



St Walburga's Catholic Primary School



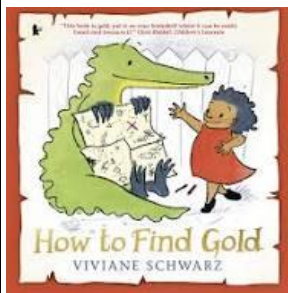
Reception - Recommended Reading



Reception recommended reading list

- Below is a list of our recommended reads for Reception. The children will be reading lots of brilliant books in school, but as always, reading at home is just as important, so if you are able to help your child read and enjoy some of these books, that would be great.
- This is not an exhaustive list, there are hundreds of wonderful books recommended for this age group, all of which provide quality reading material, exposing children to various genres and levels according to their interest and reading ability. The following websites offers plenty of other recommended reads for each year group, so please take a moment to peruse them when you can:
<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/>
<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/category/reading-lists-for-primary-school-pupils/>
- The Love reading website (<https://www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk/>) has lots of downloadable reading resources and is free to join. You will be able to find most recommended reads on Amazon, but we also want to encourage you to make use of local Libraries, which are a brilliant but often underused resource for our children.
- Many of the books on each list may be suitable for other year groups, so please feel free to branch out if this suit your child's needs.
- We have included both fiction and non-fictions books as part of the list. The non-fiction books have been chosen because they are linked to the topics the children will be studying in school.
- We hope this is a useful list and will help you and your child enjoy reading together!

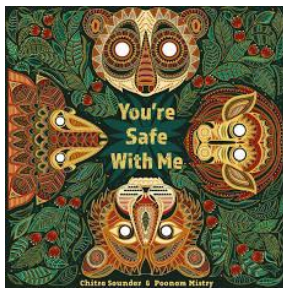
Fiction Books



How to Find Gold

By Viviane Schwarz

This is a story of imaginative play and of two friends, Anna and Crocodile, who are on the hunt for gold. But finding gold isn't easy. Oh no! It's dangerous and difficult and requires planning. First, they must master their secret-keeping faces. Then Anna must pick up Crocodile, to be sure she's strong enough to carry all the gold. Finally, they must draw the whole world together, with an X that marks the spot, before sailing off in their boat. What will the two friends discover?



You're Safe With Me

By Chitra Soundar and Poonam Mistry

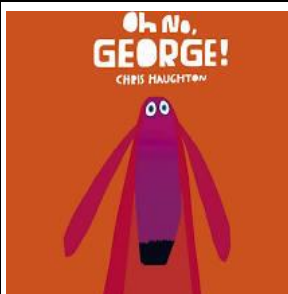
When the moon rises high and the stars twinkle, it is bedtime for the baby animals of the Indian forest. But tonight, when the skies turn dark and the night grows stormy, the little ones can't sleep. SWISH-SWISH! CRACK-TRACK! FLASH-SNAP! goes the storm. Only Mama Elephant with her words of wisdom can reassure them, You're safe with me.



Zim Zam Zoom

By James Carter

Sixteen poems to read out loud - perfect for sharing at home or at school. Want to travel in a rocket? Search for a grumpy dragon? Make your very own monster? Visit a higgledy-piggledy farm? Well, hop into Zim Zam Zoom - for fun and adventures galore! Colours, animals, space, music, fairytale fireworks...! Here is a collection of poems especially written for performance. With delightful illustrations by a talented new illustrator, this is a brilliant introduction to poetry for young children.



Oh No, George!

By Chris Haughton

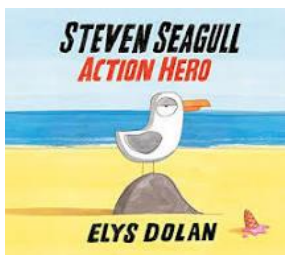
Bold, hilarious artwork captures the innocent charm of affable George, a dog who is trying to be good -- with disastrous results. George is a dog with all the best intentions. And his owner, Harry, has all the best hopes that George will be a well-behaved dog when he leaves him alone for the day. But when George spies a delicious cake sitting on the kitchen table, his resolve starts to waver. You see, George loves cake. . . . Uh-oh. What to do now? It's so hard to be a good dog when there are cats to chase and flowers to dig up! Whatever will Harry say when he gets back? Chris Haughton's fetchingly funny story and vibrant, retro illustrations are sure to lure dog lovers of all ages -- and anyone who has ever met a temptation too good to resist.



Billy and the Beast

By Nadia Shireen

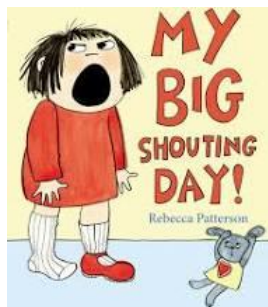
From the author of *Bumblebear*, comes a new heroine for our times. Introducing: Billy! Whilst on a lovely walk in the woods, Billy and her trusty sidekick Fatcat hear a terrible rumble... a terrible rumble coming from a Terrible Beast... He's making a Terrible Soup out of all of Billy and Fatcat's friends! Luckily, our brave heroine Billy has a trick or two up her sleeve (or in her hair). Join Billy on her mission to defeat the Terrible Beast (and save those adorable little bunny rabbits too).



Steven Seagull Action Hero

By Elys Dolan

Find out how Steven Seagull saves Beach City in this hilarious action-packed picture book from the creator of *Weasels*, Elys Dolan. The artwork is full of details for poring over time and time again. And you'll get to see sharks playing volleyball, a goldfish driving a speedboat, crabs building sandcastles . . . oh, and the most hilarious life-guard ever!



My Big Shouting Day

By Rebecca Patterson

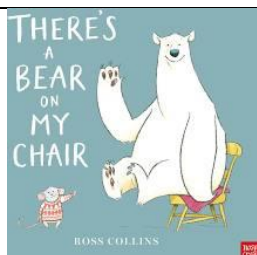
"Today I woke up and Bob was crawling around MY ROOM, licking MY JEWELLERY, so I shouted GET OUT OF MY ROOM! and that was the start of MY BIG SHOUTING DAY..." Bella is having one of those days - her biscuit is broken, she has a hurting foot and ballet is TOOOO itchy for words. All she can do is shout! But by the end of the day, when she's all tired out from being shouty, Bella knows there's one magic word and one magic mummy to make things better again...



Can I Be Your Dog?

By Troy Cummings

This picture book shares the tale of Arfy, a homeless mutt who lives in a box in an alley. Arfy writes to every person on Butternut Street about what a great pet he'd make. His letters to prospective owners share that he's house broken! He has his own squeaky bone! He can learn to live with cats! But, no one wants him. Won't anyone open their heart--and home--to a lonesome dog? Readers will be happily surprised to learn just who steps up to adopt Arfy.



There's a Bear On My Chair

By Ross Collins

Poor Mouse! A bear has settled in his favourite chair and it just isn't big enough for two. Mouse tries all kinds of tactics to move the pesky Bear but nothing works and poor Mouse gives up. Once Mouse has eventually gone, Bear gets up and walks home. But wait - is that a Mouse in Bear's house?!

