

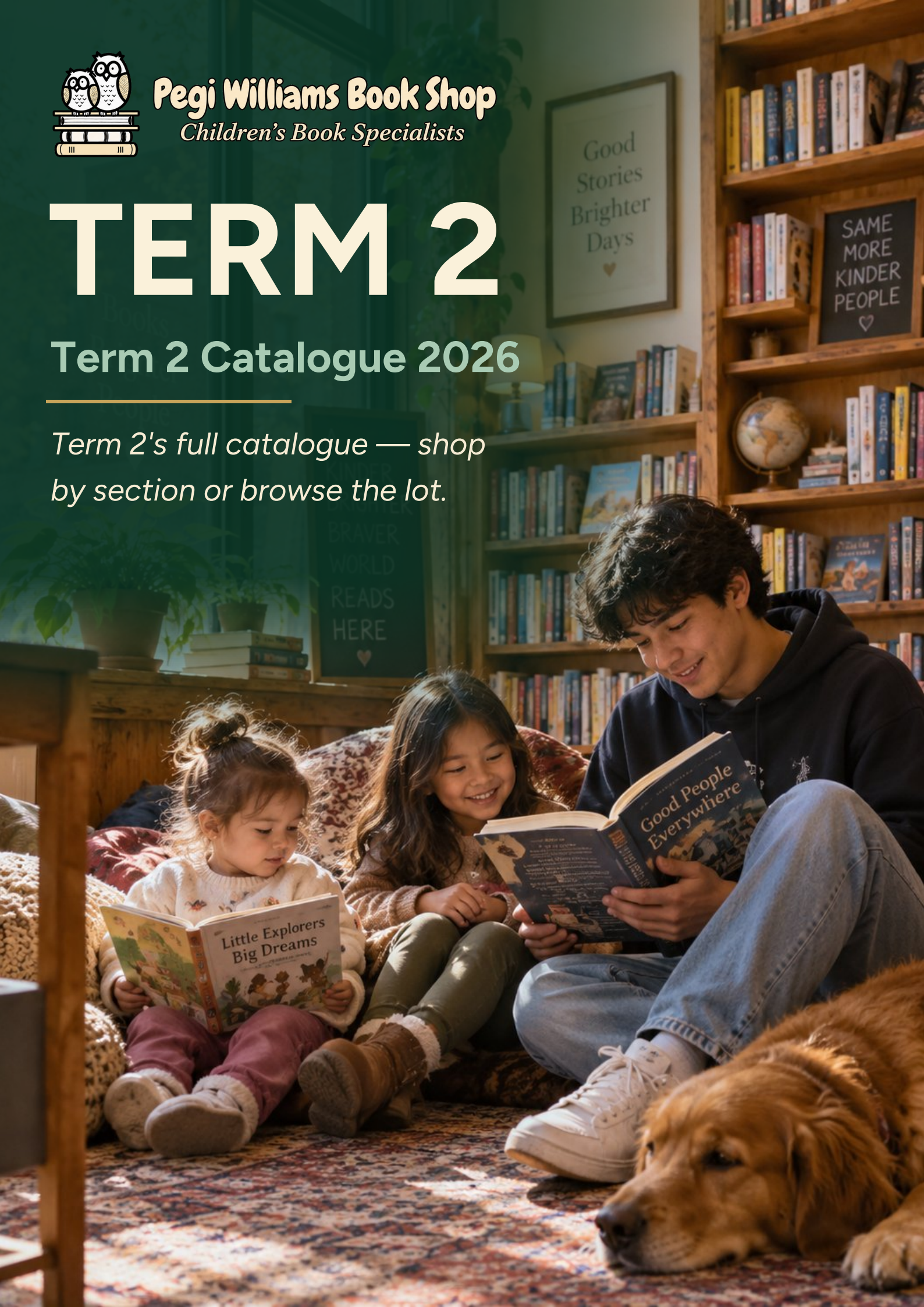


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Term 2 Catalogue 2026

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HIGHLIGHTS

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1. Ah, Nits!

Philip Bunting

Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$15.99**

So, you've got head lice? Congratulations! You're at the very beginning of a wonderful journey with your new pets. This handbook is here to help you take care of your adorable little buddies and make them feel at home in your hair.

Head Lice

Health

Nits

2. Annie and Maeve Are Definitely Not Friends

Olivia Muscat

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

Annie and Maeve have grown up in very different circumstances. They don't have a whole lot in common, so when they end up in the same class and are essentially forced into a friendship, neither one is very impressed. Both girls are blind - Maeve since birth, and Annie due to a fairly recent accident. According to most of the...

Acceptance

Belonging

Disability

Friendship

3. Anya and the Light Above the Ocean

Amelia Giudici

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$18.99** **School Price \$15.19**

When her scientist mum disappears one night, Anya sets out to find her in the middle of a storm. Taking a boat out to sea, she encounters a strange window of light hovering above the waves. Transfixed, she reaches out to touch it. Moments later, Anya wakes in her boat. The sea now eerily silent. With her mum still missing, Anya...

Adventure

Courage

Mystery

Parallel World

4. Bart Is Different

Barroux

Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** **School Price \$21.59**

Bart the spider has always been different. He's not like the other spiders though he looks just like them. Bart is a dreamer, creating amazing patterns with his thread. But nobody wants to play with him and he stands at the edge of the playground, lonely and misunderstood. Then his only friend, the wind, changes everything. And, helped...

Acceptance

Creativity

Differences

Resilience

5. Big Nate Code Red Graphic Novel

Lincoln Peirce

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$21.99** **School Price \$17.59**

Sixth-grade phenom Nate Wright is a force, whether on the soccer field, a master of pranks, or as the school newspaper's cartoonist, and now he's using his talents to launch a new podcast. Spring fever is in the air, both on the baseball field and school crushes, and Nate worries that the worst team name in history may hurt his mojo...

Friendship

Graphic Novel

Humour



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6. Bring It Back

Deborah Kelly

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$14.99** **School Price \$11.99**

When a new student shakes up the status quo, Liam finds himself in serious trouble. Like a basketball game heading south, can he bring it back?

Basketball

Family

Friendship

Morals

7. California Wildfires, 2018 Graphic Novel

Lauren Tarshis · *Cassie Anderson (Illustrator)*

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

All across California, deadly wildfires rage ... Still reeling from the life-changing challenges that propelled him and his mother across the country, Josh finds solace in the California wilderness and in the newfound friendship with his cousin Holly. But on a trip into the nearby forest, Josh and Holly suddenly find themselves in the middle...

Fire

Graphic Novel

Natural Disaster

Survival

8. Can You Get Music on the Moon?

Sheila Kanani

Paperback | **RRP \$22.99** **School Price \$18.39**

Did you know... • That sound travels faster underwater? • Or that crickets hear with their knees? • Or that astronauts have played musical instruments in space? Join Dr Sheila Kanani on a fascinating exploration of the world of sound and space science! You'll start with the sound technology we use every day, then explore the natural...

Music

Science

Sound

Space

9. Captain Underpants: First Epic Manga

Dav Pilkey · *Motojiro (Illustrator)*

Hardback | 7+ years | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$15.99**

The #1 global bestselling Captain Underpants series returns! Based on the first sensational chapter book, it's a reimagined adventure perfectly paired with all-new manga artwork. Captain Underpants: The First Epic Manga is written and adapted by Dav Pilkey, illustrated by manga artist Motojiro, and totally reinvented for a new...

Graphic Novel

Manga

10. Cats: A Visual Catalogue of More Than 50 Breeds

Compilation

Paperback | **RRP \$29.99** **School Price \$23.99**

The definitive visual catalogue for any child—and their carers—that just love cats and kittens! Packed with fascinating and though provoking facts as well as stunning images of cats and their kittens. Describes all the main cat breeds, their ancestors, and characteristics. Includes data panels containing vital information such as place of...

Cats

Pets

11. Cleopatra: The Girl Who Would Be King

Jackie French

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Forget what you know about Cleopatra, the Egyptian queen with a fantastic hairstyle. That's only part of the story. Before she was a ruler, Cleopatra was a girl with a fierce ambition. When twelve-year-old Cleopatra and her father, Pharaoh Ptolemy XII, flee to ancient Rome in 59 BCE after Cleopatra's sister seizes the throne, they are in serious...

Ancient Civilizations

Ancient Egypt

History

Legend



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12. Cristiano Ronaldo

Maria Isabella Sanchez Vegara · Joao Fazenda (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$19.99 School Price \$15.99**

Discover the incredible story of Cristiano Ronaldo, an inspirational athlete, global megastar and one of the world's greatest footballers. Born on the island of Madeira in Portugal, Cristiano grew up playing football from a very young age. With determination and self-belief, he pursued his dream of becoming a professional...

Biography

Football

Soccer

Sport

13. Duck: Look Who's Talking!

Matt Stanton

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Do you ever think about all the animals we share our towns with? Well, they've been thinking about us. A lot. And, boy, do they have some opinions ... Firstly, Duck, Mouse and Dog have decided the new coffee shop that's just invaded Redhill has to go. Also: Old theatres should not be bulldozed to build parking lots, Ponies who sing country...

Humour

14. The Embarrassing Confessions of Gracie Sparks

Fiona Harris

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Gracie Sparks has just turned twelve, which means she's practically a woman. So why does her family still treat her like she's five years old and allergic to independence? At least she'll be starting at Middleton Grammar soon, where she's sure to continue her streak of being cool, popular and top of her year. Only Gracie is about to discover...

Growing Up

Humour

15. Fanny and Mina

Samantha Tidy · Hilary Crespi (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99 School Price \$23.99**

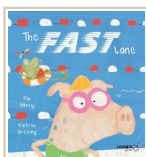
When Fanny and Mina see the headline that women will compete in swimming for the first time at the Stockholm Olympic Games they are determined to make the team. But first they have to convince the Australian Olympic Committee that sending women is not a waste of money. The story of Fanny Durak and Mina Wylie, who...

Discrimination

Equality

Narrative Non Fiction

Sport



16. The Fast Lane

Pip Harry · Katrin Drelling (Illustrator)

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

Every day, in showers or sunshine, Daisy swam precisely 100 laps at her local pool. When laidback Frank bombs into The Fast Lane, speedy lapper Daisy is frustrated by his slow strokes. Will this fiercely competitive piggy find room in her heart (and her lane) for a dawdling frog?

Uncategorised

17. The Fight of the Flamestrike

Cressida Cowell

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Join Hiccup Horrendous Haddock the Third and his dragons, Toothless and Windwalker, in their hilarious, hair-raising adventures at the Isle of Berk's Training School for Vikings and Dragons. Where they are bottom in pretty much everything. Disastrous Lesson Number Two: Boarding-An-Enemy-Ship-At-Sea Hiccup and his...

Adventure

Dragons

Fantasy



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18. The Greatest Goal in the Galaxy Graphic Novel

Mick Elliot

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Meet Tyko Brayne. He's the biggest football fan on planet Earth. Only problem is, he's stuck on Uranus. The planet, that is. Tyko's chances of playing for Earth FC in the glooff* Cup are about one in a gazillion. But a cosmic catastrophe results in planet Earth vanishing, someone needs to step up and take Earth's FC's place. Where in the...

Football

Humour

Soccer

Sport

19. Greatest Project in Space: International Space Sta

Markus Motum

Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** **School Price \$22.39**

If you look up into the night sky, you may be lucky enough to see a bright light whizzing past. That's the International Space Station! But what exactly is it, and how did it get up there? From how it was put together piece by piece in orbit, to what daily life is like on board, find out how the world worked together to create a unique home...

Collaboration

International Space Station

Space

Space Exploration

20. Josie Mack and the Mega Division

Bethany Loveridge · Jade Goodwin (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$14.99** **School Price \$11.99**

When a wombat knocks on her window one night, Josie hopes her lifelong wish for a pet has come true. But Ursula the wombat is on an important mission for the Fellowship of Underground Nocturnals (the FUN). The FUN need human-help to solve their wildlife woes. After proving how well they work as a team, Josie and Ursula are...

Activism

Conservation

Environmental Issues

Friendship

21. Manchester United Rule

Simon Mugford · Dan Green (Illustrator)

Paperback | **RRP \$12.99** **School Price \$10.39**

Get ready to meet the mighty Manchester United in this action-packed, fun-filled guide for young fans! This book takes readers on a journey through the club's incredible history: from legendary players like George Best and Eric Cantona to modern-day heroes like Marcus Rashford and Bruno Fernandes. Packed with...

Competition

Football

Soccer

Sport

22. The Midlands

Kate Gordon

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

As The Great War rages overseas, eleven-year-old Lorna Whittle and her four sisters fight their own battles in the heart of Tasmania's Midlands. Left with their cold and distant mother while their gentle father heads to war, the Whittle girls unleash their mischief amongst the wild countryside surrounding their grandparent's farmhouse...

Forgiveness

Mystery

Secrets

Survival

23. MR Darwin's Tortoise

Angela Mcallister · Chiara Fedele (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** **School Price \$21.59**

Antonio lives in the Galapagos Islands and wants to know everything about everything - he never stops asking questions! One day he meets a stranger called Mr Darwin who also asks a lot of questions. Antonio shows him the wildlife around the island, including the cactus trees and lizards and the tortoise eggs which have yet to hatch...

Biology

Context

Discovery

Evolution



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24. Nerds VS Aliens

Barry Jonsberg

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

Aliens are on their way to Earth, but never fear - the future of our world rests in the hands of three ten-year-old nerds. A laugh-out-loud alien adventure novel for young middle fiction readers from the internationally acclaimed, bestselling Australian author of *My Life as an Alphabet*.

Adventure

Climate Change

Conservation

Family

25. Ollie's Busy Bee

Nicola Killen

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

When Ollie hears a buzzing bee outside her window, she can't resist following it on an exciting adventure. It leads her to a secret garden full of wildlife, sparking her imagination and inspiring her to create a paradise for insects at home. With seeds, a bug hotel, and plenty of patience, Ollie shows that even the smallest spaces can...

Uncategorised

26. One Day Soon

Cristy Burne

Paperback | 11+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

One Day Soon is an emotional verse novel about how, when illness strikes, a few special moments can matter most. When Alex's parents receive a message that brings shocking news, his whole world is turned upside-down- Alex's uncle has been diagnosed with a genetic form of Motor Neurone Disease. The ripple effect is...

Disease

Family

MND

Motor Neurone Disease

27. One Last Leaf

Patrick Guest · Jess Racklyeft (Illustrator)

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

A powerful and touching picture book about love and connection, separation and letting go. Autumn has passed and winter is here... but the little brown leaf clings on. Through cold and snow and howling winds, a mighty oak tree stands tall, with one last leaf on its empty branches. One last leaf.

Acceptance

Anxiety

Change

Seasons

28. Prickles

Phil Cummings · Jennifer Goldsmith (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** **School Price \$21.59**

Prickles lived in a city alleyway. He wandered the streets every day, bringing warmth and joy to the lives of everyone he met. But then ... the colour in his eyes began fading to shadow. Prickles was afraid and alone, with no-one to help ... until he met Molly and her family. A gentle but powerful story of community, connection, family and the...

Community

Connectivity

Family

Kindness

29. Pterosaurs of the Desert Ocean

Andrew Plant

Hardback | **RRP \$32.99** **School Price \$26.39**

A pterosaur glides over a desert ocean. Taking flight across prehistoric Australia, she searches for her family along the shores of the great Eromanga Sea. Follow her journey and discover a time when dinosaurs dominated the land and pterosaurs ruled the skies. Step back in time in this engaging and exquisitely illustrated book by...

Dinosaurs

Habitats

Narrative Non Fiction

Reptiles



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30. Rafi and Rita

Jarvis · Chris Judge (Illustrator)

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

Rafi and Rita are twins. They are almost exactly the same in every single way. Except ... they both think they are the tallest! Rafi is so tall he has to be careful not to bang his head on the moon. Rita is as tall as a Tallasaurus, which is definitely a real dinosaur. Rafi is SO tall he's written a (really annoying) song about it: I'm taller than you I'm...

Family

Humour

Sibling Rivalry

Twins

31. Room for Us All

Lu Fraser · Sarah Warburton (Illustrator)

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

Today is Pamela the squirrel's BEST day! She is finally off to The Big Tree to play. Pam can bounce! She can pounce! Yes - she's ready to JOIN IN. But what will Pamela do when the other squirrels say there's NO ROOM for her?!

Acceptance

Friendship

Sharing

32. Soccer, I Just Love It!

Alistair Nicholson · Tom Jellett (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$22.99 School Price \$18.39**

Soccer, I just love it.... It's called the beautiful game. And one day, all around the world, they're going to chant my name. To me this style of football is the purest of them all. It's time to get my jersey on and go and grab my ball. This celebration of the beautiful game is for every kid who loves cheering for the Socceroos and the Matildas and...

Competition

Football

Soccer

Sport

33. Storm

Claire Saxby · Jess Racklyeft (Illustrator)

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

It begins with a puff. Then another. A flutter, a ripple, a shiver show where the breeze blows. Tiny water drops join and grow until they are too heavy to stay aloft. Lightning cracks and thunder bellows. The storm is here.

Climate

Environment

Habitats

Narrative Non Fiction

34. Super MR Panda

Steve Antony

Hardback | **RRP \$26.99 School Price \$21.59**

Mr Panda and his friends are preparing for a very special bake sale! Whenever anyone needs a hand, who do they ask? SUPER MR PANDA! But when Mr Panda himself gets into a sticky spot, who will come to his rescue? The perfect story to help little ones remember that it's OK to ask for help ... and it's SUPER to offer help.

Uncategorised

35. Through the Darkening Sea

Claire Saxby · Peter Cheong (Illustrator)

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

Out in the open ocean where currents sway wild as wind, where sharks and sea lions widely roam, a whale falls. The ocean comes alive in this incredible tale about the cycle of life. Watch the colours of marine creatures change as a whale falls towards the darkness of deep waters. Discover the extraordinary animals that live beyond the...

Environment

Habitats

Lifecycles

Narrative Non Fiction



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36. We Live on a Boat

David Petzold

Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** **School Price \$21.59**

We live on a boat. She's called Lucky Sea Legs. We call her that because we always tumble into good things. A windswept family adventure about sailing the open seas, swimming in the moonlight and living a life less ordinary.

Adventure

Alternative Living

Family

Home Schooling

37. Whale Song

Nicola Davies · Britta Teckentrup (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** **School Price \$22.39**

Listen! Listen! Somewhere in the deep, deep blue, a humpback whale is singing. In this poignant non-fiction picture book, bestselling children's author Nicola Davies celebrates the beauty and power of the humpback whale's song. Humpback whales listen and learn songs from each other – copying the distinctive patterns and sounds...

Environment

Habitats

Narrative Non Fiction

Natural World

38. What's That Splat?

Johanna Bell · Amelia Luscombe (Illustrator)

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

From the creative team behind What is a Dot? comes this lively book about finding all kinds of wonderful stories in abstract images and making art from anything.

Art/Craft

Creativity

Drawing

Imagination

39. The Wild Unknown

Emily Gale

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

It's 2045 and the world is full of tech. Eddie has a bot in his ear giving him advice all day, a bathroom scale that identifies illnesses, and classroom bots keeping track of him at school. The streets are full of delivery bots and game tech is amazing. But tech can't help the police find a missing boy called Theo, who was last seen at the river...

Adventure

Change

Friendship

Futuristic

40. World of Football

Matt Oldfield

Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Think you know everything about the world of football? Have you heard of ... * The amazing football match played on the ice sheets of Antarctica? * The African nation that scored back-to-back gold medals? * The most unusual pitch ever, in the crater of a Mexican volcano? From incredible footballers to the history of the game on each of...

Football

Soccer

Sport

AUSTRALIAN PICTURE BOOKS

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41. Beach Buddies

Helen Milroy

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

This delightful collection of illustrated Australian sea creatures is sure to capture the hearts of readers big and small. From pretty starfish to puffed-up blowfish, this is a fun and educational early reader picture book introducing tiny readers to animals you might find at the beach.

Aboriginal

Beach

First Nations

Ocean Creatures

42. Bedtime and No Buts!

Dan Thomas · Richard Watson (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$19.99 School Price \$15.99**

It's bedtime for Boris ... but he is not ready! But I can't find Bear! But we haven't had our story! But I'm thirsty! But, but, but! Will Boris ever stop with the bedtime butts?! A cheeky, charming and all-too relatable story for bedtime wrigglers ... (and their poor grown-ups!)

Bedtime

Humour

43. The Big Box of Feelings

Megan Jacobson · Beck Feiner (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$25.99 School Price \$20.79**

Do you ever feel silly? Do you ever feel worried or cross? Do you ever feel like laughing? This vibrant and friendly introduction to feelings is a great way for young children to recognise how they feel and learn to manage their emotions when they are feeling too much.

Anxiety

Feelings/Emotions

Mindfulness

Resilience

44. The Boy and the Shark

Cate James

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

William is stuck at his little sister's noisy birthday party. William does not like parties. William likes sharks. He wonders if sharks do not like parties either. Perhaps he should find one and ask... Join William on a timeless adventure full of curiosity, surprises and friendship

Humour

45. Butterflies Do Not Ride Their Bikes

Ali Rutstein · Nina Nill (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$22.99 School Price \$18.39**

Grandad surprises Zara with her very first bike, but learning to ride is trickier than it looks! Zara isn't sure butterflies even ride bikes ... surely they are better suited to pollinating flowers. But maybe butterflies prefer to learn together?

Bike Riding

First Experiences

Grandparents

Persistence

46. Come Home, Bigibila

Corey Tutt · Jessica Tedim (Illustrator)

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

Bigibila was born on a night when Gawarrgay, the dark emu, was high in the sky. The air tasted of native lime and was full of the sound of animal songs. This is my Country, Bigibila thought. My place. But when Bigibila finds herself far from her Country - how will she ever find her way back? With Gamilaraay words seamlessly woven into the...

Country

First Nations



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47. Costa's Garden: Fruit

Costa Georgiadis · Brenna Quinlan (Illustrator)

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

'Hello! I'm Costa, and welcome to my garden. Let's discover the joy of nature together.' I love nature, and my garden is a place filled with much to explore and discover. Fruits are like little treasures that grow on trees and plants. Some of them you already know and eat, but there are others we are going to encounter on our...

Fruit

Gardening

Narrative Non Fiction

48. Crikey! We're Going Down Under

Caitlin Krndjija · Glen Singleton (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$26.95** **School Price \$21.56**

Join Banjo and Rusty on a magical journey across Australia—where dreams come alive! Travel through the Outback, splash in the Great Barrier Reef, hop with kangaroos and fly in a helicopter. Perfect for curious minds and nature lovers, this book is an unforgettable trip in and around the Land Down Under.

Australia

Australiana

Journey

Travel

49. Down the Bush Track, Little Bee

Sarah Jane Lightfoot

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

Travel around Australia with Little Bee on a search for new friends! From a beautiful blue-banded bee in the south to a sweet sugarbag bee in the north, follow Little Bee and friends as they share the wonders of the Australian landscape. From the bestselling author-illustrator of *Down the Road*, Little Bee comes this glorious...

Australia

Australiana

Environment

Fauna

50. The Dream Keeper

Anna Walker

Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** **School Price \$22.39**

Beyond the city and over the sea is a forest of dreams. At the edge of the forest lives a turtle – the Dream Keeper. In a small boat, the turtle sets off on a tumultuous journey to deliver dreams to sleeping souls in the nearby city. Meanwhile, a young girl, scared in the night by the shadows in her room, finds comfort in her toys ... but...

Courage

Dreams

Journey

Kindness

51. Fairy Forest

Sheila Knaggs · Jennifer Falkner (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$22.99** **School Price \$18.39**

Discover the hidden secrets of the Australian bush at night in this enchanting follow-up to the bestselling *Fairy Beach*. Come and take a wander down a scrubby, bushy track, where the soft breeze rustles secrets, and the wind sings at your back. But when dusk falls and mist descends over the forest, the real bush magic begins...

Uncategorised

52. Fearless

Kelly Canby

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

Bea Ware is afraid of everything - from shadows to ladders to trampolines, she is in a constant state of anxiety and trepidation. Her friend, Annie Venture, seems completely carefree, skipping through life without a single worry. But Annie shares her secret with Bea. Annie is not fearless, she has simply learned to fear less. So, just a...

Anxiety

Confidence

Fear

Feelings/Emotions



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53. Fearless Finn

Kristin Martin · Lauren Mullinder (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** **School Price \$23.99**

When a dragon causes havoc with her fiery breath, farm boy Finn sets out to defeat her. He follows her trail of destruction past swarms of hungry bees, up the glacier covered mountain to the dragon's cave. There, Finn discovers that all is not as it seems. Fearless Finn is a heroic tale about being brave despite feeling scared, and...

Adventure

Bravery

Dragons

Problem Solving

54. Fuzzy Feelings

Michelle MacKintosh · Cat Rabbit (Illustrator)

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

Just like felt, our feelings can often get a little fuzzy. Fuzzy Feelings follows the story of Little Cat who is experiencing lots of emotions as they navigate their way through the day. Cat wonders, am I happy? Am I sad? Am I confused? It's hard to express how they are feeling. As you turn the pages of the book with your own little one, discover...

Acceptance

Confidence

Feelings/Emotions

55. Girls Like

Katrina Germein · Deb Hudson (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** **School Price \$23.99**

Dance feet Dare feet Fast feet Bare feet Vibrantly illustrated by Deb Hudson, award-winning author Katrina Germein's gorgeous Girls Like is a joyous celebration of all the ways to be a girl.

Empowerment

Individuality

56. Greedy Frog

Gregg Dreise

Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** **School Price \$22.39**

Way back before Once-upon-a-time time, there was the Dreamtime, and Yirray, the sun, drank all the water. A clever frog, Tjidalih, promised to take care of all the water. But he kept it in his pouch. The animals had to work out a way to trick Tjidalih, to make him laugh to spill the water. This is the famous story of Tjidalih the Frog retold by...

Aboriginal

Dreamtime

Environment

Evaporation

57. Hand to Hand

Liz Anelli

Hardback | **RRP \$25.99** **School Price \$20.79**

In a brilliant valley under the southern sun, kangaroos graze, kookaburras chuckle, platypuses play and wombats waddle ... When a bushfire suddenly encroaches, a young koala, his mother and his friends must seek safety. A moving story of animals and humans working together to find refuge, safety ... and a new home.

Animal Rescue

Australian Animals

Bushfire

Rejuvenation

58. Hello, Winter Baby!

Jess Racklyeft

Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$15.99**

We gather together, hopeful ... And soon, the time is near. Hello, our Winter Baby! We are so glad you are here. From bestselling author-illustrator Jess Racklyeft comes the perfect welcome present for any Winter Baby.

Rhyming Text



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59. The House That Walked Away

Simon Howe

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

In this simple, surreal and stunning story, a house sets off on a journey to find a home. Dissatisfied and restless, the house wanders from place to place, hopeful but uncertain. Each time it settles down, the comfort is fleeting, and the urge to move on returns. But everything changes when a curious family notices the house, and...

Belonging

Family

Home

60. How to Get Rid of a Princess

Alison McLennan · Mel Pearce (Illustrator)

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

How to Get Rid of a Princess is a hilarious and relatable tale about a mischievous little sister and her frustrated older brother who is desperate to stop her joining in his game. All he has to do is follow the steps in this easy-to-use guide! There's just one problem: the advice may not work in every castle, and princesses might not be as...

Humour

Princesses

Sibling Rivalry

Siblings

61. I'M Not Afraid of Spiders

Caitlin Henderson · Annie Henderson (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** **School Price \$21.59**

Come along on an exploration of the wonderful world of spiders. Discover how there's nothing to fear about these beautiful but often misunderstood animals. Meet spiders that jump, spiders that sparkle and spiders that look like twigs. Be amazed by their fascinating features and different shapes, colours and sizes.

Arachnophobia

Rhyming Text

Spiders

62. In the Kelp Forest

Patsy Cameron · Reena Balding (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** **School Price \$22.39**

An exceptionally stunning picture book that explores the beauty and strength of Country beneath the waves and celebrates the living kelp forests, their creatures, and deep cultural knowledge of Tasmania's First Nations people. Kelp forests have intricate lives and play a key role in the balance of our oceans and seas. Myerlee, the...

Environment

First Nations

Habitats

63. My Dreamtime Match

Jacinta Daniher · Janelle Burger (Illustrator)

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

Gulpa gaka! Welcome! Let's play and run! My name is Jahleel. Come join the fun! I'm a proud Yorta Yorta kid, excited to be here. Kicking big goals on the best day of the year! With every goal, I cheer with glee, an AFL star I hope to be. Footy and culture come together as one, in this land underneath the southern sun.

Aboriginal

AFL

First Nations

64. Oh No!

James Foley

Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$15.99**

Noisy words are the real heroes in this hilarious picture book of chaotic proportions. Expect the unexpected and enjoy the building chaos with each turn of the page. Warning- LOLs are inevitable.

Humour



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65. Our Family Zoo

Maura Pierlot · A Yi (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$15.99**

In a home bursting with animals, there's always room for one more. But who will it be? What's the perfect pet for a home already filled with lots and lots of fun and energetic animals? The biggest and best surprise is just around the corner ...

Humour

Pets

Rhyming Text

66. Skipping to Sammy's Beat

Coral Vass · Blithe Fielden (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** **School Price \$21.59**

Sammy loves to splash in puddles, dangle from trees, look for ladybirds and skip and dance down the path to her very own beat. TAP, DA-DUM, TAP, TAP, DA-DUM! But when Sammy turns five, she feels silly wearing her tutu and gumboots and so she stops dancing altogether. Eventually, Sammy can't hear her beat any more the very...

Confidence

Dance

Dancing

Friendship

67. The Sleepy Train

Sharna Carter · Patrick Corrigan (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$22.99** **School Price \$18.39**

Look! Here comes The Sleepy Train. It's coming, can you see? All aboard The Sleepy Train and do the stops with me! Join The Sleepy Train on its nightly journey from the Bathtime Station to the Bedtime Station and all the important stops in-between! A perfect picture book for winding down and turning bedtime into a calm routine to...

Bedtime

68. Somewhere You Can Dream

Janeen Brian · Hilary Jean Tapper (Illustrator)

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

Do you love shadowy secret nooks or cosy hideaways? Leafy, shady trees or sheltered, rocky bays? Do you love comfy little cubbies or tree forts way up tall? Or spaces behind places where you can curl up small? A beautiful, lyrical story that asks readers to consider where in the world they feel most at home, exploring safe spaces...

Adventure

Environment

Feelings/Emotions

Imagination

69. Spare Kisses

Pip Harry · Yiscah Marcatili (Illustrator)

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

Eve's Nan has lots of spares. A spare key in her pot plant for after-school drop-ins. Seats at the table for morning tea pop-ins. A collection of teacups in all shapes and sizes. And always, yes, always, delicious surprises. Most special of all are Nan's spare kisses that make everything right.

Caring

Family

Grandmothers

Grandparents

70. The Story House

Vikki Conley · Jennifer Falkner (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** **School Price \$21.59**

Lalee's world has no books, no teachers, no schools. But there are stories. The stories hush the rumbles that echo across the sand. The stories spark and shimmer, filling Lalee with possibility. And one story, hers, begins to unfold. A lyrical, heart-filled tribute to imagination, hope and the magic of books by multi-award-winning...

Adversity

Books

Community

Determination



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71. Time to Go to the Park

Emma Bowd · Leila Rudge (Illustrator)

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

Tick-tock, tick-tock, breakfast is done. Time to go out. Let's have some fun! And what could be more fun than a day at the park? Playing with friends, exploring the outdoors and having adventures. A fun, feel-good book for preschoolers that captures the everyday joys of childhood and family life.

Adventure

Family

Friendship

Inclusivity

72. Tiny Good Things

Gabrielle Tozer · Sophie Beer (Illustrator)

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

"This life is full of magic, as you learn to stretch your wings. A big bright world awaits you, filled with tiny good things." Each day a glorious adventure awaits us all – if we know where to look! An inspiring picture book that celebrates life's small wonders and the joy of finding happiness in everyday moments.

Imagination

Rhyming Text

73. Turtle Tears

Megan Albany · Paul Seden (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** **School Price \$22.39**

Ruby's no-nonsense Nan is grieving for her late husband. She tells Ruby about the turtles she and Pop saw, while on holiday in South America. They cry tears as humans do, and butterflies drink their tears. Nan cries into her tea and her meals, making her chips soggy. To soothe her, Ruby encourages Nan to tell her the story of the turtles...

Feelings/Emotions

Grief

Sadness

74. Where the Heart Is

Shirley Marr · Michael Speechley (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** **School Price \$22.39**

A heart-warming story of longing and belonging follows mouse who has only ever lived in his little house in a field. Mouse contemplates the great migrations that other creatures make – geese flying home for the summer, arctic terns from one pole to the other, wildebeest moving over two countries, humans searching for sun in the winter...

Adventure

Belonging

Friendship

Hibernation

OVERSEAS PICTURE BOOKS

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75. Chi Chi the Panda

Maisie Chan · Jo Lindley (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** **School Price \$21.59**

Discover the incredible illustrated true story of history's most beloved and famous panda, Chi Chi. After being taken from Baoxing, in China, Chi Chi lived in lots of different zoos around the world, loved by everyone who came to visit her. As Chi Chi grew up, she was introduced to a male panda called An An, became mixed up in...

Uncategorised



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76. Claude: A Wordless Picture Book About Art

Phyllis Harris

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

Inspired by a beautiful Claude Monet painting, a little artist decides to create her own masterpiece, but her puppy has other ideas. From grabbing his favorite ball to rolling on the floor, he tries everything to get her attention, and chaos ensues, creating a big, colorful mess. Or is it a mess after all? Perhaps Claude the dog and Claude Monet...

Art/Craft

Painting

Wordless Picture Book

77. Dave, Don't Give Up!

Olaf Falafel

Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Dave has got a tricky job to do. He needs to roll an ENORMOUS ball of dung up a very steep hill. Dave will need to summon all of his beetle strength to get the job done, but with many obstacles along the way, Dave must also find his inner strength. A funny and tender picture-book story about resilience and positive-thinking that will charm...

Determination

Family

Humour

Resilience

78. The Farmer's Pyjamas

Ruth Paul

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

Before the farmer's day is done, she does her chores, one by one. She milks the cow, counts the sheep, sings the piglets off to sleep. The farmer needs her favourite pyjamas to sleep well after her hard day's work. But now her pyjamas are gone! Where could they be?

Chores

Farm Animals

Farm Life

Humour

79. Hot Food, Nice!

Michael Rosen · Neal Layton (Illustrator)

Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Young Michael thinks his dad knows everything. But then one day, one terrible day, he found that his dad does NOT know everything: this is how it goes. They sit down to eat, and the potato's a bit hot. Michael knows to blow on it to cool it down before eating it. His brother knows it, and his mum knows it. So why does his dad pop it...

Dads

Family Unit

Father's Day

Humour

80. I Spy Treasure Hunt

Jean Marzollo · Walter Wick (Illustrator)

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

An emerald frog, a dragonfly; You'll find the treasures! Give it a try! Solve the riddles! Play I Spy! I Spy Treasure Hunt features a pirate ship and a chest of gold, taking readers on a journey through time that leads to the location of purloined treasures. Starting with a gold coin, the photographs pull back to reveal the story of the coin's...

Interactive

81. I Want Everything!

Sophy Henn

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

The things in life that really matter aren't actually THINGS at all! Big Ghost wants ALL the things! Except, do they, really? Luckily, Little Ghost is there to ask all the right questions (such as: 'Do you want an actual octopus as a hat?') to gently guide Big Ghost to the realisation that maybe what they really want is a friend to help them...

Cautionary Tale

Humour



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82. Is This a Plum?

Dan Ojari

Hardback | **RRP \$19.99 School Price \$15.99**

Is this a pear? No, it's a bear! This delightfully clever picture book is full of visual tricks and rhyming reveals to inspire wonder while making you chuckle. Through the hole in the page, you might see a plum . . . or a spider . . . or a spoon. But turn the page to see the full picture and - SURPRISE! - it's something unexpected- the moon, a tiger...

Humour

Interactive

Rhyming Text

83. It's My Bird-Day!

Mo Willems

Paperback | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

The Pigeon has the hat. And the hot dog cake! He is ready for the presents! But . . . do YOU think The Pigeon can handle his BIG bird-day surprise!?! Get ready for a very special birthday celebration from three-time Caldecott honoree Mo Willems.

Uncategorised

84. The Map of Me

Nicola Davies · Olga Shtonda (Illustrator)

Paperback | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

When a young girl moves to a new country, her mum helps her draw a map to understand her unfamiliar surroundings. They draw the new neighbourhood, new friends and the special places the girl has found, but important things from the past are missing like Grandma and Joe-Dog. So the girl makes the map bigger to include...

Belonging

Differences

Diversity

Identity

85. Mary Had a Little Lion

Abigail Harrison · Aysha Awwad (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$19.99 School Price \$15.99**

Mary had a little lion! Its roar was loud and strong. And everywhere that Mary went, The lion would come along... Mary brings her pet lion everywhere. But when she smuggles him into school, Mary's teacher isn't exactly pleased! She banishes him from school immediately. But before he leaves, he discovers the school library, and curls...

Twisted Nursery Rhymes

86. Mole and the Mound (and the House Underground)

Will Hamilton-Davies · Kasia Fryza (Illustrator)

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

Scoop, wiggle-wiggle, went the mole. Working on his great, grand hole. Mole is on a mission to build an extraordinary shelter for him and his friends. Bird, Beaver and Bee are jealous – they find it insulting that anyone would choose to write a story about Mole's mound, especially when they could be writing about Bird's impressive nest...

Belonging

Home

Rhyming Text

Sharing

87. Monkeypig

Huw Aaron

Hardback | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Molly lives in the jungle with all the other monkeys, dancing and playing and being silly among the treetops. But Molly has a secret. Molly is a pig. When Norman becomes suspicious that an imposter has infiltrated the monkeys, he sets them all some monkey tests. Will Molly be discovered?

Acceptance

Belonging

Friendship

Humour



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88. Now You Know Your ABC

Caspar Salmon · Matt Hunt (Illustrator)

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

A is for apple. B is for ball. C is for castle. But wait! D is NOT for dog. There's a wolf in this book and it's lurking right behind you. YOU are the hero of this story! Can you spot the sneaky wolf hiding throughout this book, escape its clutches and make it all the way to Z? You better watch out for its devious disguises!

Alphabet

Humour

89. Ready, Steady, Goal!

Adrian Lloyd · John Barrett (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$19.99 School Price \$15.99**

From the first whistle to the final cheer, Ready, Steady, Goal! invites young readers to dribble, pass and score alongside a lively cast of characters discovering the thrill of the game and the joy of teamwork. Bursting with energetic rhyme and fast-paced fun, Ready, Steady, Goal! is perfect for kids who love football and all kinds of active play.

Football

Soccer

Sport

90. Rumpelstiltskin

Mac Barnett · Carson Ellis (Illustrator)

Paperback | **RRP \$26.99 School Price \$21.59**

Once upon a time there was a clever girl with a not-so-clever father. When her father claims she can spin straw into gold, the king forces the girl to perform this impossible task. She has no other choice than to accept a strange deal from a mysterious little man. But when he arrives and attempts to collect the debt, the fiendish trickster...

Fairytale

Humour

91. Some Days

Daniela Sosa

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

Life is full of all kinds of days, and no two are quite the same. Some days feel rushed, some are rainy, and some are so special you'll remember them forever. Some Days by Daniela Sosa is a heartwarming exploration of the many experiences that shape our lives, big and small. This beautifully observed follow up to Friends, is sure to become...

Uncategorised

92. That Bird Can Draw!

Ged Adamson

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

Grandad has a new pet bird and - wow! - that bird can DRAW. His granddaughter loves to draw too, but her art just can't compare. Can that talented bird find a way to convince her that we're all great artists in our own way, and that the most important thing is doing what makes us happy? Children will fall in love with adorable Grandad...

Art

Collaboration

Creativity

Humour

93. When You Dream Big!

Peter H Reynolds

Hardback | **RRP \$19.99 School Price \$15.99**

She glanced down... her ten toes reminded her to keep moving in the right direction: forward. Always forward. It's Dream Big Week at school! Everyone is excited to share their dreams for the future—except Charley. She has no idea what she wants for her future. But on her walk home, Charley learns that even if she doesn't know exactly...

Confidence

Growth Mindset



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94. Where Are You, Eddie?

Michael Rosen · Gill Smith (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** **School Price \$22.39**

Michael's son Eddie has died. But does that mean he has really gone? Michael decides to go and look for him. Visiting the places they went together and speaking to his friends and siblings, he discovers how Eddie is alive in their memories. Eddie is still here. Simply told, and with emotional honesty by former Children's Laureate about...

Acceptance

Death/Bereavement

Family

Loss

95. Whose House Is This?

Chihiro Takeuchi

Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** **School Price \$21.59**

Step inside a neighbourhood like no other, where each friend's house holds a new adventure. A celebration of imagination, wonder, and the places we call home. Bursting with imagination and vibrant illustrations, this fun and creative tale encourages young readers to celebrate the joy of friendship, imagination and...

Belonging

Community

Home

Imagination

GRAPHIC NOVELS

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96. 100 Cupboards Graphic Novel

ND Wilson · Forrest Dickison (Illustrator)

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$22.99** **School Price \$18.39**

Henry isn't brave, but when he hears an odd thumping and scratching on the other side of his bedroom wall, he simply can't ignore it. He scrapes off the wallpaper and peels back the plaster and discovers 100 mysterious mini doors—cupboards, really—of all different shapes and sizes. Through one he sees a glowing room and a...

Adventure

Fantasy

Magic

97. Amber the Orange Fairy Graphic Novel

Daisy Meadows

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

All the magic of the original story, brought to life in a colourful graphic novel! Amber the Orange Fairy has been trapped by mean Jack Frost somewhere on Rainspell Island! Can Rachel and Kirsty find Amber and return her to her sister before colour disappears from Fairyland for ever? With full-colour illustrations and action-packed...

Graphic Novel

98. Ancient Rome Graphic Novel

Rik Worth · Jordan Collver (Illustrator)

Paperback | **RRP \$22.99** **School Price \$18.39**

So you think you know about ancient Rome - the colosseum, gladiators and toga-wearers? Well, we're the animals of ancient Rome and we think it's time we told you the REAL history. We're going to talk about the really good stuff AND introduce you to the COOLEST Romans, including elephant soldiers, lion gladiators, celebrity...

Adventure

Ancient Rome

Graphic Novel

History



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99. Attack of the Zombie Cactus Graphic Novel

Beccy Blake

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

Chicken Hill - just your average, everyday, run-of-the-mill small town, where the pets can talk, the frogs rule over a secret underwater empire and you're only ever one day away from an alien invasion. Chicken Hill is home to Ferdy, a tech wiz with a knack for invention and a habit of running into trouble. Always with him is Gripper, his farty...

Adventure

Graphic Novel

Humour

Short Stories

100. Besties: Set Sail Graphic Novel

Kayla Miller · Kristina Luu (Illustrator)

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$18.99** **School Price \$15.19**

Besties Beth and Chanda are all aboard for a relaxing ocean getaway! Chanda fully embraces being on "Sunshine Time." The only items on her to-do list are showing off her summer fashions, snorkelling, lounging on the beach with Beth, and sightseeing with her family. Scratch that; Chanda is so at ease she hasn't even made a list! Beth...

Friendship

Graphic Novel

Humour

101. A Blood Moon Graphic Novel

Morr Meroz · Collin Fogel (Illustrator)

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$15.99**

In the midst of a brutal winter in the Snowlands, famine plagues the wolf pack and blame falls on Feba, an orphaned wolf cub. When the pack's cubs vanish, the leaders vote to banish Feba. Lost in the mountains, Feba stumbles upon Usha, an unfriendly snow leopard mother. While Usha wants to continue her journey alone, she...

Fantasy

Friendship

Graphic Novel

Magic

102. Dawn on the Coast Graphic Novel

Ann m Martin · Arley Nopra (Illustrator)

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$18.99** **School Price \$15.19**

Dawn can't wait for her trip to California. Aside from all the sun and fun, it's her first visit since her brother, Jeff, moved back to live with their dad. California is better than Dawn ever remembered it. The beaches are beautiful, the local theme park is a blast, and Dawn is enjoying all her favourite foods. Plus, Dawn's best friend, Sunny, has...

Adventure

Graphic Novel

Travel

103. Death by Toad Graphic Novel

Huw Aaron

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$15.99**

PREPARE TO RE-ENTER THE GARDEN. Pip is now the ruler of Oakhold. Yay! But there's already trouble. Boo! Shockingly, it turns out Pip is actually a pretty rubbish leader. Something sinister is stirring in the garden - and Pip could not give two hoots about tackling it. That is, until she sends her best friend Twig out on a heroic mission...

Adventure

Fairies

Graphic Novel

Humour

104. Detective Beans and the Map of Mystery Graphic Nov

Li Chen

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

Your favourite kitten detective is back with a new mystery to solve . . . and treasure to find! When Captain Scuttlebeard gives Beans a treasure map, Beans is determined to find the prize at the end. The clues take him all over Cat Town - to places he doesn't expect! With Biscuits by his side, and with help from some other familiar faces, can...

Crime

Detective

Graphic Novel

Mystery



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105. Dream on Graphic Novel

Shannon Hale · Marcela Cespedes (Illustrator)

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$22.99 School Price \$18.39**

Cassie's parents don't have much money, she has to share her bedroom (and bed!) with her sisters, and her family never seem to have time for her. To make matters worse, her best friend Vali is always busy. When Cassie gets a letter from a magazine with the words 'you're the winner' stamped on the front, she thinks it's the answer to...

Compassion

Empathy

Forgiveness

Friendship

106. First Crush Graphic Novel

Cassandra Calin

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$22.99 School Price \$18.39**

A charming graphic novel bursting with first-crush butterflies and the joy of finding your people! Lia is finally feeling settled into her new life. Her friends are amazing, her French is improving, and her periods... ugh, those are still terrible. But Lia's crush, Julien, is noticing her. Lia thinks he likes her, but she can't tell for sure. And while...

Coming of Age

Graphic Novel

107. A Fishboy Named Sashimi Graphic Novel

Dan Santat

Paperback | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

In the town of Barnacle Bay, a creature lurks. He's come from the ocean, in search of others like him. He is... a fishboy named SASHIMI! To fit in with humans, Sashimi sneaks into an elementary school and pretends to be a student. But he's clearly a fish out of water! When Sashimi finds out the whole town is on the hunt for the Beast of...

Friendship

Graphic Novel

Humour

108. Freaky Food Fiasco Graphic Novel

Gary Northfield

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$19.99 School Price \$15.99**

A strange magical substance has seeped into a pet food warehouse, and now dogs, cats, bunnies and fish all have freaky superpowers – whether they want them or not! The newly-formed Mighty Mega Pets are determined to get to the bottom of the pet food mystery in order to ... no pressure ... save the world! This hilarious...

Graphic Novel

Humour

Pets

109. Fruitcake Graphic Novel

Rex Ogle · Dave Valeza (Illustrator)

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$22.99 School Price \$18.39**

Eighth grade isn't off to a great start. Everyone but Rex seems to be coupling up... until he meets Charlotte. She's fearless, smart, pretty, and she likes him back. But there's someone Rex can't stop thinking about. Drew is Rex's childhood best friend, so when he kisses Rex, all kinds of new feelings begin to stir. Though at school, Drew...

Coming of Age

Friendship

Identity

LGBTQIA

110. Go Viral! Graphic Novel

Stephen Shaskan

Paperback | 5+ years | **RRP \$12.99 School Price \$10.39**

Streaming live on StewTube: Pizza and Taco!!! These foodie besties are on a mission to go viral! Will they get lots of likes for their awesome video? Don't worry, these food besties always have a plan! All they need is some funny footage and a pet video, which is what most people are hungry for. Since neither of them has a pet, they...

Graphic Novel

Humour



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111. Ice Age Alarm! Graphic Novel

Cat Weldon

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$14.99 School Price \$11.99**

Every evening after the museum closes, Amelia Cheeseheart and her best friend Webster go exploring. Yikes! All the Cave Mice have vanished from the Ice Age Exhibit! There's a mysterious moaning monster on the loose ... It's time for Amelia Cheeseheart to investigate!

Crime

Detective

Graphic Novel

Investigation

112. The Karen's Surprise Graphic Novel

Ann m Martin · Shauna J Grant (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$17.99 School Price \$14.39**

Karen and her classmates are putting on a play about a grand Thanksgiving feast. She wants the starring role, of course, but she is given the worst part of all — the Thanksgiving turkey! All she gets to do is walk across the stage in a big brown costume and say one or two lines. Will everyone laugh at Karen the Turkey? Not...

Confidence

Creativity

Graphic Novel

113. The Lair of the Owl King

Susie Yi

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

After recovering the orbs of the Past and Present, Squash, Ginny, and the rest of the crew head to the zoo to secure the Orb of the Future from their greatest enemy: the Owl King. But their mission will be no easy feat. After all, the Owl King holds the Orb of the Future, which means he knows their next move before they do. Their best plan of...

Adventure

Graphic Novel

114. The Megalomaniacs: Invasion Begins! Graphic Novel

Jamie Smart

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$19.99 School Price \$15.99**

There's three things you need to know about MEGALOMANIACS! They are TERRORS from outer space! There are LOADS of them! They are TINY! Bobbletown is under attack - from the cutest, silliest and zaniest alien invasion EVER! The super-powered Megalomaniacs have crash-landed, and they're going to do their very best to take...

Aliens

Graphic Novel

Humour

115. MR Bean's Entertaining Escapades Graphic Novel

Compilation

Paperback | **RRP \$14.99 School Price \$11.99**

Get ready for uncontrollable giggles with Mr Bean's Entertaining Escapades - a riotous collection of ten original comic strip adventures featuring the world's most loveable oddball! From scrapyard survival, to homemade electricity and a gigantic cake ... it's loaded with mischief, mayhem and giggles. Packed with full-colour illustrations...

Graphic Novel

Humour

Short Stories

116. MR Bean's Side Splitting-Stories Graphic Novel

Compilation

Paperback | **RRP \$14.99 School Price \$11.99**

Get ready for uncontrollable giggles with Mr Bean's Side-Splitting Stories - a riotous collection of 10 original comic strip adventures featuring the world's most loveable oddball! From a Halloween mud fight, to stink bomb survival and a stolen monkey ... it's loaded with mischief, mayhem and giggles. Packed with full-colour illustrations...

Graphic Novel

Humour

Short Stories



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117. A Place Between Graphic Novel

Tim Probert

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$22.99 School Price \$18.39**

On the shores of Pellidyr, Cad searches for Lorgon, the Water Spirit, but instead finds other spirits, one of them offering to help Cad and transports him to A Place Between – a strange realm between the living and the dead, where Cad works to uncover the reason Lorgon summoned them. Meanwhile, Bea awakens within the walls of the...

Adventure

Fantasy

Graphic Novel

118. Rise of the Badbots! Graphic Novel

Jack Noel

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

The summer holidays are over and it's time for Josh and Daisy to go back to school - which means Dadbot has to stay at home without them. But then an AI home assistant called HONEY is mysteriously left on their doorstep, and Dadbot is delighted to have company. Even better, it's the company of another robot!

Graphic Novel

Humour

119. Ruby the Red Fairy Graphic Novel

Daisy Meadows

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Best friends Rachel and Kirsty can't believe it when they meet a magical fairy at the end of a rainbow. Ruby the Red Fairy flies them away to Fairyland, but the beautiful kingdom is in trouble. Can the girls help save it? With full-colour illustrations and action-packed panels, this graphic novel is perfect for visual learners and readers...

Graphic Novel

120. Set Sail for Treasure! Graphic Novel

Alexis Vivallo

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$21.99 School Price \$17.59**

The Captain of the Pi-Rats, along with his trusty crew, Miguel and José, set sail on this sea-faring adventure! When the Pi-Rats crash their teapot ship on a mysterious island, they must band together to explore – and survive – the creatures that live there! Beyond that though, they must try to save the other rats from a wizard and his...

Action

Adventure

Graphic Novel

121. Sew Much Trouble Graphic Novel

John patrick Green · Pat Lewis (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$19.99 School Price \$15.99**

Someone has stolen the Notorious P.I.G. food truck, and with it, Piggy Smalls's special BBQ sauce! But before Bongo and Marsha can solve the case, they need to solve the problems they're having with each other. To help them realize what a great team they truly are, General Inspector decides to split them up. He assigns Marsha to work with...

Crime

Graphic Novel

Mystery

122. Speed Racer Adventures Graphic Novel Volume 1

Franco · Derek Charm (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$21.99 School Price \$17.59**

When the world's richest man uses unlimited funds to build the most technologically advanced car in the world and hires Racer X to run a race he created, the deck is stacked against Speed Racer! It's not going to be an easy race, but with his secret weapons, his friends and family, Speed has a pretty good chance of getting in the...

Graphic Novel



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123. Unicorn Boy and the Slumber of Doom Graphic Novel

Dave Roman

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$15.99**

Brian always felt a bit different compared to other kids. Even before growing a unicorn horn, discovering a talking muffin and swallowing the ruler of the Underworld to save his BFF. So when he receives a mysterious invitation for a Unicorn-Only Sleepover, Brian wonders if these fellow magical creatures might help him make sense of his...

Graphic Novel

Humour

124. A Waffle Lot of Love Graphic Novel

Ben Clanton

Paperback | 5+ years | **RRP \$15.99** **School Price \$12.79**

Narwhal is a happy-go-lucky narwhal. Jelly is a no-nonsense jellyfish. The two might not have a lot in common, but they do love waffles, parties and adventures. It's PALentine's Day and Jelly gives Narwhal a whaley nice card — but now Narwhal has no idea what to give him! One card isn't nearly enough, and soon Narwhal is flooding...

Adventure

Graphic Novel

Humour

125. Weather or Not Graphic Novel

John patrick Green

Hardback | 8+ years | **RRP \$26.99** **School Price \$22.95**

Laugh yourself silly with the InvestiGators! Mango and Brash are back in Weather or Not - the ninth full colour comic book adventure by John Patrick Green. Perfect for fans of Dog Man and Bunny vs Monkey. The InvestiGators' latest case is a dairy disaster! The city's water supply has been replaced with milk and the newest feline...

Uncategorised

126. Wrong Friend Graphic Novel

Charise Mericle Harper · Rory Lucey (Illustrator)

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$24.99** **School Price \$19.99**

Charise and Casey have been best friends for years. It never mattered that Casey was older by two years—until she started high school. Now, the two barely talk, and Charise is on a mission to get a new best friend. But can she find that perfect person while navigating long-distance friendships, guinea pig allergies, and the...

Friendship

Graphic Novel

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127. The Apocalypse and Other Inconveniences

Alex Dyson

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$15.99**

Xavier Gency, 12, knows the world is pretty much doomed, but that doesn't stop him cracking jokes about it wherever he goes. In his country town, where politicians are bulldozing trees to 'prevent' bushfires. At home, even though his dad's sense of humour is just like native wildlife – extinct. And at his new boarding school, where...

Adventure

Climate Change

Futuristic

Humour



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128. Benny's Bad Day

Nathan Luff · Wayne Bryant (Illustrator)

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Benny's idea of a good day at school is when things are calm, predictable and boring. But today is not one of those days. You see, Benny has zero control over what is about to happen. But you do! Just how bad is Benny's day going to get? Well, that's up to you to choose. Because with you in charge, things are about to turn dramatic...

Adventure

Interactive

129. Bin Chicken's Wild Ride

Kate Temple · Ronojoy Ghosh (Illustrator)

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$14.99 School Price \$11.99**

Uh-Oh! It's the school holidays and all the playgrounds are deserted. No school means . . . no snacks! So Benny and his friends, Tweeter and Scrap, are heading off to the funfair to find their lunch. But when the sneaky seagulls follow them, they'd better watch out! Can this trashy trio survive the wild rides, food fights and big frights?!

Adventure

Holidays

Humour

130. Camp Champ

Georgia Godwin · Camilla Frescura (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$14.99 School Price \$11.99**

Hi! I'm Georgia and I'm eleven years old and I love gymnastics! I want to be an international gymnastics star! This is my diary. Come with me as I chase my dreams! Georgia is invited to a special camp for gymnasts called the National Training Camp. But Georgia can't help but worry. She won't know many people there at the camp...

Competition

Friendship

Gymnastics

Relationships

131. Camp Chaos

Hayley Gannon · Michelle Conn (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$14.99 School Price \$11.99**

Hi, I'm Luna! This diary you're reading? My mum's idea. She said it will help me to focus. You see, my mind is always racing with a million thoughts! I have so much I want to say and do! So, I'm going to use this diary to show you EVERYTHING that's going on in my world ... Luna Merrian is going on a BIG trip, and she could not be...

Books

Friendship

Library

Reading

132. Club Kiwi

Yvette Poshoglian · Gisella Bohorquez (Illustrator)

Paperback | 5+ years | **RRP \$7.99 School Price \$6.39**

Ella and Olivia are going on an overseas holiday to New Zealand! They are so excited to make the most of their trip. Will they tick off everything on their list?

Family

Holidays

Travel

133. The Clueless Guide to Solving a Mystery

Samera Kamaledine · Hykie Breeze (Illustrator)

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$17.99 School Price \$14.39**

I didn't always live with seven old people and one middle-aged cavoodle called Christine... Claudia Smith's parents have left her to (temporarily) live with her grandparents at the Boonside Heights Retirement Village while they're away on a once-in-a-lifetime cruise. The only good thing? The most popular kids at school...

Adventure

Detective

Grandparents

Mystery



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134. The Dragon Snare

Rhiannon Williams

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

Ever since he was orphaned in the Dragon War, Henry Haddow has lived with the dogs in the castle's kennels – and that's where he's expected to stay. But Henry dreams of becoming a knight. His one chance is to compete for a coveted novice spot in the Twilight Tournament, and when he discovers a magical sword that will grant...

Adventure

Dragons

Fantasy

135. Dugongs of the Sky

Emily Larkin

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

In the Realm of Tides, hunters threaten the gentle flying dugongs and Captain Scree Barnacle is determined to save them. But on her voyage to petition the Wavebearers' Council, misfortunes plague the crew. The ship's artist is injured, secrets abound, and the timid ship's boy is more than he seems. Who is threatening Scree's mission, and...

Adventure

Community

Culture

Endangered Animals

136. The Epically Awesome Odyssey

Ra Spratt

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

An epically funny novel to horrify good children and delight the wicked ones, R.A. Spratt's take on the classic text is as full of cake, mockery and mirth as you'd expect. Here Odysseus is, of course, a beautiful female pig; the sea sirens tempt sailors with bowls of chocolate cake batter; and a forbidden sausage sizzle on the island of...

Greek

Mythology

137. The Feathers of Farwood and the Gripps Curse

Jayne McIntyre

Hardback | 9+ years | **RRP \$22.99** **School Price \$18.39**

When Eva Feather's (very human) father gets turned into an owl by the dreaded Gripps, her mother whisks Eva and her sisters away to the mysterious Australian town of Farwood, a place where legends, tales, and whispers come to life. With the help of her newfound friend, Harvey, Eva races against the clock to find a cure for their...

Belonging

Change

Courage

Differences

138. Feet First

Eva Amores · Matt Cosgrove (Illustrator)

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$15.99** **School Price \$12.79**

If you could have any superpower, what would you choose? Super strength? Invisibility? The ability to fly? Super speed? So many superpowers to choose from. Unfortunately, for Licky Ricky, he didn't get to choose. He just woke up one day with the most useless, least impressive, socially unacceptable, slightly embarrassing...

Humour

139. Frances Bloom: Dangerous Days

Katrina Nannestad · Marina Zlatanova (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

Frances Bloom's dreams have come true. Her grandparents are a honey-coloured bear and a garden gnome. Nasty Ms Thistle has been taken to Harsh Island Home for Unwanted Teachers and Cats. Her class is being taught by a retired pirate and a busker. Her friends are many and her happiness is huge. So why is she troubled?...

Adventure

Family

Humour

Mischief



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140. Fur Power

Rebecca McRitchie · Shiloh Gordon (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

What happens when five guinea pigs find a box of weird wigs? Best friends Jet, Minnie, Meatball, Bud and Tofu become the GUINEA WIGS - guinea pigs but with SUPER POWERS! And it's just in time, too, because somebody in town is kidnapping all the chickens. Can the GUINEA WIGS work out how to use their new powers AND...

Adventure

Friendship

Humour

Superheroes

141. Fuzzball

Nathan Luff · James Foley (Illustrator)

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$12.99 School Price \$10.39**

When Luca's mum and dad give him a special present for his birthday, he hopes it's the pet dog he's been waiting for. Instead, he gets Fuzzball. But a guinea pig can't play fetch, go for walks or learn fun tricks like a dog can. Just when Luca is ready to give up on Fuzzball, he finds something that Fuzzball CAN do ...

Birthdays

Humour

142. The Ghost Horse of Snowy River

Stef Gemmill

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$18.99 School Price \$15.19**

A year has passed since 12-year-old Georgie Stone had a serious horse-riding accident. She lost an eye, her horse and her country life. All she has left is a horse braid bracelet to remind her of her lost brumby, Magic. Now that she's back at the cattle station, Georgie tries to overcome her fear of riding and prepare for the...

Accident

Activism

Animal Welfare

Conservation

143. Grand Opening

Jacqueline Harvey

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Josephine Eloise Thomas and her family are getting ready for the grand opening of their hotel. And with the surprise gifting of a beautiful tabby kitten from Josephine's next-door neighbours, the Martins, things are looking up. Until chaos strikes. Are the antics at the chateau just accidents or sabotage? How long can Josephine keep...

Family

Mystery

Revenge

Sabotage

144. Hell's Bells

Jared Thomas

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$17.99 School Price \$14.39**

Uncle Xbox is now in a relationship with Lil, and Dusty is jealous of having to share their time together. The positive is that Taj, Lil's son, challenges Dusty in the surf and helps him to regain his confidence. Dusty makes the state soccer team and with Lil's encouragement, surfs heats in Adelaide and gains entry in the Bells Beach Classic...

Coming of Age

Courage

Family

Fear

145. Hill End Gold

Sue Whiting

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$18.99 School Price \$15.19**

It's 1872 and Alfie Wilson's pa has sold the farm. He's moving the family to Hill End to make their fortune and secure their Golden Future. Pa has gold fever – and so has Alfie – and they are convinced that it won't be long before they'll be the Wealthy Wilsons. Not everything is golden in this mining town though. Alfie soon discovers...

Adventure

Australian History

Gold Rush

Historical Fiction



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146. Hot Dog! Puzzle Time!

Anh Do · Dan McGuinness (Illustrator)

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$14.99** **School Price \$11.99**

Hotdog, Kev and Lizzie are off to Games Galaxy! They'll challenge themselves with awesome puzzles, games and riddles. But can they outwit the other teams to take home the TV prize?! Whatever happens, it will be out of this world!

Friendship

Teamwork

147. If I Could Eat the Stars

Rebecca Newman · Briony Stewart (Illustrator)

Paperback | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

Illustrated by Briony Stewart, this is a collection of fun and relatable Australian poetry for middle readers, featuring poems by a mix of award-winning, established and brand new writers. Defend a Goal with Sally Murphy, rocket through space with Amber Moffat or get radioactive with Cristy Burne. Walk the dog with Deb Fitzpatrick and...

Poetry

148. Into the Storm

Hayley Lawrence

Paperback | 11+ years | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$14.99**

Silas's life is spiralling out of control when he receives an invitation from Eve to trek the Tasmanian wilderness. It will be cold. Remote. Treacherous. And she cannot guarantee passage home alive. The trek is a sheer vertical climb. In Antarctic conditions. Untamed, unpeopled and dangerous. Also, exactly what Silas needs to...

Bravery

Loss

Love

Survival

149. The Journey Home

Kiah Thomas

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

The limits on Calling have been lifted, but many on Elipsom still don't realise that everything they Call is being stolen from Evantra, a secret continent on the opposite side of the world. Quin, Allie, and Davinia have been fighting to show people the truth. But Adriana Octavius, the Chief Councilor of Elipsom, will do anything she can to...

Adventure

Fantasy

Magic

150. Kid

Peter Carnavas

Hardback | 7+ years | **RRP \$22.99** **School Price \$18.39**

This is the story of a small goat called Kid. Ever since his parents chased away a fox and never returned, Kid has stayed with Audrey the hen in the chook yard. Audrey tells him stories of his mum and dad's daring and bravery. She says they live on the nearby mountain, and Kid longs to leave the farm to find them. And then, one day, he...

Adventure

Belonging

Family

151. The Lost Defenders

Sam Summers

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

Journey into the enchanting world of the Lost Defenders, where 11-year-old Jace discovers the real reason he can see monsters that no one else can. Jace Tanner has always been different - he can see monsters no one else can. As if fitting in at school wasn't hard enough! All he wants is to be normal ... and maybe make it through his...

Adventure

Bravery

Fantasy

Friendship



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152. The Lost Prince

Kitty Black · Rebecca Crane (Illustrator)

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$17.99 School Price \$14.39**

Wren Westerly is enjoying the peace and quiet of Meadow Court. And why wouldn't she? Wren embraced her destiny as a fire-witch to defeat the Eater and save magic. But a cryptic warning from Wren's mother about the Everglade Witch has Wren thinking that magic is not as saved as everyone thinks it is. Guided by a dream about...

Adventure Fantasy Humour Magic

153. Messy Pets

Yvette Poshoglian · Camilla Frescura (Illustrator)

Paperback | 5+ years | **RRP \$9.99 School Price \$7.99**

Read along with Ella, and develop your child's love of reading, focusing on phonics. It's Pet Day at the park. There are lots of pets. But when the pets run, it gets messy!

Pets

154. Myra in the Middle

Seetha Dodd · Peter Cheong (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$14.99 School Price \$11.99**

Seven-year-old Myra likes maths, football and things staying the same. She lives with her mum, dad, Muthashi (grandma) and big sister, Anya. Her world flips upside down when her family welcomes a new baby. Myra is now a middle child - and everyone knows middle kids always get forgotten. On top of that, Myra tries out for the...

Change Culture Family Humour

155. The Mystery of the Ghostly Garden

Kate Foster

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$17.99 School Price \$14.39**

Freddie, Hobnob and Grandma Lilly are setting off to England, where Freddie's parents have been hired to investigate a series of thefts at the luxurious Langbourne Hotel. Freddie's excited for his first trip to the other side of the world, but Grandma Lilly doesn't seem her usual self. When Freddie overhears someone making threats in...

Adventure Autism Community Family

156. The Prime Minister Problem

Brendan Cullen

Paperback | **RRP \$17.99 School Price \$14.39**

Ten-year-old Wren has always felt invisible. Mum is busy working two jobs, his brother has his own life, so Wren hides in the library with the books his grandmother taught him to love. Grandma is the only person who truly sees him — until she has to move away to a nursing home in the city. Lonelier than ever, Wren writes to the...

Belonging Community Family Loneliness

157. Puppy School Rules

Yvette Poshoglian · Danielle McDonald (Illustrator)

Paperback | 5+ years | **RRP \$8.99 School Price \$7.19**

Meet Bob the puppy, and his humans, Ella and Olivia! Bob and his pals are going to puppy school! The best part of puppy school is meeting new friends, but there's one student who is unlike any puppy Bob has ever seen...

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158. Raise Your Voice

Erin Yun · Laura Ye (Illustrator)

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

MoonGlow is the newest group to hit the K-Pop scene! Led by Yuna alongside her friends, Ara, Jade and Sun-Hee, this group is the next big thing. But these girls are more than just K-Pop stars. They work for K42 Entertainment – a pop music producer with a deep secret. K42 is responsible for training K-Pop stars with magical powers...

Fantasy

Fashion

Friendship

Music

159. Running in Circles

Shivaun Plozza

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$13.59**

When crop circles appear in Tully, North Queensland, twelve-year-old Dell knows it's a hoax. She's a future climate scientist who believes in facts, not science fiction. But Dell's estranged mum is an extraterrestrial fanatic. She blusters back into town armed with alien conspiracy theories and a dazzling smile. If Dell can prove the crop circle is...

Coming of Age

Conspiracy Theories

Family

Science

160. The Secrets and Scandals of Melody Moss

Helen Dallimore

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Melody Moss survived Term One of high school. But Term Two? That's another story. Her thirteenth birthday party is shaping up to be the most awkward event in history. Her ex-best friend is suddenly her frenemy . . . again. Victor, her actual BFF, is acting seriously weird. She's accidentally joined the basketball club (help). The 'visitors'...

Change

Friendship

Growing Up

Relationships

161. Selena the Sunflower Dragon

Maddy Mara

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$14.99** **School Price \$11.99**

Selena is a Sunflower Dragon—she has traded her human form for powerful wings, glittering scales and a roar that shakes the ground. As a Dragon Girl, she must help break the evil spell that the Fury Queen has cast over the Magic Forest. The forest's animals are deep in a sleep they can't wake up from, unless the Flower Dragons can...

Adventure

Dragons

Fantasy

162. The Silent Island

Amelia Mellor

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Guided by a mysterious message, Cori, Tarn and Jem sail north to meet the secretive Loyalists, who will help them on their quest for the Oceanforged Armour. Instead, the Loyalists warn of a looming disaster. Unless Cori can master all the powers of the Champions before it strikes, Aquinta will be doomed. The Loyalists believe that a...

Action

Adventure

Magic

Pirates

163. Stink or Swim

Laura Bunting · Philip Bunting (Illustrator)

Paperback | 5+ years | **RRP \$11.99** **School Price \$9.59**

Ebb wants Flo to learn how to swim. But when her first try goes badly, Flo decides swimming stinks! Can Ebb help her learn to try again?

Friendship

Humour

Swimming



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164. The Stolen Bairn

Katrina Roe MacDonald

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$17.99 School Price \$14.39**

Twelve-year-old Katie was stolen by faeries as a baby and won back by her mother's courage. Years later on the Isle of Skye, strange magic is stirring. When her new sister is mysteriously injured, Katie fears the faery world is calling her back—and the only way to save her family is to face the world she barely remembers. Across Skye, Katie...

Adventure Belonging Fairies Fantasy

165. Stuck on You

Laura Bunting · Philip Bunting (Illustrator)

Paperback | 5+ years | **RRP \$11.99 School Price \$9.59**

Ebb is sticky. Flo says he needs a bath. But Ebb wants to try the new slide. Uh oh. Ebb is stuck! Maybe Flo was right ...

Friendship Humour

166. The Sugarcane Kids and the Mystery at Angel Bay

Charlie Archbold

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Andy and the Sugarcane Kids love riding their bikes to Angel Bay. And they love seeing their old mate Jerry lurking under the jetty looking for the spiny lobsters (Jerry's a massive Queensland groper fish). But something very strange is going on at Angel Bay. A pile of dead fish has washed up on the beach. Mysterious shark eggs...

Adventure Detective Friendship Mystery

167. Swim Class

Rebecca McRitchie · Danielle McDonald (Illustrator)

Paperback | 5+ years | **RRP \$7.99 School Price \$6.39**

In this week's swim lesson, Ella and her class will be diving underwater. Ella likes swimming, but she has never been all the way under before—will she learn how?

Confidence Problem Solving Swimming

168. Too Messy to Be a Princess

Kiah Thomas · Bec Kitson (Illustrator)

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$12.99 School Price \$10.39**

In Lola's fourth adventure, she can't wait to become a princess! She already has a crown, a royal stick and gold jewellery – all that's missing is a beautiful pink dress ... Everyone knows that princesses get to make the rules – and Lola is certain she'll be the best princess ever! But what happens when her sister, Emma, refuses to lend...

Family Humour Princesses

169. Too Scared to Be a Knight

Kiah Thomas · Bec Kitson (Illustrator)

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$12.99 School Price \$10.39**

In this adorable new A Little Bit Lola adventure, it's Sir Lola to the rescue! She has a sword, armour and a trusty steed, but is she brave enough to be a knight? Lola's cousin Millie is coming to play, which means Lola must learn how to flip on the trampoline – and fast. But Lola is scared of doing flips. Can she overcome her fears...

Bravery Humour



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170. Wave Riders

Anh Do · James Hart (Illustrator)

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

The epic new adventure series from best-selling author Anh Do continues! Twins, Noah and Skye split up and continue their dangerous search for answers. As Noah discovers kids held captive aboard a ship, Skye and the dolphins make some new friends of their own. Can they outsmart the soldiers on patrol and uncover new clues...

Bravery

Family

Friendship

Mystery

171. Weirdo 26: Weird Rescue!

Anh Do · Jules Faber (Illustrator)

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$15.99** **School Price \$12.79**

Dad's splashed out and bought the family a boat! Soon, they'll set sail for fishing and adventure! But when the rain starts falling ... and falling ... and falling ... will it become a rescue boat?! It won't be easy ... but it will be funny!

Community

Family

Flood

Problem Solving

172. Whale Shark Jack

Kathryn Lefroy

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Dive into the story of Whale Shark Jack and follow the journey of Sarah, a determined 12-year-old girl, and her scientist parents as they strive to protect the majestic whale sharks. After a tragedy at sea Sarah and her family move back to WA and Sarah struggles to fit in, but soon she befriends some of the local kids who help Sarah...

Adventure

Belonging

Conservation

Environment

173. Zac Power: Mission Files Volume 4

HI Larry

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$14.99** **School Price \$9.99**

Armed with the latest high-tech gadgets and his wits, Zac Power can take on anything the world throws at him. Whether he's foiling Dr Drastic's latest evil scheme or taking out the trash, Zac can do it all with time to spare.

Action

Adventure

Spies

174. Zac Power: Mission Files Volume 5

HI Larry

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$14.99** **School Price \$9.99**

Join 12-year-old secret agent Zac Power in two of his most dangerous missions yet! Armed with the latest high-tech gadgets and his wits, Zac Power can take on anything the world throws at him. Whether he's foiling Dr Drastic's latest evil scheme or taking out the trash, Zac can do it all with time to spare.

Action

Adventure

Spies

175. Zac Power: Mission Files Volume 6

HI Larry

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$14.99** **School Price \$9.99**

Join 12-year-old secret agent Zac Power in two of his most dangerous missions yet! Armed with the latest high-tech gadgets and his wits, Zac Power can take on anything the world throws at him. Whether he's foiling Dr Drastic's latest evil scheme or taking out the trash, Zac can do it all with time to spare.

Action

Adventure

Spies



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176. Buck & Ears: Pirate Detectives

Jennifer Bell · Sarah Horne (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

Buck and his loyal rabbit, Ears, are officially the WORSE PIRATES on the Seventy Seas! When they bump into the terrifying CAPTAIN BLOODFANG, she gives them an ultimatum: follow CLUES to find her missing chef, or else be turned into pirate stew! Along with their MISFIT CREW, can Buck and Ears SOLVE THE CASE and save...

Humour

Mystery

Pirates

177. Buzz Sausage Wolf and the Birthday Mystery

Jim Beckett · Aurelie Lise Anne (Illustrator)

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Scruffy sausage dog, Buzz has been overexcited ALL DAY. It's just too much fun on a birthday! But when he accidentally bursts the balloons and tears open a Special Present, Buzz knows he's in big trouble. And avoiding telling the truth means even bigger trouble, especially when he sees a BIG BITE of birthday cake has gone...

Birthday

Humour

Mystery

178. Call of the Parasaurolophus

Rex Stone

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Jamie is exploring Ammonite Bay when he meets Tess, a member of Dinosaur Club who lives in Ammonite Bay too. Tess shows Jamie her favourite place - a secret cave with fossils all over the walls. They go through a tunnel at the back and discover some dinosaur footprints. When they walk along them, the two new friends find...

Dinosaurs

Prehistoric World

179. The Case of the Viral Video

Rachael King · Phoebe Morris (Illustrator)

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Violet and the Velvets can hardly believe they've come so far in the BandChamps competition with only hard work, a smidge of talent, and a whole lot of thinking outside the box. This time, they get to record their new song in a proper recording studio, and star in their very own music video! But Violet is letting her perfectionism...

ADHD

Music

Mystery

Neurodiverse

180. Detective Kitty Is on the Case

Laura Ellen Anderson

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$15.99** **School Price \$12.79**

Meet the STAR KITTIES – the cutest cats ever! These loveable, magical kitties get up to all sorts of fun adventures and mischief in Whiskery Paw with their best friend Tabitha Flair. Today it's Tabitha's birthday! She's so excited to spend the day with the Star Kitties... but when she gets to Whiskery Paw, Queen Moggaline has gone...

Adventure

Imagination



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181. Fry and Stop Me

Neil Coslett

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Kid Potato and his pals are back with FIVE new totally hilarious and utterly pointless adventures, perfect for fans of Dav Pilkey and Jamie Smart! NOTHING can stop Kid Potato! Not even: Little sister tantrums Evil clones Mysterious swamp monsters Super-strong robots Having to dress like a giant poop

Adventure

Humour

182. Jurassic Baby

Elys Dolan

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$15.99** **School Price \$12.79**

Rex has a great gang of friends, from nine-year-old investigator Sandra, his best human pal; to Bigfoot, a jazz-loving yeti in disguise. But sometimes, he does miss being around other dinosaurs. So when a new one appears on the scene, causing total chaos, Rex can't wait to welcome her and show her how to blend in. But there's...

Dinosaurs

Humour

183. Karen's Home Run

Ann m Martin

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$12.99** **School Price \$10.39**

It's fun to be a Baby-sitters' Little Sister! Karen plays on the Krushers softball team. One day when the Krushers are in a game, Karen hits a home run! So she starts calling herself Home Run Karen. But that jinxes Karen, and she can't hit at all. She even strikes out. How can Karen march with the Krushers in the big parade when she's nothing...

Friendship

Softball

Sport

184. Mousehole to the Centre of the Earth

Philip Reeve · Sarah McIntyre (Illustrator)

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

When Uncle Bernie turns up with his incredible Mechanical Mole machine, the Adventuremice go on a mission! Pedro and the crew burrow to an underground cave world, unlike anything they've ever seen. There are tiny, twisty trees, and even tinier pterodactyls! But there's also a HAMSTERSAURUS REX on the loose! Can the team...

Adventure

Bravery

185. The Mystery of the Lost Cape

Swapna Haddow · Minky Stapleton (Illustrator)

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Barry finds a lost cape that gives him the power to fly and secretly enjoys a day as a flying lemur. He becomes hooked on being a hero, saving lives and basking in the fame of being a mysterious masked crusader. When the cape's emu owner and a reward-hungry Zeb close in, a struggle over the cape causes it to rip and lose its...

Adventure

Friendship

Humour

186. Of Mice and Mummies

Philip Reeve · Sarah McIntyre (Illustrator)

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

When the Adventuremice discover an old stone covered in hieroglyphs, a race begins! The story of ancient Queen Neferteacake's magnificent golden tomb is revealed, and a rather naughty mouse wants to get there first . . . Our intrepid Adventuremice set off on an exciting journey to a secret island, full of incredible mouse sphinxes, pyramids...

Adventure

Bravery



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187. Orris and Timble: Star Stories

Kate DiCamillo · Carmen Mok (Illustrator)

Hardback | 6+ years | **RRP \$24.99 School Price \$19.99**

Orris and Timble are friends. Orris is a rat, Timble is an owl, and they meet each night in an old barn to share stories. One night, Timble asks a fateful question: "Why don't you ever leave the barn, Orris?" Strong and brave, the owl offers to carry the rat on his back. Orris will be able to see it all for himself—the rivers and fish, roads and farms...

Friendship

Humour

Rescue

Trust

188. The Pug Who Wanted to Be a Dancer

Bella Swift

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Peggy's best friend, Chloe, is excited to be a bridesmaid at her auntie's wedding which will be a wonderful mix of British and Indian traditions. But when she's asked to perform a special surprise dance as part of a sangeet, she starts to feel nervous because she thinks she is the worst dancer in her ballet class. Peggy would do...

Dancing

Traditions

189. Pugicorn Saves the Show

Maddy Rose · Tim Budgen (Illustrator)

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$14.99 School Price \$11.99**

Twinkleton-Under-Beanstalk is having a talent show, and Princess Ava and Pugicorn have been working hard on their act! But their practice is put on pause when a shy Koalacorn comes in and needs help with her confidence. Even worse, the first place trophy goes missing! Can Princess Ava and Pugicorn find it before the curtain goes...

Magic

Mystery

Pets

190. Splitting Hairs

Guy Bass · Lee Cosgrove (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$14.99 School Price \$11.99**

Hugh Dunnit is a schoolboy who only takes on the toughest cases. Like the case of the cloned school children. When Hugh notices there's more than a hair out of place on his school photograph, there's no time to mull it over, Hugh must cut to the chase and find the culprit. Is Hugh ready for this close shave with danger?

Adventure

Detective

Mystery

191. The Storm and Other Stories

Helen Stephens · Katie Chappell (Illustrator)

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Written by best pals Katie Chappell and Helen Stephens, four individual stories explore the warm, funny friendship dynamic between Salty, Kitty and Bernard who live together in a little upside down boat house. Illustrated in stunning four colour, this is the perfect book for children just graduating from picture books and becoming...

Adventure

Humour

Short Stories

192. Welcome to My World

Neil Coslett

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

He's a totally regular kid . . . except he's a potato. Join him and his friends in FIVE spud-tacularly funny, bite-size and utterly pointless adventures, perfect for fans of Dav Pilkey and Jamie Smart! Bursting with illustrations on every page, this series is ideal for visual kids, newly confident and reluctant readers, or kids (and adults) who...

Adventure

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193. The Zombie Chickens

Terrie Chilvers · David O'Connell (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Bob and Archie are two hapless but enthusiastic koalas who are just getting to grips with their new superpowers. Their archenemy is Dr Colossus, a giant ostrich with grand plans to destroy Pawtonia with the help of his Zombie Chickens! Can our furry heroes thwart the feathered supervillain? Definitely, maybe...

Humour

MIDDLE NOVELS

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194. Achievement Unlocked

Zack Zombie

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$9.99** **School Price \$7.99**

Have you ever wondered what life is like for a Minecraft Zombie? Zombie had one goal—to play the remastered edition of his favourite game with his mates all weekend long. Easy, right? Wrong! Now he's helping plan a surprise 50th birthday for his mum, dodging his little brother's whiny game requests, and trying to keep the party a...

Adventure

High Interest

Minecraft

Reluctant Readers

195. Crow: Thief of Magic

Fiona Dixon

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

Scraping a living on the winding streets of Starsgard, Crow works for the leader of the criminal underworld, stealing from the city's wealthy rulers. But when Crow goes to the home of a mysterious sorcerer, his life is turned upside down – and after a planned heist goes wrong, he finds himself a new position as the sorcerer's apprentice...

Adventure

Fantasy

Magic

196. The Day My Brother Got Famous

Jen Carney

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Ferris Foster is ready for normal life again, when his new foster brother Arthur arrives. The boys couldn't be more different – Arthur is OBSESSED with space, whereas Ferris has more down-to-earth hobbies, like rating crisps out of 10. But when the Fosters drop Arthur off at Camp Space-Tacular, he has a SUPERNOVA of a meltdown and...

Adventure

Humour

197. Death at the Museum

Janice Hallett

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Imagine an old museum with more secrets than anyone could ever guess. A school trip that ends in murder. A crime unsolved for decades. . . But who did it? Now, Ava and Luke are on the case, following the clues left in a new box of murders. Using School workbooks, museum records, secret recordings and letters the siblings start...

Crime

Interactive

Intrigue

Murder



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198. Diary of a Dreadful Dragon

Ben Miller

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Once upon a time was only the start . . . welcome to the Fairytale Woods. Malc the dragon is on the hunt for treasure in a hilarious secret diary from million-copy bestselling author, comedian and actor Ben Miller. Banished from yet another kingdom, Malgundrax the dragon has arrived in the Fairytale Woods, eager to build...

Adventure

Dragons

Fairytale

Fantasy

199. Dragonborn

Struan Murray

Paperback | 11+ years | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$15.99**

Life is no fun for Alex Evans. Ever since her dad's death, her overprotective mother has smothered her with unbreakable rules and unspoken fears. When the frustration inside Alex finally gets too big to bear, it rushes to the surface. And flames spill from her mouth. Because Alex is a dragon. Led by the mighty Oliphos to the legendary...

Dragons

Fantasy

Magic

200. The Drama Queens

Jenny Valentine · Hannah McCaffery (Illustrator)

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

Daisy is back at school, but her super-celebrity cousin Maxxy is STILL sharing her room while filming for a new TV show. Daisy's mum is always at the film set with Maxxy, her dad is always busy with work, and her brother Leo is being a teenage tyrant. The only thing keeping Daisy calm are her drama club rehearsals. With only a...

Ambition

Celebrity

Drama

Family

201. The Frozen Curse

Jacob North

Paperback | 11+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

As Oswin starts his third year in Tundra at the school for Ice Apprentices, the monsters have returned. His new spellbook could help fend them off, if he can just keep his magic under control. With the deadly Teeth That Snatch marching towards Tundra and an old adversary brewing civil war, it could mean the end for Tundra, if...

Fantasy

LGBTQIA

202. The Galaxy World Cup

Alan Joyce

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$18.99** **School Price \$15.19**

When aliens mistake schoolboy Nick and his fellow misfits for the world's greatest football players, they are whisked across the Milky Way to compete in an intergalactic football tournament against real aliens. The only problem? They are not the greatest football players on Earth – they're the worst! But if they want to go home, they'll...

Football

Friendship

Soccer

Space

203. The Galileo Heist

Sam Sedgman

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Every summer holiday, Isaac Turner spends three weeks with his grandfather, Ferdinand, at his house in Italy, and this year his best friend Hattie is coming too. Everything points to a fantastic summer, until Ferdinand is arrested for the theft of millions of euros of jewellery. But Ferdinand hasn't stolen anything - yet. Drawn into...

Action

Adventure

Mystery

Science



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204. The Girl Who Raced the World

Nat Harrison

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

When Maggie Appleton's beloved mother dies, she is left with nothing but a letter for a mysterious stranger called Passepartout. With nowhere else to turn, Maggie seeks out Passepartout and is drawn into an adventure beyond her wildest dreams. Together with Passepartout's employer, the enigmatic Mr Phileas Fogg, Maggie journeys to...

Action

Adventure

Intrigue

Travel

205. A Girl's Guide to Spying

Holly Webb

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$19.99 School Price \$15.99**

Did you know that the Girl Guides worked undercover for MI5 during the First World War? Phyllis and her younger sister, Annie, join the Guides hoping for adventure, despite their parents' fears that the Guides are unladylike. Starting soon after the start of the war, the sisters are swept up in a bigger adventure than they'd bargained for...

Adventure

Historical

Mystery

Spies

206. The Impossible Gladiator

MG Leonard

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Sim, Jeopardy and Nelson are enjoying an amazing holiday in Rome, until they they are swept up in the mysterious disappearance of world-famous illusionist Kinetic. He vanished during a live broadcast from the Colosseum, but he never reappeared. When Kinetic's sister finds a strange description in a history book of a gladiator who...

Adventure

Time Travel

207. Killswitch

Logan Macx

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$18.99 School Price \$15.19**

The unputdownable conclusion in the action-packed spy series with deadly AI, cutting-edge tech and exciting in-game battle scenes - for kids who love Alex Rider, the gadgets of James Bond and fast-paced gaming. Razor have won. The One World Authority is in charge. Everywhere is quarantined, and worse is to come – Operation...

Action

Adventure

Artificial Intelligence

Friendship

208. Life on the Moon

Matthew Swanson

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$18.99 School Price \$15.19**

12-year-old Leo gets a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to join the very first Moon colony. Right after his family lands on the Moon, Leo's dad is called off on an urgent mission from which he never returns. The authorities claim the mission never existed, and Leo's dad is accused of desertion. Leo goes looking for his dad and discovers far...

Colonization

Futuristic

Moon

Mystery

209. The Lost Dragon of Roar

Jenny McLachlan · Ben Mantle (Illustrator)

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$17.99 School Price \$14.39**

Rose, Arthur, Win are going back to dragon school, and now they are officially dragon riders, it's time for their first mission. It's another epic and magical Roar adventure, where they'll encounter a cursed island of witches, a ghostly mystery and the most fearsome dragon in Roar. But someone is on their tail...

Adventure

Fantasy



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210. The Magic Awakens

Erin Hunter

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$15.99**

Willow and Luna have been on their own since they were kittens. After their mother's death, they settled into a scrappy life in the heart of the city. But when they're left searching for a new home, Luna is drawn to the strange, secretive animals they meet in the park—animals they can talk to... and who unlock her ability to perform magic...

Belonging

Courage

Family

Fantasy

211. Magnitude

Jennifer A Nielsen

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$15.99**

When Cora leaves her house on April 18th 1906, to make her way to the San Francisco docks to look for her father, the earth begins to shake. The last thing Cora remembers seeing is a tall building swaying overhead, before everything goes dark. When Cora wakes up, she's trapped underground with Chi, whom she met on the way to the...

Courage

Earthquakes

Natural Disasters

Survival

212. MR Bean Joke Book

Compilation

Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** **School Price \$11.99**

Over 300 silly, witty and downright ridiculous jokes inspired by everyone's favourite mischief-maker! Perfect for kids discovering Mr Bean or adults craving a nostalgic laugh. Quick one-liners and snappy punchlines make it easy to giggle anytime, anywhere. Great for gifts, family fun, road trips or quiet moments - guaranteed to...

Humour

Joke Books

213. The Purrfect Crime

Alexander Slater

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$15.99**

Princess Celeste Starwing reckons she's just about got the hang of this running the intergalactic post office gig. People are getting their post on time, she and Podge have a very helpful new recruit, Oswald the goblin, and the stardust bunnies are as cute as ever. So it's a bit of a surprise to have a new spanner thrown in the works, in...

Adventure

Fantasy

Magic

214. Racing for Revenge

Ellie Robinson

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

After busting a gold medal thief in Tokyo and rescuing a kidnapped football player in Miami, Seb, Hannah and Maria are back, this time in France! They're reunited for the Grand Euro Cycle, but someone has been sabotaging one of the teams. Can the trio figure out who is disrupting the race, and avoid becoming the prime suspects...

Adventure

Detective

Kidnapping

Mystery

215. Red Card

Matt Oldfield

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

When Ethan Fox gets scouted by an elite football academy, it's his last hope to make it as a pro. But all is not what it seems. Recruited by the mysterious Department Eleven, he's drawn deeper into the deadly world of spying - uncovering a scandal that could rock the sport he loves. And the truth might cost Ethan more than just his...

Action

Adventure

Football

Soccer



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216. The Seriously Epic Holiday of Lottie Brooks

Katie Kirby

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Pack your bags, and put on your helmets, for Lottie's latest hilarious diary! She's off on a ONCE IN A LIFETIME skiing holiday - what could possibly go wrong?! Amber has seen the light and returned to the QUEENS OF EIGHT GREEN. PHEW! And now she's invited Lottie on her family skiing holiday! One tiny problem . . . Lottie's never been...

Adventure

Friendship

Growing Up

Humour

217. Skulduggery Pleasant: A Soul Full of Shadows

Derek Landy

Paperback | 11+ years | **RRP \$22.99 School Price \$18.39**

Skulduggery Pleasant has many enemies and people try to kill him. But when someone puts a price on his head, he finds himself going up against a foe that not even he can beat. Not alone, anyway. And where is his partner right when he needs her the most? Valkyrie Cain is in prison, fighting to stay alive. With an island of sorcerers ready to...

Horror

Murder

Mystery

218. This Is Not the Diary of Izzy Dobson

Abigail Balfe

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

IZZY DOBSON HAS A FEW PROBLEMS- 1) School is the WORST. 2) Making friends is HARD. 3) Her VERY TOP SECRET EMBARRASSING DIARY has gone MISSING! Cue Izzy's Very Important Investigation, recorded in this Very Normal Notebook (definitely NOT another diary!). Can Izzy retrace her steps before the diary falls into the wrong...

Friendship

Humour

Neurodiverse

Neurodiversity

219. The Unchosen One

Amy Sparkes

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$17.99 School Price \$14.39**

Tassie has always dreamt of a life of adventure and exploration. Instead, she's grown up in the Citadel under the care of the Chief Steward, well away from any form of danger. When the Wisest of the Wise Witches comes to visit and proclaims her the Chosen One, destined to save her people from death and destruction, Tassie realizes...

Adventure

Fantasy

Humour

Magic

220. Who Killed Harlowe Thrombey?

Edward Packard

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Someone murdered Harlowe Thrombey. Only YOU can figure out who. The eccentric millionaire feared his life was in danger, and he hired you - a young detective - to find out who was after him. But before your investigation could even start, someone laced his bedtime brandy with arsenic. Now you have a murder case on your hands! As you...

Adventure

Interactive

221. Wombat Waiting

Katherine Applegate

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$17.99 School Price \$14.39**

When Wombat, the homeless dog, is discovered singed and ash-covered after a terrible fire destroys a community. Surrounded by a devastated town, Wombat takes up residence on a bench near the makeshift community center, an old brick warehouse that survived the flames. A small part of the community center...

Bushfires

Catastrophe

Community

Compassion



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222. The World's Worst Alien Fights Back

Alice Primmer

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

Planet Earth failed to get Sky a passing grade in her school project, now Sky must figure out how to fix this mess AGAIN. If only humans would stop fighting wars all over the place! There's only one thing for it: return to Oak Lane Primary School as an eleven-year-old girl and reunite with her human friends to stop all fighting with Sky's...

Aliens

Humour

School

223. Your Code Name Is Jonah

Edward Packard

Paperback | 8+ years | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

The Cold War is at its worst, and YOU are an American spy trying not to blow your cover! Marine biologist Claude Dumont has discovered a brand new kind of whale song with the potential to unlock deep-sea secrets, but before he could share his findings, he was kidnapped by KGB agents! Will you be able to track down Dumont...

Adventure

Interactive

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224. Aircraft

Warren Singer

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** **School Price \$23.99**

Flight has been an ambition of humans for thousands of years. We have invented ways to get off the ground that are fun, exciting, practical and sometimes dangerous. Find out about the different ways we fly, and decide which ones you want to try for yourself! Fantastic Facts provides answers to the questions you have always wanted...

Airport

Planes

Transport

225. The Citizens Have Voted

John Lesley

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** **School Price \$23.99**

Who can vote in Australia and who can't? Are the rules for voting the same all across the country, and what does a voter do on voting day? The link between voting and citizenship is a vital aspect of Australian democracy and government. Find out how it all works and what all Australians have to do once they turn eighteen.

Democracy

Election

Government

Voting

226. Gallipoli: Dawn of the ANZAC Spirit

Tom Lewis

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

In 1915, Australians and New Zealanders fought in one of the most famous and defining campaigns of World War I — Gallipoli. On the rocky shores and steep ridges of the Gallipoli peninsula in southern Turkey, thousands of young men faced extreme conditions, fierce combat, and unimaginable loss. For many, Gallipoli became the...

Anzac Day

Australian History

Gallipoli

War



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227. Gorilla

John Lesley

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** **School Price \$23.99**

Humans share up to 98 of our DNA with gorillas, but those few percent make a big difference! Discover how we are almost the same, and how much gorillas differ from every other primate, including us. Earth's wildlife can be charming, dangerous, frightening and surprisingly intelligent. Find out remarkable facts about the iconic...

Animals

Gorillas

Wildlife

228. Gross Things Animals Eat

Claire Stevens · Adele k Thomas (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** **School Price \$21.59**

WARNING! This book is so OUTRAGEOUS you'll never complain about soggy vegetables again. You thought broccoli was YUCK? Wait until you hear the GROSS things animals have been eating! I'm Dr Claire, vet and lifelong animal lover, and I have discovered that every day around the world, animals eat strange and REPULSIVE...

Animals

Facts

General Knowledge

229. Hippo

John Lesley

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** **School Price \$23.99**

Hippos seem to be slow, big and harmless, but don't be fooled! They are one of the most dangerous land animals in the world. Closely related to dolphins, the semiaquatic hippo is a remarkable creature in many ways. Earth's wildlife can be charming, dangerous, frightening and surprisingly intelligent. Find out remarkable facts about...

Animals

Hippopotamus

Wildlife

230. Hi-Tech Farms

Warren Singer

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** **School Price \$23.99**

Modern farming is becoming more and more dependent on computers and other technologies to get the job done. Farmers can now find out the condition of their crops and livestock without even leaving the farm office. When they do get out into the fields, their tractors and harvesters are equipped with technology that has...

Science

STEM

Technology

231. Light and Colour

Corey Tutt

Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** **School Price \$18.99**

Light from our Sun and other sources is all around, bringing colour, heat and energy. Over time, humans have harnessed light to create fire, fluorescent light and even scientific equipment like lasers. But light and colour are tricky. Too much or too little light changes our body chemistry, when it bends it can fool our eyes, and it can even...

Aboriginal

Colour

Light

Science

232. Lion

John Lesley

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** **School Price \$23.99**

Is the lion really the king of jungle? Dangerous and sometimes unpredictable, lions have fascinated mankind ever since they started drawing pictures of them on the cave walls of Europe, thousands of years ago. There is so much to discover about lions, so start the journey now! Earth's wildlife can be charming, dangerous...

Animals

Lions

Wildlife



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233. Narm-Jaap: A Flinders Street Station History

Melissa-Jane Fogarty · Dylan Finney (Illustrator)

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

This is the story of Narm-Jaap. Flinders Street Station in Melbourne is a modern Australian icon, but the land on which it stands has a long history. We step back in time to when Narm-Jaap was a meeting place for the people of the Kulin nation, and follow along as the land is claimed by the colonisers. We witness Narm-Jaap through...

Aboriginal

Australian History

Colonization

Community

234. Numbers in Nature

Corey Tutt

Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** **School Price \$18.99**

Mathematical concepts are all around us – in nature, architecture, art, biology, computer science and in our everyday lives. Did you know that natural processes, such as how bees swarm, have been used as a model for computer algorithms, or that boomerangs work using similar aerodynamic concepts as aircraft? Explore how...

Aboriginal

Maths

Numbers

235. The Prime Minister

John Lesley

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** **School Price \$23.99**

What does the Australian Prime Minister do, and what is their role in Parliament? Is the Prime Minister the same as a President, and does the Monarch have more power than the Prime Minister? These are complex questions, but this book answers them all in a way that young people will be able to understand.

Democracy

Government

Parliament

Politics

236. Rhino

John Lesley

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** **School Price \$23.99**

Rhinos are some of the most powerful and impressive megafauna on the planet. With thick, armor-like skin and horns that look like ancient weapons, they seem like creatures from another time. Rhinos have roamed the Earth for millions of years, but today they're fighting to survive. In this book, you'll meet their 20-tonne ancestor...

Animals

Rhinoceros

Wildlife

237. Sharks up Close

Aidan Green

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

Sharks can detect the electric field of a beating heart and smell one teaspoon of blood in a swimming pool of water. Take an up-close look at some of the most effective hunters on the planet.

Sharks

238. Tropical Cyclones in Australia

Meghan Grey

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** **School Price \$23.99**

Tropical cyclones regularly bring devastation to Australia. In this book, find out how tropical cyclones form and how Australia responds to them. Read about the destruction they cause and learn how people in cyclone prone areas prepare for each storm. How will climate change affect these forces of nature? You might be...

Climate Change

Cyclones

Flooding

Natural Disasters



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239. Women's Rugby

Tony La Torraca

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** **School Price \$23.99**

Rugby Union is a staple in Australian sports, with an increasing number of enthusiastic women and girls getting involved both professionally and for fun. Read all about your favourite female players of the Australian Women's Rugby team and learn the different roles, tactics and training tips to boost the way you play the game.

Rugby

Sport

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240. Beckham

Matt Oldfield

Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** **School Price \$11.99**

In 2002, during the final moments of injury time, David Beckham scored an incredible free-kick, securing England a place in the World Cup. It was this moment that ensured that Beckham would become one of the most loved English footballers, as well as a Manchester United and Real Madrid hero. During a career which spanned twenty...

Biography

Football

Soccer

Sport

241. Bugs

Dorling Kindersley

Hardback | **RRP \$16.99** **School Price \$13.59**

Spark the love of learning with this picture-packed guide to creepy crawlies. Uncover the fascinating lives of the daring dragonfly, the clever centipede, the super scorpion, and the mighty mantis in this book about bugs for kids. Find out how these tiny wonders communicate, hunt, and live. Explore their habitats and lifecycles, and...

Bugs

Insects

Minibeasts

242. Dembele

Matt Oldfield

Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** **School Price \$11.99**

Masour Ousmane Dembélé proved himself as a superstar player from a young age when he was named Player of the Year in his first professional signing with French team Rennes. He transferred to Dortmund where a goal in the final helped them win the DFB-Pokal. Dembélé transferred to Barcelona for a fee of €105 million where the...

Biography

Football

Soccer

Sport

243. Ed Sheeran

Maria Isabella Sanchez Vegara · Mariajo Ilustrajo (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$15.99**

Ed Sheeran's love of music began in childhood in Suffolk, where he sang in a church choir and taught himself guitar. Ed was bullied at school, but his music gave him confidence and a sense of belonging. He wrote his first song at 11, and later move to London to chase his dream. Young readers will follow Ed's journey as he worked...

Biography

Famous People

Music

Musician



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244. Erno Rubik

Maria Isabella Sanchez Vegara · Ben Javens (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$19.99 School Price \$15.99**

Erno Rubik was born in Hungary in 1944. As a child Erno loved colours and shapes, design and geometry. He went to art school but soon realised he wanted to make things that served a purpose as well as looking good. Erno studied architecture and discovered a passion for teaching - he and his students worked together building...

Biography

Entrepreneur

Famous People

Inventor

245. Europe, Exciting Europe

Ben Lerwill · Sandra de la Prada (Illustrator)

Paperback | **RRP \$24.99 School Price \$19.99**

Travel to every country in Europe and discover fascinating facts in this vibrantly illustrated celebration of the most-visited continent in the world. From the chilly Arctic Ocean all the way down to the sunny Mediterranean Sea, explore everything Europe has to offer in this gorgeous gift book packed with information. Rock out at...

Cities

Continent

Countries

Culture

246. Eyes, Knees, Boundaries, Please!

Krupa Bhojani Playforth

Hardback | **RRP \$22.99 School Price \$18.39**

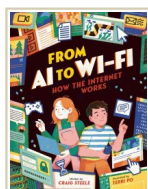
Knowing how to talk about their bodies and establish safe boundaries with others is critical to kids' health and safety-but body safety can be a tough topic to tackle. This friendly, illustrated picture book from board-certified pediatrician Dr. Krupa Bhojani Playforth makes it simple, with age-appropriate but accurate text and illustrations...

Consent

Permission

Personal Space

Privacy



247. From Ai to Wi-Fi: How the Internet Works

Craig Steele · Terri Po (Illustrator)

Paperback | **RRP \$22.99 School Price \$18.39**

Everyone uses the internet! But do we understand how it really works? With expert information and practical tips written by real-life technologist Craig Steele, children will be well-equipped to navigate the tricky internet landscape, from the history of the internet to how websites are made and coded, who works on the internet and how...

Artificial Intelligence

Internet

STEM

Technology

248. A Kid's Guide to Italy

Alexa Ward

Paperback | **RRP \$24.99 School Price \$19.99**

Get ready for an adventure like no other with this awesome kid's travel guide to Italy! Unlock the magic of this amazing country and find secret and surprising places, super celebrations, wow-factor facts, fun challenges, photography and more. Take with you on your travels or make epic discoveries from the comfort of home. Let's explore!

Countries

Italy

249. A Kid's Guide to Japan

Anna Brett

Paperback | **RRP \$24.99 School Price \$19.99**

Get ready for an adventure like no other with this awesome kid's travel guide to Japan! Unlock the magic of this amazing country and find secret and surprising places, super celebrations, wow-factor facts, fun challenges, photography and more. Take with you on your travels or make epic discoveries from the comfort of home...

Asian Studies

Countries

Japan



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250. Leonardo Da Vinci

Maria Isabella Sanchez Vegara · Ana Albero (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$19.99 School Price \$15.99**

Discover the incredible story of Leonardo da Vinci, the Renaissance genius whose boundless curiosity and creativity changed the world. Young readers will follow Leonardo from his childhood in the small village of Vinci, Italy, where he sketched animals and dreamed of flying machines, to his training as an artist and his creation...

Art Artists Famous People

251. Let's Go Rock Collecting

Laura Baker · Liz Kay (Illustrator)

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

Explore the world beneath our feet with this fascinating rock-collecting guide that teaches kids everything they need to know to become an expert rock collector. Learn how to find and identify rocks, minerals and gemstones; explore the brilliant rock directory with photos, facts and top tips; and discover what our amazing planet is...

Rocks and Minerals

252. Let's Go Stargazing

Laura Baker · Liz Kay (Illustrator)

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

Explore the world above with this fascinating stargazing guide that teaches kids everything they need to know to become an expert stargazer. Packed with stunning photography, beautiful illustrations, and fun stargazing challenges including star-hopping, sketching and satellite spotting, this is the perfect introduction to our...

Solar System Space Universe

253. Mammals

Dorling Kindersley

Hardback | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

What makes a mammal a mammal? Does a tiny pygmy mouse belong to the same class of animals as the gigantic blue whale? Yes! They are both mammals, as are you. With more than 6,000 discovered species, mammals come in all shapes and sizes - in nearly every habitat on Earth, from the Amazon Rainforest to the Sahara Desert. In...

Uncategorised

254. Maradona

Matt Oldfield

Paperback | **RRP \$14.99 School Price \$11.99**

Diego Maradona is a true footballing legend, and arguably the greatest player ever. The Argentinian playmaker was renowned for his unbelievable skills and agility, as he effortlessly weaved his way up the pitch and through the opposition defence. Nicknamed 'The Golden Boy', Maradona earned ninety-one caps and scored...

Biography Football Soccer Sport

255. My Amazing Autistic Brain

Emily Snape

Paperback | **RRP \$17.99 School Price \$14.39**

Jai and their friends are a brilliant bunch of little monsters who can't wait to meet you! They're all on the autistic spectrum, and in this book, they each share what that means for them - from things they find challenging to the amazing strengths their unique brains bring. My Amazing Autistic Brain celebrates the wonderful diversity of...

Autism Neurodiverse Neurodiversity



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256. Oprah Winfrey

Maria Isabella Sanchez Vegara · Sera Latterell (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$19.99 School Price \$15.99**

Oprah's passion for words and stories began in childhood. She read everything she could find, captivated audiences in church, and dreamed of making a difference. With determination and hard work, she won a university scholarship and became a television news anchor at just nineteen years old! But Oprah soon discovered that...

Ambition

Biography

Famous People

Resilience

257. Real Madrid Rule

Simon Mugford · Dan Green (Illustrator)

Paperback | **RRP \$12.99 School Price \$10.39**

If you're a true fan of Los Blancos, then you need this book! One of the greatest football clubs in history, Real Madrid CF have not only dominated Spanish football but have also achieved massive international success - winning a record number of European Cups, as well as FIFA Club World Cups, UEFA Super Cups, and La Liga...

Football

Soccer

Sport

258. Volcanoes

Dorling Kindersley

Hardback | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

What is it like to stand near red-hot lava? When will the next super volcano erupt? And how do islands form? This volcano book for kids dives deep into our planet's fiery secrets, bringing to life everything from explosive volcanic eruptions on land to powerful underwater volcanoes that spur tsunamis. Discover the red-hot geological...

Natural World

Volcanoes

259. Water: Protect Freshwater to Save Life on Earth

Catherine Barr · Christiane Engel (Illustrator)

Paperback | **RRP \$22.99 School Price \$18.39**

Water is life! Freshwater bubbles, flows and floods with the most wonderful life on Earth and all of us rely on it to stay alive. BUT today, because of pollution and climate change, it is becoming more and more difficult for people and animals to find the clean freshwater they need to survive. It's time to act! Water tells the story of...

Water

Water Conservation

Water Cycle

260. World Without Birds: How to Save Our Planet

Nick Lund · Asia Orlando (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99 School Price \$23.99**

If you look out the window, chances are high you'll spot a bird soaring in the sky or perched on a tree. Nearly 100 million Americans spend time birdwatching every year. Birds provide beauty, pollination, pest control, waste management, a food source, recreation, cultural enrichment, and many other functions important to human life...

Birds

Environment

Habitats

261. A Year of Kites: Traditions Around the World

Monisha Bajaj · Amber Ren (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99 School Price \$23.99**

In this inviting and informative picture book, travel the globe and learn how kites are flown to honour gods and ancestors, bring good fortune, celebrate milestones, and join communities together. Kites fly high across the sky, around the world, all through the year. Kites have been flown for nearly 3,000 years by people all over the world...

Cultural Celebrations

Culture

Festivals

Kites



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262. Amari and the Metalwork Menace

BB Alston

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$19.99 School Price \$15.99**

Amari used to be a Junior Agent at the Bureau of Supernatural Investigations, but ever since the war with the League of Magicians, Amari has spent the year as a normal kid. As she prepares to graduate eighth grade, she's faced with a decision: Return to the Bureau, or retire for good. But she may not have a choice. A deadly new curse is...

Fantasy

Magic

Mystery

Supernatural

263. Ayaiga: Neighbour and Hero

Thomas Higgs · Wally Wilfred (Illustrator)

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

Ayaiga had been arrested for stealing from one of the vast cattle stations established on traditional Alawa Country. The heavyweight boxing champion of the Australian Police, Constable William Francis Johns, was bringing him in to Leichhardt's Bar Police Station the constable on horseback, with Ayaiga, manacled by the neck, attempting...

Aboriginal

Bravery

Courage

First Nations

264. The Boy and the Dog Tree

Fiona Wood

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$17.99 School Price \$14.39**

Mitch and his sister are staying with their gran, while their parents are working on other side of the world. He's struggling to fit in at school. The one thing that would make his life better is a dog. Then Mitch discovers an old oak tree that seems to... growl. And one night, a huge, strange dog-like creature emerges from the trunk. His...

Belonging

Courage

Friendship

Magic

265. Bravepaw and the Fangstone of Flintfall

Lili Wilkinson · Lavanya Naidu (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Titch knows that she must find the Gems of Harmony if she is to have any hope of fulfilling the prophecy of Bravepaw. If only she knew where to begin her quest! The magnificent Library of Lexhelm seems to hold the answers, or at least its books can help Titch and her friends ask the right questions as they journey into danger... But...

Adventure

Bravery

Friendship

Quest

266. Bush Tukka Guide for Kids

Samantha Martin

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$24.99 School Price \$19.99**

Samantha Martin shares her knowledge of bush tukka as taught to her by her mother and Aboriginal Elders. Australia's flora and fauna are not only sources of food and drink, but tools and medicine too. Learn how to spot a ripe Davidson's plum, discover how mountain bush pepper has been used to treat toothaches, explore how...

Aboriginal

Culture

First Nations

Food



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267. Cinderella Graphic Novel

Deborah Underwood · Jorge Lacera (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$24.99 School Price \$19.99**

Every fairy tale needs a fairy. Because sometimes stories go off the rails, and this fairy knows just what to do to fix them. Actually, he doesn't . . . He makes it up as he goes along. And sometimes he needs help. A lot of help. Which is where Mouse comes in. Together, she and Fairy will make sure this tale has a happily ever after—just maybe...

Graphic Novel

Twisted Fairytale

268. Dog Stayed

Tammy Forster · Margeaux Davis (Illustrator)

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

When Dog turns up one day and stays - despite Mr Hindbottom's protests - they gradually find a comfortable way to get along. Life is good, but of course life doesn't stand still... When Mr Hindbottom is gone, can Dog ever love again?

Change

Grief

Hope

Lifecycles

269. Emily VS Gravity

Isabel Thomas · Rosalind Beardshaw (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$26.99 School Price \$21.59**

What comes up must come down! When Bear falls at Emily's feet, she is determined to get him back where he belongs. But Gravity keeps pulling Bear straight back down. So, Emily makes it her mission to defy Gravity and make the impossible, possible! She tries balancing him on a see saw, making him a pair of wings and even launching him...

Determination

Gravity

Persistence

Problem Solving

270. How to Do Paris with One Leg

Ella Dove

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Maya's class is going on a French exchange trip to Paris and she can't wait to climb to the top of the Eiffel Tower, learn how to make macaroons and visit Disneyland. In hopes of becoming a disability influencer, Maya decides to share the trip with her online followers. But things don't go to plan when Maya is matched with Levi, a...

Activism

Courage

Disability

Friendship

271. How to Get Home

Deborah Frenkel · Karen Blair (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$22.99 School Price \$18.39**

Briing! sings the bell. It's home time. Hooray! Head straight to Gate B. Wave goodbye. Hug g'day. School is done for the day, so let's use the signs to guide us home! Remember to give way to bugs, stop at the crossing and keep a look out for the missing budgie as you find your way to home sweet home.

Family Unit

Relationships

Rhyming Text

Routine

272. If You Make a Call on a Banana Phone

Gideon Sterer · Emily Hughes (Illustrator)

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

A love letter to making friends from unexpected places – silly, wise, and surprising all at once. If you make a call from a banana phone, who will answer? What will you talk about? Will you share secrets or ask questions? No one knows what will happen, really. This very silly story is full of the joy and wisdom that comes from making new...

Communication

Connection

Friendship

Listening



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273. Letters from the Upside

Katya Balen

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$16.99 School Price \$13.59**

Con has been angry ever since Dad left. He doesn't want to be. He wants to play FIFA with his best friend Kyron, to make his mum proud. Instead, rage builds inside him until he explodes. And when Con gets suspended from school, the good person he longs to be feels unreachable. And then his neighbour, Mr Williams, lets him in on a secret. Mr...

Friendship

Hope

Responsibility

274. The Lions' Run

Sara Pennypacker

Hardback | 10+ years | **RRP \$24.99 School Price \$19.99**

Lucas is tired of his cowardly reputation at the orphanage, just as he's tired of the war and the Nazi occupation of his village. The chance to show his bravery arrives when he saves a litter of kittens. He soon meets Alice, who is hiding her beloved horse. Lucas begins to realise they are not the only ones in the village with secrets. The...

Bullying

Courage

Resilience

War Stories

275. The Mighty Pipsqueak

Deborah Kelly · Amie Sabadin (Illustrator)

Paperback | 6+ years | **RRP \$11.99 School Price \$9.59**

Poppy is determined to prove that this tiny puppy can become a great working dog, despite its size. Jessie-Dog has had her puppies, but one is much smaller than the others. Dad says there's no place for weak pups on a farm. But Poppy insists it can do everything the others can, too. After all, when Poppy was born, it was a long time...

Disability

Dogs

Family

Farm Life

276. Mouse Can't Stop!

Beck Blake · Shiloh Gordon (Illustrator)

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

Bear and Mouse are about to climb the Amazing Mountain. But Mouse is in such a hurry, he doesn't have time to stop along the way – not for this, not for that, not to play, not to chat! Will Mouse find what he's looking for on top of the mountain? Or will he need some help from Bear to slow down? An energetic and entertaining picture...

Feelings/Emotions

Impatience

Mindfulness

Reflection

277. My Brother Otto

Ingrid Laguna

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$14.99 School Price \$11.99**

Quinn's not happy about all the fuss her mum and Alex are making about the new baby. She's sick of their excitement. She likes things the way they are – just the three of them and her lop-eared rabbit. She doesn't want a baby brother. But when Otto is born three months early things change more than anyone could have expected...

Death/Bereavement

Family Unit

Grief

Healing

278. Nature Knows

Yvette Farmer · Chloe Jasmine Harris (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$26.99 School Price \$21.59**

Sometimes life gets busy - too busy. Mum calls it feeling foofy. Dad calls it time-to-go-camping! Journey into the wild and discover what nature knows about calming busy minds and bringing us home to ourselves.

Camping

Mindfulness

Nature



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279. The Night Tiger

Sherryl Clark · Hannah Sommerville (Illustrator)

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

After the sun sets, the night creeps in and it's time for bed. But darkness shrinks as the full moon springs up above the trees, lighting the garden and inviting a child to take on an intrepid night-time adventure, prowling the back garden with the family cat. A glorious and poetic celebration of imagination, courage and daring.

Adventure Courage Imagination Nocturnal

280. Ninja Girl 3: Running Wild!

Anh Do · James Hart (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$17.99 School Price \$14.39**

Connor really wants to join Niki on her school excursion to the zoo. There's just one problem ... No kittens allowed! But when Niki's amazing new invention turns Connor into a human, he gets his wish after all! Can Karate Kitten help Ninja Girl save the day when everything goes totally wild?!

Adventure Excursion Friendship Martial Arts

281. Our Voices, Together

Inda ahmad Zahri · Syd Fini (Illustrator)

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

A silence can be broken by the might of one small word. Our voices are our power ... and together we'll be heard. Our Voices, Together speaks to the power we all have to stand up against war, violence and inequity. Written in rhyme and illustrated thoughtfully, this picture book acknowledges the realities of children in conflict...

Activism Conflict Critical Thinking Empathy

282. Paws: Hazel Has Her Hands Full Graphic Novel

Nathan Fairbairn

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$19.99 School Price \$15.99**

Summer break is just around the corner, and when the opportunity to cat-sit two new pets arises, Hazel jumps at the chance. But when everyone's hectic summer plans mean she would have to take on the job alone, Hazel knows her overprotective mother would never approve. On the other hand, managing this could prove that...

Change Dogs Family Friendship

283. Phoenix

Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

Paperback | 10+ years | **RRP \$17.99 School Price \$14.39**

Harper's life just exploded. Her parents are getting a divorce and eleven-year-old Harper and her mother are starting again-in a new town, with riding stables next door. Harper has never been around horses before and she does not want to learn to ride. Then a truck dumps a starved horse right in Harper's yard. She has no idea what to...

Determination Divorce Family Growing Up

284. Rocket: Feel the Force of the World's Powerful Mac

Dorling Kindersley

Hardback | **RRP \$29.99 School Price \$23.99**

When rocket engines fire, they burn through thousands of tonnes of fuel in seconds. See behind the scenes and into the hangar as engineers fine-tune the machinery ready for launch. Meet the transporter vehicles that haul these enormous engines to the launchpad. Then strap in and get ready for lift off! This book is a celebration of...

Space Space Travel



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285. Rules? What Rules?

Andrew Daddo · Stephen Michael King (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$14.99** **School Price \$11.99**

I've found a new home! It's the best. I've got a new best friend. A new top dog. A new place to sleep - and lots and LOTS of new rules - they're probably more weird than good. When Jassy and Dad leave me home alone, I forget the rules. I'm thinking more about digging for bones and remodelling. Backyard Bitza!

Belonging

Dogs

Family

Humour

286. The Shadow Pony

Olivia Wakeford · David Litchfield (Illustrator)

Paperback | 9+ years | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

Evan hates change, which is a big problem because the last few years have brought a lot of it. His family is split down the middle, and lately Grandad hasn't been himself. When a school trip takes Evan to an old mine where Grandad used to work, things go disastrously wrong. Grandad refuses to talk to Evan about the mine, and especially...

Family Unit

Grandparents

Horses

Love

287. Shady, the River Red Gum

Angus Cameron

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

Shady is a river red gum tree growing by a creek in the Australian bush. Shady is home to a host of native wildlife—birds, animals and insects that come and go from Shady's branches each day. Through bold, hand printed linocut illustrations and simple factual text, young readers are introduced to each of these animals one by one. The story...

Environment

Habitat

Nature

Trees

288. Snot Jelly Island Graphic Novel

Olaf Falafel

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$19.99** **School Price \$15.99**

One funfair, a group of kids and one grumpy amateur magician... plus one magical mega tornado equals The Far-Out Five! Stewart, Sophie, Zainab and Jeffrey - and the Great Waldini - are magically transformed into strange creatures and whisked far away from home - and the wand that could change them back is LOST! Sailing...

Adventure

Graphic Novel

Humour

Magic

289. Sunny and Storm

Tanya Hennessy · Rachael Mclean (Illustrator)

Paperback | 7+ years | **RRP \$14.99** **School Price \$11.99**

Best friends Sunny and Storm are besticles with a wondermonious talent for creating new words. But now they're also prime suspects in a crime they didn't commit. Armed with their diary, their secret language and some very tasty cupcakes, they'll have to become the best detectives in town to put things right. Join them as they sidestep...

Adventure

Friendship

Humour

290. The Vanishing Sea

Dinara Mirtalipova

Hardback | **RRP \$28.99** **School Price \$23.19**

The Aral Sea once stretched across modern-day Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan. A large saltwater lake of Central Asia, the Aral Sea's 26 square miles (67 square kilometers) sustained its surrounding communities for generations. Beginning in the 1960s, aggressive Soviet industrialization diverted water for agricultural production and...

Biodiversity

Environment

Sustainability

Water



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291. The Wonder

Tom Percival

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

Daniel is having a terrible day. From the rain that tumbles down from the dark, grey skies to the puddles that soak his shoes, Daniel's convinced that nothing will lift his mood. But everything changes when he hears the sweet, delicate sound of music, barely audible beneath the rain. Perhaps, if he looks carefully enough, Daniel might...

Attitude

Feelings/Emotions

Mindfulness

Moods

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORY

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292. Luna Roo the Kangaroo Baller

Adam Jackson · Adrian Lloyd (Illustrator)

Hardback | **RRP \$17.99** **School Price \$14.39**

Rookie captain Luna Roo leaves nothing on the pitch as she leads FC Outback in a thrilling face-off against Bush United. Faced with a spider goalkeeper, snakes in attack and bubbling nerves, Luna must trust her skills and her teammates to soar to victory. Written by football veterans Adam Jackson and Adrian Lloyd, Luna Roo captures all...

Competition

Football

Humour

Rhyming Text