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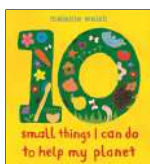
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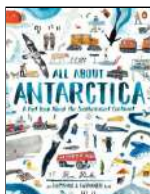


1. 10 SMALL THINGS I CAN DO TO HELP MY PLANET

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](#)



2. 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](#)



3. ANOTHER YEAR AROUND THE SUN

Katrina Germein | Alice Lindstrom (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Another year around the sun. Happy birthday, precious one. Follow a family through a year full of magical moments spent outdoors, from splashing in waves to jumping on leaves and watching the world change with every season. Here is a lyrical ode to the passing of time and an exquisite picture book to toast another year around the sun.

Categories: [Family Unit](#), [Seasons](#), [Outdoors](#)



4. 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](#)

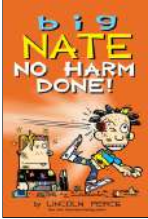


5. **BIG JIM BELIEVES GRAPHIC NOVEL** [DOG MAN](#)

[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](#)



6. **BIG NATE: NO HARM DONE GRAPHIC NOVEL** [BIG NATE GRAPHIC NOVEL](#)

[Lincoln Peirce](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

It's back-to-school time for sixth-grader Nate Wright, and this just might be the best year ever! Rumors are flying that the villainous Mrs. Godfrey is now teaching EIGHTH grade. Chad is on the verge of destroying Gina in the race for class president. And could Nate finally realize his dream of changing the school mascot to... a sea cucumber? Hey, why not? He's a can-do kind of guy. So when the Weekly Bugle needs a story, Nate's happy to make headlines—by (allegedly) starting an epic food fight in the cafetorium! Nate's always stirring things up, but at the end of every day, P.S. 38 is still standing. In other words: NO HARM DONE!

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



7. **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](#)

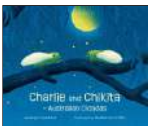


8. **CASTLE CRASHING**

[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](#)

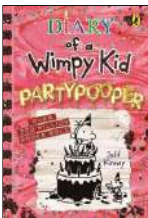


9. **CHARLIE AND CHIKITA: AUSTRALIAN CICADAS**

[Audrey Crowfoot](#) | [Katherine Smith](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

On a hot summer's day, deep in the Australian bush, two cicada nymphs hatch and embark on an adventure of survival, friendship, and resilience. After burrowing underground to escape a hungry wasp, the pair re-emerge after seven years to find that more danger awaits. Can the two friends overcome the challenges they face, through the power of loyalty and support, and finally find a safe place to call home? This is a journey filled with suspense, heart-warming adventure, and beautifully designed illustrations that also teaches children the life cycle of this wondrous insect.

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Lifecycles](#), [Cicadas](#), [Predators](#), [Survival](#), [Resilience](#)

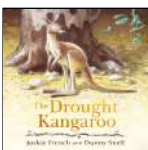


10. **DIARY OF A WIMPY KID: PARTYPOOPER** [DIARY OF A WIMPY KID](#)

[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](#)



11. **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](#), [Crocodiles](#)



12. FISHMONGER AND THE PASTRY CHEF, THE

Sophie Masson | Cheryl Orsini (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

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



13. 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

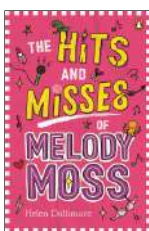


14. HIDDEN FOREST, THE

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

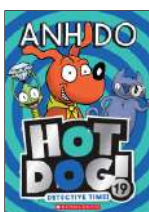


15. HITS AND MISSES OF MELODY MOSS, THE

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



16. 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



17. HUMBLE PIE, THE

Jory John | Pete Oswald (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

The Humble Pie likes to give others the spotlight. Aw, shucks!—they deserve it! But when he's paired with his best friend, Jake the Cake, for a school project, he soon realizes that staying in the shadows isn't always as sweet as pie. Readers of all ages will laugh along as their new pie pal discovers that letting your voice be heard always takes the cake!

Categories: Humour



18. 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



19. **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

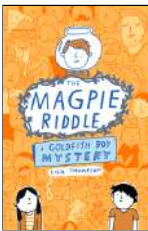


20. **LOST IN A BOOK 113TH ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN**

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



21. **MAGPIE RIDDLE, THE**

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



22. **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

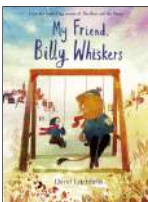


23. **MEGA! AUSTRALIA'S MEGAFAUNA**

Laura Holloway | 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

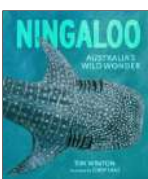


24. **MY FRIEND, BILLY WHISKERS**

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



25. **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

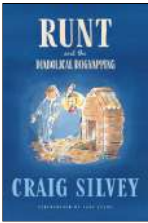


26. REAL PIGEONS BIN BADDIES REAL PIGEONS

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



27. 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



28. SKANDAR AND THE FIRST UNICORN RIDER SKANDAR

Af Steadman | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

George Penhaligon has only ever wanted adventure. But when his fishing boat is caught in a storm, he ends up shipwrecked on an unknown island. Here he discovers something magical and terrifying – that unicorns are real and bloodthirsty. These unicorns display magical powers, but they have never encountered humans before, and their magic is wild, uncontrolled and deadly. Slowly George befriends a wild creature and begins to discover the island's secrets. But there is a dark and sinister presence on the island that is threatening not only the unicorns but the magic of the island itself. George's adventure may be more dangerous than he ever bargained for. Can George protect his new island home and defeat the creature that is stalking it?

Categories: Fantasy, Magic, Adventure



29. SKULDUGGERY PLEASANT: SMALL MATTER OF IMPENDING CA SKULDUGGERY PLEASANT

Derek Landy | Paperback | Age 11+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$19.55**

In 1962, three sorcerers converged to do battle in a hidden chamber near a disused platform in the London Underground. Prophecy foretold that the victor would hold the very fate of humanity in their hands. Since then... nothing. Now, the people who are trying to find out exactly what happened all those years ago are being murdered – there is a killer coming after them, a killer with a plan – and their only hope for survival lies with Skulduggery Pleasant and Valkyrie Cain. Because when the end of the world comes knocking, our first line of defence must always be sarcasm. Unstoppable, withering sarcasm.

Categories: Adventure, Mystery, Murder, Sarcasm



30. STARS AND PLANETS EYE WONDER

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Explore the wonders of space with this fully updated edition of Eyewonder Stars and Planets for children aged 5-7. Ever look up at the sky and wonder about the things twinkling back at you? The sea of stars in the sky includes everything from blue giants to black holes! Learn all about them in this space book, and find your way from our space stations to Saturn and planets beyond. Then find out how we fit into our galaxy and how big the Universe really is. Plus, activities such as star gazing and space maze will keep you entertained again and again.

Categories: Space, Planets



31. 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



32. STONEWITCH HEDGEWITCH

Skye McKenna | Tomislav Tomic (Illustrator) | Hardback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

To complete the next step in her witch's training, Cassie Morgan must invent a brand-new spell. However, she is struggling for inspiration – so 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 Cauldron. 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

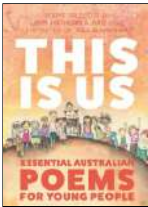


33. SUNDAYS UNDER THE LEMON TREE

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](#)



34. 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](#)



35. TRAITORS IN SPACE PICK-YOUR-OWN PATH ADVENTURE

Tim Collins | Steven Wood (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

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](#)

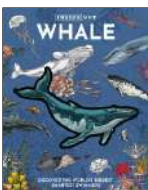


36. TRIM THE CAT

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](#)



37. WHALE INSIDE OUT

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

Discover the ocean's gentle giants with this layered 3-D book featuring fascinating facts, photos, and illustrations. Known for their massive size, graceful movements, haunting calls, and familiar social behavior, whales have captured our hearts and imaginations. Inside Out Whale takes kids on an exciting exploration of this delightful species, which includes some of Earth's largest and most intelligent creatures. A die-cut model of a whale centers each section, introducing readers to features of a whale's anatomy and behavior.

Categories: [Sea Creatures](#), [Whales](#), [Mammals](#)



38. 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](#)

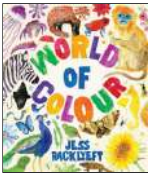


39. WHICH WAY TO THE FUTURE? WHICH WAY TO ANYWHERE

Cressida Cowell | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Planet Earth, in case you do not know it, is a small, green little world, out on the end of a remote and rarely visited Milky Way. All Magic was supposed to have disappeared from this particular planet many centuries earlier. But in an ordinary, slightly damp part of the planet there are five human children with extraordinary Magical Gifts that the universe has never seen before. Only two of them don't know it yet. What will Mabel and Izzabird's Gifts be? And how will they navigate Bounty Hunters, a witch and three perilous tasks to reach the end of their story? After all, there's nothing like an adventure to find out whether you are a Hero or not...

Categories: [Fantasy](#), [Adventure](#), [Magic Realism](#), [Space Travel](#)



40. **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](#)

Australian Picture Book

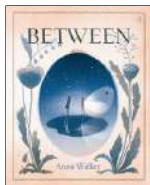


41. BEAR TO THE RESCUE

Romane Cristescu | Sylvia Morris (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$24.30**

Bear is full of energy, which can lead to trouble until he finds his perfect role as a detection dog! When deadly bushfires sweep through the forest, Bear and his team must act fast. Will Bear be able to find and help save the wild koalas? Follow the true story of Bear as he finds his purpose for important conservation work.

Categories: [Conservation](#), [Environment](#), [Dogs](#), [Working Dogs](#), [Bushfire](#), [Survival](#)



42. 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](#)



43. BIG AUSSIE ANIMAL BUSH BASH

Brentos | Hardback | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Get ready to party with Snags, the coolest koala in the bush, as he sends out an invite for an unforgettable bush doof! Meet a grooving wisdom of wombats, a head-banging mob of emus, a bopping bask of crocodiles and even more party animals! This is a music festival like you've never seen before: a dreamy pastel-popping celebration of Australian animals and the bush, from bestselling creator Brentos. Join in the fun by scanning the QR code for a custom Spotify playlist to keep the good times going.

Categories: [Look and Find](#)

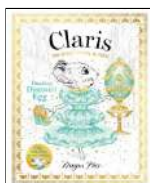


44. BUSH TURKEY: CHRISTMAS CHAOS BUSH TURKEY

Kate Temple | Ronojoy Ghosh (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Ho-Ho... Uh-Oh! Christmas is coming really, really soon and Turkey needs decorations by this afternoon! He heads off to the store; Bin Chicken's there too. Watch out, Santa Claus! It's a Christmas hullabaloo!

Categories: [Christmas](#), [Humour](#)



45. CLARIS: DAZZLING DIAMOND EGG CLARIS

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

In her latest adventure in Paris, Claris must find a missing Fabergé egg with her best friend, Monsieur! Discover the dazzling ninth picture book in Megan Hess's bestselling and beloved series about courage, compassion and a stylish little mouse.

Categories: [Kindness](#), [Courage](#), [Crime](#)



46. CROCODILES DO NOT LIKE THE TOILET

Ali Rutstein | Nina Nill (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

In this warm-hearted story from the bestselling Preschool Problems series, Manu the crocodile is far too busy to use the toilet at day care. Manu has an action-packed day ahead, and Dad reminds him that even busy crocodiles need to use the toilet at day care. But Manu doesn't want to miss out on any fun – not when there's painting to do, friends to chase and games to play! Can this energetic crocodile find the time to use the loo and show off his best moves at the afternoon dance party?

Categories: [Toilet Training](#)

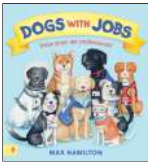


47. DOGS WITH JOBS

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](#)



48. 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

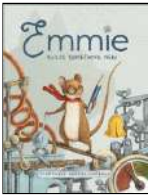


49. DROPBEAR

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



50. 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



51. 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

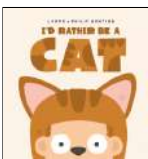


52. HERE COME THE COUSINS

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



53. 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



54. JUNIPER'S PAINTING

Catherine Bauer | Jennifer Horn (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$24.30**

Juniper is stuck in her beachside home. All she wants is to play on the sand, collect shells, and look for mermaids in the shallows. But it's too wet and Mamma's busy with work. Juniper tries to keep busy with indoor games. Mamma suggests she paint a picture, so Juniper decides to paint her beloved beach. She starts with the sky that stretches down to the deep sea green, then adds red sailboats and darting silverfish. By the time it's complete, Juniper is surprised to see that something has changed! The storm has passed and Mamma is ready to go to the beach. Did her painting change the world outside? Maybe her imagination is more powerful than she thought...

Categories: Creativity, Imagination, Family, Independence, Weather, Nature



55. LITTLE PUGGLE'S DANCE

Vikki Conley | Helen Magisson (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$24.30**

Puggle dreams of dancing on stage, but every time he tries, his body has a wibbly-wobbly-waddly mind of its own. With the Spring Gala fast approaching, will he have the courage to keep going and find his own rhythm?

Categories: Inclusivity, Diversity, Friendship, Dancing, Courage, Determination



56. 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

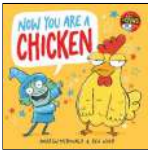


57. NEIGHBOURHOOD NEST

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



58. NOW YOU ARE A CHICKEN

Andrew McDonald | Ben Wood (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$18.39**

'WELCOME to the only book that turns you into a CHICKEN. I'll just wiggle my fingers and say the magic words ...' 'WAIT!!!' From the creators of bestselling series Real Pigeons comes this hilarious, interactive and totally transformational picture book that will turn readers into chickens! Helped along by a cheerful wizard and a begrudging chicken, readers young and old will be endlessly entertained by this fourth-wall-breaking, delightfully irreverent story. There's a surprise around every corner! Can the wizard REALLY turn you into a chicken just by saying the magic words? What if you don't believe in the spell? And who will do an egg??

Categories: Humour, Magic



59. 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

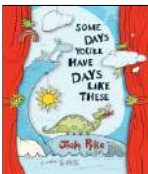


60. PEACH KING, THE

Inga Simpson | Tannya Harricks (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

When Little Peach Tree was just a sapling, all they could see was row upon row of other peach trees. And, on top of the hill, watching over the orchard - the Peach King. As seasons pass, bringing cycles of change, Little Peach Tree grows and grows. But darker changes are stirring. Soon rain is scarce, the forests turn brown, animals flee and the sky turns red. To protect the orchard, the Peach King faces grave danger and Little Peach Tree must find their voice. A contemporary fable about the resilience of nature.

Categories: Nature, Resilience, Weather, Seasons, Bushfire, Lifecycles



61. 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



62. 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



63. 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

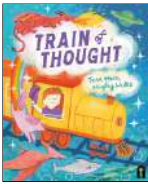


64. **THING ABOUT CHRISTMAS, THE**

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](#)

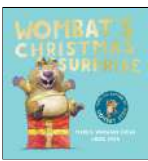


65. **TRAIN OF THOUGHT**

Jess Horn | Hayley Wells (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

Andy has a brilliant imagination, and it carries him to the most amazing places. Mum calls it his train of thought. But, when it's time for real-world tasks, Andy's train doesn't always stop! Can Andy find a way to be a treasure hunter and sit down in time for dinner? Train of Thought will delight readers aged 3 to 7 – and everyone and anyone who can relate to getting swept up in their imagination! EMBRACE IMAGINATION: empowers young children to use their creativity and imagination to overcome challenges. AN ADVENTURE-PACKED RIDE: Hayley Wells' illustrations are bursting with colourful detail, as Andy's train journey takes him from one inventive world to the next. CREATIVE THINKING: Andy's ingenious solutions in the story will resonate with young readers who struggle with self-awareness and self-regulation.

Categories: [Neurodiverse](#), [Neurodiversity](#)



66. **WOMBAT'S CHRISTMAS SURPRISE**

Marcia Vaughan Crews | Louis Shea (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Wombat and his mates are very excited about Santa's surprise party. But when they arrive at the party with their presents, there is no sign of Santa. Where could Santa be? And what is Wombat's Christmas surprise?

Categories: [Christmas](#), [Sharing](#), [Kindness](#), [Friendship](#)



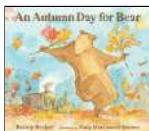
67. **YES, NO, MAYBE**

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](#)

Overseas Picture Book



68. AN AUTUMN DAY FOR BEAR

Bonny Becker | Kady MacDonald Denton (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** | **School Price \$23.80**

One autumn day, Bear is all ready to go for a picnic with Mouse. But there is no tap, tap, tapping on Bear's front door... No sign at all of his small and grey and bright-eyed friend. Bear sets out to look for Mouse and finds him sitting on a stump, lamenting the signs of autumn – the leaves falling, the birds leaving, and the flowers going, too. After not too long, Bear agrees that this autumn day really IS the worst day ever. But together, with slippery puddles, wonderfully messy mud, and tea and pickles in front of a crackling fire, Bear and Mouse may find that this preposterous day may not be quite so bad after all.

Categories: Friendship, Seasons, Autumn, Feelings/Emotions, Sadness

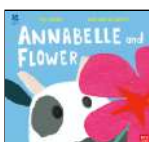


69. ANGELINA'S INVITATION TO THE BALLET ANGELINA BALLERINA

Katharine Holabird | Helen Craig (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$27.00**

This classic Angelina Ballerina padded novelty picture book about an incredible invitation is back in a beautiful, refreshed edition with lovely letters, tickets, and a fold-out mini poster inside! When Angelina Ballerina wins two tickets to a special royal production of the Cindermouse ballet, she is so excited, but it turns out that none of her friends are free to join her. Angelina looks for someone to share the performance with her in this sweet story that is told partly in printed letters and notes to and from Angelina and her friends in Chipping Cheddar—and even from royalty! As readers open the envelopes and see what's inside, the story takes an exciting twist that puts Angelina center stage. There is even a small poster readers can hang on their wall to inspire them to keep dancing, just like Angelina!

Categories: Dance, Ballet

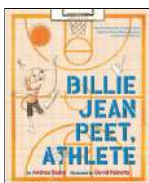


70. ANNABELLE AND FLOWER

Em Lynas | Anuska Allepuz (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

When a lonely cow called Annabelle finds a tiny flower one spring day, it brings a dance to her step and a smile to her moo. Over time, the flower grows, blooms and changes colour, until one day autumn comes and blows all the petals away. Poor Annabelle is alone again, until spring returns and she finds a new flower . . . and another . . . and another! A warm, funny picture book about the circle of life – with bright neon colours throughout!

Categories: Seasons, Weather, Nature, Friendship, Time

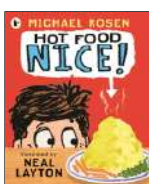


71. BILLIE JEAN PEET, ATHLETE

Andrea Beaty | David Roberts (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$27.00**

Billie Jean Peet is the middle kid in a house full of music. Her older sister sings and her younger sister drums. But when Billie Jean tries to join in, her notes come out sharp and flat. She just wants to find her niche, but the more she tries, the more she worries she's not good at anything. Billie Jean is sure she's stuck being so-so, but when a mistake on the basketball court flips into an unexpected revelation, she's able to combine all her interests and create something completely her own. From author-illustrator team Andrea Beaty and David Roberts comes an unforgettable story about embracing what makes you unique in order to forge your own path.

Categories: Sport, Basketball, Individuality, Independence

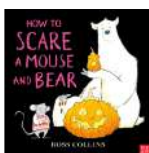


72. HOT FOOD, NICE!

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



73. HOW TO SCARE A MOUSE AND BEAR

Ross Collins | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

It's Halloween – woo-hoo! –and Bear is determined to scare Mouse. Mouse, however, isn't fooled by Bear's clumsy attempts to dress up . . . Bear's ghostly wail is just plain silly and his werewolf smells of wet dog. But wait! Who's knocking at the door now? This mysterious monster might just scare them both... Watch out, it's Fright Night! Will YOU be fooled by Bear's spooky costumes?

Categories: Rhyming Text, Halloween

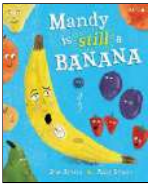


74. I'M VERY BUSY

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

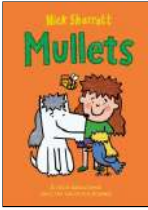


75. MANDY IS STILL A BANANA

Zoe Arena | Amy Louise Evans (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$24.30**

Mandy is a banana. A yellow, bendy, half-moon-shaped banana. The problem is, Mandy doesn't want to be a banana. She would rather be a prickly pineapple like Pedro, a round watermelon like Wilhelmina, or ANYTHING other than a banana. It takes a plucky little blueberry called Blip to help Mandy focus on her 'haves' rather than her 'have-nots' and to celebrate what makes her so unique, so bendy, so brilliant and so absolutely, utterly . . . BANANA! A quirky celebration of learning to love the skin you're in, featuring an all-star cast of fruit-bowl friends. Heart-warming and funny in equal measure, Mandy is Still a Banana is guaranteed to be a hit with little ones and adults alike.

Categories: [Humour](#), [Identity](#)

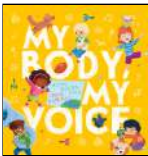


76. MULLETS

Nick Sharratt | Hardback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

A HAIR-larious book about the hairstyle of legends Let's spend a while on Mullet Isle! Everyone there has SPECIAL hair! A rollicking rhyming celebration of the mighty mullet. The perfect gift for the legend in your life.

Categories: [Humour](#), [Hair Style](#), [Rhyming Text](#)

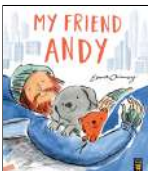


77. MY BODY, MY VOICE

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](#)



78. MY FRIEND ANDY

Emma Chinnery | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Everyday, little dog Fluffy walks through the city with Mum and Lilly. And everyday, they walk past Andy. But they are never allowed to play with him. Until one day, Fluffy gets lost, and this changes forever. With the help of Andy and his Dad, Fluffy searches high and low for Lilly. But will they ever be reunited? Told through Fluffy's eyes, this book brilliantly grasps a child-like naivety that questions what is and encourages us to imagine what should be. With her stunning watercolour illustrations, Emma Chinnery shows her mastery at capturing the nuances of everyday life in this simple - yet poignant - story about the blossoming friendship of two dogs living in the same city.

Categories: [Homelessness](#), [Fear](#), [Friendship](#), [Companionship](#), [Perspective](#)



79. PORRIDGE PLEASE!

Laura Mucha | Marc Boutavant (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** | **School Price \$23.80**

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](#)

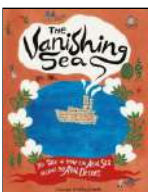


80. THE TURTLE WHO TURNED THE TIDE, THE

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](#)



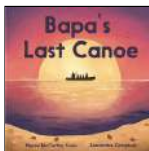
81. VANISHING SEA, THE

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](#)

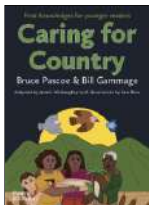
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82. BAPA'S LAST CANOE

Maree McCarthy Yoelu | Samantha Campbell (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** | **School Price \$25.20**

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.



83. 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](#)



84. 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](#)

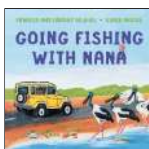


85. GIWANG: WEATHER AND WILDLIFE ON WIRADJURI COUNTRY

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](#)

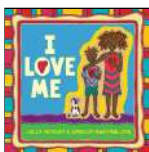


86. GOING FISHING WITH NANA

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](#)



87. I LOVE ME

Sally Morgan | Ambelin Kwaymullina (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Unique and vibrant, I Love Me is a beautifully illustrated children's picture book about acceptance and individuality. From award-winning creators Sally Morgan and Ambelin Kwaymullina comes a joyous story about self-esteem. Written with bouncy prose and riotous colour, this picture book is a delight to share with young readers. Using rhyme, rhythm and repetition, I Love Me teaches small children to love themselves just the way they are.

Categories: [Self Esteem/Resilience](#), [Aboriginal Studies](#)

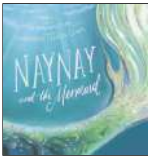


88. MY STORY, OUR COUNTRY: FIRST NATIONS FAMILY HISTOR

Ryhia Dank | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

"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 Gudanji/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](#)



89. NAYNAY AND THE MERMAID

Tasma Walton | Charmaine Ledden-lewis (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

'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.

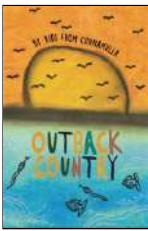
Categories: [Aboriginal Studies](#), [First Nations](#), [Culture](#), [Country](#)



90. NGURRA HOME

Carl Merrison | Dub Leffler (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 11+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$16.20**

We first met Mia in Black Cockatoo as she navigated her way through culture, Country and familial ties. The second book Dirrarn, follows Mia as she finds herself at boarding school navigating the challenges of living thousands of kilometres away from home and family and maintaining her sense of identity and belonging. In this final book, Mia is now studying Conservation and Wildlife Science at university whilst working part-time for a wildlife sanctuary when she is suddenly called upon to return home to her family. She is faced with the responsibility to protect the country, which her Jiwajji has given her. It is time for Mia to fight for country, and her education, knowledge and experience in wildlife science will guide her.

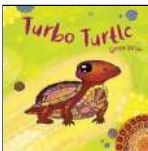


91. OUTBACK COUNTRY

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

This collection of short stories will transport you into a landscape of red earth and brown river, where trucking, pigging and lore pave the roads. Jump in and buckle up as you walk alongside the authors, seeing all the nooks and crannies of life in Cunnamulla. Outback Country was created by a group of First Nations kids from Cunnamulla through ILF's Community Publishing program. The book offers a sincere and charming glimpse into the world of these kids in a small town in South West Queensland.

Categories: [Aboriginal Studies](#), [Short Stories](#)



92. TURBO TURTLE SCALES AND TAILS

Gregg Dreise | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** | **School Price \$23.80**

During Dreamtime a lizard hatched out of a cluster of eggs. An eagle swept down and snatched him up! That lizard wriggled so much his tail broke off. He fell, but Biamme made a safe landing for him. Biamme gave him speed and he became turbo-charged. Biamme shared the Lore with him. When that lizard forgot to ask the Elders permission to hunt on their Country they complained to Biamme. He had to face the punishment called Boreen. Biamme gave him two boreens (shields), which grew on each side of his body to protect him from the Elders spears. He's not turbo-charged any more.

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93. 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](#)



94. ALEXIS COOL AS A CUPCAKE GRAPHIC NOVEL CUPCAKE DIARIES GRAPHIC NOVEL

[Coco Simon](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Alexis loves being the business manager of the cupcake club. She's super-organized and loves working out schedules and budgets. But is being in charge "not cool?" Feeling unappreciated, Alexis takes a break from her responsibilities. With missed deadlines and supplies running low, it's a recipe for disaster!

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#)



95. ALL ARE WELCOME: A CAT'S CAFÉ COLLECTION GRAPHIC

[Gwen Tarpley](#) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$21.99** | **School Price \$19.80**

The comic book equivalent of a cozy blanket, Cat's Café takes you by the hand and carefully guides you away from all the darkness in life. Freeing the warm and floofies within, Cat's Café offers a world that understands you. Along with the familiar stories of mental health and friendship that Cat's Café is known for, author Gwen Tarpley also uses characters like Rabbit to share her most authentic self with the world. So, grab your favorite mug and brew, and sip, laugh, and cheer as you curl up with the newest installment of Cat's Café.

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Friendship](#), [Kindness](#), [Inclusion](#), [Acceptance](#)



96. BEST CHRISTMAS EVER! GRAPHIC NOVEL PIZZA AND TACO

[Stephen Shaskan](#) | Paperback | Age 5+ | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.70**

It's Christmas time... in a few months! But Pizza and Taco have decided it's never too early to make their Christmas wish lists and check them twice. Now all they need to do is make sure they're super nice and well-behaved because Santa Slaw is always watching! Taco has no problem helping neighbours and doing his chores, but Pizza, on the other hand... Will Pizza and Taco get all the presents they ask for?

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

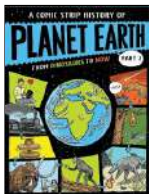


97. DARKSTALKER GRAPHIC NOVEL WINGS OF FIRE LEGENDS

[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](#)



98. 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](#)

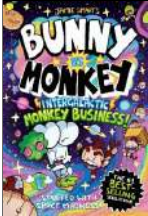


99. HOOVES OF DEATH VOLUME 1 GRAPHIC NOVEL [HOOVES OF DEATH GRAPHIC NOVEL](#)

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

Humanity, on the brink of collapse after a devastating zombie outbreak, has retreated to its last refuge. Supplies are scarce and hope is fading fast. That is, until an unexpected saviour arrives: a herd of unicorns. Though the situation has been stabilized, the war against the undead is far from over. Determined to prove herself, Sergeant Glitter volunteers for a mission to find food but instead stumbles upon Kate, a lone survivor. As they navigate strange alliances and treacherous foes, they begin to unravel a truth even more shocking than the undead. Based on the beloved webcomic from WEBTOON, Hooves of Death is in stunning print format for the first time and is sure to please fans new and old.

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#)



100. INTERGALACTIC MONKEY BUSINESS! GRAPHIC NOVEL [BUNNY VS MONKEY](#)

[Jamie Smart](#) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

There's a new mischief-maker in The Woods - Little Monkey! A smaller, cuter, and even stranger Monkey than our beloved chaos-causer. But as Bunny and friends try to work out his motives, they are led far from the woods . . . into outer space. And on Planet Monkey, the laughs are positively intergalactic!

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

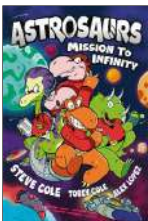


101. JESSI RAMSEY, PET-SITTER GRAPHIC NOVEL [BABY-SITTERS CLUB GRAPHIX](#)

[Ann m Martin](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$18.99** | **School Price \$17.10**

The Mancusis don't have any kids... but they sure do have a lot of pets! So when they're desperate for a sitter, who do they call? The Baby-sitters Club! Kristy feels pretty sure that the BSC does not pet-sit. But Jessi has always liked animals, and she talks Kristy into being okay with her taking the job. With snakes on the loose and sick hamsters, Jessi's got plenty of pet-sitting troubles, and things don't get any easier when she and her friends get into a big fight. Will Jessi be able to handle her pet-sitting job when things are going wrong with the baby-sitters, too?

Categories: [Conflict Resolution](#), [Friendship](#), [Graphic Novel](#)



102. 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, Ginny, 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](#)



103. NEW DOG IN THE DEN GRAPHIC NOVEL [WAGNIFICENT](#)

[Bethanie Deeney Murguia](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

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](#)



104. NEW GIRL GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE [SWEET VALLEY TWINS](#)

[Francine Pascal](#) | [Knack Whittle](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

New kid means new problems for Sweet Valley Twins, Jessica and Elizabeth. When a new girl moves to Sweet Valley, the Wakefields are ready to welcome her to town—unfortunately for Jessica and Elizabeth, Brooke Dennis seems to want nothing to do with them—she's the meanest girl they've ever met! The last thing Jessica wants to do is show her around or help her at school. Elizabeth wonders if maybe there is more going on with Brooke. There has to be a reason she's so mad all the time, right? Will Jessica and Elizabeth give Brooke a chance and find out who she really is? Or is Brooke truly the worst kid in Sweet Valley?

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



105. NEXT STOP GRAPHIC NOVEL

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

Pia is a softly-spoken middle schooler whose life is turned upside down after the loss of her younger brother, followed by her parents' decision to move to a new town. In an effort to get her mind off of the troubles at home, Pia goes on a bus tour with a family friend, stopping at weird and wacky roadside attractions. The final destination is a mysterious underground lake. The locals say it has magical powers; Pia won't admit she believes in it, but she's holding on to hope that the waters may hold the answer to mending her broken family ... A debut graphic novel by writer and artist, Debbie Fong, that explores grief, family and healing.

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Family](#), [Humour](#), [Magic](#), [Grief](#), [Mystery](#)



106. NO SUCH THING AS PERFECT GRAPHIC NOVEL [BOUNCE BACK](#)

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

Emma can't help comparing herself to her bright and popular older sister, Julia. Try as she might, Emma can't seem to please her mum as much as her sister does. And trying to be as good as everyone else at everything is exhausting and frustrating. With help from her friends, Emma soon realises that there's no such thing as 'perfect'—and it feels better to be true to herself, instead of trying to please others. But will other people, especially her mum, understand that Emma may not excel at the same things as her sister? Features an accurate representation of teenagers grappling with identity, self-worth and jealousy, all in a fun, colourful and magical medium.

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Sport](#), [Basketball](#), [Friendship](#), [Identity](#), [Jealousy](#)



107. 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](#)



108. 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](#)



109. SUNNY FIGURES IT OUT GRAPHIC NOVEL [SUNNY](#)

[Jennifer I Holm](#) | [Matthew Holm](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

There's no question that Sunny has fun whenever she hangs out with Tony. They go to the movies together, talk a lot at school, and support each other when they need it. But are they dating? Sunny isn't sure... but her friend, Deb, is. She thinks Sunny and Tony should be doing the couples-skate at the local roller rink. And Tony should be giving Sunny his jacket to wear. And carrying her books to class. For Sunny, this doesn't feel great. It just feels... weird. Maybe she needs to stop taking everyone else's advice in order to figure things out for herself!

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Friendship](#), [Independence](#), [Relationships](#)

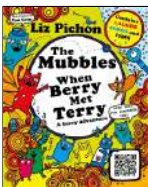


110. WARRIORS: PROPHECIES BEGIN GRAPHIC NOVEL 3 [WARRIORS GRAPHIC NOVEL](#)

[Erin Hunter](#) | [Natalie Riess](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

In the heart of the forest, the uneasy harmony between the four warrior cat Clans is in graver peril than ever before. ShadowClan has chosen Tigerclaw—now Tigerstar—as their new leader, and Fireheart fears that he still harbors dark plans for vengeance on his old clan. With the forest on the brink of battle, in which all the warriors must fight for their home and clan, the time has come for Fireheart to face his destiny.

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



111. WHEN BERRY MET TERRY GRAPHIC NOVEL [THE MUBBLES](#)

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

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? Today the Uncertain Curtain delivers Terry – a very cute, very naughty dog! Berry is delighted to finally have a friend to play with, but Terry soon causes a lot of chaos on the Isle of Smile. Will Terry have to leave early? Or can Berry's furry plan save the day?

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



112. WINGING IT GRAPHIC NOVEL

[Megan Wagner Lloyd](#) | [Michelle Mee Nutter](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$19.55**

Twelve-year-old Luna never wanted to move from California to Virginia, no matter how excited her dad is to introduce her to the area where her late mother grew up. And she definitely doesn't want to live with a grandmother she barely knows. But during a visit to the National Museum of Natural History, the rarely seen luna moth for which Luna was named sparks her curiosity. Using her mother's old naturalist notebooks as a guide, Luna endeavours to see a real luna moth with her own eyes. Learning more about nature just might help her make a new friend, figure out how to feel at home in her new life, and understand the mother she never got the chance to know.

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

Australian Novel



113. ADVENTURES OF PONGO AND STINK, THE

Lisa Nicol | Karen Blair (Illustrator) | Hardback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

A roll-in-the-mud adventure story about two piggies who LOVE food, but bite off more than they can chew. Pongo and Stink are FED UP with living in a pigsty. They want to live a life of luxury, all cosy in the farmhouse, getting loving pats from Farmer Nic while eating scones and jam on toast – just like their tormentor, Rollo the dog. When Pongo has the audacious idea of dressing up as pups, the two piggies set out to chase their dreams. But will the wily fox scupper their plans? Or will Pongo and Stink realise that they are perfect, just as they are?

Categories: [Adventure](#), [Friendship](#)



114. ASH THE BLAZE DRAGON DRAGON GIRLS

Maddy Mara | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$11.99**

Ash is returning to the Magic Forest, with her friends Maya and Eloise. There, they are able to turn into amazing Fire Dragons and use their special powers to protect the creatures there. The Chaos Queen is still determined to take over the forest, no matter the cost. Ash must harness all her bravery to lead a quest into the Fire Realm. If she and her friends don't work quickly, the realm will cool completely—and be lost forever!

Categories: [Dragons](#), [Adventure](#)

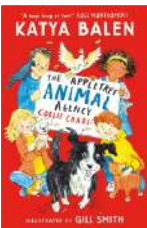


115. ATTACK OF THE ALIANTS CAMP SPOOKY

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](#)

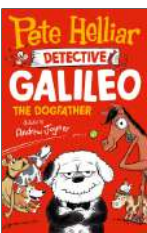


116. COLLIE CHAOS APPLETREE ANIMAL AGENCY

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](#)

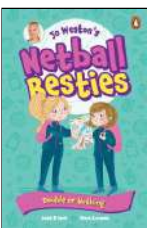


117. DETECTIVE GALILEO: DOGFATHER, THE DETECTIVE GALILEO

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](#)



118. DOUBLE OR NOTHING NETBALL BESTIES

Jo Weston | Sam Loman (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

Hooray for school holidays! Jo and Ava are leaving Talma Valley for an adventure in the city. They have been selected to play in a special team at half-time in a professional netball game – and they can't wait. Their trip gets off to a dramatic start when Jo opens her suitcase – only to see that there has been a mix-up and she has someone else's bag! What's inside is even more intriguing. The girls set off on a quest to find the owner of the suitcase and to retrieve Jo's belongings. Can they solve the mystery in time to play in the big game?

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



119. DYLAN ALCOTT FAIR GAME DYLAN ALCOTT

Dylan Alcott | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Dylan loves to come first: from breaking the Wheelchair Wheelie world record, to playing with his little sister, to coding amazing games. He's always trying to win. And with the school sports carnival coming up, he's sure he'll slay it on the day. But suddenly nothing seems to be going his way. His parents keep interfering, he's losing on and off the field, and then there's the disaster with the Party of the Year. It takes the people who care about Dylan to help him realise that winning is not always about coming first.

Categories: Competition, Disability, Wheelchair, Resilience



120. ELIF'S ITCHY PALM COCKATOO CREW

Lora Inak | Kruti Desai (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$14.40**

It's Elif's first day at Cockatoo Hill English Language School, and although she learned a little bit of English in Türkiye, she's worried she won't make any new friends in Australia. But when Elif's palm itches in class and her very special \$2 coin goes missing, she discovers that the kids in her class are part of a secret 'superhero-ish' group called The Cockatoo Crew. Can they help Elif find her coin? And could The Cockatoo Crew be the new friends she's been hoping for?

Categories: Multicultural, Friendship



121. 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 buttcap 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



122. 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



123. FLIGHT OF THE DRAKKONBARQ

Sarah Giddy | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$18.99** | **School Price \$17.10**

Tired of feeling like a misfit, Bat hitches a ride on his newly hatched moth and takes off on a daring quest. His mission? To fly beyond the grass, find the legendary enemy dragonfly-riders, and finally discover where he belongs. But From riding beetles and exploring treetop villages to joining sky-high honey quests and befriending a fierce young warrior named Elfrida, Bat is swept into a world of wonder—and danger. The dragonfly-riders aren't the villains he was raised to fear. As Bat navigates battles, secrets, and shifting loyalties, he begins to realise that being different doesn't mean you don't belong. And that sometimes, the greatest quest isn't to change yourself—but to see others more clearly.

Categories: Friendship, Bravery, Magic, Identity, Loneliness, Bullying



124. 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



125. 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

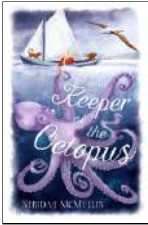


126. **HOP ON BOARD!** JET SET PETS

Maddy Mara | Kyla May (Illustrator) | 3 in 1 | Age 5+ | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$13.60**

Violet Voom has three pets, one jet and an itch to travel. Wherever Violet goes in her fabulous purple jet, her fabulous (but not purple) pets go too. The pets – a sleek cat, a goofy poodle and a parrot with a terrible case of beak leak – are called the Jet Set Pets. And the jet? It's called the Pet Jet. Of course. Fly stunt planes in Japan! Find the egg thief in France! Sail the seas with your besties on a friend-SHIP! Three stories in one book!

Categories: Humour, Adventure



127. **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

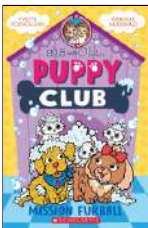


128. **LOST ISLAND, THE** DOLPHIN TWINS

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

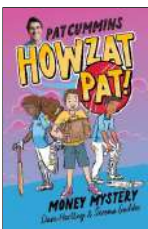


129. **MISSION FURBALL** ELLA AND OLIVIA'S PUPPY CLUB

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! Bob and his puppy pals are on a special mission: get their new kitten friend, Furball, back to her family! There is only one problem—they are in a dog park full of excited puppies! Can they come up with the ulti-mutt idea to get Furball back to her family?

Categories: Pets, Dogs, Family

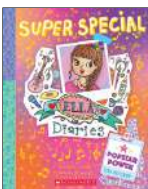


130. **MONEY MYSTERY** HOWZAT PAT!

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



131. **POPSTAR POWER** ELLA DIARIES SUPER SPECIAL

Meredith Costain | Danielle McDonald (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Warning: You are about to read my utterly biggest secrets. Can I trust you? OK then. I'm Ella, and this is my diary. Cassi Valentine is putting on a concert! And Ella is desperate to go! But tickets sell out super fast. So when a radio contest is announced, Ella is ready to enter. Will she get to see her favourite popstar shine? Or will it remain a dream?

Categories: Performance, Concert



132. **SAMBU WON'T GROW** COCKATOO CREW

Lora Inak | Kruti Desai (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$15.99** | **School Price \$14.40**

Sambu is about to turn eight, and his family is planning a big birthday celebration! He has just one wish: to grow tall and strong like his Kenyan Maasai Warrior ancestors. Then maybe his older sisters will stop calling him a baby—and he might finally stop being scared of the strange noises on the roof at night. But when a classmate accidentally steps over him, Sambu is convinced he's been cursed to never grow tall or strong. Can his friends, The Cockatoo Crew help him lift the curse before his big day?

Categories: Multicultural, Friendship, Birthdays



133. 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



134. SECRET SANTA STOP ELLA AND OLIVIA

Yvette Poshoglian | Danielle McDonald (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$7.99** | **School Price \$7.20**

Meet Ella and Olivia. Big sister. Little sister. Best friends Ella and Olivia are going away to Hideaway Bay for their family Christmas! But how will Santa find them if they're not at home?

Categories: Christmas, Family, Holidays, Friendship

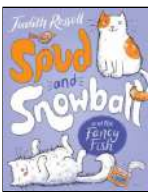


135. SPORTS DAY MEET ELLA

Rebecca McRitchie | Danielle McDonald (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | **RRP \$7.99** | **School Price \$6.80**

It's Sports Day at school. But Ella forgot! And she is the only one not wearing her sports uniform. Can Ella still have a fun day? ... Simple vocabulary and large easy-to-read font, ideal for very new readers. Relatable themes of family, friendships and being a little person in a big world!

Categories: Family, Friendship, Resilience



136. 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



137. TABLE CAPE CRUSADER, THE SECRET DETECTIVES CLUB

Kate Gordon | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

The Secret Detectives Club has landed its second case: The Case of the Missing Milk Jugs! It might not sound thrilling, but Rocko loves being in the club with Cosmo and Mingus Reid. For a while, he can forget about the school bullies and the way his brain sometimes feels a bit... different. Then a mysterious note arrives and strange accidents start happening. People in Table Cape are being targeted, and no one knows who's behind it—or who's next. And just when things couldn't get weirder, strange symbols begin to appear on the town's walls. Rocko, Cosmo, and Mingus must crack the case before the next prank goes too far. And through it all... milk jugs are still going missing!

Categories: Mystery, Detective, Adventure



138. TIME LIONS AND THE CHRONO-LOOP

Krystal Sutherland | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

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

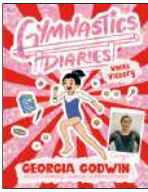


139. TOILET TIME MACHINE TOILET TIME MACHINE

Mark Serrels | 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



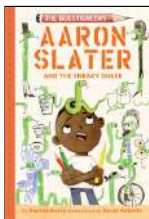
140. VAULT VICTORY [GYMNASTICS DIARIES](#)

[Georgia Godwin](#) | [Camilla Frescura](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

Hi! I'm Georgia and I'm ten years old and I love gymnastics! I want to be an international gymnastics star! This is my diary. Come with me as I chase my dreams! Georgia has a lot happening. Her squad has qualified to compete in a national competition which excitingly means a road trip! But it also means preparing a scary new vault to compete. Plus, she has a big school project due at the same time as the comp – Eek! Will Georgia be able to successfully manage everything? Or will it all end in a disaster?

Categories: [Sport](#), [Gymnastics](#), [Competition](#), [Friendship](#), [Relationships](#)

Younger Novel

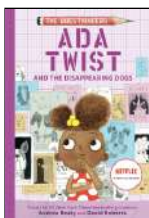


141. AARON SLATER AND THE SNEAKY SNAKE THE QUESTIONEERS

Andrea Beaty | David Roberts (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$11.99** | **School Price \$10.80**

Zookeeper Fred loves all snakes, but his favorite is a tiny green snake named Vern. Vern is sneaky and constantly tries to hide in Fred's lunch. When Vern gets loose in the zoo and lands atop a boy's head, it's trouble! A few citizens demand that all the snakes must go, and the mayor closes the zoo until the city council decides what to do. Is Vern a menace? Are the snakes a danger to society or a valuable resource for everyone? Who gets to decide? The Questioneers need all their talents to help Zookeeper Fred, but in the end, it's Aaron's art that leads the way.

Categories: [STEAM](#), [Science](#)



142. ADA TWIST AND THE DISAPPEARING DOGS THE QUESTIONEERS

Andrea Beaty | David Roberts (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$11.99** | **School Price \$10.80**

Blue River Creek has a problem: there's a pet thief on the loose! Or at least, Sofia and Iggy are convinced that there is once their pets go missing. But as a scientist, Ada knows it's important not to jump to conclusions and to follow the facts. How will they find out what really happened to the town's pets? By using the scientific method, of course! Through making a hypothesis, collecting data, and experimentation, the Questioneers must find the missing animals before even more pets disappear!

Categories: [STEAM](#), [Science](#)



143. DANGER AT THE BLACK LAGOON ASTRID AND THE SPACE CADETS

Alex T Smith | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

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](#)



144. DRAGON GOLD

Shoo Rayner | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

What would you do if there was a school competition to make a dragon that can fly? Ryan always wins everything, thanks to his incredibly competitive dad. Ryan will have the state-of-the-art gadget like always. Harri would love to know what it feels like to win, just once, but there's no chance. And then someone new walks into Harri's mum's shop. Someone almost invisible. What you would do if there was a competition to make a dragon – and you had a dragon? A real, fire-breathing, chocolate loving, very unpredictable dragon but you can't tell anyone...

Categories: [Fantasy](#), [Friendship](#)



145. DRAGON RED

Shoo Rayner | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

In the third and final story in Shoo's fantastic Dragon trilogy, everyone in the village now knows about the dragons. They are both, Tân and Draca, kept locked up in the castle and Harri is allowed to visit Tân to look after him. Everything goes wrong when Ryan's dad sets Draca free and they fly off into the mountains. The police are after them, and want Harri to help. Harri knows only Tân can find Draca and is scared the police won't understand. Are the old legends coming true? When Ryan's dad and Draca challenge them to a fight to the death, can Harri and Tân find a way to restore the peace?

Categories: [Fantasy](#), [Friendship](#)

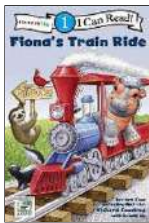


146. DRAGON WHITE

Shoo Rayner | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

Ryan's dad is out for revenge. He knows there is a secret about Tan, Harri's supposedly 'toy' dragon. Ryan, Harri's new best friend, knows Tan is real and his dad forces him to give the secret away, testing Harri and Ryan's friendship to the limit. Ryan's dad is now obsessed with getting his own dragon in time for the May Parade...

Categories: [Fantasy](#), [Friendship](#)



147. **FIONA'S TRAIN RIDE** I CAN READ LEVEL 1

Zondervan | Richard Cowdrey (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$9.99** | **School Price \$9.00**

Join Fiona the hippo, the adorable internet sensation from the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Gardens, as she and her friends take a train ride at the zoo! Fiona wants to visit the new baby red panda, but it is so far! What better way to get around the zoo than the fun and fast zoo train. Young readers will enjoy learning more about Fiona and her friends in this Level One I Can Read about the little hippo that has captured hearts around the world with her inspiring story and plucky personality.



148. **FRIENDS FOREVER COLLECTION** RAINBOW MAGIC

Daisy Meadows | 4 in 1 | Age 6+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Join best friends Rachel and Kirsty on four magical adventures with the Friendship Fairies! This bumper story collection contains 'Esther the Kindness Fairy', 'Mary the Sharing Fairy', 'Mimi the Laughter Fairy' and 'Clare the Caring Fairy'. The girls must help the fairies find their magical objects before friendships everywhere are ruined. Can Rachel and Kirsty work together to show how powerful true friendship can be?

Categories: Fantasy, Magic, Fairies



149. **KAREN'S GOLDFISH** BABY-SITTERS LITTLE SISTER

Ann Martin | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.70**

Karen and her little brother Andrew are getting new pets – goldfish! Karen names hers Crystal Light. Andrew's is called Goldfishie. Karen and Andrew love to watch their fish swim around and around. Then something happens to Crystal Light, and Karen is so sad. Nothing can make her feel better ... until Karen's witchy neighbour saves the day!

Categories: Babysitting

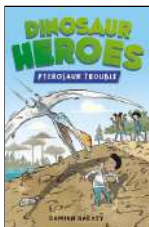


150. **PEGGY THE PUG'S CHRISTMAS COLLECTION**

Bella Swift | 2 in 1 | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Snuggle up with Peggy the pug this Christmas! Read about how it all began in 'The Pug Who Wanted to be a Unicorn'. Peggy the pug is taken in by a foster family with a little girl named Chloe. But Chloe doesn't want a puppy for Christmas, she wants a unicorn... 'In The Pug Who Wanted to be a Reindeer', Peggy's family has lost their Christmas spirit and Peggy is desperate to help them get it back. Can Peggy find Santa and work some festive magic on her family? A delightful Christmas story collection with adorable black and white illustrations throughout.

Categories: Christmas



151. **PTEROSAUR TROUBLE** DINOSAUR HEROES

Damian Harvey | Alex Paterson (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

In Pterosaur Trouble the heroes investigate the theft of some pterosaur eggs which leads them to a shocking discovery ... and some very close encounters with dinosaurs! Great for readers age 7+ these Dinosaur Heroes adventure stories are also full of fascinating facts about dinosaurs. These black and white illustrated chapter books are perfect for bringing dinosaur and science facts to young readers, inspiring a thirst for knowledge and learning by stealth. The team of characters each specialise in a unique STEM skill and come from around the world to give a truly global outlook, too.

Categories: Dinosaurs, Adventure, Discovery, Facts



152. **PUG WHO WANTED TO GO TO SCHOOL, THE**

Bella Swift | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

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



153. **PUGICORN'S SNOWY FRIEND** MAGIC PET SHOP

Matilda Rose | Tim Budgen (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

Princess Ava and Pugicorn can't wait for their town's winter festival! But then a mysterious egg arrives at The Magic Pet Shop, and it's up to them to look after it while they join in on the frosty fun. When the egg suddenly hatches, they'll have to go on a snowy adventure to find this magic pet a new home. Will they find the perfect, jolly friend for this pet?

Categories: Magic, Friendship



154. **STORIES OF TAILS AND WHISKERS**

[Enid Blyton](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$16.20**

A wonderful collection filled with animals of all shapes and sizes by the world's best-loved storyteller. Perfect for children aged 5 and up! There's a story for every animal-lover inside, from a dog with a long tail and a squirrel with a secret, to a rabbit looking for new whiskers and a cat in a doll's house. Look out for tails and whiskers, and feathers and fur! These traditional tales are ideal for younger children being read to and for newly confident readers to read alone. Each story stands alone and is the perfect length for reading at bedtime or in the classroom. Enid Blyton remains one of Britain's favourite children's authors and her bumper short story collections are perfect for introducing her to the latest generation of readers.

Categories: [Short Stories](#)



155. **TERRIFYING T-REX DINOSAUR HEROES**

[Damian Harvey](#) | [Alex Paterson](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Join our team of Heroes in this fast-paced, dinosaur-themed chapter book as they undertake a daring rescue mission to locate a missing scientist last seen near some Tyrannosaurus rex fossils. These illustrated chapter books are perfect for bringing dinosaur and science facts to young readers, inspiring a thirst for knowledge and learning by stealth. The team of characters come from around the world to give a truly global outlook, too.

Categories: [Dinosaurs](#), [Adventure](#), [Rescue](#), [Facts](#)



156. **WORST SHOW EVER, THE DISASTER DIARIES**

[Joanna Nadin](#) | [Rikin Parekh](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

Daffodil is eight years old. She's the youngest in her family but is full of BOBBY DAZZLERS, which means brilliant ideas. Daff's latest Bobby Dazzler involves entering the Chipping Grimley Village Talent Show and getting her picture in the local paper so she can become WORLD FAMOUS. But first she needs to practise the trombone so she can win the competition. And before that she needs to get a trombone... And to start off with, she'll need to raise 25 EUR to buy a trombone from the charity shop... Luckily, her trusty (and only slightly misbehaving) greyhound Colin is by her side for support, as is reliable best friend and fellow genius-ideas-generator Nirmal. What could possibly go wrong?

Categories: [Humour](#)

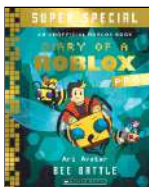
Middle Novel



157. ARCTIC FOX, THE

Holly Webb | David Dean (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

Evie is so excited to spend her Christmas holiday in Lapland – they're going to visit Santa, go on a reindeer sleigh ride and watch the Northern Lights. She's even dreamed about seeing her favourite animal – the arctic fox. Evie's parents say this is unlikely, though, as hunting has left the species endangered. But when she hears a strange whining noise in the middle of the night, she follows the sounds and discovers a little arctic fox caught in a trap. Can Evie rescue him in time? A magical wintry tale from best-selling author Holly Webb, this is the perfect book to snuggle up with and enjoy this winter.



158. BEE BATTLE DIARY OF A ROBLOX PRO SUPER SPECIAL

Ari Avatar | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Ari is just a regular avatar from Blockville who loves hanging out with his two best friends–Zeke and Jez. Zeke's Dad has a new obby, so Ari and Jez are keen to check it out. But an accident with a shrink-ray lands them in the path of an abnormally large spider. Now the size of ants, Ari, Jez and Zeke must face this strange world on their own, until an unlikely alliance with the bees bring them to the centre of a bug war. Can the trio help their new friends win against the terrorising wasps before it's too late? Fast-paced adventure stories in diary format. Gives young gamers a break from screen time and encourages them to love reading.

Categories: [Adventure](#), [Friendship](#)

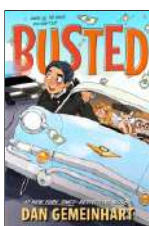


159. BIG BAD WOLF MURDER, THE

PG Bell | Paperback | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Alarick is the biggest and baddest wolf of the Tooth & Claw games – a legendary contest where Wolves battle Reds in a vicious game of "What's the Time, Mr Wolf?" But when Alarick drops dead in the middle of the championship final, his rival Ruby Red is horrified... because she gets the blame. Realising she has been framed for the crime, Ruby and her wolf-cub friend Fillan go on the run, determined to find the real murderer. But with a dogged detective, a wolf assassin and a gangster granny on their tails, they're going to need all of Ruby's Tooth & Claw skills to save themselves and hunt down the truth.

Categories: [Murder](#), [Mystery](#), [Twisted Fairytale](#)



160. BUSTED

Dan Gemeinhart | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Oscar Aberdeen is a bit of an oddball. He's loves Frank Sinatra, attends a whole lot of funerals and is the youngest resident of Sunny Days retirement home by more than a half-century. So when his grandpa's suddenly served an eviction notice that threatens their place at Sunny Days, he needs to find some cash. Enter Jimmy Deluca, a shady elderly man with a reputation for being bad news, who makes Oscar an offer he can't refuse. He's share the loot hidden "outside" with Oscar on one condition: he busts him out of Sunny Days, and so they forge an unlikely friendship. Will Oscar succeed in saving the only home he's ever known? Or will he have to fuggedaboutit and return a failure?

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

161. 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](#)



162. 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](#)

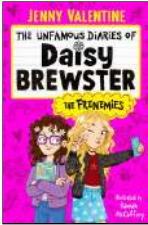


163. EXPERIMENT, THE

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](#)

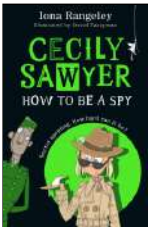


164. **FRENEMIES, THE UNFAMOUS DIARIES OF DAISY BREWSTER**

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



165. **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



166. **IT'S ALIVE DIARY OF A MINECRAFT ZOMBIE**

Zack Zombie | Paperback | **RRP \$9.99** | **School Price \$8.50**

Have you ever wondered what life is like for a Minecraft Zombie? Zombie is supposed to create an awesome science experiment for a class assignment. But all of his ideas are super boring! Just before he's about to give up completely, he finds an abandoned experiment in the trash and decides to claim it as his own. After all, one mob's trash is another mob's treasure! Except the trash experiment turns out to be alive. And it wants to eat everything! Maybe this wasn't such a good idea... Fast-paced adventure stories in diary format, crammed with laugh-out-loud situations. Gives young gamers a break from screen time and encourage them to love reading as well.

Categories: High Interest, Adventure, Minecraft, Reluctant Readers



167. **LAST EMBER, THE AERIMANDER CHRONICLES**

Lily Berlin Dodd | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Aerimanders are extinct. Or so the government would have you think, having centuries earlier destroyed the last of these deadly, dragon-like creatures. So when wealthy twelve-year-old chemistry student Eva Alexander unwittingly purchases an aerimander egg, she becomes the target of the Thieves' Union and its newest member, thirteen-year-old orphan Dusty St. Ichabod. But Eva is no easy mark, and soon she and Dusty are driven into a maze of sinister threats, betrayals and surprises – all while fighting to keep the egg away from power-hungry hands. As the unlikely duo races against time, their fates – and that of the whole world – are at stake. Because there's one question no one dares to ask: What happens when the egg hatches?

Categories: Fantasy, Dragons, Friendship



168. **LAST KIDS ON EARTH AND THE DESTRUCTOR'S LAIR, THE LAST KIDS ON EARTH**

Max Brallier | Douglas Holgate (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

Jack and Quint are trapped in the Monster Dimension! Their mission: prevent Rezzoch the Ancient, Destructor of Worlds, from reaching Earth and annihilating civilization. To do this, they must secure an audience with a creature more mysterious than any other. It's a race against time—and a race through the monster dimension! But before they can get back home to June and Dirk, Jack will find himself in a confrontation that will change everything...

Categories: Adventure, Action



169. **LET'S BOO THIS! FRIGHT CLUB**

Sibel Pounder | George Ermos (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$14.45**

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 Veilooo 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

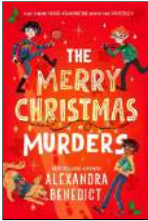


170. LONE HUSKY, THE

[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 sledders, 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](#)



171. MERRY CHRISTMAS MURDERS, THE

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

People will die for a good mince pie... Every year, six local schools compete to win the Christmas Cup. Last year, the rival school to Brooke Parkin's school won for the most crackers pulled in a minute! This year, the cup will be judged and awarded to the school with the perfect mince pie. But when a series of murders seemed to be linked to the very mince pies (each with a clue from a letter from the alphabet imprinted in the pastry) the five neuro-divergent children must turn detective and combine their skill sets to find the killer. Can they prevent another death and save their out-of-school club from being shut down forever?

Categories: [Murder](#), [Mystery](#), [Christmas](#), [School](#), [Neurodiversity](#), [Neurodiverse](#)



172. MOTHMAN 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](#)



173. PHARAOH'S TOMB, THE TIME TRAVEL TWINS

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

Time-traveling orphans Pew and Basket Church just barely escaped the clutches of the evil Pirate Macaulay and spoiled his plans for world domination. And they've just learnt that somewhere-or somewhen- they have a long-lost family member. Chasing clues, the twins hope to find their elusive relative in ancient Egypt. Except they land splat in the middle of a deadly plot against Cleopatra. To save new friends and the future, the twins will need to solve tricky puzzles, escape gnarly traps, and thwart dastardly schemes. But if they manage to survive, they might find a treasure worth more than any pyramid's gold. History has never been funnier than in this adventure, packed with great escapes, intriguing mysteries, and plenty of clever twists.

Categories: [Time Travel](#), [Adventure](#), [Twins](#), [Siblings](#), [Mystery](#)



174. ROLLING ON

[Jamie Sumner](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$17.99 | **School Price \$15.30**

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](#)



175. RORY SPARKES AND THE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM RORY SPARKES

[Hugh Bonneville](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 | **School Price \$14.39**

Rory Sparkes and his friends love to make their own fun—building camps, tackling imaginary foes and rescuing grateful captives – all before tea. But when the circus comes to town, everything changes. There are new kids on the block and Rory's jealous. Can they put aside their differences and join forces to undertake even more thrilling escapades on the streets of south London?

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



176. **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](#)



177. **SANTA AND SON**

David Walliams | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$18.39**

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



178. **SECRET LIVES OF WOMEN SPIES, THE**

Charlotte Philby | Paperback | Age 11+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

A collection of incredible true stories of daring and bravery from the most amazing female spies. Step into the Secret World. Charlotte Philby's grandfather was the most infamous double agent in history. Inspired to find out about his world, Charlotte discovered that there were plenty of untold stories of courage and secrets and daring . . . And so many were about women. There are a host of extraordinary tales involving female spies- from dare-devil skiers delivering top-secret information, to clever codebreakers taking down the world's biggest criminals, to brave undercover agents fighting alongside the French Resistance. Starring Edith Cavell, Elizebeth Friedman, Noor Inayat Khan and many more, the stories in this book explore the hope, courage, fear, loves and lives of these remarkable women.

Categories: [History](#), [Intrigue](#), [Spies](#)



179. **SEEING RED** BARRINGTON STOKE

Eve Ainsworth | Luna Valentine (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Football used to be a way for Amelia to escape when her parents were arguing, but now that her dad has moved out and her mum is struggling to cope, it's just another source of stress. Amelia is late for practice while trying to help her mum and finds it hard to concentrate during important matches. Her coach and team-mates are all worried, but it's difficult to help when Amelia lashes out in anger. Can Amelia find a way to get the support she needs before her temper pushes everyone away?

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



180. **SEVEN WONDERS OF THE ANCIENT WORLD, THE** SURVIVE IN TIME

Dave Rear | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Ever wondered what it would be like to explore the Great Pyramid of Giza and almost get eaten by a mummy? Or to sneak into the Hanging Gardens of Babylon while being chased by a bunch of angry guards? How about to visit the Mausoleum of Halicarnassus and to think, like all visitors to the Mausoleum of Halicarnassus, what on earth is a mausoleum? You can visit all Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. But this is no ordinary time-travelling adventure. This is one where YOU get to make the decisions and choose where to go, what to do and how to survive in time.

Categories: [Interactive](#)



181. **SHADOW THIEVES** SHADOW THIEVES

Peter Burns | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$16.20**

13-year-old Tom Morgan and his friends live on the streets of an alternate London, shining shoes and picking pockets – until one day Tom's friends are caught and sent to a brutal workhouse. Frantic and without a way to save them, Tom bumps into the mysterious Corsair, who offers him an opportunity to train at an elite school for thieves. Seeing a glimmer of hope, Tom lets himself be whisked away to the snowy Alps. But the more he learns about the Shadow League, the harder it becomes for Tom to leave. There are dark forces at work and real danger is coming... Can Tom save his fellow pupils from disaster – and ever be able to get home again to rescue his friends?

Categories: [Thriller](#), [Crime](#), [Suspense](#), [Adventure](#), [Parallel World](#), [Rescue](#)



182. 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



183. 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



184. UNLIKELY DIARY OF PRINCE KAL THE ALIEN, THE

Ross Welford | Harry Briggs (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$16.20**

Prince Kalimonka 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

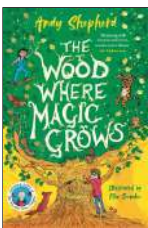


185. WAR GAMES

Alan Gratz | Paperback | Age 11+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

It's 1936 in Berlin and Evie Harris can't believe her luck: She's competing in the Olympics, along with fellow American athletes like Jesse Owens. True, there's something creepy about Germany's leader, Adolf Hitler, who watches over the games with his Nazi henchmen. But Evie's just here to win a gold medal in gymnastics for her country. Until she discovers a horrible secret. Behind all the Olympic fanfare, the Nazis have Berlin in an iron grip of terror and violence – and war is brewing. With lives on the line and her family's future at stake, Evie has to choose between following her Olympic dreams and standing up to evil... before it's too late.

Categories: War, World War 2, Sacrifice



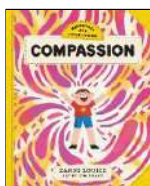
186. WOOD WHERE MAGIC GROWS, THE

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

Australian Information



187. **COMPASSION** HANDBOOKS FOR LITTLE HUMANS

Zanni Louise | Kim Drane (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Geez, it's tricky being human, isn't it? You have so many things to learn, like: tying your shoelaces, learning the alphabet and eating noodles. Here's another thing to add to your list: showing compassion. What's compassion, you ask? Well, it's something you can learn (like tying your shoelaces). And once you've learned it, you will use it forever and ever. Are you ready to know more? From bestselling author Zanni Louise comes a series to guide meaningful conversations between big and little humans about the things that count most.

Categories: [Feelings/Emotions](#), [Kindness](#), [Empathy](#), [Compassion](#)

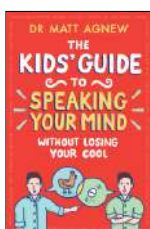


188. **GREEN SEA TURTLE** AUSTRALIA'S REMARKABLE WILDLIFE

John Lesley | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$22.99**

From movie stars to citizens of the world, the green sea turtle is a fascinating reptile no matter how you look at it. They migrate over thousands of kilometres and somehow manage to return to the same beach where they were born to start the lifecycle over again. Find out about the mysterious life of the green sea turtle and why we need to stop it becoming extinct.

Categories: [Australian Animals](#), [Wildlife](#), [Turtles](#)

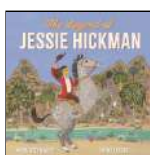


189. **KIDS' GUIDE TO SPEAKING YOUR MIND, THE**

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](#)



190. **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](#)



191. **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](#)



192. **POSSUM** AUSTRALIA'S REMARKABLE WILDLIFE

John Lesley | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$22.99**

The brushtail possum that gets into roofs is only one of over 20 types of possum in Australia. They range in size from tiny ones as small as a mouse, to larger possums as big as small dogs. Often mistaken for rodents, many of these Australian possums are so secretive that most of us don't even know they exist.

Categories: [Australian Animals](#), [Australiana](#), [Possums](#), [Wildlife](#), [Nocturnal](#)

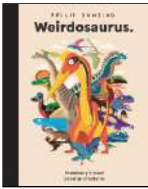


193. **THERE'S A PRAWN IN PARLIAMENT HOUSE: DEMOCRACY**

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](#)



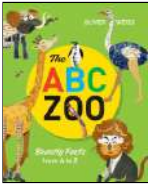
194. **WEIRDOSAURUS**

[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](#)

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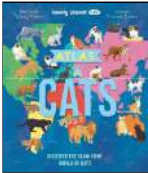


195. ABC ZOO: BEASTLY FACTS FROM A-Z, THE

[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](#)

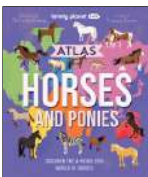


196. ATLAS OF CATS [LONELY PLANET KIDS](#)

[Frances Evans](#) | [Kelsey Heaton](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$27.00**

Get your fill of feline facts in this epic illustrated guide to cats around the world. Large continent maps show the origin of 100 claw-some breeds like the hairless sphynx and dazzling Persian. Discover each cat's personality traits and unique skills, plus find special features on cats in ancient Egypt, record-breaking cats, wild cats, and more!

Categories: [Animals](#), [Cats](#)



197. ATLAS OF HORSES AND PONIES [LONELY PLANET KIDS](#)

[Frances Evans](#) | [Adrienne Green](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$27.00**

Take a ride into the world of horses and ponies with this awesome atlas of more than 100 breeds from across the continents. Learn about each horse's characteristics, personality traits and amazing super senses – plus discover how to talk horse! Packed with maps, illustrations and special features, this is the ultimate read for horse and pony fans.

Categories: [Horse Lovers](#)



198. BUGS BOOK, THE [LONELY PLANET KIDS](#)

[Nancy Dickmann](#) | [Daniel Limon](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$32.99** | **School Price \$29.70**

Explore the incredible world of bugs from giant millipedes to deadly spiders; jewel-like beetles to jungle leaf-insects. Discover bug-tastic profiles with mind-blowing facts to wow your friends, plus awesome macro photography so you can see the fascinating minibeasts up close. This is the ultimate study of creepy-crawlies for curious kids!

Categories: [Minibeasts](#), [Bugs](#), [Insects](#)

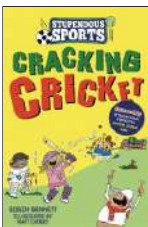


199. CHRIS HOY [LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS](#)

[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](#)

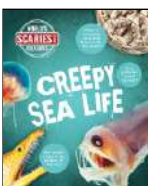


200. CRACKING CRICKET [STUPENDOUS SPORTS](#)

[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](#)

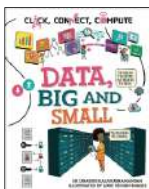


201. CREEPY SEA LIFE [WORLD'S SCARIEST CREATURES](#)

[John Lesley](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$27.00**

Beneath the ocean waves are thousands of creatures that we know very little about. Discover the weirdest and the creepiest, and the ones that can survive deep down where the pressure is over a thousand times more than it is on land. 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: [Sea Creatures](#)



202. DATA, BIG AND SMALL CLICK, CONNECT, COMPUTE

Dharini Balasubramaniam | Luke Seguin-Magee (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Data, Big and Small delves into the details behind computer science data and information, which help people and organisations to make decisions. Learn how and why data are created, stored and shared. Find out how we make sense of information through graphs, maps and pictures, and understand how machines learn from the data that we feed them. The end of the book fast-forwards to the future of computer science, data and robotics, and considers what it might mean to live in a 'smarter' world.

Categories: Computers, Science



203. DINOSAURS EYE WONDER

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$13.59**

Imagine a world where giant reptiles roamed everywhere on land, leaving footprints the size of a car. Here you can set out on the hunt with Allosaurus, graze on ferns with Edmontonia, and thunder through forests with herds of Argentinosaurus! But look out for the flying pterosaurs. Use this book on dinosaurs for children to discover how dinosaurs ate, lived, and called out to each other. Find out also how they died out and if they left behind cousins!

Categories: Dinosaurs



204. 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



205. EASY COOKING FOR KIDS

Amanda Grant | Paperback | **RRP \$34.99** | **School Price \$31.50**

Easy Cooking for Kids is the perfect introduction to the world of cooking for young chefs. In the book, Amanda Grant covers the essentials, from kitchen hygiene and safety to more than 50 fun, age-appropriate recipes designed to foster a love for cooking and learning. The book is divided into three main stages: Stage 1 (3-5 years), Stage 2 (5-7 years) and Stage 3 (7-11 years) and includes essential techniques such as making crumble topping, Victoria sponge, pastry, white sauce and pizza dough. Children can also unleash their creativity with customisable recipes like sushi, fruit salad and decorative herb and flower ice bowls. With clear, step-by-step photographs and easy-to-follow instructions, this book makes cooking accessible, enjoyable and rewarding for kids.

Categories: Cooking, Cookbook, Baking, Recipes



206. EVERYTHING UNDER THE SUN: ALL AROUND THE WORLD

Molly Oldfield | Hardback | **RRP \$39.99** | **School Price \$36.00**

How were roller skates invented? How do boats float? Do snails go upside down? Where is the happiest place in the world? Discover the answers to all these curious questions - and many more! - asked by children from all around the globe. Ponder about why we daydream with author and illustrator Lauren Child. Find out if people can mind read with magician Derren Brown. Learn about everything from wormholes in spacetime to how frogs jump with expert scientists.

Categories: Facts, General Knowledge



207. 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



208. GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS: FOOTBALL EDITION 2026

Compilation | Paperback | **RRP \$39.99** | **School Price \$36.00**

Count down the 100 most significant records from the beautiful game, showcasing the greatest teams, the most prolific goal scorers, the fastest strikes, the highest-scoring matches and much more. Whether you're new to football or an expert in XG, satisfy your need for trivia, facts and stats with an all-new edition from the ultimate authority on record breaking.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Statistics

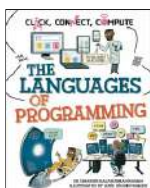


209. **KANE V BELLINGHAM** FOOTBALL GOAT

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



210. **LANGUAGES OF PROGRAMMING, THE** CLICK, CONNECT, COMPUTE

Dharini Balasubramaniam | Luke Seguin-Magee (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Computer language fundamentals, using clear, expert explanations and comic illustrations to spark interest and enthusiasm in the next generation of computer scientists! The Languages of Programming looks at the definitions and uses of languages, both natural and constructed. Readers will find out about the elements of a programming language, the best types of language to use at each stage of the software life cycle, and about the tools that help to solve difficult programming problems and complex tasks such as monitoring air traffic. And the end of the book fast-forwards to the future of computer science, languages and robotics and considers what it might mean to live in a 'smarter' world.

Categories: Computer Coding, Computers, Code, Programming

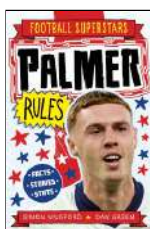


211. **MY FIRST LIFT-THE-FLAP DINOSAUR ATLAS** LONELY PLANET KIDS

Kate Baker | Teresa Bellon (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Discover the ROARSOME world of dinosaurs with this beautifully illustrated lift-the-flap book for dino-mad kids. From the terrifying T-rex to the long-necked diplodocus – learn all about where they lived, what they ate and how they spent their days. Find more than 50 flaps to lift, all of which reveal dinotastic facts, extra secrets and surprises!

Categories: Dinosaurs



212. **PALMER RULES** FOOTBALL SUPERSTARS

Simon Mugford | Dan Green (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$12.99** | **School Price \$11.05**

In this fun and fact-filled book, Dan and Simon tell the story of the rise of Cole Palmer, England's attacking midfielder who has lit up the Premier League with Chelsea. They chart the Englishman's rise to superstardom, from his early days coming up through the Manchester City youth academy to his debut for City in 2020 and his subsequent move to Chelsea in 2023, where he chalked up 27 goals and 15 assists in his first season. Palmer's stunning performances for England at the 2024 EUROS have catapulted him to superstardom. Along the way, you'll learn about the people who helped him on his journey, plus get all the exciting facts and stats that make Palmer a global footballing hero.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



213. **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

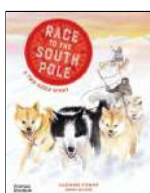


214. **PLEASE LOOK AFTER THIS DOG** PLEASE LOOK AFTER THIS

Kasia Antczak | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

Hi, I'm Spot! I'm a certified expert in caring for your canine companions. You might be wondering what makes me qualified to teach you. Well, I'm a dog who keeps his ears to the ground and his nose in everyone's business, which means I know everything there is to know about keeping your pups happy. Dogs just want to be loved – give them a big belly rub and a scratch behind the ears and they're your best friend forever. But they need a bit more than love and attention, they need proper care, a good routine and a yummy diet to keep them happy. This fun illustrated guide gives children all the information they need to care for their dog confidently.

Categories: Pets, Dogs



215. **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



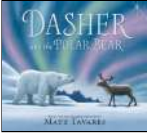
216. TERROR FROM THE SKY [WORLD'S SCARIEST CREATURES](#)

[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](#)

Christmas



217. 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](#)



218. DON'T LET THE PIGEON DRIVE THE SLEIGH!

[Mo Willems](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

It's the most wonderful time of the year—for driving a sleigh! 'Tis also the season—for driving a sleigh! Oh, and joy to the—driving a sleigh! The Pigeon has made a list and checked it once. Can his holiday dream come true? Or will The Pigeon be left out in the cold? You'll share some HO-HO-HOs and HA-HA-HAs finding out in three-time Caldecott Honoree Mo Willems' ninth Pigeon book, 'Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Sleigh!'

Categories: [Christmas](#), [Humour](#)



219. FIRST CHRISTMAS, THE

[Jan Pienkowski](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$25.50**

Experience the true spirit of Christmas with this rich celebration of the nativity story – newly reissued. With words from the King James Bible and stunning silhouettes by Jan Pienkowski, the master of dramatic design, the very first Christmas is brought gloriously to life. A classic and the perfect Christmas gift.

Categories: [Christmas](#)



220. 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](#)



221. 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.

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