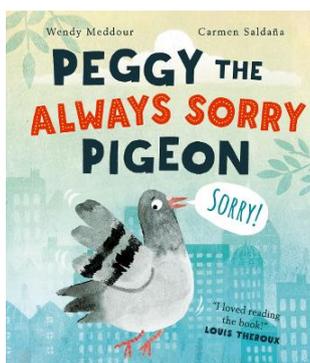


A selection of books especially selected for children in Year 2 (6 - 7 year olds) of average reading ability for the 2023/24 academic year.

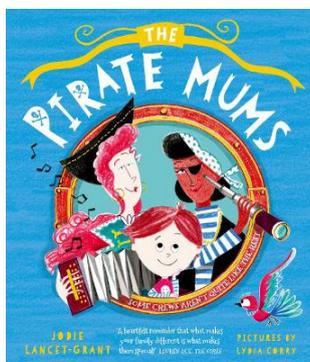
If your child is a competent reader or has read all these titles then try the books from the Year 3 list. Alternatively if these books are a little challenging try books from the Year 1 list. Our overall mission is to promote reading for pleasure with quality texts that are perfectly pitched for the age group and the curriculum. We have particularly avoided blockbusters, classic or set texts, known to everyone, so that we can include poetry, stunning information texts and inspirational books in which all children and young people can find themselves reflected.



Peggy the Always Sorry Pigeon

Author: Wendy Meddour **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 07/07/2022

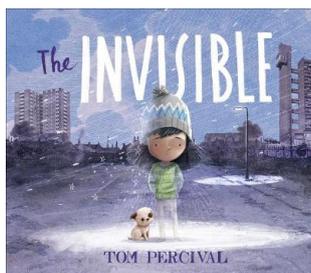
Peggy is a pigeon who always apologises – whether she has done something wrong or not! She lands in various places and then apologises when another character comes along and moves her along. She meets a feisty seagull who encourages her to stand up for herself by just being a bit louder – and saying the first thing that comes into her head! This has delightfully funny consequences as Peggy comes out with some very silly phrases – which are always repeated, giving great opportunities for children to join in. A gentle, humourous look at being a bit more assertive. Beautifully illustrated by Saldaña in a mix of water colour and pencil – but it is the textures that she introduces into the pictures which add an extra interest and depth to all the spreads.



The Pirate Mums

Author: Jodie Lancet-Grant **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 03/06/2021

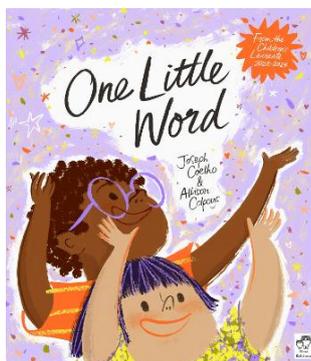
The Pirate Mums is a swashbuckling, high-seas adventure starring Billy and his two extraordinary mums, complete with a bad-tempered parrot called Bird-Brain, a sudden storm, a sea-sick teacher and a captain who gets stuck in the toilet. Billy wishes his family could be a bit more like everyone else's, and just a bit more ordinary. But his mums aren't like other mums. They are pirates. They wear outlandish pirate clothes, insist on dancing jigs and singing sea shanties when Billy's friends come round to play, and they have decidedly fishy taste in home decor. When his mums volunteer to accompany Billy's class on a school trip to the seaside, with a boat trip included (Billy's mums love boats), he makes them promise to be normal. But when the boat gets into trouble, their nautical knowledge and salty sea-legs save the day. Billy discovers that it's what makes his mums different that also makes them – and himself – special.



The Invisible

Author: Tom Percival **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 04/02/2021

Shortlisted for the UKLA Book Award 2022 ages 3-6 This is a vital picture book for society today – with an emphasis on family and belonging. Isabel is a small girl who lives with her family, and though they have little they have each other, so life is happy. Then disaster strikes and they have to leave their home to move to the other side of town – where everything is grey and cold and sad and lonely. As she walks about Isabel realises she is ignored by people, and feels she is literally fading away. It is not until she has faded and become truly invisible that she notices all the other invisible people sitting or working away at different things – like planting flowers in old paint pots or mending a bike – but they are all alone too. So, Isabel decides to help, she helps to fix things up and gradually others join in too. As more people join in they become less invisible, until they have created a vibrant area where they can all be seen. By doing as she did Isabel has learned that one of the hardest things is to make a difference. This full colour picture book uses muted shades for much of the story – showing us just how cold and dark it is and how awful it is to be ‘invisible’. The beginning of the story has colour – but it is all edged with cold, and icy windows. It is not until the end of the book – when winter has passed, when the sun and spring add to the wonderful colour the new community has created by all working together. This is a very gentle story with a potent and persuasive message, that small acts can add up to a huge change. Whilst being selfless it also shows that Isabel and her family have all benefitted by the actions she has instigated. This is a very personal message from the author, who had a very happy childhood even when his family had very little – underlining the message we can all contribute somehow, and that we all belong! A book that should be in all classrooms and school libraries for its message and its powerful pictures.

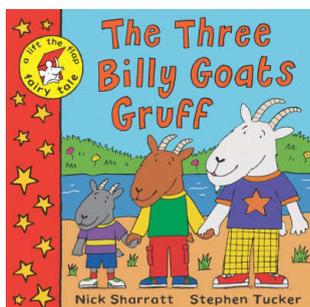


One Little Word

Author: Joseph Coelho **Format:** Hardback **Release Date:** 03/08/2023

One day a big, scary, hairy monster appears in playground, splitting up two best friends and ruining everybody’s fun. Bad words are said, others are shouted, and the monster grows and grows. The monster is called Argument. As the monster’s presence infects everyone else, the bad atmosphere increases and the monster continues to grow to gigantic proportions. There’s only one thing that will stop, just one little word. But who will say it first? Told with a gentle, lyrical verse, this is a charming picture book about friendship, resilience and saying sorry. The message of knowing when to apologise is strong, but handled in a fun and non-didactic way. The colours and style of the illustrations perfectly suit the gentle text, whilst hilariously bringing the children’s grumpiness and anger to life. I particularly enjoyed the little girl’s furiously angled eyebrows! This is a lovely book to share and use to start conversations

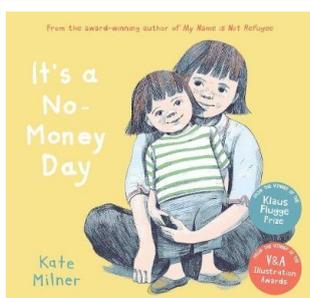
about navigating early friendships.



The Three Billy Goats Gruff (Lift-the-flap book & CD)

Author: Stephen Tucker **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 01/07/2005

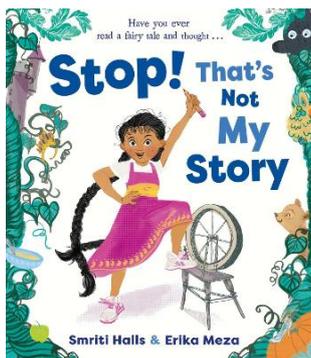
With flaps and pop-up surprises on every spread, this sturdy book is ideal for young children. It is now in a new enlarged format including a free audio CD with two tracks. Listen to the story alone, or follow along with the book by turning the pages when you hear the chime. A traditional fairy tale, retold in witty contemporary verse. With hilarious illustrations and flaps to lift on every page, this book will entertain and amuse readers of all ages.



It's a No-Money Day

Author: Kate Milner **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 15/10/2019

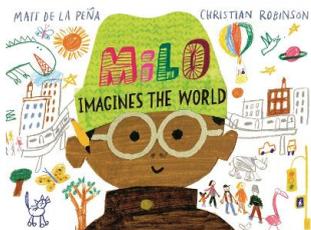
Shortlisted for CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal 2021 | Shortlisted for the UKLA Book Awards 2021 | October 2019 Book of the Month Kate Milner, winner of the 2018 Klaus Flugge Award for most promising newcomer to children's book illustration has certainly lived up to her laurels with this delicate and subtle picturebook, which packs a real emotional and political punch. It is a cause of great shame to many, in this country and in the 21st century, that more children than ever are living in poverty and that there has been a huge expansion in the use of foodbanks. Mum works really hard and watches every penny, but today is a no money day. Her little girl, who tells the story, takes great pleasure in life from the simple, free activities they share- visits to the library and dressing up in the charity shops. Unlike her humiliated Mum, she loves the visits to the food bank for the drink and biscuits and the kind ladies to talk to. On the way home they play the maybe one day game- dreaming of pets and washing machines and new warm clothes. They go to bed and "because of kind people our tummies are full". Nothing is laboured in text or image- the colours are subdued but still there. The despair and tiredness of the mother is evident in every expression and nuance of body language, but so is the warmth and love between them and so is the irrepressible spirit of a child who knows they are loved even if as the pictures subtly show us, she is clearly malnourished. This is a book which can be used with a very wide range of children and will encourage empathy and discussion of a very current and appalling crisis in our society.



Stop! That's Not My Story!

Author: Smriti Halls **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 22/06/2023

'A brilliant rhyming picture book that will help children see themselves at the centre of a story.' Joseph Coelho, Children's Laureate A joyful, empowering call to be the hero of your OWN story! A girl opens up a book looking for the story that's perfect for HER and tumbles inside. But Goldilocks is not her story, and nor is Jack and the Beanstalk or Little Red Riding Hood... There's only one thing for it: she's going to have to write her own story - and this time, SHE will be the hero. A celebration of the stories we ALL love and the stories we are yet to write, this vivid, irresistible picture book introduces the terrific new partnership of Smriti Halls (bestselling author of I'm Sticking with You illustrated by Steve Small and Rain Before Rainbows illustrated by David Litchfield) and Erika Meza (award-winning illustrator of My Two Border Towns written by David Bowles). Also by Smriti Halls and published by Simon & Schuster: I'm Sticking With You I'm Sticking With You Too Let's Stick Together



Milo Imagines The World

Author: Matt de la Peña **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 03/03/2022

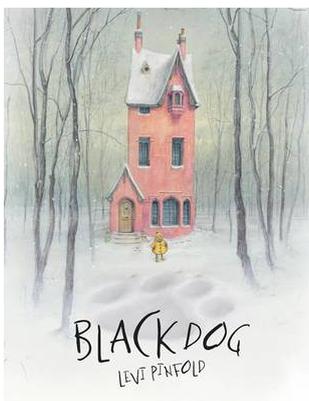
Shortlisted for the Yoto Kate Greenaway Medal 2022. Milo Imagines the World is a warm and richly satisfying story from the award-winning and New York Times bestselling picture book duo, about a little boy with a big imagination who learns that you can't know anyone just by looking at them. Set in a bustling city, and full of a family love that binds even in difficult circumstances. Milo is on a train journey through the city with his older sister, looking at the faces of the other passengers and drawing pictures of their lives. Milo wonders if perhaps the little boy in bright white trainers is living in a castle with a moat and a butler. But when the little boy gets off at the same stop and joins the same queue as him, Milo realises that you can't judge by appearances and that we are all more alike than we are different: both boys are visiting their mothers in prison. Matt de la Peña and Christian Robinson once again deliver a hugely powerful and enjoyable picture book, full of rich details both to look at and to talk about. Anyone who has ever travelled on public transport will relate to Milo's journey.



After the Fall

Author: Dan Santat **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 23/11/2018

Highly Commended in the UKLA Book Awards 2019 Anyone familiar with the story of poor old Humpty Dumpty will be intrigued by Dan Santat's story of what happens after that fall. In his version the king's men do manage to put Humpty together again but the cracks are still there, and not just on the outside: a shadow of his former self, Humpty is too afraid to climb back up onto the wall where he used to love to sit and watch the birds. At last though he finds a way to enjoy the skies again and in a surprise ending flies away himself. A powerful story of recovery and overcoming fear this will resonate with all readers. The illustrations are full of clever jokes but portray Humpty's emotional state perfectly while the sequence that sees him soar away on golden wings is glorious.

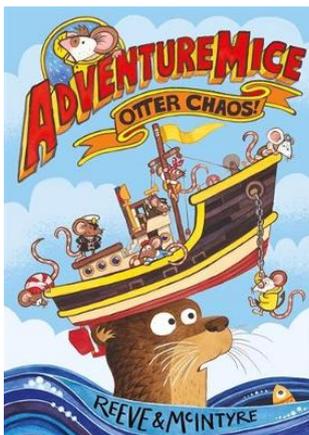


Black Dog

Author: Levi Pinfold **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 01/08/2012

Winner of the CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal 2013 The judges described the book as a "visual treat, full of mood and atmosphere, the beautiful illustrations are full of detail and perfectly in keeping with the story. The use of scale, with the big dog pushing the text off the page, is clever. A timeless, thought-provoking book about facing up to anxiety, fears, and the black dog that visits some of us from time-to-time."

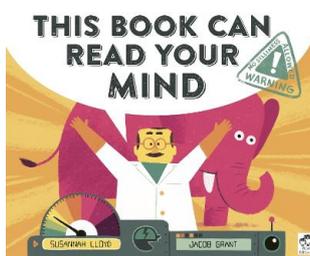
..... The CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal 2013 shortlist: • Lunchtime by Rebecca Cobb • Again! by Emily Gravett • Oh No, George! by Chris Haughton • I Want My Hat Back by Jon Klassen • Pirates 'n' Pistols by Chris Mould • King Jack And The Dragon by Helen Oxenbury (illustrator) and Peter Bently (author) • Black Dog by Levi Pinfold • Just Ducks! by Salvatore Rubbino (illustrator) and Nicola Davies (author) The CILIP Carnegie and Kate Greenaway Medals are the UK's oldest and most prestigious children's book awards. Often described by authors and illustrators as 'the one they want to win' - they are the gold standard in children's literature. The CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal is awarded by children's librarians for an outstanding book in terms of illustration for children and young people.



Adventuremice: Otter Chaos

Author: Philip Reeve, Sarah McIntyre **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 02/03/2023

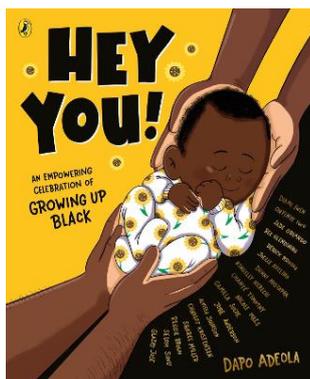
March 2023 Book of the Month Any new title from the dream team of Reeves and McIntyre will bring joy to the hearts of primary teachers and parents, but for this to be aimed at the sadly neglected younger age group of readers just gaining confidence, is even better news. Beautifully produced in full colour, which showcases the brilliantly characterful illustrations and all the detail of the maps and plans and with a small format just suited to smaller hands, it is the perfect package. The story of the tiny but redoubtable Pedro will engage from the start. With a thirst for adventure, he sets off on a quest to find the mysterious Mouse Islands. Swept out to sea with his suitcase he tells himself he must be brave. Fortunately, Fledermaus arrives to rescue him in the nick of time and to Pedro's delight takes him to the very islands he seeks and to the Adventuremice base. He learns that their job is protect the Mouse Islands. They've performed daring rescues and brave feats. They have a boat, a submarine, a seaplane and even a helicopter! Pedro is overawed. How could he ever expect to join them, especially after a disastrous first voyage. It will take a large otter and a big helping of bravery and kindness to show him that everyone can be a useful part of a team. A brilliant read aloud laced with humour, peril and action; young readers will be desperate for the next instalment.



This Book Can Read Your Mind

Author: Susannah Lloyd **Format:** Hardback **Release Date:** 07/01/2020

January 2020 Book of the Month With a concept based entirely upon the universal truth that as soon as somebody tells you not to think of something, you immediately do so and the quite philosophic concept of visualisation of language heard or read, this book will have young(and old) readers in stitches. Stamped with a No Silliness Allowed warning on the front cover, we can anticipate plenty of silliness ahead despite the firm instructions from the very serious scientist introducing the amazing book that has the power to show a picture of the reader's thoughts. Sadly, it all goes wrong for him as soon as he uses pink elephants as an example of what not to think about and quickly escalates as he thinks of more terrible scenarios involving elephants, mice, panties and their bottoms. The explosive finale causes him to order the reader to put the book down and "Don't even think about" picking it up again.....This is bound to be instantly disobeyed in every home and classroom! The zany illustrative style is perfectly suited to this story and the clever use of the only white space being within the speech bubbles immediately emphasises the instructional and increasingly shouty nature of the scientist's words. Both great fun and a creative inspiration, this is a must have purchase!



Hey You!

Author: Dapo Adeola **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 10/06/2021

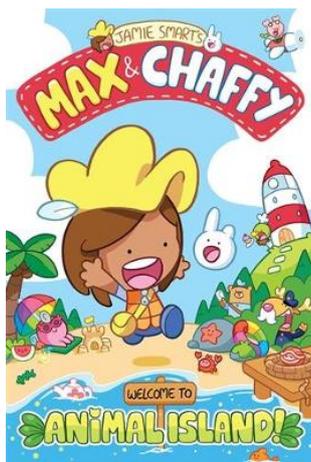
Winner of the British Book Awards 2023 Illustrated Book of the Year This book is outstanding in its gathering of talent to provide the illustrations to Adeola's messages. It is a powerful, personal response to the murder of George Floyd and the awakening around the world to the Black Lives Matter movement. It is an honest and very personal letter to Adeola's younger self, messages he wishes he had seen and heard at a young age, created now for the children of the future. The messages apply to any child – and the illustrations show a diverse range of children and adults; the writing is simple, straightforward and obviously deeply felt, urging children to be themselves, be curious and love the skin you are in. Each double page spread, and the end papers, are all created by one of the eighteen talented black illustrators assembled from all over the world or this book. It is a joy to see so many different yet complementary styles of illustration creating the whole. A book for every classroom and nursery in the country!



Small in the City

Author: Sydney Smith **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 03/09/2020

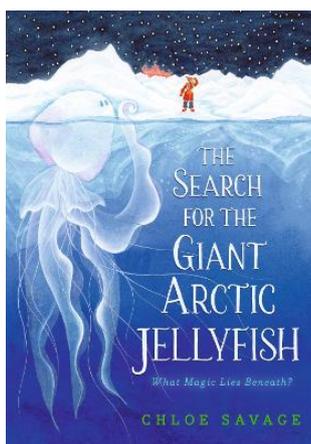
Winner of CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal 2021 This is the first time that Sydney Smith has written his own text for a picturebook and he demonstrates as much skill with words as with the art which has won so many accolades and reaches even greater heights of excellence in this stunning book. From the unusual thin skyscraper shape of the book to wordless passages of comic panel-style vignettes and full spreads of gridded streets and buildings, traffic lights and crowds, everything sets the tone of a chaotic city in winter. The moody art, mostly inky line and subdued watercolor with some gouache for thicker textures in the snow is intensely atmospheric. Masterful use of scale and perspective shows how terrifyingly small the gender unspecified, all-wrapped-up-for-winter, little protagonist is. "I know what it's like to be small in the city" the story starts and only gradually do we realise that it is Small who is speaking and only slowly do we realise who is being addressed as advice is given on finding warmth and shelter and dark alleys and dangerous dogs to avoid. There is a wonderful narrative twist which is best left to a first reading so you can fully appreciate the powerful emotional journey, but I can guarantee an immediate re-reading will be demanded so that you can spot all the clues. A truly exceptional picturebook.



Max and Chaffy: Welcome to Animal Island!

Author: Jamie Smart **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 04/05/2023

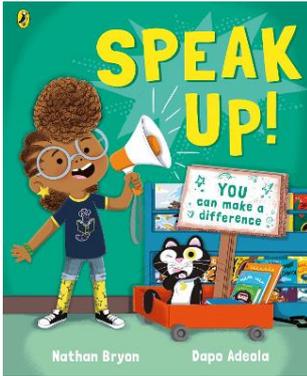
May 2023 Book of the Month Comic artist and author of the hugely popular Bunny vs Monkey and Looshkin comic strips in The Phoenix comic that have also been turned into bestselling graphic novels, Jamie Smart has always been passionate about the positive impact that comics have on growing readers. This is an idea which is really taking off in schools everywhere and they will certainly welcome this new series which is aimed at the young emerging reader. The Chaffy character has been around in various guises including a worldwide Find the Chaffy campaign, but here he meets the delightful Max Boggle and his family, who have just moved to Animal Island. Max is brilliant at finding things and helping people and as he sets off exploring the island, one good deed leads to another. It also leads, with the help of the reader on an interactive page to finding Chaffy. Max vows to help Chaffy find his home but each person they help is not the right one. Each chapter features a new location and another interactive page and finding Chaffy equals finding the object. Each successive chapter builds on the story of where Chaffy belongs – and the conclusion is – with his soulmate Max of course! At the end of the book there are even more find it challenges for readers to enjoy. This is a brilliant introduction to comic layout and readers will feel a great sense of achievement at completing a chapter. The illustrations are the epitome of cute, as are the mix of characters and the text is appropriately sized and clearly laid out. This is a series which will be absolutely snapped up by parents and teachers everywhere and will most definitely get kids hooked on reading!



The Search for the Giant Arctic Jellyfish

Author: Chloe Savage **Format:** Hardback **Release Date:** 06/10/2022

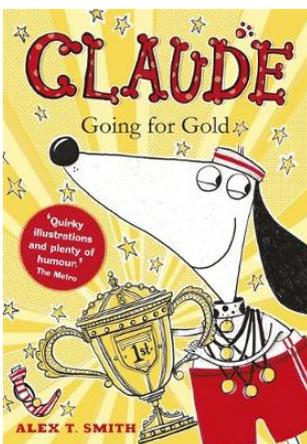
This is an inspiring story of a scientist pursuing their research with determination, resilience, confidence and self-belief and what is most refreshing is that Dr Morley is a woman and a great STEM role model. This debut picture book is also a visual feast, from the striking cover and underwater endpapers to its detailed cross sections of the ship and the crew in action. The majority of the pages show the boat in the top third with the greater proportion showing the hidden depths of the Arctic Ocean below them. This will really appeal to young readers who love to be in the position where they know more than the storyteller and they will delight in pointing out what Dr Morley and her crew are missing. It is the classic “look behind you” pantomime moment. The icy region and the creatures found there are stunningly depicted, and the proportions used very cleverly indicate the puny nature of humans in an extreme landscape. Children will enjoy the delightful ending which shows that you should never give up on your dreams and this exciting arctic adventure is one they will delight in returning to.



Speak Up!

Author: Nathan Bryon **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 25/05/2023

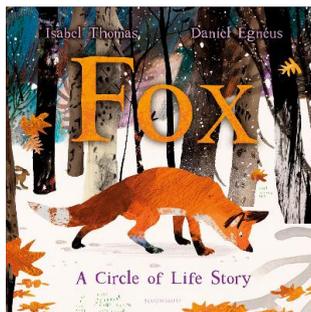
May 2023 Book of the Month After teaching us all about space in her award-winning debut and tackling ocean pollution in her second outing, this time the irrepressible Rocket is horrified to learn that her local library is about to close for lack of funding. A sad scenario that is being repeated in all too many parts of the UK and beyond. New book day is her favourite day of the week when Rocket, Mum and brother Jamal chose their new books from their library which is “a bit old and dusty” but it has Layla the librarian who “always has the best recommendations” Rocket tells us she used to struggle with reading, “but the more I do it, the better I get” She starts speaking up about libraries and how brilliant they are. Her enthusiasm is infectious, as she bombards her audience (and readers) with fascinating facts. Pretty soon she has the whole community behind her plan for a peaceful protest inspired, of course, by a book she has just read about Rosa Parks. While artistic licence can account for the speed of the money raising and refurbishment of the precious community resource, the underlying message which shows the power we can have when we find our voice and speak up about the things that matter, comes through loud and clear. Full of diverse representation and positive affirmations about books and reading as well as libraries, this, like the previous two books, is an absolute must have.



Claude Going for Gold!

Author: Alex T. Smith **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 23/02/2017

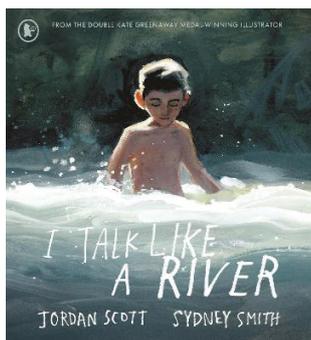
From the World Book Day Illustrator 2014 comes a brand-new tale about Claude, the bestselling beret-clad canine hero.



Fox

Author: Isabel Thomas **Format:** Hardback **Release Date:** 01/10/2020

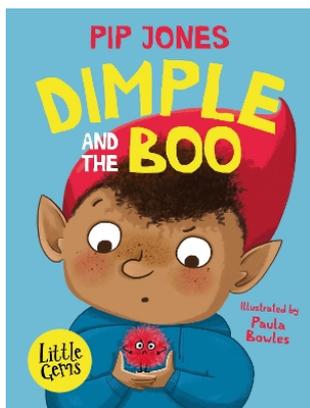
Longlisted for the UKLA Book Awards 2022 Information Books 3-14 Life is everywhere, we read at the close of this exceptional picture information book, and every page prior is brimming with it, so vividly depicted in Daniel Egnéus' illustrations that you can almost hear the yapping and gekkering of the fox cubs, their mother's barks, and all the constant bustle and hum of the natural world. Even in death we see there is life: the mother fox is hit and killed by a car but immediately tiny creatures get to work. As the seasons roll round and winter turns to spring, new life grows again and the particles that made up the fox become something else. Text and illustration together explain the circle of life with an extraordinary clarity while retaining a sense of the sheer wonder of it all. Share this with children who want to know what happens when something dies, or who just want to understand our world better. You can find more wintry & festive stories in our Best Books for Kids this Christmas collection!



I Talk Like a River

Author: Jordan Scott **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 16/12/2021

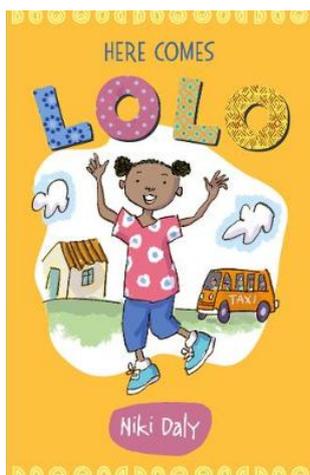
What if words got stuck in the back of your mouth whenever you tried to speak? After a day of being unable to speak when asked, and of being stared at, a boy and his father go to the river for some quiet time. It's just a bad speech day, says Dad. But the boy can't stop thinking about all the eyes watching his lips twisting and twirling. When his father points to the river bubbling, churning, whirling and crashing, the boy finds a way to think about how he speaks. Even the river stutters. Like him. I talk like a river, he says. An incredibly moving picture book that offers understanding rather than a solution, and which will resonate with all readers, young and old. Masterfully illustrated by Sydney Smith, winner of the Kate Greenaway Medal.



Dimple and the Boo

Author: Pip Jones **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 04/08/2022

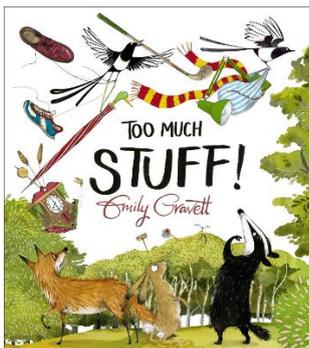
Interest Age 5-8 Dimple the little gnome is upset because his dad is going away with work. It's the start of a couple of bad days: mum serves up yucky cabbage pie for tea, Mrs Miskin next door won't throw his balls back, and the last straw is all his classmates laughing at him when he can't spell 'gnome'. Throughout all of this, Dimple has a Boo in his pocket, a fuzzy, fizzing little thing that yells, shouts and stamps with rage and frustration on Dimple's behalf. It gets him into trouble, but a chat with Mrs Miskin and then Mum shows him a much better way to react when he's frustrated or angry. Dimple is a very sympathetic character and youngsters will completely understand why the Boo takes up residence in his pocket. The gentle, illuminating conclusion will strike a chord too. With colour illustrations by Paula Bowles throughout, this is perfect for children moving from picture books to longer stories, while, in Barrington Stoke style, specialist features make it suitable for dyslexic and reluctant readers too.



Here Comes Lolo

Author: Niki Daly **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 08/08/2019

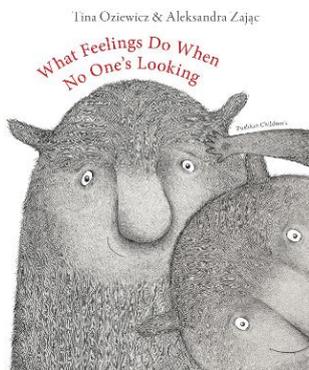
Lolo skips through life, leaving a trail of laughter and a few frowns! She's sure to become your new best friend! In these four easy-to-read stories Lolo, follow Lolo as she gets a gold star at school, longs for a cute floppy hat, finds a missing ring and helps to rescue a dog...



Too Much Stuff

Author: Emily Gravett **Format:** Hardback **Release Date:** 15/10/2020

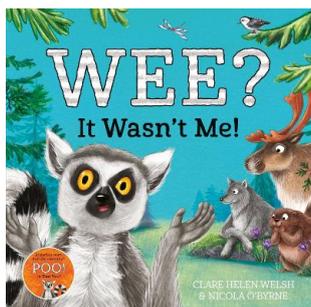
Longlisted for the UKLA Book Award 2022 ages 3-6 | Shortlisted for the Yoto Kate Greenaway Medal 2022 Meg and Ash, two magpies, build a cosy nest in the tallest tree for their four bright blue eggs. But they then start to get worried 'their nest/ Needed more stuff to make it the best.' Written in rhyming verse, we stare in amazement at all the things the magpies collect to add to their nest - until there is no hope of seeing the nest, and we can only see the teetering heap of things that have been added on top! Disaster strikes as the tree gives way! Happily, all the animals around help to clear the mess - and create useful homes and shelters out of all the rubbish! A gentle, funny and very beautifully illustrated poem, with a little frisson of anxiety when the tree collapses, about waste and recycling - a good way to introduce children to the idea of recycling useful things. As ever with Emily Gravett - there is a great deal going on in all the illustrations - lots to see and talk about, all beautifully laid out across the double-page spreads. The end papers are particularly fun, containing adverts for some of the items in the book - and also an advert for libraries! I particularly liked the 4 'R's of Recycling right at the back of the book! This will become a class and personal favourite for many people - children and adults alike - and could provide the basis for class projects on recycling, too.



What Feelings Do When No One's Looking

Author: Tina Oziewicz **Format:** Hardback **Release Date:** 06/10/2022

Curiosity climbs to the highest branch of a tree. Joy bounces on a trampoline. Gratitude warms you like a woolly jumper... What Feelings Do When No One's Looking is a stunning, charming and brilliantly inventive picturebook about the feelings that live inside us, sure to provoke many fascinating conversations with any child.



Wee? It Wasn't Me!

Author: Clare Helen Welsh **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 01/04/2021

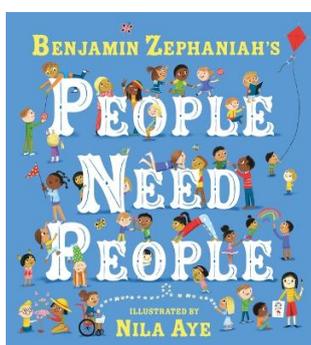
A funny story, all about wee, packed full of animal facts! The follow-up to the hilarious Poo! Is That You? Lenny the lemur is on holiday in Alaska. He's skipping across the snow, when he slips in a puddle. It's wet, yellow and smelly... WEE! But whose wee could it be? Lenny is on a quest to find out. Along the way, he meets various animals and learns all about their weeing habits! But the real question is: will he find that pesky puddle-piddler? Learn about caribou, turtles, wolves and more in the piddle-tastic Wee? It Wasn't Me! written by Clare Helen Welsh and illustrated by Nicola O'Byrne. Cleverly interweaving facts throughout, it also contains an information page at the back of the book, with a photo of each animal.



Meanwhile Back on Earth

Author: Oliver Jeffers **Format:** Hardback **Release Date:** 04/10/2022

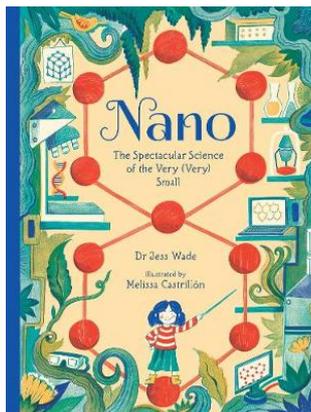
The captivating new companion to international bestsellers Here We Are and What We'll Build A father takes his two children on a thrilling out-of-this-world adventure into space and invites them to look back at Earth and the conflicts that have taken place since the beginning of time. This becomes a brief history of the world and a whistle-stop guide to the universe, all rolled into one - and told with Oliver Jeffers's inimitable perspective, wit and exquisite artwork. Meanwhile Back on Earth gives a unique look at life on Earth with a cosmic perspective - and an enduring message that what binds us together matters more than what sets us apart. A timely story for families everywhere.



People Need People

Author: Benjamin Zephaniah **Format:** Hardback **Release Date:** 27/10/2022

To walk to To talk to To cry and rely on, People will always need people . . . From the creators of Nature Trail comes an uplifting picture book about the power of people, and the importance of connecting with others. This timely poem reminds us all to be kind to one another. Written by legendary poet, Benjamin Zephaniah, one of The Times' top 50 British post-war writers. Beautifully illustrated by Nila Aye.



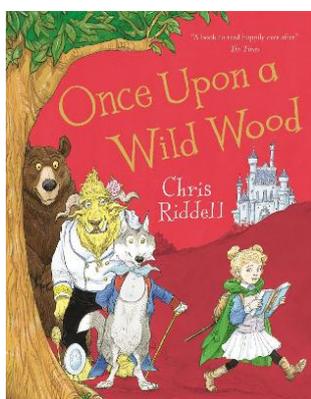
Nano: The Spectacular Science of the Very (Very) Small

Author: Dr. Jess Wade **Format:** Hardback **Release Date:** 01/04/2021

Shortlisted for the UKLA Book Awards 2022 Information Books 3-14

This exciting non-fiction picture book introduces young readers to the fascinating (and cutting-edge) science of the very, very small.

Everything is made from something - but the way we make things, from the materials we use to the science and technology involved, is changing fast. Nano offers a fascinating narrative introduction to this cutting-edge area of STEM, better known by the name nanotechnology .



Once Upon a Wild Wood

Author: Chris Riddell **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 05/09/2019

A Julia Eccleshare Pick of the Month September 2018 Former Children's Laureate Chris Riddell weaves a wonderful fantasy adventure around some of the best loved fairy story characters in this hugely attractive and thoroughly entertaining picture story book. Little Green Cape sets out with a handful of useful things including a strong straight stick, comfortable clumpy boots and an invitation to a party. Once in the wild woods she is in a magical world where even the trees have faces, full of surprising characters. There's a Beast looking for his Beauty, three Bears who are mistrustful of strangers, a talking harp, three little pigs, seven dwarves and many more. Young readers will love both feeling they know the stories being surprised by some of the turns of events.