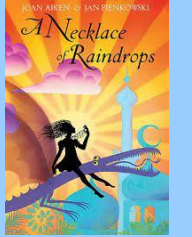



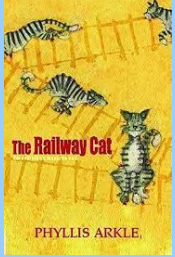
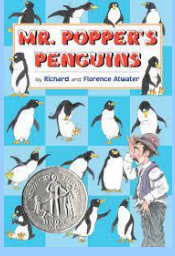
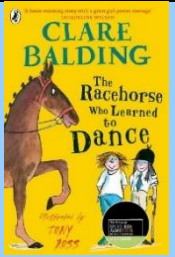
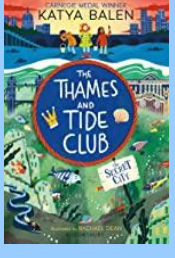
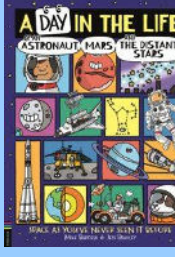
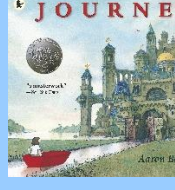
A Selection of Reading Recommendations for Year 3

The books have been chosen to promote reading for pleasure with quality texts that are especially selected for children in Year 3 (7 - 8 year olds). We have included a range of titles to cover classic texts, recent publications, poetry, stunning information texts and inspirational books in which all children and young people can find themselves reflected.

If your child is a competent reader or has read all these titles then try the books from the Year 4 list. Alternatively, if these books are a little challenging try books from the Year 2 list.

Miss Hayes and Mr Long

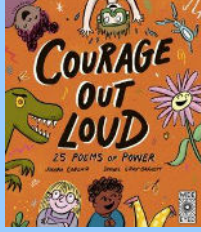
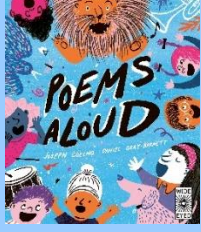

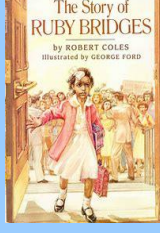

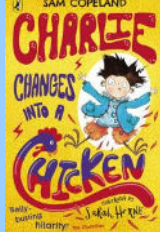
	<p>The Orchard Book of Aesop's Fables (Classic / Short Stories) A timeless collection of over twenty of Aesop's best-loved fables, including favourites such as The Hare and the Tortoise, Town Mouse and Country Mouse, Dog in the Manger and The Lion and the Mouse. The tales are retold with warmth and humour by former Children's Laureate Michael Morpurgo.</p>
	<p>Woof! by Alan Ahlberg (Adventure) He felt a curious tingling in his hands and feet. He felt his nose becoming cold and wet, his ears becoming flappy. The thought in his mind was: 'I'm turning into a dog!' Eric is a perfectly ordinary boy. Perfectly ordinary that is, until the night when, in fifteen seconds flat, he turns into a dog!</p>
	<p>Necklace of Raindrops by Joan Aiken (Classic / Short Stories) A collection of nine magical tales about strange lands inhabited by princesses and kelpies. Stories about everyday places where magical and mysterious things happen to ordinary children, include an oak tree falling in love with a girl and a boy's dream being stolen by the tooth fairy. The illustrations are strikingly different with the clever use of silhouettes.</p>
	<p>Dreams of Freedom by Amnesty International (Non - Fiction) <i>Shortlisted for the English Picture Book Award 2016</i> Powerful and moving, this collection of some of the most famous quotes about freedom including the words of Aung San Suu Kyi and Nelson Mandela make thoughtful statements about the global fight for human rights. Illustrators including Chris Riddell, Oliver Jeffers and Shane Evans have contributed stunning illustrations capturing the different ways of being free.</p>

	<p>The Railway Cat by Phyllis Arkle (Animal Adventure)</p> <p>A collection of five adventures in the life of Alfie, the irrepressible railway cat. He gets snow-bound, he saves a life from an out-of-control train, he is kidnapped and taken to London, and he has his usual scrapes and run-ins with Hack, the leading railman at the station.</p>
	<p>Mr Popper's Penguins by Richard and Florence Atwater (Animal Adventure)</p> <p>The lovable Mr. Popper dreams of being an Antarctic explorer, living life among the penguins alongside his hero, Admiral Drake. So, he is shocked one day when the admiral responds to his fan letter by sending him a real, live penguin! Soon, this penguin is joined by another and before long Mr. Popper has an ice-rink in the basement and a dozen delightful penguins living in his house. With barely enough money to feed his family and an increasing demand for raw fish and canned shrimp, what can the wonderfully imaginative Mr. Popper do but train his penguins and then take the show on the road!</p>
	<p>The Racehorse Who Learned to Dance by Care Balding (Animal Adventure)</p> <p>A heart-warming story with a great girl-power message. Charlie's racehorse certainly earned the name Noble Warrior: he won the Derby against all odds and bested a bunch of nasty kidnappers. But now Noddy is facing his greatest challenge ... Charlie's best friend Polly is still recovering from an accident that left her almost paralysed. But Polly has a real talent with horses – and she and Charlie are determined not to let it go to waste.</p>
	<p>The Thames and Tide Club and the Secret City by Katya Balen (Adventure)</p> <p>The first book in an exciting new adventure series for younger readers from Carnegie Medal winner Katya Balen.</p> <p>Clem and her friends Ash and Zara are members of the Thames and Tide Club! Every weekend they go mudlarking by the river, searching for treasures that have washed up on the shore. Clem has found old things, new things and a whole heap of rubbish. But one day, she finds something really special. Before they know it, the Thames and Tide Club are on the weirdest, wildest, underwater adventure they could possibly have imagined! Aimed at 8+.</p>
	<p>A Day in the Life of an Astronaut, Mars and the Distant Stars by Mike Barfield (Non-Fiction /Cartoon Style)</p> <p>This colourful, cartoon-style reference book brings facts to life with humour and fun illustrations. Following on from the enormous success of its award-winning predecessors, this latest book in the 'Day in the Life Of.' series is packed full of information and facts about space, presented in an entertaining comic style that is a joy to read.</p>
	<p>Journey by Aaron Becker (Wordless Picture Book)</p> <p><i>Caldecott Honor Winner</i></p> <p>An exquisitely illustrated, wordless picture book about self-determination and unexpected friendship follows a little girl who draws a magic door on her bedroom wall. Through it she escapes into a world where wonder, adventure and danger abound. Red marker pen in hand, she creates a boat, a balloon and a flying carpet which carry her on a spectacular and magical journey ... who knows where?</p>

	<p>The Wombles by Elisabeth Beresford (Classic) <u>Book 1 of 8: The Wombles</u> The first Wombles book introduces the stern but kindly Great Uncle Bulgaria; Orinoco, who is particularly fond of his food and a subsequent forty winks; general handyman extraordinaire Tobermory, who can turn almost anything that the Wombles retrieve from Wimbleton Common into something useful; Madame Cholet, who cooks the most delicious and natural foods to keep the Wombles happy and contented; and, last but not least, Bungo, one of the youngest and cheekiest Wombles of all, who has much to learn and is due to venture out on to the Common on his own for the very first time...</p>
	<p>Gregory Cool by Caroline Binch (Picture Book) This text has become a classic. It tells the story of young Gregory as he sets about on his first day in Tobago with his grandparents. At first he can find nothing familiar or desirable, but as he begins to adjust to life in the Caribbean, he soon finds that it is possible to feel right at home in a new culture.</p>
	<p>Whizzwig by Malorie Blackman (Adventure) Whizzwig is a small, furry alien who has crash-landed on Earth and ended up on top of Ben's wardrobe. Once Ben has recovered from the shock of this unexpected arrival he's delighted to learn that Whizzwig is a 'wish-giver' able to turn wishes into reality. But it's not as straightforward as it sounds. The wishes have to be made for someone else, and by accident, so it isn't long before some very strange, and very funny, things start happening.</p>
	<p>Beast Quest Series by Adam Blade (Fantasy) Beast Quest is a best-selling series of children's fantasy/adventure novels written by several authors all using the house name Adam Blade. There are various series: Beast Quest and Sea Quest are very popular. The stories are sequential in terms of character development, but the main plots are relatively independent in each book. It's not critical to read them in order. With over 100 books there are plenty of Beast Quest adventures to keep a young reader entertained!</p>
	<p>A Bear Called Paddington by Michael Bond (Classic) The Browns first met Paddington on a railway station - Paddington station, in fact. He had travelled all the way from Darkest Peru with only a jar of marmalade, a suitcase and his hat. The Browns soon found that Paddington was a very unusual bear. ... Paddington has charmed readers for generations with his earnest good intentions and humorous misadventures.</p>
	<p>Leonora Bolt Secret Inventor by Lucy Brandt (Adventure) <u>Book 1 of 4: Secret Inventor Series</u> Leonora Bolt Secret Inventor is a great story choice for Year 3 and above. The book follows a young female scientist named Leonora, who is passionate about creating new and ingenious inventions to solve the problems of those around her. An imaginative adventure with quick-thinking Leonora using her skills and natural wit to triumph. Readers who love science and innovation will find this an entertaining story.</p>

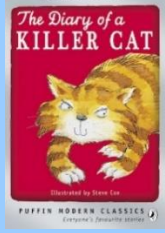
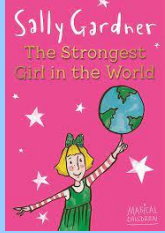

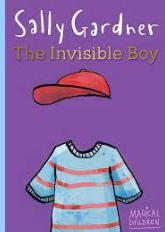

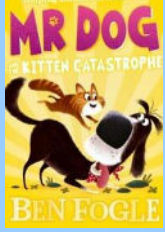
	<p>The Impossible Boy by Ben Brooks (Adventure)</p> <p>When Oleg and Emma invent a new classmate called Sebastian, they are amazed when he appears – very much real – in their secret den. Sebastian isn't like the rest of their classmates. He's never eaten pizza, he's not sure what goose bumps are, and he has a satchel that seems to hold an endless supply of hot ice-cream.</p> <p>But as the trio begin their adventures, more impossible things keep happening, from a runaway goat appearing in school to a sighting of a snow women. Things soon turn dangerous when the three friends are pursued by the mysterious Institute of Unreality, who want to capture and erase Sebastian.</p>
	<p>Zoo by Anthony Browne (Picture Book)</p> <p>Anthony Browne's picture books look simple but the illustrations are sophisticated and are best shared/discussed.</p> <p>Dad, mum and two brothers spend a day at the zoo, looking at the animals in the cages - or is it the animals that are looking at them?</p>
	<p>There's A Yeti in The Playground! By Pamela Butchart (Humour)</p> <p>An award winning author with an infallible touch when it comes to humour and familiar settings that all children can relate to and told with a flair for zany and exciting plots like this one!</p>
	<p>The Nothing to See Here hotel by Steven Butler (Humour)</p> <p><u>Book 1 of the Nothing to See Here Series</u></p> <p>A hotel for magical creatures, where weird is normal for Frankie Banister and his parents who run the hotel. When a goblin messenger arrives at The Nothing to See Here Hotel, announcing the imminent arrival of the goblin prince Grogbah, Frankie and his family rush into action to get ready for their important guest. But it soon becomes obvious that the Banister family are going to have their work cut out with the demanding prince and his never-ending entourage, especially when it turns out the rude little prince is hiding a secret...</p>
	<p>Red Panda Rescue by Jess Butterworth (Animal Adventure)</p> <p><u>Book 1 of 4: The Adventure Club</u></p> <p>A new illustrated series for younger readers about animals and adventure. Tilly has no plans for the summer holidays and is dreading months of boredom -- that is until she becomes part of The Adventure Club and wins a place to go track and monitor endangered red pandas in Nepal! In the Himalayas she rides on yaks, plants a bamboo forest and even spots the secretive red panda. But then the red panda Tilly and her team has been monitoring disappears. This new series is perfect for young readers who are beginning to read on their own.</p>
	<p>The Julian Stories by Ann Cameron (Adventure)</p> <p>Dad makes a pudding that tastes like a whole raft of lemons and a night on the sea. But then he does something really silly. He goes for a nap and leaves Julian in charge. <i>Bad idea.</i></p> <p>Before he knows it, Julian's in a sticky situation. And that's just one of his many adventures, which involve catalogue cats, cave-boy teeth . . . and a new next-door neighbour!</p>

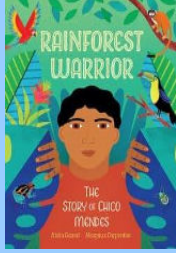

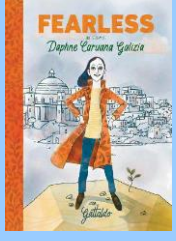
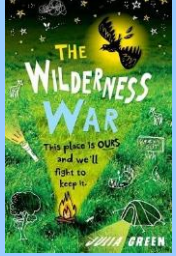
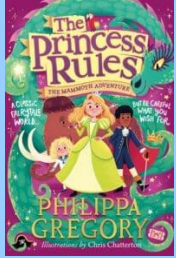
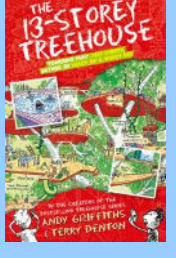
	<p>Julian, Secret Agent by Ann Cameron (Mystery) <u>Part of Julian's World series (6 books)</u> Grown-ups aren't very good at solving crimes. That's why it's time for Julian, Huey and Gloria to take matters into their own hands. The crime-busting trio go on a mission to track down wanted criminals. They have a special motto, a secret code and plenty of plans. All they need now is their first crook ...</p>
	<p>Mr Majeika Series by Humphrey Carpenter (School Setting) <u>Book 1 of 15: Mr Majeika Series</u> As a rule, magic carpets don't turn up in schools, but this is exactly what happens when Class Three's new teacher flies in through the classroom window and lands on the floor with a bump. Mr Majeika decides something has to be done about Hamish Bigmore, the class nuisance, and so he uses a little magic to turn him into a frog. And to everyone's delight it looks as if Hamish will have to remain a frog because Mr Majeika can't remember the spell to turn him back again! With Mr Majeika in charge, suddenly life at school become much more exciting - there's even a magic-carpet ride to Buckingham Palace.</p>
	<p>Clarice Bean That's Me by Lauren Child (Humour) When your annoying little brother shares your room, your older brother is in the tunnel of adolescence, your dad hides in his office eating rocky road ice cream and swaying to Frank Sinatra, and your mother listens to foreign language tapes in a candlelit bathtub, what can you do to get away from it all? Meet the feisty Clarice Bean searching for just a little peace and quiet amidst a family many of us will recognise only too well. Lauren Child's witty text and jazzy illustrations capture the wonderful wacky chaos of a large extended family from the hilarious vantage point of one of its youngest members</p>
	<p>Dragon Storm by Alistair Chisholm (Fantasy) <u>Book 1 of 8: Dragon Storm Series</u> The first book in a magical, and action-packed fantasy series, illustrated throughout. In the land of Draconis, there are no dragons. Once, there were. Once, humans and dragons were friends, and created the great city of Rivven together. But then came the Dragon Storm, and the dragons retreated from the world of humans. To the men and women of Draconis, they became legends. Tomas has always been told that now, dragons are extinct, and so he can't believe it when a mysterious stranger invites him to join a secret society, the Dragonseer Guild - and tells him that not only do dragons still exist, but also that Tomas has a very special power... he can summon his very own dragon!</p>
	<p>Libby and the Parisian Puzzle by Jo Clarke (Mystery) <u>Book 1 of 2: The Travelling School Mysteries</u> The start of a new detective adventure series about a travelling school which promises adventures in different cities around the globe, and this first one is set in Paris. Just the right amount of peril for a younger audience combined with a fun boarding school element and enough clues to keep the predictions rolling makes for a perfect stepping stone into the detective fiction genre.</p>
	<p>The Bolds by Julian Clary (Humour) <u>Book 1 of 8: The Bolds</u> The Bolds is a funny story with a ludicrous but hugely enjoyable plotline, lots of jokes, some nail-biting moments and enjoyable characters. The Bolds live happily in Teddington where Mrs Bold sells hats and Mr Bold writes the jokes for Christmas crackers, jobs for which they are perfectly suited. Hardly anyone knows they are actually hyenas! Their secret nearly comes out when they attract the attention of their grumpy next-door neighbour, but maybe he's got things to hide too.</p>

	<p>Courage Out Loud by Joseph Coelho (Poetry) 25 sparkling and truly original poems for children, specially written to help build confidence, develop speaking skills and help foster self-belief. The collection contains mantras to be true to yourself, to help you feel brave, project happiness, conjure a smile, make you laugh or cheer others up. Some are odes, some can be said as personal mantras or just poems that instil confidence and help children realise the power of their voices.</p>
	<p>Poems Out Loud by James Coelho (Poetry) In this fantastic collection, Laureate Joseph Coelho shows us that poems are made to read OUT LOUD! Children will learn 20 techniques for reading aloud by trying out 20 funny and thoughtful original poems. There are tongue twisters, poems to project, poems to whisper, poems to make you laugh. There are poems to perform to a whole family and others to whisper in somebody's ear.</p>
	<p>Our Tower by Joseph Coelho (Fantasy Adventure) <i>Children's Laureate 2022-24</i> This magical story follows three children living in a tower block, as they embark on a fantastical adventure which helps them see their home in a new light. Gorgeously illustrated, this modern-day fable is a celebration of high-rise living and its ties to the ancient, natural world. The design of the book makes you turn it sideways and upside down and gives a whole other dimension to the story.</p>
	<p>The Story of Ruby Richards by Robert Cole (True Story) This is the true story of an extraordinary 6-year-old who helped shape history when she became the first African American sent to first grade in an all-white school. This moving book captures the courage of a little girl standing alone in the face of racism. A picture book with a powerful narrative and strong illustrations.</p>
	<p>The Dog Who Lost His Bark by Eoin Colfer (Animal Adventure) <i>Shortlisted for the Children's Book Awards 2019</i> Patrick is delighted to go to stay at his grandparents' house, especially when he is told he can choose a rescue puppy. Oz, the puppy has had a terrible start but Patrick is determined to help, until his own life falls apart and he dare not love his dog. Colfer explores his subject with an empathy which makes the characters and dilemmas very real. A great read.</p>
	<p>Charlie Changes into a Chicken by Sam Copeland (Humour) Charlie McGuffin has an incredible secret . . . he can change into animals. All sorts of animals: a flea, a pigeon, even a rhino. Trouble is, he can't decide when - it only happens when he gets worried. And even though every child wants a superhero power, Charlie isn't keen on changing into a chicken in the middle of the school play. So, with the help of his three best friends, Charlie needs to find a way of dealing with his crazy new power - and fast!</p>

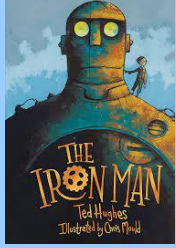
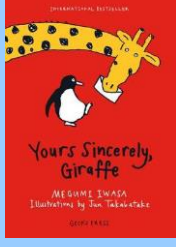
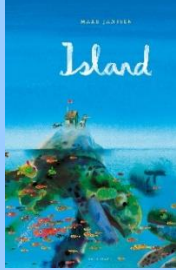
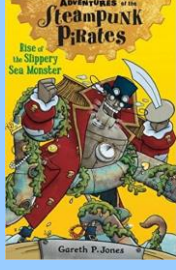
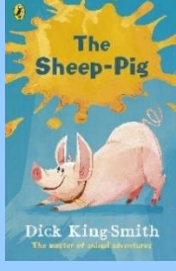

	<p>Kitty Quest by Phil Corbett (Graphic Novel)</p> <p>A graphic novel about two aspiring adventurers who face off against startling ghosts, rampaging monsters and bumbling wizards! This is the perfect new read for fans of Captain Underpants, Dog Man and The Simpsons! Woolfrik and Perigold are two down-on-their-luck cats in need of some extra cash, so they've decided to become professional monster slayers - except they don't know the first thing about it! When a huge beast starts rampaging through the town, they are put to the ultimate test. But the monster is just the beginning of their worries ...</p>
	<p>Storm by Kevin Crossley-Holland (Classic)</p> <p><i>Winner of the Carnegie Award</i></p> <p>A wonderful story of drama and adventure that is beautifully unravelled by award-winning author Kevin Crossley-Holland. The characters are superbly drawn and the narrative is simply but lyrically told. And there's a surprise at the end.</p>
	<p>James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl (Classic)</p> <p>An enormous, escaped rhinoceros from London Zoo has eaten James's parents. And it gets worse! James is packed off to live with his two really horrible aunts, Sponge and Spiker. Poor James is miserable, until something peculiar happens and James finds himself on the most wonderful and extraordinary journey he could ever imagine.</p> <p>Other titles by this notable author include The BFG, George's Marvellous Medicine, Dirty Beasts, Fantastic Mr Fox, Esio Trot, Charlie and Chocolate Factory ...</p>
	<p>Agent Asha by Sophie Deen (Mystery)</p> <p>Asha Joshi has the perfect excuse not to finish her homework. She's just been recruited to join the top-secret children's spy agency. Her first mission: save the world. Can she do it? Asha's a coder so she should be able to hack into the biggest tech company in the world, fight deadly sharks and figure out why the Internet has stopped working. All before bedtime!</p>
	<p>The Little Prince by Antoine de Saint-Exupery (Classic)</p> <p>Few stories are as widely read and as universally cherished by children and adults alike as <i>The Little Prince</i>. When a pilot crashes in the Sahara Desert, he meets a little boy who asks him to draw a sheep. Gradually the Little Prince reveals more about himself: he comes from a small asteroid, where he lived alone until a rose grew there. But the rose grew demanding, and he was confused by his feelings about her. The story unfolds further from one planet to the next in a thoughtful philosophical exploration of love.</p>
	<p>The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo (Animal Adventure)</p> <p>Edward Tulane is a much-loved china rabbit who falls overboard on a sea voyage, and there follows a narrative in which our hero falls into many different hands, learning to love as fine as being loved on the way, until he reaches a satisfying conclusion to his journey.</p>

	<p>Mayor Bunny's Chocolate Town by Elys Dolan (Humour)</p> <p>Mr Bunny is running for mayor. Coop Town needs some urgent repairs and Mr Bunny is promising to make it great again. At first, the chicken electorate is wowed by Mr Bunny's promises of new chocolate houses, new chocolate parks, new chocolate swimming pools - as well as his bold claim that chocolate will repel hungry foxes. But what will happen when the truth comes home to roost?</p>
	<p>The Fish in Room 11 by Heather Dyer (Adventure)</p> <p>Toby lives a lonely life in his pyjamas at the seaside hotel where he was abandoned as a baby. Until the day he's sent down to the beach to look for Cook's lost laundry. Instead, he finds a pale, thin girl, lying at the water's edge with a long green tail swaying gently in the shallows. Eliza Flot is a stranded mermaid, and she needs his help. Toby takes to her, and when he meets her noisy parents he practically becomes part of the family. But Toby's new friendship arouses suspicion back at the hotel. And Toby and the Flots must come up with a plan to rescue each other.</p>
	<p>My Naughty Little Sister by Dorothy Edwards (Classic)</p> <p>My naughty little sister is stubborn and greedy and full of mischief. She tries to cut off the cat's tail and eats all the trifle at Harry's party! How much bother can one little sister be?</p> <p><i>My Naughty Little Sister</i> has charmed generations of adults and children alike thanks to Dorothy Edwards' playful stories and Shirley Hughes' beautiful illustrations.</p>
	<p>Ocean Meets Sky by The Fan Brothers (Picture Book)</p> <p>A picture book about a young boy who sets sail to find a place his grandfather told him about ... the spot where the ocean meets the sky. It's a good day for sailing. Finn lives by the sea and the sea lives by him. Every time he looks out his window it's a constant reminder of the stories his grandfather told him about the place where the ocean meets the sky. Where whales and jellyfish soar and birds and castles float. Finn's grandfather is gone now but Finn knows the perfect way to honour him. He'll build his own ship and sail out to find this magical place himself! And when he arrives, maybe, just maybe, he'll find something he didn't know he was looking for.</p>
	<p>Me and Mister P by Maria Farrer (Animal Adventure)</p> <p><i>Shortlisted for the UKLA 2018 Book Award</i></p> <p>Arthur is understandably surprised when Mr P turns up at his door expecting to stay: Mr P is a huge polar bear with small black eyes, and long sharp teeth. Fortunately for Arthur and his family Mr P is polite and friendly and his stay as a guest brings about all sorts of changes for the better. Having to look after him makes Arthur see things differently while Mr P's uncritical, tolerant presence is a calming influence on Arthur's brother Liam, who finds it difficult to act the way others do. This is all mixed up in a funny, often surreal story about the challenges of managing a polar bear at school, and with a sub-plot concerning a tense football match.</p>
	<p>The Creakers by Tom Fletcher (Mystery)</p> <p>When all the parents in the world disappear, most kids think this is amazing! They can finally run wild and eat sweets for breakfast, lunch and dinner. But Lucy wants the truth, and she's convinced that the creaking sounds that come from under her bed can lead her to it. <i>Creak ... creak ...</i> That's when Lucy meets the Creakers, a bunch of sticky, smelly creatures who live under children's beds. This troublesome bunch has taken all the grown-ups to an upside-down world called the Woleb. Lucy must act fast if she wants to rescue the grown-ups, because adults who stay in the Woleb too long start becoming Creakers!</p>

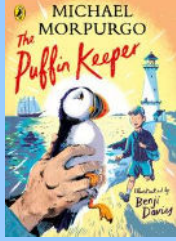
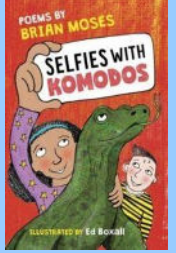


	<p>The Diary of a Killer Cat by Anne Fine (Animal)</p> <p>Tuffy the cat is in BIG trouble! On Monday he killed a bird. On Tuesday it was a mouse. Now it's Wednesday, and he's dragged a dead rabbit through the cat flap. But when his horror-struck owner Ellie realises that it's their neighbour's pet rabbit Thumper, pandemonium breaks loose. As soft-hearted Ellie makes excuse after excuse for her "kind and thoughtful hero", children get to see how a single event can be perceived from totally opposing points of view.</p>
	<p>The Strongest Girl in the World by Sally Gardner (Magical)</p> <p>Josie Jenkins, aged eight and three-quarters, astonishes herself and everyone else when she finds she can lift a table, a car and even a bus with no effort at all. Josie becomes famous, and Mr Two Suit sweeps in with a contract and swoops the whole family off to New York. How Josie copes with fame and fortune, and with the loss of it when she wakes up one day to find she can't do her trick anymore, makes a very entertaining story for young readers.</p>
	<p>The Smallest Girl Ever by Sally Gardner (Magical)</p> <p>Everyone expects Ruby Genie to have the same fantastic magical powers as her famous parents did, but Ruby can't do any magic at all - or so she thinks. Then she begins to get smaller . . . and smaller . . . and smaller.</p> <p>With the help of Aunt Hat, the kindly conjuror who is hopeless at doing tricks, Ruby finds her own special brand of magic. This is a wonderfully funny adventure story, full of brilliant characters, who help Ruby discover that some of the best things come in small packages!</p>
	<p>The Invisible Boy (Magical)</p> <p>When his parents are lost in space, Sam is left in the care of the horrible neighbour Hilda Hardbottom. There he finds a tiny spaceship in the cabbage patch and meets a little alien called Splodge. Splodge loves ketchup, enjoys learning languages and can make himself - and Sam - invisible. How Sam uses this helpful new skill is a very funny and satisfying story for young readers.</p>
	<p>The Boy Who Could Fly by Sally Gardner (Magical)</p> <p>One day a fairy turns up at Thomas Top's house to grant him a birthday wish. Thomas wishes he could fly and soon goes from being just an ordinary boy whom no one notices to being the most popular boy in the school. But his flying gets him suspended from school, and that makes his dad so cross and his mum miserable. Then the fairy turns up again and, with help from her and Thomas's new friend Mr Vinnie, a retired painter and decorator who has been flying since he was Thomas's age, everything changes.</p> <p>An enchanting story about growing in confidence and using your gifts.</p>
	<p>Mr Dog and the Kitten Catastrophe By Ben Fogle (Animal Adventures)</p> <p>A new young fiction series by TV broadcaster and intrepid explorer Ben Fogle, inspired by his real-life animal experiences... Co-written with best-selling children's author Steve Cole. When Mr Dog meets a reckless young wildcat called Angus in the woods he soon makes an important discovery – a whole group of exotic animals are being held in captivity. Mr Dog wants to help them – but will Angus charge in and turn a rescue into a kitten catastrophe?</p>

	<p>Rainforest Warrior by Anita Ganeri (True Story)</p> <p>Chico Mendes was a rubber tapper who stood up for his community and the importance of preserving the Amazon rainforest. Chico worked tirelessly to help others and was recognised for his efforts. Tragically, Chico was murdered whilst working for this cause due to his efforts to support the rubber tappers, waking up the world to the plight of the rainforest destruction and protesting about the clearing of the forest.</p> <p>The book shows why it is important to protect the rainforests and highlights the difference one person can make. There are plenty of interesting Amazon rainforest facts and a supporting glossary.</p>
	<p>Azzi In Between by Sarah Garland Frances (Graphic Novel)</p> <p>Sarah Garland uses a comic strip format to tell the story of Azzi who has to flee her own country with her parents, leaving her grandmother behind, and settle as a refugee in a new country.</p>
	<p>Fearless The Story of Daphne Caruana Galizia by Gattaldo (True Story)</p> <p>Daphne Caruana Galizia had a happy childhood with her family on the small island of Malta, loving books, stories and writing. When she succeeded in her ambition to become a journalist, she discovered that there was much to write about in her home country. She found that greedy and corrupt politicians were making themselves rich rather than working for the good of their people. Fearlessly, Daphne exposed criminal and dishonest activities. Her enemies responded with threats and insults to discourage her from revealing more. But nothing could dissuade Daphne from fighting for what she believed in.</p>
	<p>The Wilderness Wars by Julia Green (Adventure)</p> <p>This is our place and we'll fight to save it! A summer spent in the place Noah and his friends call the Wilderness, is a summer spent making dens, sleeping under the stars and toasting marshmallows over an open fire. It's freedom. Until one day their Wilderness is sold and set for development and their dens torn down to make way for houses. For Noah and his friends this means war and they'll do anything to stop the Wilderness being destroyed.</p> <p>This exciting adventure celebrates the outdoors and the freedom to explore it.</p>
	<p>The Princess Rules: The Mammoth Adventure by Philippa Gregory (Fairy Tale with a Difference)</p> <p>Princess Florizella may live in a classic fairy-tale world, but she's no ordinary princess...This third volume in The Princess Rules series sees the feisty princess take her baby brother and best friend, Bennett, on another round of adventures together. Can they rescue their new-found friend the sea serpent from a travelling circus? And hold back the pirate, Five-fathom Freida. Or will Florizella's worst fairy godmother prove that in a fairytale world, you really do have to be careful what you wish for?</p>
	<p>The 13 Storey Treehouse by Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton (Humour)</p> <p>The first book in Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton's wacky treehouse adventures, where the laugh-out-loud story is told through a combination of text and cartoon-style illustrations. Andy and Terry live in the WORLD'S BEST treehouse! It's got a giant catapult, a secret underground laboratory, a tank of man-eating sharks and a marshmallow machine that follows you around and shoots marshmallows into your mouth whenever you're hungry! Just watch out for the flying cats, or the mermaids, or the sea monsters pretending to be mermaids, or the giant mutant mermaid sea monster ...</p>

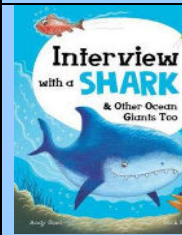
	<p>The 104 Storey Treehouse by Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton (Humour)</p> <p>The 104-storey Treehouse is the eighth book of Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton's wacky treehouse adventures, where the laugh-out-loud story is told through a combination of text and cartoon-style illustrations.</p>
	<p>The Street Beneath My Feet by Charlotte Guillian (Non-Fiction)</p> <p>A beautiful fold-out book that showcases the wonders of the earth beneath our feet. Beautifully illustrated, its concertina-style pages fold out into a long cross-section of the Earth: in one side and out the other. It contains a wealth of information about geology and science, and opportunities for further questions from curious young minds.</p>
	<p>The Truth Pixie by Matt Haig (Story in Verse)</p> <p>The Truth Pixie is an innovative and characteristically profound story in verse that addresses children's fears, worries and anxiety. Wherever she is, whatever the day, she only has one kind of thing to say. Just as cats go miaow and cows go moo, The Truth Pixie can only say things that are true.</p>
	<p>Harley Hitch and the Fossil Mystery by Vashti Hardy (Mystery)</p> <p>This is the third book in the Harley Hitch series and it works as a standalone. Harley is an excellent role model, as a girl who is into STEM and fascinated by subjects such as palaeontology. She is smart and ecologically aware – and also has great hair!</p>
	<p>Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman (Picture Book)</p> <p>Grace loves to act out stories. Sometimes she plays the leading part, sometimes she is 'a cast of thousands.' When her school decides to perform Peter Pan, Grace is longing to play Peter, but her classmates say that Peter was a boy, and besides, he wasn't black... But Grace's Ma and Nana tell her she can be anything she wants if she puts her mind to it.</p>
	<p>How the Whale Became by Ted Hughes (Classic / Short stories)</p> <p>This collection of stories tells how a particular animal came to be as it is now. The Whale grew up in God's vegetable patch but was banished to sea when he became too large and crushed all His carrots; the Polar Bear was lured to the North Pole by the other animals who were jealous that she always won the annual beauty contest; the Hare has asked the moon to marry him but can never stretch his ears high enough to hear her reply; the Bee must sip honey all day long to sweeten the bitter demon that runs through his veins . .</p>

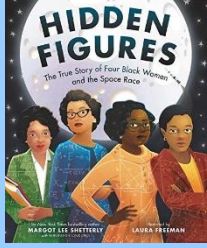
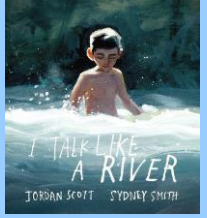
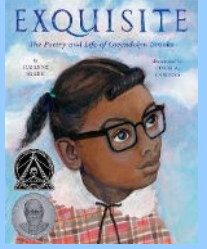
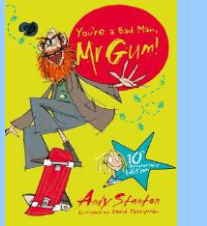
	<p>The Iron Man by Ted Hughes (Classic) <i>The Iron Man</i> tells the story of a gigantic metal robot who appears out of nowhere, crashing onto the beach and shattering into many parts. He is discovered by a young boy called Hogarth, who becomes his friend. The Iron Man proceeds to devour farm machinery, until the farmers rise up against him and threaten to bring in the army. Hogarth comes to his rescue and suggests that the monster should be left in peace to feed from the scrap metal yard.</p>
	<p>Yours Sincerely, Giraffe by Megumi Iwasa (Letter Format) <i>Shortlisted for the UKLA 2018 Book Award</i> Giraffe is bored, as usual. He'd love a friend to share things with. So, he writes a letter and sends it as far as possible across the other side of the horizon. There he finds a pen pal—Penguin. Giraffe knows nothing about penguins and his letters are full of questions. What does a penguin look like? Where is a penguin's neck? And so the letters begin to fly from horizon to horizon.</p>
	<p>Island by Mark Janssen (Wordless Picture Book) A father, daughter and their dog wash up on a small island. Little do the castaways know that the island isn't what it seems at all. The island shows the family the wonders of life at sea. Colourful fish dart in the waves and birds swoop in the sky. Island life is full of the unexpected. The island protects the family against all kinds of dangers, from tropical storms to menacing underwater animals. The island has its own secret, too. Eventually, the family is rescued. And there's a heart-warming surprise when the little girl says farewell to the large kind turtle – the real island - whose shell has provided the family with their happy island home. Island is a wordless picture book. Children are encouraged to study the wonderful illustrations and tell the story in their own words.</p>
	<p>The Adventures of the Steampunk Pirates by Gareth P. Jones (Adventure) Wanted: Dead or Alive! Causing chaos wherever they sail, the robotic Steampunk Pirates are roaming the high seas, hunting for gold. But the evil Iron Duke has other ideas... He's determined to capture the pirates in return for a handsome reward from the King. Can the mechanical marauders stay one wave ahead of their enemy?</p>
	<p>The Sheep-Pig by Dick King-Smith (Classic) When Babe, the little orphaned piglet, is won at a fair by Farmer Hogget, he is adopted by Fly, the kind-hearted sheepdog. Babe is determined to learn everything he can from Fly. He knows he can't be a sheepdog. But maybe, just maybe, he might be a sheep-pig.</p>
	<p>The Rock from the Sky by Jon Klassen (Picture Book) A turtle, an armadillo and a snake – all in signature Klassen hats – ponder the best place to sit. Turtle has his favourite spot, but armadillo has a bad feeling about it... Told entirely in speech three friends escape a deadly fate (which is never mentioned) as they chat and continue their simple lives. The humour and anticipation from the wonderful artwork is never emphasized – it is just there to make you laugh and chortle as the stories unfold. Told in a totally deadpan way this is a huge picture book (90+ pages) that will have fans thoroughly enjoying the completely visual joke.</p>

	<p>Armstrong: The Adventurous Journey of a Mouse to the Moon by Torben Kuhlmann (Animal Adventure)</p> <p><i>Armstrong</i> centres around a determined little mouse who is eager to discover the secrets of the universe and to become the first creature to step onto the surface of the moon. Inspired by a mysterious invitation, Armstrong leaves boxes of pecorino behind him and arrives at the Smithsonian. Here he is amazed and inspired by the heroic mice who have ventured before him in their flying machines. Later, Armstrong sneaks himself into university so that he might learn and discover all that humans know. He never allows his diminutive size to hold him back and he uses courage and determination to achieve his lunar dream.</p>
	<p>Pippi Longstocking by Astrid Lindgren (Classic)</p> <p>Pippi Longstocking is nine years old. She has just moved into Villa Villekulla where she lives all by herself with a horse, a monkey, and a big suitcase full of gold coins. The grown-ups in the village try to make Pippi behave in ways that they think a little girl should, but Pippi has other ideas. She would much rather spend her days arranging wild, exciting adventures to enjoy with her neighbours, Tommy and Annika, or entertaining everyone she meets with her outrageous stories. Pippi thinks nothing of wrestling a circus strongman, dancing a polka with burglars, or tugging a bull's tail.</p>
	<p>Atlas of Adventures by Lucy Letherland (Non-Fiction)</p> <p>Set your spirit of adventure free with this lavishly illustrated trip around the world, which brings together more than 100 activities and challenges from every corner of the globe to inspire adventurers of any age. Whether you're visiting the penguins of Antarctica, joining the Carnival in Brazil or taking a canoe safari down the Zambezi River, this book will take young travellers on whole host of fascinating adventures across the continents. Each section begins with an infographic map of the region it explores, followed by richly detailed two-page spreads featuring its most fascinating locations.</p>
	<p>Leon and the Place Between by Angela McAllister (Picture Book)</p> <p>Wanting to prove to his siblings that magic really exists, Leon volunteers to be in Abdul Kazam's magic show and gets transported to a mysterious world. Filled with rabbits, doves, playing cards and magician's assistants - among other things - if a magician can make it disappear it will end up in the Place Between! When Leon returns, not only do his brothers and sister believe, but we do too. With die-cut holes into and out of the Place Between, the reader takes a journey right through the pages of the book, into the mysterious world of Grahame Baker-Smith's fabulous illustrations.</p>
	<p>A Wild Child's Book of Birds by Dara McAnulty (Non-Fiction)</p> <p>Join brilliant young naturalist Dara McAnulty - winner of the 2020 Wainwright Prize for his book <i>Diary of a Young Naturalist</i> and author of <i>Wild Child!</i> - on a journey through a year in the life of birds. <i>A Wild Child's Book of Birds</i> takes you through a year in the life of the birds you will find in Britain and Ireland and is divided into four seasonal sections. Find out what birds do in each season, learn about birdsong, beaks, nests and eggs, the science of flight, migration, what to grow to attract different birds to your garden and what foods to put out on your bird table. Learn about different ways of recording what you see and about birds in literature. There are sections on birds of prey too.</p>
	<p>Tom's Sausage Lion by Michael Morpurgo (Classic)</p> <p>But it's true', Tom shouted. 'It was a real lion; I know it was'. No-one believes Tom when he says he has seen a lion - padding around the orchard with a string of sausages in its mouth! No-one, that is, except for Clare, the cleverest girl in the class. Together, she and Tom plan to prove his story is true - by catching the lion!</p>

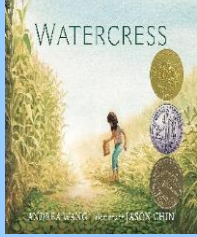
	<p>The Puffin Keeper by Michael Morpurgo (Adventure)</p> <p>The book tells the story of a young boy named Allen and the friendship he forges with solitary Benjamin Postlethwaite, the lighthouse keeper who saves his life. The ship that Allen and 30 others are sailing on becomes washed up on some rocks near the lighthouse, Benjamin saves them all and give them shelter until help can come. Although he doesn't have much to say, Benjamin and Allen sow the seeds of a friendship that will last a lifetime. Together, they rescue an injured puffin and nurse it back to health. Over time, the puffin returns and brings more puffins to the island. Thus, Benjamin becomes known as the puffin keeper.</p>
	<p>Selfies with Komodos by Brian Moses (Poetry)</p> <p>This is a quirky, fun collection of poems from Brian Moses. Covering topics as diverse as the eponymous Komodo dragons to earwigs, vampires and librarians, there is a poem here to suit everyone. Some are crying out to be read aloud – such as Bang a Drum- while others, like The Moment, are worth reading quietly and savouring. Some will make you think (Custodian), and others will make you giggle (Labrador). Some rhyme, some don't.</p>
	<p>The Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad (Makes You Think)</p> <p>Faizah is excited for her first day of school, with her light up shoes and new backpack, but even more excited for her older sister, Asiya with her brand-new blue hijab. As Faizah walks to the school she admires her sister who looks like 'a princess' in her blue head scarf. Their mother has prepared the girls with wise words. When the kids in the school bully Asiya, she remembers her mother's advice to not carry hurtful words as "they are not yours to keep. They belong only to those who said them" The bullies are cleverly depicted as faceless, raceless, anonymous shadows thus avoiding apportioning blame to any one sector. This is an excellent book about identity and self- confidence for young readers who can see themselves in Asiya or know someone like her.</p>
	<p>Emerald by Harriet Muncaster (Adventure)</p> <p>Beautifully illustrated in black and green, this new series from the world of <i>Isadora Moon</i> introduces Isadora's mermaid friend, Emerald!</p> <p>Emerald is learning how to be a mermaid princess, but she doesn't feel like one at all. She's not very good at waving to crowds and royal headdresses just aren't her thing - her hair is too spiky and wild. Emerald's wriggly pet octopus, Inkibelle, doesn't much like living at the royal palace either. The annual Ocean Parade is coming up. Will Emerald be brave enough to be a mermaid princess but do it her own, special way?</p>
	<p>The Worst Witch by Jill Murphy (Classic)</p> <p><u>Book 1 of 8: Worst Witch Series</u></p> <p>Hold on to your broomstick for magical mayhem with Jill Murphy's much-loved classic <i>The Worst Witch</i>- the original story of life at a magical boarding school. Mildred Hubble is a trainee at Miss Cackle's Academy for Witches, but she's making an awful mess of it. She keeps getting her spells wrong and crashing her broomstick. And when she turns Ethel, the teacher's pet into her worst enemy, chaos ensues...</p>
	<p>The Missing Barbegazi by H.S. Norup (Adventure)</p> <p>Tessa discovers the healing power of wishes when she sets out to find a missing Barbegazi, said to live in the mountains near her village. Meeting one is only the beginning of an adventure that unites generations and teaches Tessa that trust is at the heart of the best relationships.</p> <p>A delightful story about families, love and learning that some secrets are best kept secret - forever.</p>

	<p>Johnny Ball: Accidental Football Genius by Matt Oldfield (Sport Adventure)</p> <p>Johnny Ball LOVES football. He loves reading about it, talking about it, watching it – and he loves playing it too. He’s a good player, but not quite good enough to make the Tisbury Primary School team for the super-huge Under-11s County Cup. But never mind, because their clueless coach, Mr Mann, has a special role for Johnny: ASSISTANT MANAGER! With only Grandpa George’s old scarf, a ‘pocket’ notebook and his brilliant football brain, can Johnny lead the Tisbury Primary team all the way to County Cup glory?</p>
	<p>A Rabbit Called Clover by Helen Peters (Animal)</p> <p>The fourteenth in a series of animal stories for younger readers. Jasmine's dad is a farmer, and her mum is a vet, so Jasmine spends a lot of time caring for animals and keeping them out of trouble. Unfortunately, this often means she gets into hot water herself... It's not easy rescuing two frightened pet rabbits, but once they're safe on the farm, Jasmine only has to find their owner. But Clover is an expert at escaping and soon she's on the loose again. Can Jasmine track her down before she runs into trouble she can't escape?</p>
	<p>One Plastic Bag by Miranda Paul (Picture Book / Makes You Think)</p> <p>The true story of Isatou Ceesay who saw the problem that the proliferation of plastic bags was causing in her country, the Gambia, contaminating the environment and killing the goats that swallowed them. She collaborated with other local women to crochet thread made from the plastic bags to create purses resulting in a thriving trade and reducing pollution. The illustrator grew up in West Africa and has used colourful papers and leftover shopping bags in the creation of her pictures.</p>
	<p>Wilf the Mighty Worrier by Georgia Pritchitt (Makes You Think)</p> <p>Meet Wilf. He worries about everything. He is a Mighty Worrier. When Alan, a self-styled Evil Lunatic, moves in next door with his grumpy robot sidekick and his silent right-hand-dog, Kevin Phillips, Wilf knows he will have to find a way to overcome his anxiety and fears. And soon he realises only he can stop Alan's ridiculous yet still Quite Evil plan to destroy the world...</p>
	<p>Pugs of the Frozen North by Philip Reeve (Adventure)</p> <p><i>Shortlisted for the UKLA 2017 Book Award</i></p> <p>Shen the cabin boy is abandoned by his shipmates when their ship is stranded in the ice. He’s completely alone, except for 64 little pugs, part of the ship’s cargo! He soon teams up with Shika, a girl desperately seeking dogs to pull her grandpa’s sled in the Race to the Top of the World, a once in a lifetime contest to win your heart’s desire. The eccentric competitors mean there’s something of the Wacky Races about all of this, but amongst the crazy – and very entertaining - scenes there are surprising notes of poignancy, as well as some lovely descriptions of the True Winter, fifty types of snow and all.</p>
	<p>Ottoline and the Purple Fox by Chris Riddell (Adventure Series)</p> <p><u>Book 4 of 4 - The Ottoline Series</u></p> <p>This is the fourth adventure for Ottoline and her best friend Mr Munroe, and it is every bit as enchanting, witty and surprising as the first. The emphasis is on friendship in this story. Chris Riddell’s illustrations are as dazzling as ever; it’s worth lingering over every page to revel in the fluency of his line and to look out for the myriad little details. Ottoline is a delight for readers of all ages.</p>

	<p>Uncle Gobb and the Dread Shed by Michael Rosen (Humour)</p> <p>Malcolm is in all ways an ordinary ten-year-old. This is a perfectly ordinary story featuring one perfectly ordinary ten year old, his very bossy uncle, some baked beans, a school which tries to make interesting things BORING, the famed Italian city of Ponky, and a genie who appears when you rub your nose. It also includes lots of very useful facts, many of which are untrue.</p>
	<p>Michael Rosen's Book of Very Silly Poems (Poetry)</p> <p>Let your imagination run riot and laughter fill your belly as you explore traditional poems, rhymes with a twist, and subversive playground favourites in this playful treasure chest of verse.</p>
	<p>Llama Out Loud by Annabelle Sami (Makes You Think)</p> <p>Yasmin Shah is a ten-year-old girl who is part of a big, noisy family and doesn't ever speak. Levi is a rude, sassy toy llama, who talks A LOT and has come to wreak havoc in Yasmin's life. Yasmin tries everything she can to escape Levi, but she can't help being dragged along on his crazy antics – and every day brings a new surprise, whether that's an erupting bin, a flying tuna fish, or a hat made from knickers. Life is never boring with Levi around – and could it be that he has a secret plan to help Yasmin find her voice?</p>
	<p>Interview With a Shark by Andy Seed (Non-Fiction)</p> <p>A hilarious books of animal interviews with underwater creatures, from ocean giants like blue whales and orcas to deep-sea dwellers like anglerfish and conger eels. The interviewer quizzes his oceanic guests on life in the deep blue sea – from what they eat and how they swim, to dangers they face and where their names come from. The Q&A format breaks the information into bite-size chunks, making it a good choice of book for readers to dip into at their leisure and to find some interesting facts to take away each time they do.</p>
	<p>Yapping Away by Joshua Seigal (Poetry)</p> <p>Yapping Away is the follow-up to Joshua Seigal's prize-winning collection I Bet I Can Make You Laugh. From hilarious to heartfelt poems - and everything in between - this collection offers something for everyone. Discover the eight steps for having a successful tantrum, and why you should NEVER attend a Teddy Bear's Picnic. Packed full of fun illustrations and covering a range of imaginative topics.</p>
	<p>The Boy Who Dreamed of Dragons by Andy Shepherd (Adventure)</p> <p>Tomas has a secret friend like no other: Flicker, a dragon with glittering eyes and scales that flicker from fiery orange to ruby red. But Tomas is also having to get used to Flicker being away now that his dragon's home is back in the frosty North. Adventure is never far away for Tomas, though - as he finds out when another dragon hatches on the dragonfruit tree at the bottom of the garden, a dragon who quite quickly decides he is sticking firmly with Tomas! Zing is a tiny dragon with oversized wings, who causes havoc wherever he goes. Adventures and mayhem aplenty ...</p>

	<p>Hidden Figures: The True Story of Four Black Women and the Space Race by Margot Lee Shetterly (True Story)</p> <p>The extraordinary lives of four African American who helped put the first men in space. Dorothy Vaughan, Mary Jackson, Katherine Johnson, and Christine Darden were good at math...<i>really</i> good. They participated in some of NASA's greatest successes, like providing the calculations for America's first journeys into space. And they did so during a time when being black and a woman limited what they could do. But they worked hard. They persisted. And they used their genius minds to change the world.</p>
	<p>I Talk Like a River by Jordan Scott (Picture Book / Makes You Think) <i>Winner of the CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal</i></p> <p>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. An incredibly moving picture book.</p>
	<p>Exquisite: The Poetry and Life of Gwendolyn Brooks (Picture Book / Poetry)</p> <p>A picture-book biography of celebrated poet Gwendolyn Brooks, the first Black person to win the Pulitzer Prize.</p> <p>Gwendolyn Brooks (1917–2000) is known for her poems about “real life.” She wrote about love, loneliness, family, and poverty—showing readers how just about anything could become a beautiful poem. Exquisite follows Gwendolyn from early girlhood into her adult life, showcasing her desire to write poetry from a very young age. Brooks will inspire young readers to create poetry from their own lives and dare to dream.</p>
	<p>You're a Bad Man, Mr Gum! by Andy Stanton (Humour) <i>Winner of the Blue Peter Prize 2007 'Most Fun Story with Pictures.'</i> <i>Shortlisted for the Branford Boase Award 2007</i> <u>Book 1 of 11 – Mr Gum Series</u></p> <p>Mr Gum may well be a ‘bad man’ but rest assured the author Mr Stanton is a ‘funny man’. There’s a wonderful sense of humour throughout. Fans of Roald Dahl will love it.</p>
	<p>Riding a Donkey Backwards Wise and Foolish Tales of the Mulla Nasruddin by Sean Taylor (Short Stories) <i>UKLA Longlist Book Awards - 2019</i></p> <p>21 wonderful retellings of classic Muslim folktales featuring the character of Mulla Nasruddin with superb and humorous collage style illustrations.</p>
	<p>Up Close by Isobel Thomas (Non-Fiction)</p> <p>Did you know that the world's biggest tongue belongs to the blue whale? Or that the snub-nosed monkey's nostrils point upwards, and when it rains it makes them sneeze? From paws to claws, tongues, teeth, tails and more, compare the biggest and the smallest animals in this illustrated exploration of creatures and their features. Includes stunning 'UP CLOSE' pages, which take a life-size look at a particular feature of two very different animals. This absorbing book will delight and educate young animal lovers.</p>

	<p>Skunk and Badger by Amy Timberlake (Picture Book)</p> <p>Meet Skunk and Badger. The first time Badger saw Skunk, he thought, 'puny' and there was simply too much slick in this Skunk's stripe. Too much puff in his tail. Also, there'd been that grin, and the way he'd stuck out his paw as if he had been looking forward to meeting Badger. Badger knew what to make of that. He shut the door before the fellow got any ideas . . . But Skunk is Badger's new roommate, and there is nothing Badger can do about it. When Skunk bursts into Badger's life, everything Badger knows is upended. Tails are flipped. The wrong animal is sprayed. And why-oh-why are there so many chickens?</p>
	<p>Viking Voyagers by Jack Tite (Non-Fiction)</p> <p>Bold graphic illustrations of vibrant Viking characters, incredible artefacts and highly detailed scenes by author-illustrator Jack Tite showcase the Viking Age in full brilliant colour. Lively, engaging text throughout is informative and easy to read, and big fold-out pages allow children to discover the Vikings in exciting detail.</p>
	<p>Arthur and the Golden Rope by Joe Todd Stanton (Graphic Novel)</p> <p>This highly appealing text is a hybrid between picture book and graphic novel. It follows the story of young Arthur, who embarks upon a quest to seek out the help of the Viking gods in relighting a fire before the villagers back home freeze to death. In return for their help, Thor sets his own quest for Arthur to complete. A highly engaging book that offers an introduction to Norse mythology.</p>
	<p>The Littlest Viking by Sandi Toksvig (Adventure)</p> <p>When Amber, the littlest Viking, set out from Scandinavia to seek her fortune she must have got lost on her way! Now she's in Pegwell Bay with only her pet squirrel for company. When Katie, Gary and Joshua find her stranded on the beach, they decide to look after her. Now there's a Viking living in their garden! Having a Viking in the family isn't always easy. But when the garden is threatened by a nasty neighbour, Amber has some unusual - and hilarious - solutions to their problems ...</p>
	<p>Professor Astro Cat's Frontiers of Space by Dominic Walliman (Non-Fiction)</p> <p>Fictional guide Professor Astro Cat walks his readers through some of the key questions that children might have about the universe, and many more that they've probably never even thought about before. Where does our sun go at night? What are stars made of? If the Earth was a cherry tomato, what size would the other planets be (hint: Mars would be a pea and Jupiter a watermelon). This is a beautifully designed non-fiction book with illustrations by an artist whose use of bold shapes and retro colours draws readers right in to enjoy soaking up the information. Part of the Astro Cat non-fiction series.</p>
	<p>Professor Astro Cat's Frontiers of Space by Dominic Walliman (Non-Fiction)</p> <p><i>Shortlisted for the Blue Peter Book Awards 2019, Best Book with Facts.</i></p> <p>Are our ears supposed to be a weird shape? Why do we sneeze? What is the point in having skin?</p> <p>Join Professor Astro Cat and the whole gang as they journey through all the wondrous parts of the human body. From head to toe and everywhere in-between, there's nothing left out of this fascinating human body odyssey.</p>

	<p>Watercress by Andrea Wang (Picture Book / Makes You Think) <i>Caldecott Award</i> <i>Newberry Honour Award</i></p> <p>An autobiographical story of a child of immigrants. Driving through Ohio, a young girl's parents stop suddenly when they spot watercress growing wild in a ditch by the side of the road. Grabbing an old paper bag and some rusty scissors, the whole family wades into the muck to collect as much of the muddy, snail covered watercress as they can. At first, she's embarrassed. Why can't her family get food from the grocery store? But when her mother shares a story of her family's time in China, the girl learns to appreciate the fresh food they foraged.</p>
	<p>Ways to Make Sunshine by Renee Watson (Makes You Think)</p> <p>Ryan Hart and her family live in Portland, Oregon, and her dad lost his job a while ago. He finally got a new one, but it pays less, and he'll have to work nights. And so they're selling the second car and moving to an (old) new house. The Harts are a family with siblings who bicker, parents who don't always get it right, but a family that loves. A family working hard to make it in tough economic times, a family with traditions and culture, a family that tries new things. This is a black family growing up in middle class America. And Ryan is a girl who has much on her mind – school, family, friends, self-image – but who knows how to make sunshine out of setbacks.</p>
	<p>Flotsam by David Weisner (Picture Book)</p> <p>A bright, science-minded boy goes to the beach equipped to collect and examine flotsam-anything floating that has been washed ashore. Bottles, lost toys, small objects of every description are among his usual finds. But there's no way he could have prepared for one particular discovery: a barnacle-encrusted underwater camera, with its own secrets to share . . . and to keep.</p>
	<p>Charlotte's Web by E.B White (Classic)</p> <p>A poignant, humorous story of a pig, a spider and a little girl. Wilbur the pig's life has already been saved by Fern, but when he is sold to her uncle, he realises his life is in even more danger. Enter Charlotte A. Cavatica, a beautiful large grey spider. Charlotte is determined to keep Wilbur from the chopping block, and comes up with an ingenious way to do just that.</p>
	<p>Gobbolino the Witch's Cat by Ursula Moray Williams (Classic)</p> <p>A timeless tale getting a well-deserved new lease of life with delightful illustrations from award winning Catherine Rayner. Gobbolino is the charming story of a witch's cat who would rather be a kitchen cat. Gobbolino has one white paw and blue eyes and isn't wicked at all, so his mother doesn't like him. He escapes to look for a kitchen home but is distrusted everywhere he goes and blamed for mysterious happenings, such as the farmer's milk turning sour and the orphanage children's gruel turning into chocolate.</p>
	<p>The Other Edie Trimmer by Jaqueline Wilson (Historical Adventure)</p> <p>Keen actress Edie Trimmer is bitterly disappointed when she doesn't get a part in the drama club's production of Oliver. What's worse is that her best friend does which means Edie has to find some new ways to spend her time. When she is given an old notebook and pen and some ink she settles down to write a story. But someone else seems to be telling the story too! There is another Edie Trimmer who lives in great poverty in Victorian London and modern day Edie finds herself at risk of being swapped into her life! An excellent us of time slip by Jacqueline Wilson.</p>