**Recommended Picture Books**

**Summer Term 2019**

**Allepuz, Anuska**

*Little Green Donkey*

- **Publisher:** Walker
- **Format:** Hbk
- **Interest age:** 4
- **Reading age:** 6
- **Price:** £11.99
- **ISBN:** 9781406384666

Little Donkey loves eating grass and won’t consider any range in his diet. That is until he turns green. However, he is still not easily tempted by different fruit and vegetables until he discovers carrots. Can the reader tell what is going to happen next? Very amusing tale with an engaging character and plenty of room for discussion.

**Beedie, Duncan**

*Molly’s Moon Mission*

- **Publisher:** Templar
- **Format:** Pbk
- **Interest age:** 5
- **Reading age:** 6
- **Price:** £6.99
- **ISBN:** 9781787841340

Molly the moth lives in the back of an old wardrobe but yearns for adventure. She wants to fly to the moon but investigates various other light sources before reaching her destination. She then teaches her fellow young moths how to get to the moon too. Good story about perseverance.

**Carr, Matt**

*Rocketmole*

- **Publisher:** Scholastic
- **Format:** Pbk
- **Interest age:** 5
- **Reading age:** 6
- **Price:** £6.99
- **ISBN:** 9781407187860

Armstrong the star-nosed mole is bored of life underground so decides to build a rocket to the moon. But once on the moon, he realises that he misses his friends. A humorous space story that would read aloud well.

**Clarke, Jane**

*Leap Frog*

- **Publisher:** Nosy Crow
- **Format:** Hbk
- **Interest age:** 4
- **Reading age:** 6
- **Price:** £11.99
- **ISBN:** 9781788003117

The jungle is a scary place for a tiny tree frog with all sorts of strange noises. Can he find a safe place to sleep with someone special? Engaging and colourful picture book which would read aloud well. Illustrations by Britta Teckentrup.
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<td>Tad and her siblings are told to watch out not to be caught by Big Blub the nasty fish. But as each tadpole grows legs and disappears, Tad wonders about their fate until she makes a surprising discovery after being chased by Big Blub. Really good lifecycle tale for young children.</td>
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<td>Humpty Dumpty and his nursery rhyme friends are discussing what they want to be when they grow up. Humpty wants to be a boiled egg, but his friends are encouraging him to use his imagination and think bigger. Great fun!</td>
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<td>Bella is busy reading and does not want to play with any of a range of exciting playmates such as pirates and aliens until she has finished her book. However, once she is ready to play, all her friends are now reading! Fun story with good vocabulary and lively illustrations.</td>
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<td>Baby Badger is eager to see more of the world beyond his den. So, his daddy takes him on a moonlit adventure through the night time forest. But this only sets Baby Badger's imagination soaring. What's daytime like? Simple tale for young children showing the difference between day and night.</td>
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<td>One day, Maya finds Cat, who is lost. Maya watches her, sitting on a roof high-up above a thousand lit windows. One window must be Cat's own. But which one? Maya places a can of fish in her pocket and sets out in the wind and the rain to find Cat's home. Pleasant tale with rich vocabulary and muted illustrations.</td>
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<td>Wolf and Hotpot the lamb are best friends but when the other animals see them together they try to rescue the lamb from the wolves, believing she is in danger. Hotpot saves the day and all become friends as they have a sleepover with bedtime stories for all. Expressive and well-drawn illustrations.</td>
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Brian is a sheep with white wool and curly horns. But all the other varieties of sheep on the farm won't play together harmoniously and accept each other's different appearances. However, when they are attacked by a wolf Brian shows them how to work together. A simple book with a very clear moral lesson for young children.

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Everyone loves Goldilocks' hilarious online videos, but in her quest for more likes, more laughs and more hits, she tries something a little more daring: stealing porridge, breaking chairs, and using someone else's bed. What will Daddy Bear do when he sees that online? An internet cautionary tale about the dangers of social media. Very clever.

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