground-breaking scientists from around the world, then test out their amazing ideas with 25 fun step-by-step experiments to try at home. Make your own volcano, explore evolution, grow crystals, write in invisible ink, communicate with chimpanzees, study black holes – and much, much more! Jam-packed with imaginative ideas for all kinds of STE(A)M activities ... this book will make YOU a scientist!

**Categories:** [STEM](#), [Science](#), [Famous People](#), [Scientists](#)

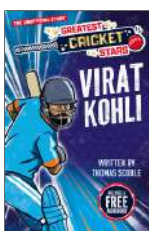


## 290. **ULTIMATE FOOTBALL HEROES 2026** [ULTIMATE FOOTBALL HEROES](#)

Matt Oldfield | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Look back at an amazing year in football with the No.1 football series. Relive the goals, games and glories of the 2024-2025 season. This BUMPER SPECIAL EDITION is packed with stories of football heroes from across the world, plus stats and quizzes to test your knowledge – it's the ultimate yearbook for fans of the beautiful game!

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Football](#), [Soccer](#)



## 291. **VIRAT KOHLI** [GREATEST CRICKET STARS](#)

Thomas Scoble | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Follow the journeys of the best batters and bowlers in cricket, from playing with friends to competing against the biggest teams in the world. Whether they're playing for their domestic team or for their country, these inspiring players give their all in every game to find success after success! Read this exciting story about Virat Kohli!

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Cricket](#), [Famous People](#), [Biography](#)



## 292. **WEATHER** [EYEWONDER](#)

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

Follow our ever-changing skies and uncover the secrets of weather with this edition of Eyewonder Weather for children aged 5-7. Get ready to chase the wind, ride the waves, and dodge lightning as you dive into this book about weather for children. Study the fascinating forces that shape weather and find out how clouds form, what makes thunderstorms rumble, and why the weather changes every season. This book will take young readers on a whirlwind journey like never before! Plus, with activities such as, "Which way?" and "Storm chasers", your kids will be entertained time and again.

**Categories:** [Weather](#)

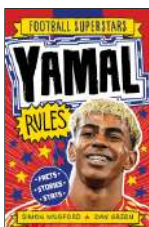


## 293. **WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE** [LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS](#)

Maria Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Andrea Stegmaier (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Learn about the story of William Shakespeare, the incredible playwright and poet who shaped the world of literature. Little William grew up during the Tudor era. But then, as now, there was storytelling, and William loved to create new stories. After getting married to his wife Anne, William moved to London to seek his fortune. He joined a theatre there and acted on stage alongside writing his own plays. His work is some of the most famous literature of all time, loved and performed across the world to this day. A truly timeless, iconic figure, William Shakespeare forever changed language and culture with his incredible gift for literature.

**Categories:** [Famous People](#), [Biography](#), [Author](#), [Writing](#)



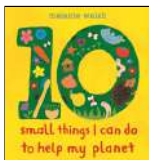
## 294. **YAMAL RULES** [FOOTBALL SUPERSTARS](#)

Simon Mugford | Paperback | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.05**

Football Superstars brings you the story of Spain's latest football wonderkid who made history as one of the youngest players to ever play for FC Barcelona. He zoomed through the club's famous La Masia academy, developing his dazzling dribbles and fearless skills. At just 15, he made his debut for Barcelona's first team! The winger loves taking on defenders with his quick feet and clever tricks. Fast, creative and cool under pressure, Lamine Yamal is a name the football world won't forget!

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Football](#), [Soccer](#), [Biography](#)

# 2025 Highlights



## 295. 10 SMALL THINGS I CAN DO TO HELP MY PLANET

Melanie Walsh | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** | **School Price \$22.39**

A beautifully simple novelty picture book for small children where transforming pages reveal ten small actions that everyone can do to help make a difference to their world – from filling up a reusable water bottle to upcycling old clothes. Each small action is child-friendly and accessible, and wonderfully complemented by bold, bright and inviting artwork.

**Categories:** Environmental Issues, Activism, Conservation, Recycling

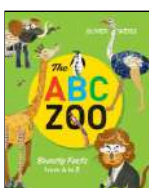


## 296. 24 HOURS ON THE MOON GRAPHIC NOVEL

Andy Prentice | David Gomez (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$14.39**

An exciting, fact-filled comic book that explores the exhilarating future of life on the Moon. Follow a girl's thrilling first day on the Moon. She explores every corner of her father's base, and finds out how everyone is kept alive and fed in such a hostile environment. She'll learn about fusion power, robot mining and the futuristic sport of Moonball. Inspired by the latest scientific breakthroughs and anticipating technological progress to come, this is an exciting story based on real Moon science.

**Categories:** Graphic Information, Space, Moon, Science, Technology, STEM

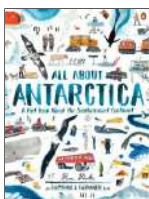


## 297. ABC ZOO: BEASTLY FACTS FROM A-Z, THE

Oliver Weiss | Hardback | **RRP \$28.99** | **School Price \$23.19**

Animals, art, and the ABCs—this dazzlingly delightful picture book shares an alphabetical collection of facts about all kinds of animals we know (or thought we did!) and love.

**Categories:** Alphabet, Animals, Collage



## 298. ALL ABOUT ANTARCTICA

Marc Martin | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Antarctica is a fragile and fascinating world that most of us will never see . . . and it's disappearing. Learn all about it before it's too late. From colossal squids and active volcanoes to research vessels and cricket matches, there's a lot more to the South Pole than just penguins and icebergs. Discover how humans survive in the coldest, driest, windiest place on Earth and in this endlessly fascinating book. A thrilling illustrated adventure that allows readers to get a deeper understanding of this unique place and learn about the global importance of the southernmost continent. Offering a look at the world of Antarctica, a place where curiosity meets science. Great for readers ages five to ninety-five!

**Categories:** Exploration, Discovery, Adventure, History, Antarctica, Environment, Conservation, Science, STEM



## 299. ATTACK OF THE ALIANTS CAMP SPOOKY

Pip Harry | Joanna Bartel (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

Being chosen for the Sensational Sports Superstars of the Future Sports Camp is meant to be an honour, but for ten-year-old Isla it's the last place she wants to be. Her parents are famous sports heroes, but she has another secret passion. When she meets Archie, a rural kid with tons of swimming talent, the pair team up to solve a perplexing camp mystery that involves disappearing devices, a strange buzzing noise at night and kids acting like zombies. Together, they'll uncover an alien invasion, foil a secret government agency, and have the courage to go after their dreams.

**Categories:** Mystery, Adventure, Expectations, Friendship, Courage, Aliens, Sport, Resilience, Teamwork



## 300. BAPA'S LAST CANOE

Maree McCarthy Yoelu | Samantha Campbell (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** | **School Price \$22.39**

A simple, touching children's picture book about Bapa (Grandfather), a traditional canoe maker, and the making of his very last canoe. Bapa takes his three daughters away on a long canoe ride to go to school. They travel for many months to get to the city, seeing many animals and sights along the way and enjoying each other's company.

**Categories:** Aboriginal Studies, First Nations, Connection, Country, Bilingual, Culture, Bushwalking



## 301. BEAK TO THE FUTURE GRAPHIC NOVEL TWO-HEADED CHICKEN

Tom Angleberger | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$14.39**

The two-headed chicken is back, with twice the adventure, twice the jokes, and a lot more heads (wait, did they just accidentally turn into a double-headed space snake?). Having lost the Astrocap™ somewhere in the multiverse, our intrepid hero dons the Timecap™ to scour the timestream, which looks a lot like broccoli, in search of it. But danger and drama await with every time-hopping POOZB! of the Timecap™, including hungry dinosaurs, fierce werewolves, poet Emily Dickinson, a fish with a mustache who wants to talk about feelings, and even the return of the chicken's archenemy, Kernel Antlers, the shape-shifting moose!

**Categories:** Graphic Novel, Humour, Multiverse





### 302. **BETWEEN**

Anna Walker | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** | **School Price \$22.39**

Between day and night... A cabbage moth and a cricket meet for the first time in the quiet space between twilight and dawn. As the unlikely pair discover each other's worlds, friendship blooms in unexpected places. From award-winning creator Anna Walker comes a poetic tale of connection and understanding. With masterful illustrations in stunning spot colours, *Between* invites readers to explore what happens when we bridge the spaces that divide us. A tale that will resonate with readers of all ages and spark conversations about empathy, friendship, and the beauty of reaching out to others.

**Categories:** [Friendship](#), [Empathy](#)



### 303. **BIG JIM BELIEVES GRAPHIC NOVEL** [DOG MAN](#)

Dav Pilkey | Hardback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$23.99** | **School Price \$19.19**

With threads of self-awareness, confidence, and integrity, Dav Pilkey masterfully crafts a humorous and heartfelt adventure, weaving together the importance of truth, goodness, and believing in yourself. The celebration comes to a halt for our heroes in *Dog Man: Big Jim Believes* when the mischievous Space Cuties From Space return. Our caped crusaders—Dog Man (aka Scarlet Shedder), Commander Cupcake, and Sprinkles—along with Mecha Molly discover that the city has changed, and nothing is how it should be. Can Big Jim's positivity and innocence help our heroes? Will Dog Man, Big Jim, Grampa, and Molly have the courage to trust each other and save the day? How does the past help shape the future? And who is the chosen one?

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Humour](#), [Empathy](#), [Kindness](#)

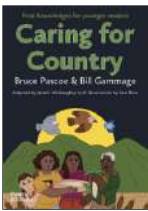


### 304. **BOWERBIRD BLOOM**

Aura Parker | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

I am a dancer. Flitting, floating, in the purple rain. Growing, changing, and collecting blue. But what happens when you want too much? Join the bowerbird chicks in this tale of family and forgiveness, from the best-selling author of *Bowerbird Blues*. A story of love and tenderness with universal themes of growing up, making mistakes and making peace.

**Categories:** [Family](#), [Change](#), [Forgiveness](#), [Belonging](#), [Environment](#)



### 305. **CARING FOR COUNTRY** [FIRST KNOWLEDGES](#)

Bruce Pascoe | Savi Ross (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$21.59**

Join writer and farmer Bruce Pascoe and historian Bill Gammage as they generously share their knowledge about the amazing way that First Nations people cared for Australia and how closely humans have been connected with nature for thousands of years. From the careful use of fire to sustainable hunting and farming, there is so much we can learn to make sure we have a beautiful country today and for the future. The First Knowledges series for younger readers celebrates the wisdom and ingenuity of the First Peoples of this land. These books provide children with the building blocks to better understand our history and look to the future with fresh eyes.

**Categories:** [Aboriginal Studies](#), [First Nations](#), [Culture](#), [Country](#)

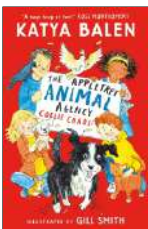


### 306. **CASTLE CRASHING**

Andrea Rowe | Hannah Sommerville (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Bonnie knows how to build sandcastles best, but her friends insist on building their own castles every way but Bonnie's way. They sift and sculpt and burrow in the soft, white sand, happily playing by their own rules. No-one listens to Bonnie. Soon, her anger boils over and she storms off across the dunes. Bonnie's friends are patient and understanding; they will wait for her to navigate her feelings. But can Bonnie show herself the same kindness?

**Categories:** [Teamwork](#), [Beach](#), [Kindness](#), [Frustration](#), [Forgiveness](#), [Understanding](#)

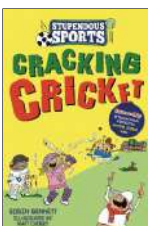


### 307. **COLLIE CHAOS** [APPLETREE ANIMAL AGENCY](#)

Katya Balen | Gill Smith (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

The Appletree Animal Agency have found three brand-new clients: a terrapin called Algernon, a ginger cat called Crumpet, and a three-legged dog called Domino! When Domino escapes in a snowstorm, the team set out to rescue him. They track his paw prints – but when they find their dog, they stumble upon someone else who needs help...

**Categories:** [Animal Rescue](#), [Dogs](#), [Friendship](#)



### 308. **CRACKING CRICKET** [STUPENDOUS SPORTS](#)

Robin Bennett | Paperback | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$12.79**

Originally a way for bored shepherds to pass the time, via a first international in New York in 1844, to an estimated 60 million players worldwide today – it's no surprise that cricket is the second most popular sport in the world. Find out all about the sport in *Cracking Cricket* – full of jokes, fun facts and spotlight on famous cricketers, perfect for cricket fans and newcomers alike.

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Cricket](#), [Jokes](#), [Reluctant Readers](#)



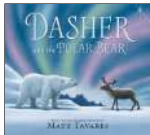


### 309. **DARKSTALKER GRAPHIC NOVEL** [WINGS OF FIRE LEGENDS](#)

[Tui T Sutherland](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Three dragons. One unavoidable, unpredictable destiny. This is the beginning... of the end. In the SeaWing kingdom, a young prince learns he is an animus—capable of wonderful magic that comes with a terrible price. In the mind of a NightWing dragonet, a thousand futures unfold—and almost all of them, she knows, lead to disaster and destruction. And under three full moons and the watchful eyes of his NightWing mother and IceWing father, the most powerful dragon Pyrrhia will ever know is clawing his way out of his egg: Darkstalker, the dragon who will change the world forever. Long before the SandWing war, lifetimes before the Dragonet Prophecy, darkness is born.

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Adventure](#), [Fantasy](#)

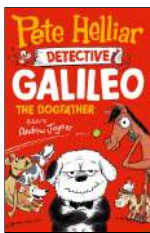


### 310. **DASHER AND THE POLAR BEAR**

[Matt Tavares](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

One bright night just before Christmas, Dasher the reindeer is out admiring the stunning colours of the northern lights when she meets George, a sweet polar bear. Astounded to see that Dasher can fly, George confides that he has dreamed of soaring through the sky himself. Dasher would like nothing more than to bestow some Christmas magic on her new friend, but their flying lesson turns out to be a disappointing failure. Even Dasher, an intrepid reindeer in the habit of giving – not giving up – begins to wonder if anyone can make George's dream take flight.

**Categories:** [Christmas](#), [Adventure](#), [Reindeer](#), [Kindness](#), [Santa](#), [Magic](#)



### 311. **DETECTIVE GALILEO: DOGFATHER, THE** [DETECTIVE GALILEO](#)

[Peter Helliar](#) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$12.79**

Galileo's brand-new detective agency on Happy Valley Farm is now in business, and with the help of Agatha they've got eyes, ears and wings all across the farm... now, if only they could find a case to solve! Meanwhile, with the Happy Valley Fair right around the corner all the animals pitch in to try and break the record for the World's Biggest Cake. All the animals except for the elusive Dogfather and his farm dogs, that is. When the milk and eggs on the farm go missing, Galileo is on the case and is determined to find any animals sniffing around where they don't belong.

**Categories:** [Humour](#), [Adventure](#), [Crime](#), [Mystery](#)

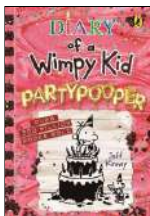


### 312. **DIARY OF A WICKED WITCH** [FAIRYTALE WOODS](#)

[Ben Miller](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

Discover your favourite fairytales from a WICKED point of view...

**Categories:** [Witches](#), [Magic](#), [Humour](#), [Twisted Fairytale](#)

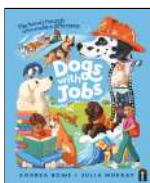


### 313. **DIARY OF A WIMPY KID: PARTYPOOPER** [DIARY OF A WIMPY KID](#)

[Jeff Kinney](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$11.99**

You're Invited-RSVP for Fun! Over the years, Greg Heffley has chronicled his mishaps and misadventures in a series of diaries, but book 20 of the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series, Partypopper, really takes the cake! Expect gobs of fun and over-the-top antics as Greg throws an epic birthday party for none other than himself. So come celebrate and laugh alongside Greg, his family, and the entire world of Wimpy Kid fans.

**Categories:** [Humour](#), [Family](#), [Friendship](#), [Birthday Party](#)

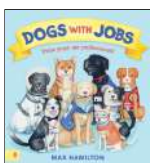


### 314. **DOGS WITH JOBS**

[Andrea Rowe](#) | [Julia Murray](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

For hundreds of years, dogs with jobs have helped us in so many ways. Dogs have dedication, extraordinary noses, extra-special skills to understand commands, the ability to pick up smells and sounds that humans can't, and the power to comfort and communicate with the humans they love. Dogs can do almost anything we ask them to. They're Dogs with Jobs – from therapy and companion, to tracking and herding, and search-and-rescue support. They're here to save the day in so many remarkable ways!

**Categories:** [Dogs](#), [Pets](#), [Occupations](#), [Working Dogs](#)



### 315. **DOGS WITH JOBS**

[Max Hamilton](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

From beekeepers to brave rescuers, dogs have the most amazing jobs! A delightful exploration of the many careers of our canine companions. Dogs may be our best friends, but sometimes that's just their side hustle! Meet the beekeepers, the whale poo sniffers, the dental assistants and the penguin protectors from around the world who prove that dogs have more jobs than you can throw a stick at. Packed with adorable illustrations and quirky jobs, this heart-warming book about our best (and busiest) friend is perfect for young readers and dog lovers everywhere.

**Categories:** [Narrative Non Fiction](#), [Dogs](#), [Teamwork](#), [Pets](#), [Occupations](#), [Working Dogs](#)



**316. DOGS: A VISUAL CATALOGUE OF MORE THAN 100 BREEDS**

Miranda Willis | Paperback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$23.99**

Dogs are important to us – we value them for their intelligence, selflessness and loving nature. And they return our affection with enthusiasm. No other species comes in such a huge variety of shapes, sizes, and colours as domestic dogs. Packed with fascinating facts on more than 100 breeds, this is the perfect guide to man's best friend.

**Categories:** [Pets](#), [Dogs](#)



**317. DRACULA AND DAUGHTERS**

Emma Carroll | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

When three cousins discover they're descendants of Dracula, they combine their powers to form the infamous vampire healing company, DRACULA & DAUGHTERS! Strange happenings are afoot in Temstown. Everyone is saying vampires are to blame and the townsfolk have their stakes at the ready. But Mina, Buffy and Bella, three unusual cousins, are about to discover a family secret – and an ancient book – that could change everything. Could their connection to Dracula give them the powers to heal – not cull – vampires? Temstown is about to welcome its very first vampire healing company, Dracula & Daughters, and their first case is certainly close to the heart!

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Mystery](#), [Vampires](#)



**318. DREAMING WELCOME TO OUR COUNTRY**

Adam Goodes | David Hardy (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

In my dreaming at night, I see pictures behind my eyes that take me far away. Way way back in the beginning, Akurras slithered, carving rivers, in a Creation story from my Dreaming, my Muda. Law men came down from the sky to teach us about our Country. In my Muda, the Ancestors are never far, and I can see how I fit and who I am. Told in a child's voice, Dreaming is a joyful and thought-provoking story in the bestselling Welcome to Our Country series, and follows one young girl as she imagines what it might be like to be part of the Dreaming, past and present..

**Categories:** [Aboriginal Studies](#), [First Nations](#), [Culture](#), [Country](#), [Knowledge](#), [Dreaming](#)



**319. DROPBEAR**

Philip Bunting | Hardback | **RRP \$25.99** | **School Price \$20.79**

They say Dropbear is mean, Dropbear is savage. But they are the gossips ... Meet Dropbear, if you dare, and decide for yourself!

**Categories:** [Rhyming Text](#), [Humour](#), [Urban Myth](#)

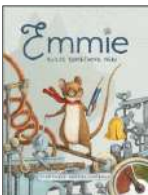


**320. DROUGHT KANGAROO, THE**

Jackie French | Danny Snell (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Drought has devastated Joseph the kangaroo's home. He longs for green grass and the cool, clear water he can smell in the distance. Kangaroos can leap higher and further than any other animal, but can even Joseph's strong hind legs help him reach the waterhole? And will the new mob there accept a stranger?

**Categories:** [Australian Animals](#), [Kangaroos](#), [Marsupials](#), [Drought](#)



**321. EMMIE BUILDS SOMETHING NEW**

Marjorie Crosby-Fairall | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Emmie the mouse is an extraordinary inventor. There is no problem she can't fix! But then a new kind of problem arrives. The type of problem that has claws, a long swishy tail and a mischievous gleam in its eyes. Emmie is sure she has an idea big enough to frighten the problem away. But perhaps the best way to tackle a problem is friendship, not fear? A cat-and-mouse caper with a unique twist, this is a captivating tale that celebrates innovation, resilience and the power of kindness.

**Categories:** [Friendship](#), [Problem Solving](#), [Inventions](#), [Resilience](#), [Kindness](#)



**322. ESCAPE FROM URANUS GRAPHIC NOVEL ULTRA VIOLET**

Cristy Burne | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

What is leaking from Uranus? How hard is it to hijack a UFO? And what happened to Lord Slayer Omega Freeze-dried Hell Flux? Uncover the truth in this madcap STEM-meets-adventure graphic novel. You will need: a talking hermit crab (Leonardo da Pinchi), a backfiring Butt Blaster (invented by Violet – see below), Violet Butt (she can science her way out of anything)(even an alien invasion), UFOs, a best friend, a spaceship with a toastie-maker, a pair of uber-cool safety glasses.

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Science](#), [STEM](#)



**323. EXPERIMENT, THE**

Rebecca Stead | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$14.39**

Although he appears to be a typical grade-six kid, Nathan learned at an early age that his family is from another planet, and he's part of an experiment to work out how to behave like a human and blend in. But the experiment suddenly seems to be going wrong. Some of the other experimenters, including Nathan's first crush, Izzy, are disappearing without a word. After his family is called back to the mothership, Nathan begins to question everything he's been taught to believe. Can he, Victor and Izzy uncover the truth? The Experiment asks universal questions about who we want to be, change, and the importance of friendship.

**Categories:** [Mystery](#), [Adventure](#), [Friendship](#), [Aliens](#)



### 324. **FAMILY SECRETS** **GIRL AND THE GHOST**

Jacqueline Harvey | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

Josephine Eloise Thomas is in Paris receiving a huge reward for solving one of the world's greatest art heists. But she's not alone. Gabriel Barbier, the gorgeous French boy who helped her solve the crime is there too. Amid the celebrations the chilling news that Anastasia, the mastermind behind the crime, has escaped from custody sets everyone on edge. Then, when Josephine's best friend Harriet arrives from Singapore, the discovery of a prehistoric underground cave network takes the group on an adventure like no other. Will Anastasia stay away or take revenge on the children who put her behind bars? Can Louis help save them this time or will things go horribly wrong? And will Josephine EVER get a kiss from Gabriel?

**Categories:** Friendship, Mystery, History



### 325. **FISHMONGER AND THE PASTRY CHEF, THE**

Sophie Masson | Cheryl Orsini (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

In a beautiful seaside town full of beautiful places, Lucas loved two best of all. First, was his aunt Violette's cake shop, with its warm, delicious aromas and beauty all around. Second, was the marketplace, with its hustle and bustle, and the stories told by the kind, quiet fishmonger, Cyprien. But when Lucas senses loneliness in his two favourite people, he whips up a plan to help, a plan that will end in a way even he could never imagine ...

**Categories:** Friendship, Community, Connectivity, Relationships, Kindness, Happiness, Memories

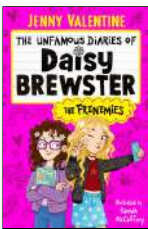


### 326. **FRANCES BLOOM** **FRANCES BLOOM**

Katrina Nannestad | Marina Zlatanova (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$14.39**

When Frances Bloom posts her bossy parents in a large box to the South Sandwich Islands, her schoolteacher, Ms Thistle, declares that she cannot live alone. To avoid being sent away to Bleak Island Home for Unwanted Children and Dogs, Frances must choose a new family quick smart. But as hard as Frances looks, she can find no-one who meets her high standards... until she stumbles across a bear eating from the bins... and spots a garden gnome fishing in the flowerbed. Newly named Grandma Maude and Grandpa Harold will make the perfect family... right?

**Categories:** Adventure, Humour, Family, Mischief



### 327. **FRENEMIES, THE** **UNFAMOUS DIARIES OF DAISY BREWSTER**

Jenny Valentine | Hannah McCaffery (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$14.39**

Daisy Brewster is determined to be her best self and get a good part in the school play. Everyone knows Daisy is a talented actor. But not everyone knows about her super celebrity cousin. Maxxy Bloom is a child star in Hollywood, with A-List friends, a million followers and a glamorous, lavish lifestyle... but things are about to change in all sorts of ways when she comes to stay at Daisy's house. Daisy fears the worst, for her routine, her personal space, her popularity, and her own dramatic ambitions. But the real Maxxy Bloom turns out to be a big surprise, and Daisy's very unfamous life has an unexpected effect on her guest!

**Categories:** Friendship, Celebrity, Drama, Ambition, Family

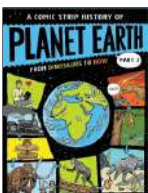


### 328. **FRIENDSHIP BOOK, THE**

Zanni Louise | Nicky Johnston (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

"Friends can come from anywhere! From school, the park, the shopping square. A bookstore, circus, from the zoo... But how will we know what to do?" How do we find friends, make friends or be a friend? Zanni Louise and Nicky Johnston weave a story of building friendship and community through kindness, inclusion and imagination in this delightful journey through a day of meeting, greeting, laughing and playing together.

**Categories:** Rhyming Text, Friendship, Belonging, Inclusion, Kindness



### 329. **FROM DINOSAURS TO NOW GRAPHIC NOVEL** **COMIC STRIP HISTORY**

Anna Claybourne | Rikus Ferreira (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

A funny, fresh comic-strip look at the amazing (and very long!) history of planet Earth for kids Take a whirlwind comic strip trip through 4.5 billion fascinating years of planet Earth's history, discovering what happened to the dinosaurs, how the mammals took over Earth, early humans, the first civilisations, the dawn of technology and much, MUCH more. Each book works as a timeline, combining information spreads with comic strip stories, and supported throughout by high-interest facts and plenty of humour.

**Categories:** Graphic Information, History, Planet Earth



### 330. **FUNNY KID SERIOUSLY SOCCER** **FUNNY KID**

Matt Stanton | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

Every kid wants to laugh, but Max is the boy who can make it happen. When Max discovers that everyone is more interested in watching soccer than his stand-up routine, he needs to come up with a plan fast. How can he compete with the world's favourite game? Max is the funny kid, but can he score his comedy goal? Half-time shows, terrible coaches and little kids who pee on the goal posts are just some of the things in store for Max and his friends in this brand-new Funny Kid adventure.

**Categories:** Humour, Soccer, Sport



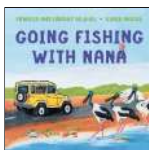


### 331. GHOST GUITAR DEAD SCARY

TJ Doom | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$11.99**

Do you dare to be scared? Jake Jensen wants to become a rock 'n' roll legend. Instead, he's stuck in detention. His punishment? Cleaning out the creepy old school attic. That's where he finds the instruments. And then . . . the three ghosts who used to play them. Now Jake is the ghost band's only shot at escaping a terrible demon who has trapped them in Limbo. With his best mate Zoe, can he help them rock their way to the afterlife – or will his first gig be his last?

**Categories:** [Horror](#), [Ghosts](#)



### 332. GOING FISHING WITH NANA

Frances Haji-Ali | Karen Briggs (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** | **School Price \$22.39**

This beautifully illustrated story takes readers on an exciting fishing trip with nana in the far north of Australia. Through repetition and rhyme, readers are introduced to early education concepts such as ordinal numbers, counting by twos, and adjectives, all while seeing many cute and cheeky outback animals along the way.

**Categories:** [Rhyming Text](#), [Adventure](#), [Family](#), [Maths](#), [Counting](#), [Multiplication](#), [First Nations](#), [Fishing](#)



### 333. HERE COME THE COUSINS

Maggie Hutchings | Sarah Zweck (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$21.59**

I count down the days all year until seven smiling cousins bounce through Pop's door... Finally the cousins have arrived! Get ready for races to the beach, duck-dives in the waves and snoozy afternoons in the hammock. Last one home for lunch gets the wobbly chair! A nostalgic story celebrating cousins, summertime and special family moments together at your favourite place.

**Categories:** [Family Unit](#), [Cousins](#), [Summer](#), [Beach](#), [Holidays](#)

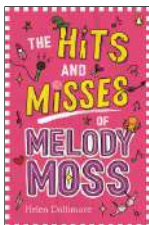


### 334. HIDDEN FOREST, THE

Kiah Thomas | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

The shocking truth about Calling has been revealed: the magical ability to conjure something out of thin air actually steals resources from another place. Adriana Octavius, Chief Councilor of the Callers, will do anything to quash rumours that Calling isn't a force for good. While Quin looks for answers on Evantra, his sister, Davinia, is assigned to investigate and plant false evidence at the heart of the rebellion on Elipsom. Davinia has always maintained calm under pressure from her mother, but as she goes deeper undercover, her loyalties begin to waver. This thrilling sequel to The Callers shows the power of standing up and fighting for a better tomorrow.

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#), [Adventure](#), [Magic](#)

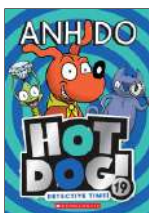


### 335. HITS AND MISSES OF MELODY MOSS, THE

Helen Dallimore | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

Melody Moss is starting high school and EVERYTHING is going WRONG! Her BFF has forgotten the Forever bit and has found New Friends (aka The Clones). Her mum is taking food experimentation to a disgusting level. Her big sister pretends she doesn't even exist. Her dog farts ALL THE TIME. And, her new crush has pushed her firmly into the Friend Zone. She's holding it together, but only just. When a competition is announced to see who can write and direct the school musical, Melody JUMPS at the chance. Will dancing octopuses (octopi?), a possibly life-threatening babysitting gig and a new friendship with a fellow musical-theatre tragic be just what Melody needs to get out of this mess?

**Categories:** [Friendship](#), [School](#), [Performing Arts](#)

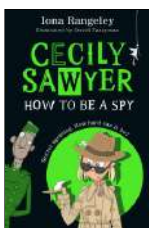


### 336. HOT DOG! DETECTIVE TIME! HOT DOG!

Anh Do | Dan McGuinness (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$11.99**

All aboard the Crystal Express! Hotdog, Kev and Lizzie are going on a train! They're not the only important passengers—the train is also carrying the famous Mega Diamond! But wait, someone's stolen it?! The thief must be on board!

**Categories:** [Friendship](#), [Teamwork](#), [Mystery](#)



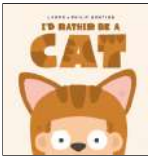
### 337. HOW TO BE A SPY CECILY SAWYER

Iona Rangeley | David Tazzyman (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

Cecily Sawyer has spent the evening in the attic, training her pet mouse, Mrs Maple Syrup – an unusually intelligent mouse, in Cecily's opinion – when her parents disappear. Luckily, Cecily is more than ready to investigate such a thing. She has wanted to be a spy her whole life, and has all the spy handbooks, manuals and code-cracking kits a girl could need. But soon, Cecily discovers several very strange things in her city. She's not the only spy out there – far from it, in fact. And Mrs Maple Syrup is not the only unusually intelligent mouse...

**Categories:** [Mystery](#), [Thriller](#), [Detective](#)



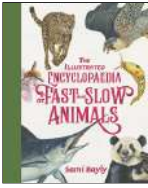


### 338. I'D RATHER BE A CAT

Laura Bunting | Philip Bunting (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Kid-life is the worst! Chores. Boring! Showers. Why? Sunscreen. Argh! Life would be so much better as a carefree cat... Wouldn't it?

**Categories:** Perspective, Differences, Humour

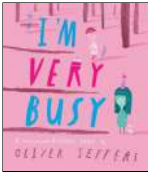


### 339. ILLUSTRATED ENCYCLOPEDIA OF FAST AND SLOW ANIMALS

Sami Bayly | Hardback | **RRP \$32.99** | **School Price \$26.39**

Is the Australian tiger beetle faster or slower than a basset hound? Whether you like to take things fast or slow, you will lose yourself in this stunning encyclopaedia filled with incredible detailed illustrations and fun facts about some of the most fascinating fast and slow animals in the natural world. Featuring facts and astonishing illustrations about sixty amazing fast and slow animals, including the super speedy black marlin, the cheetah and the gentoo penguin, and the oh-so-slow dwarf seahorse, the gila monster and the immortal jellyfish. Children and adults alike will wonder at these speedy and not-so-speedy animals.

**Categories:** Natural World, Animals, Comparisons

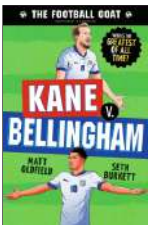


### 340. I'M VERY BUSY

Oliver Jeffers | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

It's Bridget's birthday, and she thinks it would be fun to spend the day with friends. But Royal has places to go, Rodney has to see a man about a dog, Regis has to wash his hair and Pearl has a list of items she needs to cross off as quickly as she can. Bridget's friends are all too busy to hang out! Will Bridget have to spend her birthday all alone? In a story that shows how friends are more important than the busy-ness of a day, Oliver Jeffers's bold and brilliant art pairs with a powerful story that makes readers realise what truly matters.

**Categories:** Friendship, Birthdays

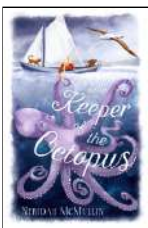


### 341. KANE V BELLINGHAM FOOTBALL GOAT

Matt Oldfield | Dan Leydon (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$11.99**

The new epic clash in The Football GOAT series written by Matt Oldfield, the bestselling author of Ultimate Football Heroes, and Seth Burkett, a former professional footballer. Get ready for the superstar showdown of Kane v. Bellingham in the ultimate football debate. Compare all the latest data, including sizzling stats, fascinating facts and awesome stories, then decide which football legend is the greatest of all time.

**Categories:** Sport, Football, Soccer

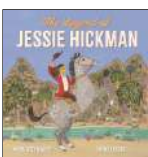


### 342. KEEPER OF THE OCTOPUS, THE

Neridah McMullin | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$14.39**

Uncle Isaac is the only family Pippy has left. Together they spend their days fishing off the coast, until one day Pippy is knocked into the sea and rescued by a gentle, giant creature... Uncle Isaac knows it's time to tell Pippy the truth. Pippy is the descendent of a long line of Keepers – the Keeper of the Octopus, responsible for the giant octopus who protects the fisherfolk of the village. But when the Calamary Brothers come to Portablow, she learns of their search for a particular giant octopus. It's up to Pippy – and some animal friends – to rescue Octavia, the octopus is sharing her dreams with Pippy, from the Calamary's clutches.

**Categories:** Environmental Issues, Grief, Relationships, Magic Realism

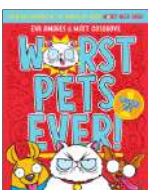


### 343. LEGEND OF JESSIE HICKMAN, THE

Mark Greenwood | Frane Lessac (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

A woman who lived outside the norms of her time, Jessie was a brave and formidable woman, with a life full of adventure, action and danger. At the age of 8, she joined a travelling bush circus, learning to perform as a whip cracker, sharpshooter and rough rider. She would perform dangerous feats, like tightrope walking or handstands on bare-backed ponies. When the circus closed, became an outlaw and cattle rustler, famous for her daring escapes. The endmatter includes information on travelling circuses in Australia, bushrangers and buckjumping, as well as a timeline of Jessie's life and accomplishments accompanied by historic images.

**Categories:** Australian History, Bushrangers, Adventure, Danger



### 344. LOCKED UP! WORST PETS EVER!

Eva Amores | Matt Cosgrove (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$12.79**

Captain Fluffykins, Nickers and Brutus are the newest recruits locked up at the Worst Pets Ever Obedience School. There are so many rules! The daily schedule is a nightmare. The teachers are terrible. Don't even mention the food! And the other students are all kinds of disturbing. The only option for the trio is to team up and make a great escape!

**Categories:** Humour, Adventure, Escape

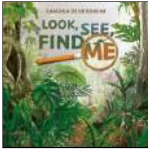


### 345. LONE HUSKY, THE

Hannah Gold | Paperback | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$14.39**

April Wood is no stranger to adventure. After all, she lives in the Arctic and her best friend is a polar bear. But when April finds herself volunteering for the Polar Race – a long-distance dog sled race across the frozen tundra – even she wonders if this may be an adventure too far. April will need all the help she can get if she's to make it to the finish line. And competition is fierce – with experienced dog sledgers, including new boy Finn, who will go to any lengths to win. But April has something the other teams don't: Blaze, a solitary husky with a troubled past, who may just prove to be her secret weapon...

**Categories:** Adventure, Arctic



### 346. LOOK, SEE, FIND ME

Sandra Severgnini | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$21.59**

Take a journey into the world of animal camouflage and uncover what may be right under your nose! Discover frogs that look like leaves, spiders disguised as flowers, crabs concealed as sponges and seahorses hidden in coral. See if you can spot the species hidden among stunning illustrations, and learn about these elusive animals in Look, See, Find Me.

**Categories:** Camouflage, Habitats

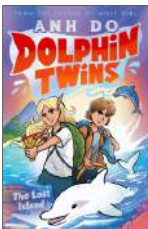


### 347. LOST IN A BOOK 113TH ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN

Stuart Wilson | Hardback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Oliver has settled into his life as the 113th assistant librarian. He loves his job – even though it sometimes includes battling giant crabs or fending off firedrakes – and his new friend, the mostly-human Agatha, is always on hand to help. But when he discovers a rare edition of a history book with unique wording, he realises the slightest misinterpretation could endanger the entire kingdom. Determined to solve this mystery, he and Agatha leave the library – with the help of an unpredictable transporting book – to establish the truth. But can they prevent Annabel Clowitch, the esteemed Member for Upper-Lower Tumbledown Barrows, from using the text to her own advantage. . . and stop a war?

**Categories:** Mystery, Adventure, History, Friendship, Books, Library

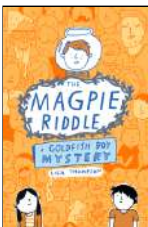


### 348. LOST ISLAND, THE DOLPHIN TWINS

Anh Do | Tegan Clancy (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$14.39**

Twins Noah and Skye are stranded on a remote island – washed ashore after a wild storm that hit when their village was mysteriously attacked... and their mum was taken. Isolated from all they know, the twins must learn how to survive in this new world of unknown coast and caves. They'll battle deadly orcas and ravenous sharks... and befriend an unforgettable family of dolphins. Will they survive long enough to find out what happened to their mum? Will they ever find their way back home? 'Dolphin Twins' is an action-packed combo of adventure, mystery, survival and friendship, set upon a backdrop of beaches, bays, abandoned ships and underwater caves.

**Categories:** Adventure, Twins, Siblings, Mystery, Survival, Friendship



### 349. MAGPIE RIDDLE, THE GOLDFISH BOY MYSTERY

Lisa Thompson | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Welcome back to Chestnut Close, whose residents may not always be exactly who they seem. Clever, curious Melody Bird has discovered an old abandoned house in the corner of the graveyard, and a mysterious boy hiding there. Hal tells her he's a spy using the house as a base for his undercover surveillance of a known local criminal. Her friends Matthew and Jake don't believe that a twelve year old would be entrusted with this mission and begin to spy on him, uncovering secrets and unravelling a mystery as they go. This companion novel to huge bestseller, The Goldfish Boy, has the same middle grade magic formula of heart, humour, a page-turning mystery plot and a cast of wonderfully real characters.

**Categories:** Mystery, Humour, Detective, Adventure, Secrets



### 350. MATILDA'S FROG TROUBLE

Kate Gordon | Tamlyn Teow (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$11.99**

Matilda loves visiting her cousin Emily's farm with her friends. Especially down by the creek with the cute frogs. One day, Emily and her mum find an old tin. It contains a leather pouch and a beautiful Chinese comb. But where did it come from? The girls uncover even more surprises when a naughty froglet stows away in Matilda's jacket and escapes. Now there's a mystery to solve and a frog to find! Can the girls figure it out and set things right again?

**Categories:** Friendship, Adventure, Australian History, Immigration, Culture, Gold Rush



### 351. MEGA! AUSTRALIA'S MEGAFUNA

Laura Holloway | Liz Duthie (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

A long time ago, Australia looked very different. Known then as Sahul, it was home to giant venomous lizards, marsupial lions and everything in between. Mega! delivers megafauna facts, changes to Australia's landmass, and the role of palaeontology in a casual, playful narrative. Rendered in painterly detail, these enormous creatures will spark the curiosity of old and young readers alike.

**Categories:** Palaeontology, Dinosaurs, Fossils, Comparisons



### 352. MEOWY CHRISTMAS

Panos Christodoulou | Yibing Deng (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

One December morning, Tiddles the cat wakes to find an unexpected arrival towering over him. It's big, it's bushy, and it's draped in oh-so-tempting tinsel! The humans love their beautiful new Christmas tree, but one kitten is not so smitten. And when the tree's twinkly lights start to disrupt nap time, Tiddles must take matters into his own claws, once and for all... Join Tiddles as he faces his biggest (and sparkliest) adversary yet: the Christmas tree! Full of kitty chaos, feline festivities and laugh-out-loud catastrophes, this hilarious tale captures the magic and mayhem of a kitten's first Christmas.

**Categories:** [Christmas](#), [Humour](#), [Cats](#)

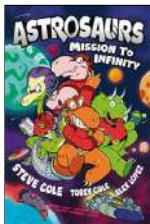


### 353. MIDNIGHT CHEW, THE

Sally Morgan | Karen Blair (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

In this fun, canine adventure, Boofa Boy Jones and Skippy Gillespie must learn the importance of sharing. When Boofa Boy Jones steals Skippy Gillespie's very big bone, a marvellous doggy race ensues. All through the night the pair run through the suburban streets from the doggy dump to the dog park and home again. But who will win the mighty bone, and will they feast all alone?

**Categories:** [Friendship](#), [Dogs](#), [Pets](#), [Adventure](#), [Rhyming Text](#), [Regret](#), [Remorse](#)

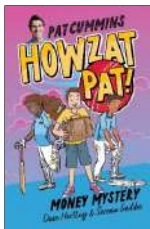


### 354. MISSION TO INFINITY GRAPHIC NOVEL ASTROSAURS GRAPHIC NOVEL

Steve Cole | Alex Lopez (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Blast off with Teggs and the crew for three astronomical space adventures! Young stegosaurus Teggs is the new captain of the DSS Sauropod, a spaceship designed to defend the Jurassic Quadrant from evil, carnivorous dinosaurs looking for their next meal. With his crew, Ginni, Arx and Iggy, Teggs must defeat cunning raptors aiming to disrupt the Great Dinosaur Games, protect the last remaining plateosaurus eggs as they travel to their new home at the far end of the galaxy, and uncover the mystery lurking in the watery depths of Aqua Minor. From powerful pongs to egg-cellent explosions, missions never quite go to plan . . . but the Astrosaurs are always there to save the day!

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Adventure](#), [Reluctant Readers](#)



### 355. MONEY MYSTERY HOWZAT PAT!

Pat Cummins | Serena Geddes (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$12.79**

I'm Pat Cummins and our Mount Riverview cricket ground could host a match between Australia's biggest cricket stars! But we have to help raise funding, so our cricket team chooses to clear out a heap of recycling that's been dumped in the bush. And that's when it happens ... we see a mysterious being AND I find something valuable that doesn't belong to me... but whose is it? - Will the Hairyman let us clean up the bush? - Who does a mysterious suitcase belong to? - Can we raise the MONEY?! If you want to know the answers to these questions - READ THIS BOOK!

**Categories:** [Sport](#), [Cricket](#), [Fundraising](#), [Recycling](#), [Mystery](#)

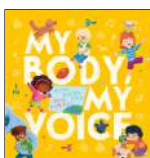


### 356. MOTHPMAN CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE

Cristin Bishara | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

YOU are a kid with mysteries to solve in the heart of the Appalachian mountains, where a timeless tension between ancient creatures and alien invaders is coming to a head! The Silver Bridge collapsed into the Ohio River, and sightings of a terrifying figure in the aftermath led many to blame the Mothman for the tragedy. Now, as another disaster looms, it's up to you to stop it! Will the mesmerizing glow of the Mothman's eyes lure you into joining him? Will a secret government agency recruit you to help them save the Earth? Or will you be kidnapped to an alien planet, never to see your home again?

**Categories:** [Interactive](#), [Adventure](#)

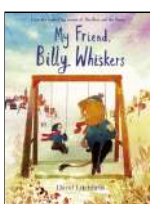


### 357. MY BODY, MY VOICE

Nicki Esler Gill | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Have you ever said 'I love you' when your heart's all full and warm? Have you asked to have a cuddle when there's thunder in a storm? Have you ever told your favourite joke? Or sung a lullaby? Have you poured your worries out, and finished with a sigh? Can you see the power in the words you choose to say? Your voice is important! It can make somebody's day! A delightful rhyming picture book about the power of language and using your voice to advocate, encourage and care for yourself and those around you.

**Categories:** [Rhyming Text](#), [Kindness](#), [Language](#), [Consent](#), [Teamwork](#), [Respect](#), [Communication](#)



### 358. MY FRIEND, BILLY WHISKERS

David Litchfield | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

On a snowy day, while the other children play together, Patrick sits alone, but he isn't really alone. His imaginary friend, Billy Whiskers, is always there, ready for bike rides, tree climbs, and magical adventures where Patrick's worries can just disappear. But on this special snow day, with the help of Billy Whiskers, Patrick finds the courage to take a new adventure and say hello to real life children playing in the real life playground. Can you guess what happens next?

**Categories:** [Imaginary Friend](#), [Friendship](#), [Adventure](#), [Courage](#), [Kindness](#)



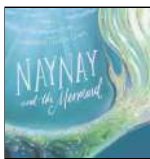


### 359. MY STORY, OUR COUNTRY: FIRST NATIONS FAMILY HISTOR

Ryhia Dank | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

"Stories are important because they share knowledge in a variety of ways. Our most important book is our Country. Our stories live in the land, which is why our lands are sacred." From Gudanjji/Wakaja artist Ryhia Dank comes My Story, Our Country, a vibrant and powerful picture book that explores the history and culture of First Nations people in Australia through her own family story, and looks towards a future that reckons with the past.

**Categories:** [Aboriginal Studies](#), [First Nations](#), [Culture](#), [Country](#), [Family](#), [History](#), [Past and Present](#)



### 360. NAYNAY AND THE MERMAID

Tasma Walton | Charmaine Ledden-lewis (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

'With long tendrils of seagrass for hair, her body is blue green like the sea, and her tail sparkles with iridescent scales...' Naynay and her family are diving for abalone. Her mother tells her to keep watch for one of the water spirits who protect the seas. Naynay sees the splash of a tail. Could it possibly be... a mermaid? Join Naynay on her magical underwater adventure, drawing on the stories of the Boonwurrung people of coastal Melbourne.

**Categories:** [Aboriginal Studies](#), [First Nations](#), [Culture](#), [Country](#)

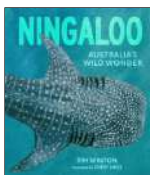


### 361. NEIGHBOURHOOD NEST

Sarah Jane Lightfoot | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Maggie the magpie is very surprised when she finds an extra egg in her nest. Whose egg could it be? Does it belong to the kookaburras at the end of the path? Or the galahs by the oval? Or maybe the rainbow lorikeets in the gum trees? Maggie is on a mission across the sky and through the neighbourhood to find the egg's family. From the bestselling creator of Down the Road, Little Bee comes a celebration of nature in our neighbourhoods and invitation to bird-watch in our own backyards.

**Categories:** [Australian Birds](#), [Rhyming Text](#), [Australiana](#), [Habitats](#)



### 362. NINGALOO: AUSTRALIA'S WILD WONDER

Tim Winton | Cindy Lane (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$23.99**

Join award-winning author and passionate conservationist Tim Winton and watercolourist Cindy Lane as they dive into this incredible part of the world. From enormous whale sharks to minuscule Cape Range Millipedes, and from colourful coral reefs to muddy mangroves, the biodiversity and interconnectedness of each distinctive ecosystem will fill young readers with wonder and awe. Most importantly, as the next generation of custodians of Ningaloo, they'll discover how to support and protect the region in the years to come.

**Categories:** [Conservation](#), [Environment](#), [Biodiversity](#), [Sea Creatures](#), [Ecosystems](#)



### 363. O.M.G.: OH MY G.O.A.T! G.O.A.T.

Kate Temple | Rebel Challenger (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Oh my, Goat! What do you say when you see something very surprising, like ... Outstanding Marching Grasshoppers? Or an Overjoyed Massive Goldfish?! Find out with Duck and Goat in this playful new laugh-out-loud story ... Celebrating the fun in reading, introducing kids to playful acronyms, initials and wordplay.

**Categories:** [Humour](#), [Acronyms](#)

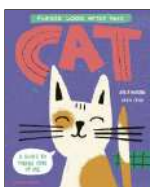


### 364. ONE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Kes Gray | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$21.59**

One night before Christmas, some years ago (Please keep this a secret . . . you're not meant to know!) This doesn't start well so I'll just tell you straight, 'Twas the night before Christmas WHEN SANTA WAS LATE! High up in the night sky, Santa is trying desperately to fix his broken-down sleigh. And when he finally manages, he only has three hours left to fly around the whole world! Is Santa too late to deliver Christmas? Or might some old garden gnomes and a sprinkling of magic just save the day? A laugh-out-loud sequel to The Night Before the Night Before Christmas and The Night After Christmas, inspired by the classic poem by Clement C. Moore.

**Categories:** [Rhyming Text](#), [Christmas](#), [Humour](#)



### 365. PLEASE LOOK AFTER THIS CAT PLEASE LOOK AFTER THIS

Kasia Antczak | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

I'm Dot, a certified cat expert who is going to teach you how to care for your furry feline friends. What makes me qualified to teach you? I'm a cat! I've sniffed the butts of other cats, have sampled the best cat foods and pooped in a whole host of litter trays. I know all the ins and outs of caring for your cat. Sometimes, your cat can seem like a complete mystery, but we have clever ways of telling you exactly what we need, all you have to do is listen to us – and read this book! This fun illustrated guide gives children all the information they need to care for their cat confidently.

**Categories:** [Pets](#), [Cats](#)





### 366. PUG WHO WANTED TO GO TO SCHOOL, THE

Bella Swift | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Peggy the pug is ready to be the teacher's pet! It's the end of the summer holidays and the children are heading back to school. But Peggy's best friend, Chloe, is nervous about joining a new class this year. Peggy wishes she could help reassure Chloe. If only she could find a way to go to school too, but dogs aren't allowed . . . Can Peggy teach them all a lesson?

**Categories:** [School](#)

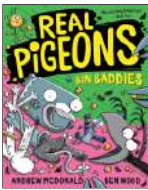


### 367. RACE TO THE SOUTH POLE

Alexandra Stewart | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$27.00**

Follow the stories of two men in one historic race to reach the South Pole. In 1910, Captain Robert Falcon Scott and his team embarked on a journey to Antarctica to explore uncharted lands, carry out important scientific work and become the first to reach the South Pole. But Scott wasn't the only one with his sights on the Pole! Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen had spent his whole life dreaming of polar adventure and he was determined to win the race to the South. In this two-sided story encourages young readers to look at historic events from different perspectives, and to develop empathy and critical thinking as they face both triumph and tragedy in this remarkable true story.

**Categories:** [Exploration](#), [Discovery](#), [Adventure](#), [History](#), [Triumph](#), [Tragedy](#)



### 368. REAL PIGEONS BIN BADDIES REAL PIGEONS

Andrew McDonald | Ben Wood (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

Ever wonder why pigeons always act so weird? It's because they're out there solving mysteries, fighting crime and saving your butts! But when birds get BOXED, the streets get TRASHED and someone SNAPPY threatens Trent, the pigeons realise they might need help from an unlikely ally to make things right again...

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Action](#), [Crime](#), [Humour](#)



### 369. REFUGEE GRAPHIC NOVEL

Alan Gratz | Syd Fini (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

This timeless story follows three children – Josef, Isabel and Mahmoud – who live in different parts of the world in different decades. All three kids must endure harrowing journeys as their homelands are ravaged by violence and destruction. All face unimaginable dangers. But there is always the hope of tomorrow. And although Josef, Isabel and Mahmoud are separated by continents and decades, shocking connections will tie their stories together in the end.

**Categories:** [Refugees and Migration](#), [Graphic Novel](#)



### 370. RETURN TO GROOSHAM GRANGE GRAPHIC NOVEL

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

The authorities are determined to destroy Groosham Grange, the creepy school of witchcraft and sorcery, but David Eliot and his friends have settled into life there, even if Jeffrey is now a ghost after a failed chemistry experiment. David is near the top of the leader board to win the school's coveted top prize, the Unholy Grail, but David is losing valuable points and is convinced that a new boy, Vincent King, is plotting against him. The two boys undertake a series of trials that take them to London's British Museum to retrieve a statue belonging to Miss Pedicure, the mummified English teacher. Can David win first prize and in doing so save the school from destruction?

**Categories:** [Graphic Novel](#), [Adventure](#), [Humour](#)



### 371. RUNT AND THE DIABOLICAL DOGNAPPING

Craig Silvey | Sara Acton (Illustrator) | Hardback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$21.59**

Six weeks have passed since Annie Shearer and Runt competed valiantly at the Krumpets Dog Show. The town of Upson Downs is rejuvenated. The grass is green. The rivers are flowing. And a Tournament of Champions has just been announced, with the world's best canine talent invited to showcase their skills. But during preparations for the event, Runt mysteriously goes missing, and a trail of suspicious clues surround his doghouse. Annie's worst fears are confirmed when she discovers a ransom note with a peculiar demand: she must win it all to see her friend again. It's up to Annie and her brother Max – now an intrepid investigative reporter with the Upson Downs Speculator – to rescue Runt before it's too late.

**Categories:** [Family Unit](#), [Farms](#), [Rural](#), [Mystery](#), [Adventure](#), [Pets](#), [Dogs](#)



### 372. SANTA AND SON

David Walliams | Adam Stower (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

It's the night of Christmas Eve. In the most famous toy shop in the world, a robbery is underway. The shop's Santa and his son are locked inside with the baddies. Can our heroes stop them using just the toys in the shop as weapons? Pogo sticks! Bouncy balls! Remote-controlled helicopters! Bubble guns! Slime! Slinkies! Stink bombs!

**Categories:** [Christmas](#), [Humour](#), [Adventure](#)



### 373. SOME DAYS YOU'LL HAVE DAYS LIKE THESE

Josh Pyke | Stephen Michael King (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$21.59**

Some days you'll wake up with fair-weather eyes and spring from your bed into butterfly skies. Some days feel bumpy and strangely confusing, and it feels like the ground that you've gained, you're now losing. From glumness to glee, you know you'll push through. Some days are like this, yes, some days that's true.

**Categories:** Feelings/Emotions, Rhyming Text, Moods, Wellbeing



### 374. SONG FOR THE KING, A

Katrina Nannestad | Freya Blackwood (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

A heartwarming and humorous retelling of the traditional nativity story, told from the viewpoint and 'singing voices' of the baby animals at the inn. Netta the donkey loves to sing with her friends, Esther the sheep and Uzi the camel. They frolic around town from dawn till dusk, braying, bleating and gurgling. But sadly, not everyone likes to listen. Netta falls silent until something so wondrous happens that her song bursts forth once more.

**Categories:** Christmas, Nativity

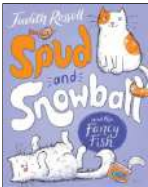


### 375. SPEEDY SLOTH CHRISTMAS, A SPEEDY SLOTH

Rebecca Young | Heath McKenzie (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

It's Christmas Eve, when suddenly... Crash! It's Santa's sleigh! Wake up, Spike and Dash! Now, sloths and koalas love a good snooze, but they have to save Christmas—there's no time to lose!

**Categories:** Christmas, Humour, Rhyming Text



### 376. SPUD AND SNOWBALL AND THE FANCY FISH SPUD AND SNOWBALL

Judith Rossell | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$12.79**

Every day, Spud and Snowball lie on the couch and watch TV. When they see an ad for Fancy Fish, the two cats work out a way to have this new food delivered to their doorstep. But what arrives is totally unexpected ... Can Spud and Snowball outwit this loud, bossy and very fancy intruder? A cheeky tale that will have young readers giggling from the bestselling, award-winning creator Judith Rossell.

**Categories:** Friendship, Humour, Cats



### 377. STEVEN SPIELBERG LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS

Maria Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Keith Negley (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Director, writer, editor, producer: little Steven was six when he first went to the cinema and was captivated by it. Soon after, he picked up his Dad's film camera and, by his teens, was making short films – carefully crafting every part of the process. Filmmaking was a refuge for Steven, who faced bullying at school. With his camera, editing machine and notebook he could create a world he felt safe in. He first visited Universal Studio's lot during a studio tour where he was eventually hired and went from making TV movies to cinematic blockbusters. After a lifetime of accolades and awards, Steven remains happiest behind a camera – telling stories that encourage us to open our hearts and minds.

**Categories:** Famous People, Biography, Filmmaker



### 378. SUNDAYS UNDER THE LEMON TREE

Julia Busuttill Nishimura | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Sundays Under the Lemon Tree follows a young child's memorable Sunday, with the smells and sounds of family cooking, the adventure of collecting seawater to make ricotta, and the triumph of learning to bake a special family apple cake. Busuttill Nishimura's prose and Yim's illustrations bring to life the comforting rituals and loving bonds that make Sundays special. With themes of connection, heritage, and simple pleasures, this book celebrates the multigenerational bonds between food and family history. It also includes the cherished apple cake recipe and promises to be a beloved addition to any child's bookshelf.

**Categories:** Cooking, Food, Recipes, Family Unit, Siblings, Perseverance, Culture



### 379. TERROR FROM THE SKY WORLD'S SCARIEST CREATURES

John Lesley | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$27.00**

For most of the history of life on Earth, there were no flying predators. Once life learned how to fly, the skies were no longer safe. Find out what the very first flying monsters were and what happened to them. Are birds descended from them or not? The world is full of animals that buzz, bite, hiss and leap out at you! Find out why they behave like this and what we are doing to make them so angry. Are they really as dangerous as we think, and why are we so scared of them?

**Categories:** Nature, Birds, Environment, Predators



### 380. **THERE'S A PRAWN IN PARLIAMENT HOUSE: DEMOCRACY**

[Annabel Crabb](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Every three years, Australians come together on a Saturday to elect a government. We do this because having a government is the best way for large groups of people to live in peace and enjoy things like roads and airports and hospitals and delicious food without having to personally arrange all the boring stuff. But how do we elect a government? How does the government make decisions? And what is so special about our system of democracy? A funny and informative account of how Australia's democracy works, written by one of Australia's best-known and most entertaining political writers and documentary makers, Annabel Crabb. Helpful and hilarious illustrations supplied by First Dog on the Moon, Australia's only marsupial Walkley award-winning cartoonist.

**Categories:** [Government](#), [Democracy](#), [Politics](#), [Voting](#), [Australian History](#)

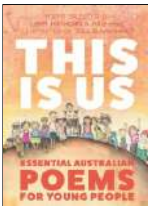


### 381. **THING ABOUT CHRISTMAS, THE**

[Jo Dabrowski](#) | [Briony Stewart](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

The Thing About Christmas is a warm and joyful picture book that reminds us of what really matters during the holiday season. Brimming with festive spirit, it celebrates love, togetherness and the magic of making the season your own – no matter how big or small. Perfect for families starting new traditions or cherishing old ones, this modern holiday tale carries a timeless message at its core. There's no right or wrong, whatever you do – Christmas in your home is unique, just like you.

**Categories:** [Christmas](#), [Celebrations](#), [Individuality](#), [Differences](#)



### 382. **THIS IS US: ESSENTIAL AUSTRALIAN POEMS FOR YOUNG**

[Libby Hathorn](#) | [Tull Suwannakit](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$34.99** | **School Price \$27.99**

In this beautifully illustrated collection of poems, editors Judith Fell and Libby Hathorn have gathered the voices of all kinds of Australians, from modern poets such as Miriam Wei Wei Lo and Jazz Money to household names such as Banjo Paterson and Henry Lawson. Carefully crafted into 10 chapters, readers will find poems that make them laugh and sing, and connect them with Australians old and new. This is a collection to have on standby. To pore over both words and artwork. It's a coffee table book, a library book, a bedside book, a beach towel, riverside or city-side book. Most of all a poetry book to savour and to share.

**Categories:** [Poetry](#)



### 383. **TIME LIONS AND THE CHRONO-LOOP**

[Krystal Sutherland](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Twins Pearl and Patrick are geniuses, who've finally achieved their greatest triumph – time travel to ancient Egypt. But when they return home, they're arrested by TIME (The Interdimensional Misconduct Enquiry) a secret organisation charged with maintaining the timeline. Impressed, TIME offers the pair a chance to become agents. Unfortunately, they fail their entrance exam, and instead are banned from time travel. Pearl is infuriated and when she's offered another chance from a rival organisation, she can't resist, and unwittingly plays a hand in replacing the timeline they know with a nightmarish scenario. Now Pearl and Patrick must fix their mistake. But the only way to save the future is to go back to the past for help...

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Humour](#), [Time Travel](#), [Twins](#), [Siblings](#)



### 384. **TOILET TIME MACHINE TOILET TIME MACHINE**

[Mark Serrells](#) | [Ruby Innes](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$11.99**

\*Toilet currently out of service Max has BIG problems. The toilet in the garage is busted, his dad is now a toddler (who won't stop WEEING everywhere) and his little brother has been transformed into a 100-year-old man! Oh, not to mention that the broken toilet is actually A TIME MACHINE. And if Max doesn't fix the time machine in under 12 hours, both his dad and his little brother will CEASE TO EXIST...

**Categories:** [Time Travel](#), [Humour](#)



### 385. **TRAITORS IN SPACE PICK-YOUR-OWN PATH ADVENTURE**

[Tim Collins](#) | [Steven Wood](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

You are a brilliant young scientist who has been chosen for a research mission to a distant planet. On your way back to Earth, you are woken early from cryosleep by the ship's computer. It has detected an alien lifeform, but there doesn't seem to be any sign of one... This exciting adventure story for readers aged 9+ features a fast-paced branching structure with 20 possible endings. At the end of each page there are two distinct options that will take the reader on different paths through the action – meaning that the reader controls the narrative (and their destiny!) throughout.

**Categories:** [Interactive](#)



### 386. **TRIM THE CAT**

[Ursula Dubosarsky](#) | [Paul Lalo](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$21.59**

Born on a rocking ship in the middle of the ocean, Trim is no ordinary cat. Fearless, clever and full of heart, Trim sails into stormy seas and on grand adventures with his best friend and fellow explorer Matthew Flinders. But when disaster strikes, Trim must find courage and hope will he ever see his beloved captain again?

**Categories:** [Exploration](#), [Discovery](#), [Adventure](#), [Courage](#), [Explorers](#)





### 387. **TURTLE WHO TURNED THE TIDE, THE**

Rachel Bright | Jim Field (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$21.59**

On a midnight-black beach, it's time for a grand hatching. A rowdy crowd of animal onlookers have gathered to see which baby turtle will win the great race to safety in the sea. But when Tula's brother loses his way, this baby turtle faces a difficult choice: will she choose to win the race or will she turn back to rescue her brother? And will the other animals stay on the sidelines, or will Tula's brave decision inspire them to join the rescue mission? An inspiring and funny rhyming story of how we all have the power to change things for the better.

**Categories:** Rhyming Text, Adventure, Bravery, Survival, Courage



### 388. **TWICE UPON A TIME**

Michelle Harrison | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$14.39**

Can stopping time solve a murder? A delicious mystery adventure for fans of Robin Stevens and Cressida. When the Morrow twins, Merry and Spike, arrive at dusty old Fox House, they think spending their holidays there is going to be dull. But they soon discover that there are secrets to the old house. A missing woman, a baby left on the doorstep, a locked study. As the mysteries pile up, the girls begin to investigate, using their own secret to help them: they can stop time! What happened in this old house? And can their strange powers help them solve a decades-old crime?

**Categories:** Murder, Mystery, Crime, Secrets, Investigation, Twins, Siblings, Time

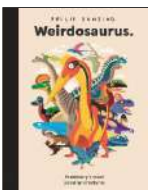


### 389. **UNLIKELY DIARY OF PRINCE KAL THE ALIEN, THE**

Ross Welford | Harry Briggs (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$16.20**

Prince Kaliminka Evergreen Wildgore – Prince Kal, to you – is in big trouble. Two days ago, back in his home realm of Imaginaria, he stepped into the Anywhere Cabinet – a magical, interdimensional portal – and things did not go according to plan. He ended up here, on Planet Earth. Worse, his beloved (and extremely smelly) pet is missing, and unless he can recharge the Anywhere Cabinet, he's stuck here forever. Unfortunately, Earthlings don't believe in magical cabinets, stranded princes, or Imaginaria at all. So Kal starts a diary – to record his adventures, make sense of this bizarre land of soup and hairy giants, and, just maybe, figure out a way home.

**Categories:** Humour, Adventure, Magic Diary, Aliens



### 390. **WEIRDOSAURUS**

Philip Bunting | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$23.99**

Taking a playful peek at some of prehistory's most peculiar and fabulous dinosaurs, Weirdosaurus explores the world as it would have looked during the Triassic, Jurassic, and Cretaceous periods. The three great ages help to order the book into three chronological chapters, with maps subtly prompting the reader to take in the first principles of plate tectonics and 'continental drift' along the way. Each chapter will describe the most bizarre dinosaur residents of that period, with Bunting's trademark humour and style; including funny annotations, witty jokes and fabulous facts.

**Categories:** Prehistoric World, Dinosaurs

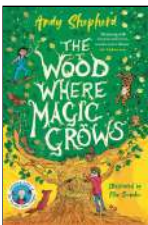


### 391. **WHERE WOULD YOU GO?**

Alison Lester | Jane Godwin (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

"If you could travel wherever you choose, to worlds imagined and new, where are the places that you'd like to go and what in the world would you do?" Take a journey through words and drawings in this magical adventure as the children of the Royal Children's Hospital wonder where everyone at the hospital might go – the doctors, the nurses, the teachers, and even themselves. With a lyrical text and additional artwork from much-loved creators Jane Godwin and Alison Lester, this unforgettable collaboration explores the magic of imagination and celebrates the joy of coming home.

**Categories:** Imagination, Adventure, Home, Belonging, Hospital

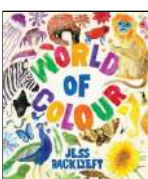


### 392. **WOOD WHERE MAGIC GROWS, THE**

Andy Shepherd | Ellie Snowdon (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

When Iggy discovers overgrown Wildtop Wood at the end of his new garden, he couldn't be more excited. A whole new world opens up for him and his brother Cal, high in the treetops, a world of tangled greenery and unexpected adventure. But some say the wood is a place of danger and mystery. And as Iggy and Cal venture further into the trees, they hear whispers of a fading green magic, and scampering animals seem to be leading them to a secret deep at the heart of the wood. Could it be that the wood needs them just as much as they need it?

**Categories:** Adventure, Magic, Imagination, Bravery



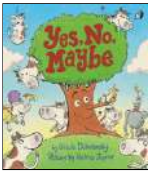
### 393. **WORLD OF COLOUR**

Jess Racklyeft | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$23.99**

No matter where you go on Earth, you can find colour. Here is a celebration of the stunning plants and animals of our wonderful world, from bright pink American Flamingoes to warm yellow Sunflowers, glowing green Leaf Sheep, vivid orange Sumatran Orangutans, stripy black-and-white Plains Zebras, and many more. Come and take a closer look at nature's paintbox and the rainbow of life all around the world, from one of Australia's best-loved picture book creators.

**Categories:** Planet Earth, Habitats, Animals, Plants, Insects





**394. YES, NO, MAYBE**

[Ursula Dubosarsky](#) | [Andrew Joyner](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Can bananas be blue? Can you sit in a cloud? Ask Tree – and prepare to be amazed by the answers! Get ready to giggle and learn with Guinea Pig, the most curious critter, and Tree, the loveable know-it-all who can answer any question – even the silly ones! Yes, No, Maybe is a playful guessing game packed with surprising facts that will wow inquisitive kids. With interactive text that invites kids to shout out their answers, it's a book you'll want to read over and over. This one's a laugh-out-loud favourite, bursting with fun illustrations to discover on every page!

**Categories:** [Inquisitive](#), [Humour](#), [Accumulative](#), [Interactive](#)

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### LUNA ROO THE KANGAROO BALLER

[Adam Jackson](#) | [Adrian Lloyd](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$16.20**

Rookie captain Luna Roo leaves nothing on the pitch as she leads FC Outback in a thrilling face-off against Bush United. Faced with a spider goalkeeper, snakes in attack and bubbling nerves, Luna must trust her skills and her teammates to soar to victory. Written by football veterans Adam Jackson and Adrian Lloyd, Luna Roo captures all the intense excitement of the game, with a heart warming message that courage and determination are a winning combination.

**Categories:** [Competition](#), [Humour](#), [Rhyming Text](#), [Football](#), [Soccer](#)