

Education Library Service Recommended Picture Books Autumn Term 2021



Splash

Farshore Interest age: Pbk 4+ 6.99 9780755502851 Reading age: 6+

A little girl called Claire enjoys playing with her older sisters, but is too scared to join them in the swimming pool. That is until one hot day she can't resist, and then swimming soon becomes her passion. Lovely gentle story written by the Paralympic gold medallist, normalising disability and with a clear positive message about striving for goals.

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Donaldson, Julia	The woolly bear caterpillar			
Macmillan Interest age:	Hbk 4+	12.99	9781529012187 Reading age:	6+

The woolly bear caterpillar is teased by others for looking quite plain, that is until she transforms in to a lovely garden tiger moth, surprising all the other moths. Beautifully written in true Julia Donaldson style with detailed atmospheric illustrations by Yuval Zommer. Non-Fiction book attached inside the back cover.



Green, Simon James		Fabulous Frankie		
Scholastic Interest age:	Pbk 4+	6.99	9781407197043 Reading age:	6+

Frankie the flamingo tries many ways to stand out from the flock but eventually discovers that it's what is on the inside that is most important. A fun, flamboyant story which will read aloud well with attractive, bright and expressive illustrations.





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Bloomsbury	Pbk	6.99	9781526603630	
Interest age:	5+		Reading age:	7+

A colourful first introduction to the oceans of the world couched in a story. Told in rhyme, and there are plenty of under sea creatures for young children to spot in the bright illustrations.

Jones, Huw Lewis		Bad ap	Bad apple	
Thames & Hudson Interest age:	Hbk 3+	11.99	9780500652435 Reading age:	5+

A badly-behaved apple is horrid to lots of his acquaintances but gets his comeuppance when he eats the cake baked by a snake. Terrifically funny simple tale with an exuberant rhyme and excellent illustrations that clearly add to the narrative. Would be perfect to read aloud but would also be a great discussion starter.

Knapman, Timothy	Somet	Sometimes I am furious		
Macmillan Interest age:	Pbk 3+	7.99	9781509848584 Reading age:	6+

Life is all fun and games when everything's going your way. But some days, suddenly, something becomes horribly unfair and fury cannot be kept in. Amusing relatable story about managing anger, told in rhyme and with excellent simple illustrations that really enhance the text.

Lawston, Rachel		Finn's garden friends		
Pikku Interest age:	Pbk 4+	8.99	9781999639884 Reading age:	6+

Finn is unhappy about moving to the city as he loves nature. However, his Grandpa has a surprise in store: his allotment. Finn enjoys helping at the allotment, and soon befriends and learns to care for the animals there. Lovely gentle story about discovering nature with beautiful very detailed illustrations. There is a useful facts page at the end and spotters page for all the wildlife.

Lynas, Em	The cat and the rat			
Nosy crow Interest age:	Pbk 3+	6.99	9781839941566 Reading age:	5+

Cat is sitting on his favourite mat, when who should come along but Rat with a very nice hat? Cat wants Rat's hat and will stop at NOTHING to get it. But when Bat arrives wearing a fancy cravat, well, what could be better than that? Chaos! Very silly romp for young children with bright illustrations that add plenty of extra interest, and would read aloud well.





Meddour, Wendy

Howard	the	average	gecko
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OUP	Pbk	6.99	9780192777348	
Interest age:	4+		Reading age:	6+

Howard the gecko lives in the rainforest and is a master of camouflage. He is so proud of his skill that he doesn't notice all the other camouflaged creatures. When a stick insect points out that he is just an average gecko, Howard is sad, that is until he meets Dolores. A fun story with a page at the back explaining about camouflage and predators.

Meserve, Jessica		Beyond the burrow		
Macmillan Interest age:	Pbk 3+	7.99	9781509866625 Reading age:	6+

A young rabbit ventures beyond the burrow's safety, quite by accident, makes some surprising discoveries and exercises her courage in the wider world. Super reading for pleasure title with subtle RSE themes, and lovely illustrations that enhance the text and will give young readers enjoyment.



Webb, Steve		Cows go boo		
Andersen press Interest age:	Pbk 3+	6.99	9781839130236 Reading age:	5+

A farmer, exasperated by his cows making him jump by saying "BOO!", thinks he's found a way to make them help him out. But things don't go quite to plan. A fun, simple exciting story which will read aloud well. Fred Blunt's lively expressive illustrations add to the humour.

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