

World Book Day 2022

Red Hill Field Recommended Reads

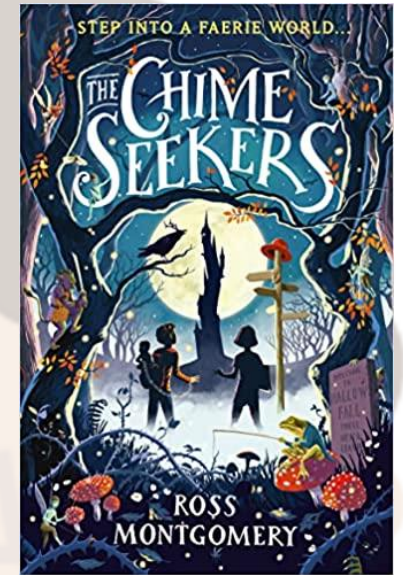
Mr Snelson's Choice

From an apparently normal beginning to a fantastical journey.

This is an intriguing story of magic, friendship and adventure. And possibly proof that little sisters aren't all bad!

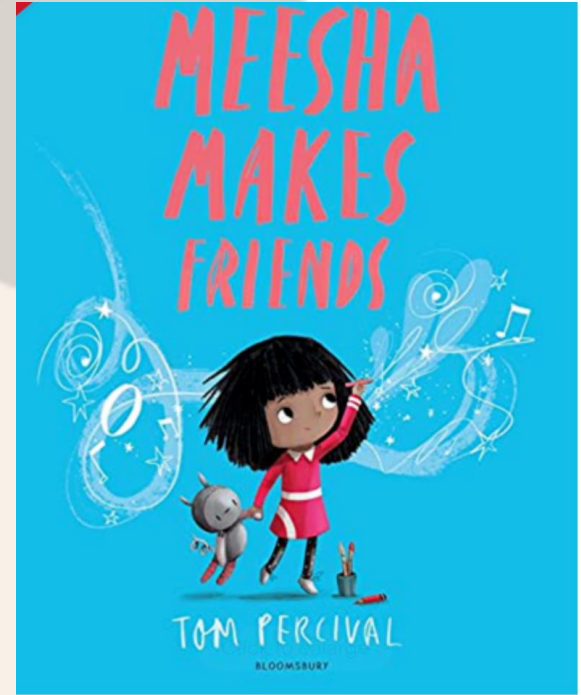
Yanni doesn't like his sister very much...but when an evil faerie steals her and swaps her for a changeling, Yanni is swept into a dangerous race against time to get her back. Faeries delight in mischief and tricks so rescuing her won't be easy.

With the help of his cousin, Amy, and the reluctant changeling, Yanni must travel to goblin palaces and battle-swept oceans, discovering ancient treasures and secrets along the way. Yanni will need every drop of courage and even a few tricks of his own, if he is to outwit the faerie king and save his sister...



Miss Langley's Choice

Meesha is a little girl who loves to make things but struggles to make friends. Meesha makes her own friends using paint, pencils and other craft supplies until one day something changes.... She meets Josh who is interested in what she is making. He asks Meesha if he can join in and make one. Surprisingly, Meesha finds a connection to making her first friend. Thanks to Josh being so encouraging and honest, Meesha knows exactly what to say and what to do when making new friends.

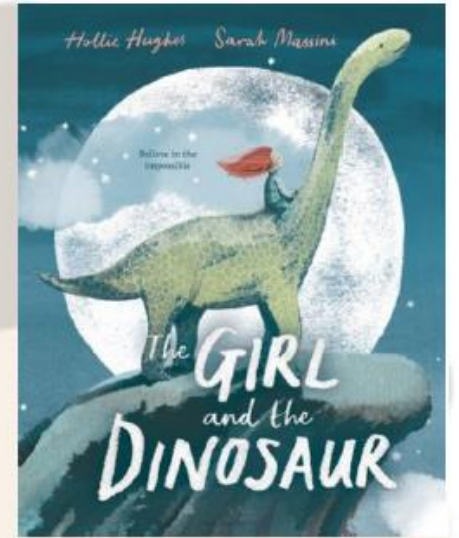


I like this story because it teaches us that friendship comes from shared interests. This is a lovely story that all ages will enjoy reading.



Mrs Sukennikova's Choice

This evocative, beautifully illustrated picture book celebrates one girl's limitless imagination.



*The wishing stars burn bright tonight, the air is thick with dreams
And a deeply sleeping dinosaur is waking up it seems . . .*

In a little town by the seaside, Marianne can often be found foraging on the beach. But she isn't playing with children her own age; instead Marianne is alone, digging for dinosaur bones. When she finds an entire skeleton, she names him Bony and vows to become his best friend.

That night, she goes to sleep wishing with all her heart that her dinosaur might come to life . . . and her wish comes true. Together, a girl and her dinosaur's adventures are only limited by their imagination.



Miss Warwick's Choice

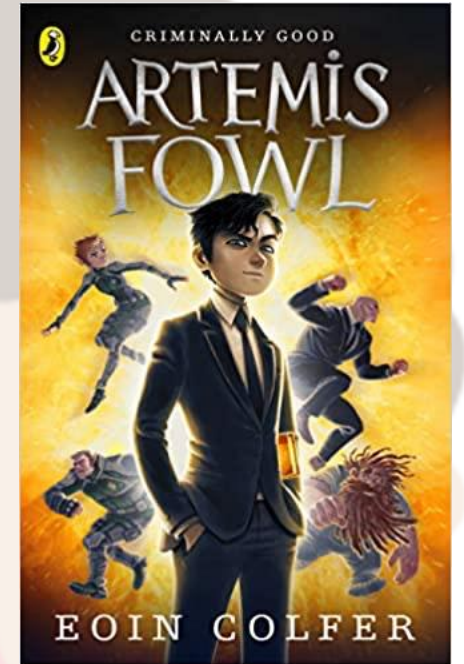
Introducing a 12-year-old evil genius! Artemis Fowl II

Fairies are real; and this anti-hero kidnaps Captain Holly Short of the fairy Lower Elements Police Recon unit (LEP recon) to ransom her for fairy gold. With the help of Butler, his trusty manservant they build the family's fortune and rescues his mother.

That just leaves one question, what can Artemis get up to behind his mother's back?

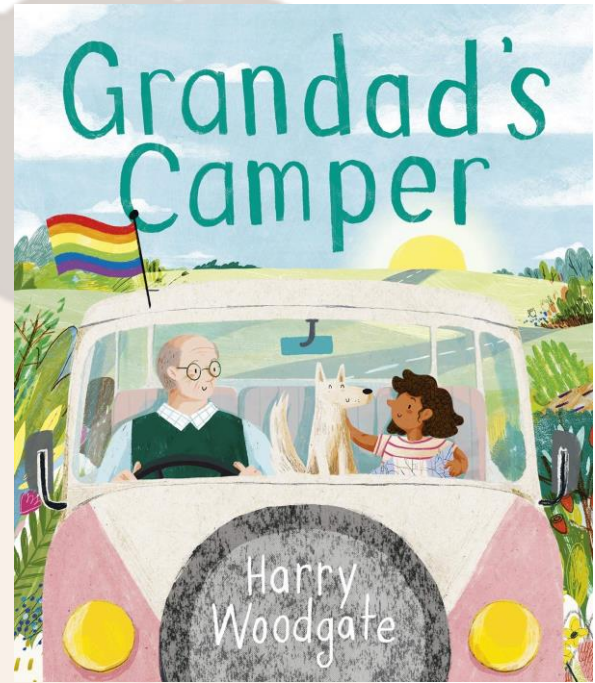
*If you enjoyed the film, **THIS** book is better!*

Happy Reading!



Miss Hall's Choice

A long time ago, Grandad and Gramps spent many happy days travelling the world together in a camper van. But now Gramps isn't around any more, Grandad doesn't feel much like having adventures. As she listens to his wonderful stories, Grandad's granddaughter has an idea to cheer him up...



A warm, colourful book spreading a positive message of inclusion and love. The story encapsulates adventure and having fun whilst you are young. If you like the sound of exploring in a 'home on wheels' then this is the book for you! You can join Gramps and Grandad on their beach bonfires, sandcastle competitions and city tours. This book also celebrates the pleasure of remembering those who have touched our lives. The illustrations are full of warmth, colour and joy, beautifully echoing the excitement of discovery and nature. Did you know that this book has been nominated for the **illustrated books shortlist**?

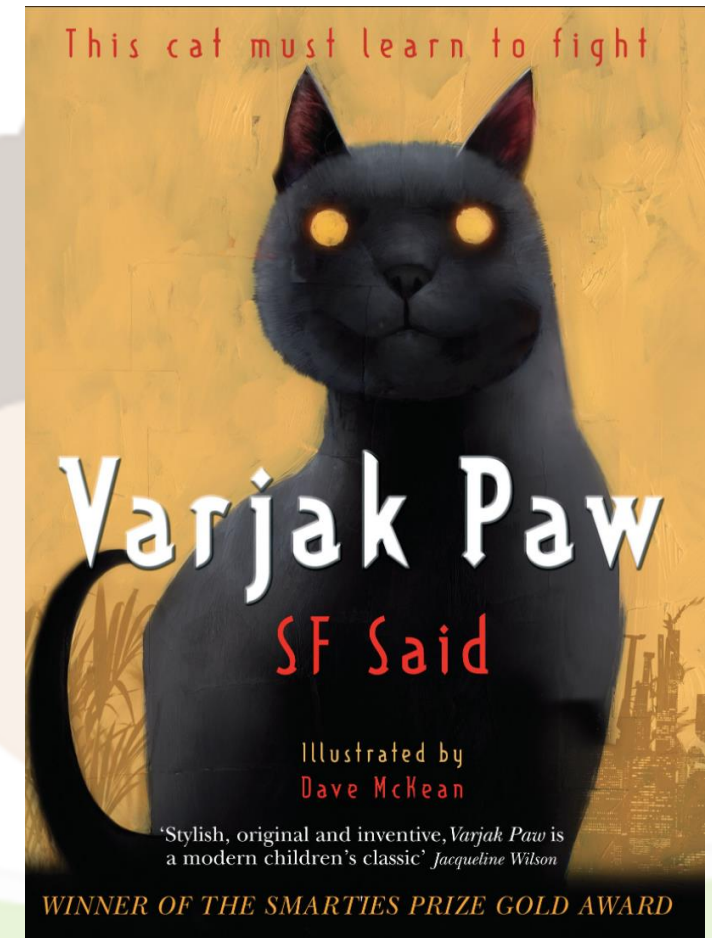


Mr Vella-Blake's Choice

From a comfortable, sheltered life to the tough city streets.

Varjak Paw must find inner strength to face this challenge in this adventure story.

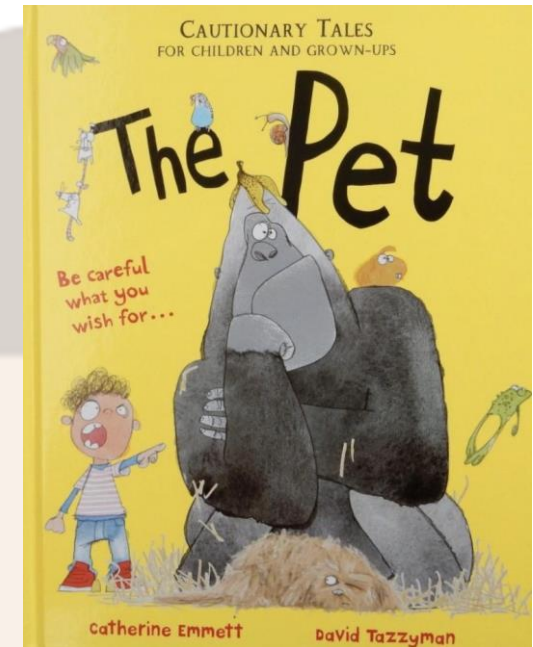
Varjak Paw is a Mesopotamian Blue cat from a large family that live contentedly inside the Contessa's large, grand house. Yet, when the Gentleman arrives with his odd black cats, Varjak and his grandfather the Elder Paw believe that something strange is going on. Having escaped the house, Elder Paw tells Varjak to leave and bring back a dog that will frighten away the Gentleman and his black cats. The thing is, Varjak has no street smarts, having been a house cat all his life – and no idea what a dog is either. Varjak must learn martial arts and become a fearsome warrior to protect himself from the street gang, run by the ruthless Sally Bones.



Mrs Page's Choice

A hilarious tale with a 'be careful what you wish for' message, especially if you wish for a gorilla and don't look after it properly

Digby David wants a pet, but not just any pet - it has to be TWICE as big as Reuben's guinea pig and even better than Lily Jean's cat. Digby David's Daddy does what he's told, and soon Digby has a guinea pig, which he loves with all his heart... for half a day. Digby demands bigger and better, Daddy's hair gets greyer and greyer, and when Digby's dog gets boring too, he insists Daddy buy him... a gorilla!



Mr Chilton's Choice

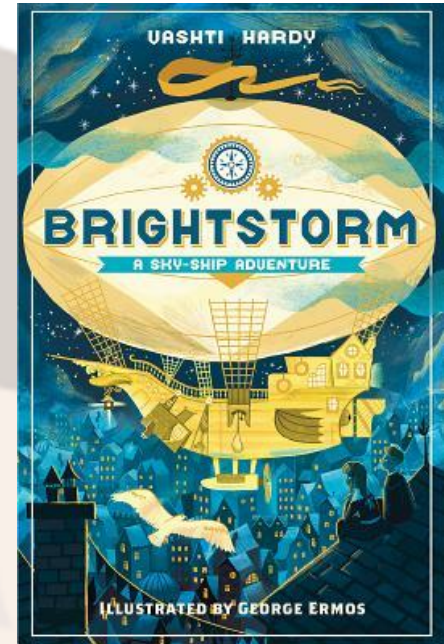
A fast-paced fantasy adventure that will set your imagination soaring!

Arthur and Maudie Brightstorm are devastated to learn that their famous explorer father has died in a failed attempt to reach South Polaris. Not only that, but he has been accused of stealing fuel before he died!

The twins don't believe the news, and they join the ragtag crew of the Aurora, a homemade sky-ship captained by the intrepid Harriet Culpepper. Arthur and Maudie race to South Polaris in hope of learning the truth ... and salvaging their family's reputation.

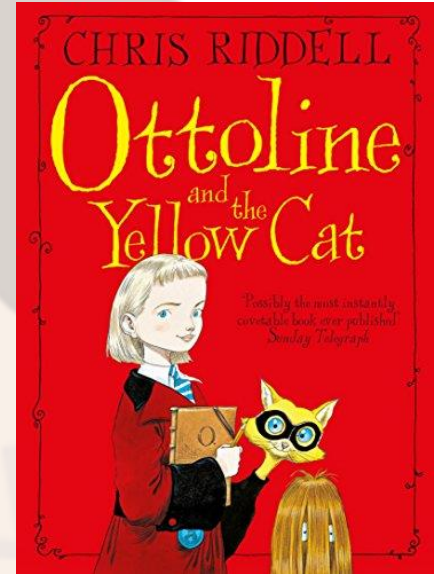
As the winged ship Aurora sets sail, the twins must keep their wits about them and prove themselves worthy of the rest of the crew.

But will Arthur and Maudie find the answers they seek?



Mrs Cumiskay's Choice

Ottoline lives in an apartment in Big City with a small hairy creature called Mr. Munroe. Together they look after the Brown family's eclectic collections - and dabble in a spot of detective work. So they are the first to the scene of the crime when a string of high-society dog-nappings and jewel thefts hits Big City. Ottoline (who luckily has a diploma from the Who-R-U Academy of Disguise) and Mr. Munroe go undercover - and expose an ingenious scam masterminded by furry feline crook, the Yellow Cat.



When I first started reading this book, I thought Ottoline and Mr. Munroe were a little strange but the more I read the book and found out about the characters the more I liked them particularly Mr. Munroe who never seems to say much but does all the work. The story is also told through black and white pictures which definitely help you follow the story and adds little extra funny random moments. I like Robert the mouse who lives in the apartment with them and the bear from Canada that isn't hibernating this year but living in Ottoline's basement. The bear also plays a part in capturing Yellow Cat.

If you read this book and like it there are four other books featuring Ottoline and Mr. Munroe.

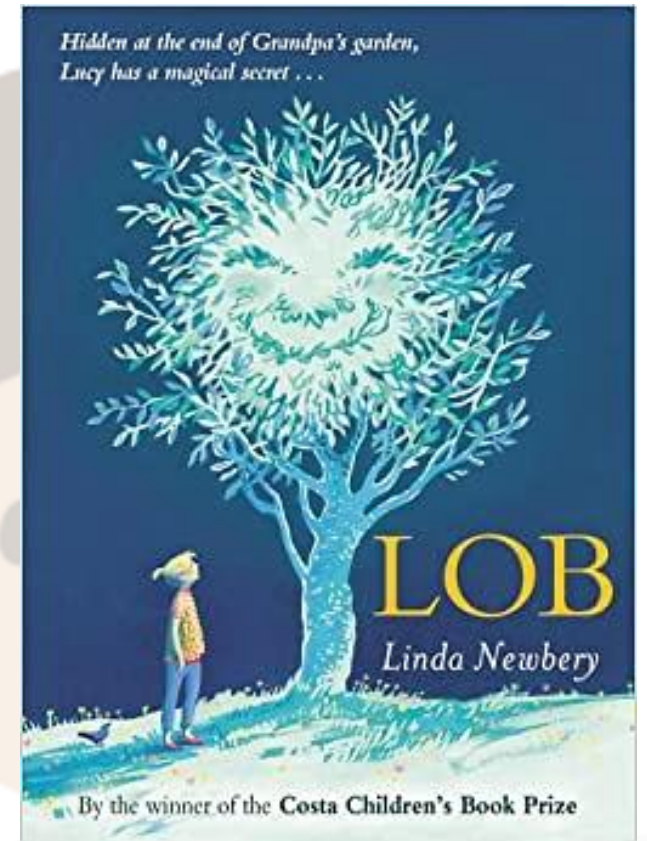


Miss Mehta's Choice

Stand quietly in a park, garden, or the woods one day. Listen! Watch! If you are one of the lucky ones, you will see him. Lob! A green man.

You have to be a special person to see Lob, that's what Grandpa Will says. Lucy's parents don't believe he exists, but Lucy does. And she's delighted when she finally catches sight of the Green Man in Grandpa's garden.

Then something awful happens, and Lucy feels that her life has turned upside-down. Back at home in London, she wonders whether she'll ever see Lob again. Will he come and find her?

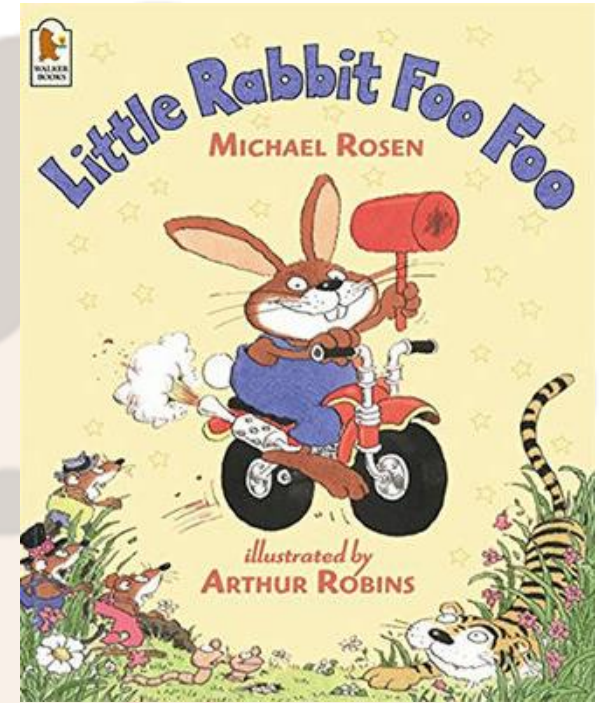


Mrs Hagger's Choice

He's wild, he's wicked, he's... Little Rabbit Foo Foo!

A rabbit rides through the forest on a motorbike, with a huge net, scooping up wriggly worms, tigers, and goblins and bopping them on the head!

Someone, however, **DOES NOT LIKE HIS ATTITUDE!** And swoops in to take control. Little Rabbit Foo Foo has three chances to change and if he does not, something terrible will befall him...

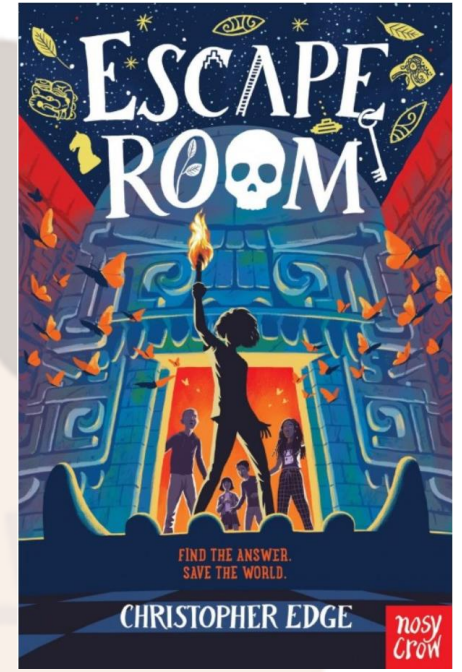


Mrs Combey's Choice

Find the answer. Save the world.

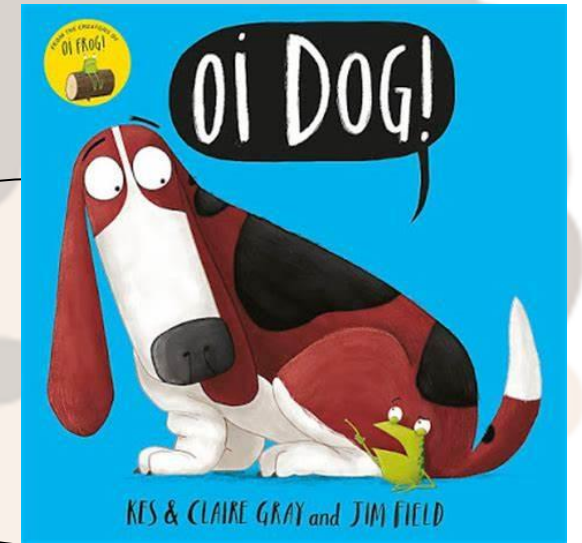
When Ami arrives at The Escape, she thinks it's just a game – the ultimate escape room with puzzles and challenges to beat before time runs out. But as the Host locks Ami and her teammates inside the first room, they quickly realise this is no ordinary game and the stakes are sky high...

Can Ami and her friends find the answer before it's too late?



Miss Seymour's Choice

This word-twisting, rhyme-busting story (a sequel to Oi Frog!) is beautifully written and drawn, packed with animals all sitting on things they rhyme with. There's something to enjoy on each page.



Frog is changing the rules... Dogs no longer sit on frogs. Phew! Dogs now sit on logs- and everyone else is going to have to have to sit somewhere different too.

Will cats want to sit on gnats?

Will dragons like sitting on wagons?

Will whales be happy to sit on nails?

And, most importantly, where is Frog going to sit?



Mrs Crooks' Choice

Lightning Never Strikes Twice, Does It?

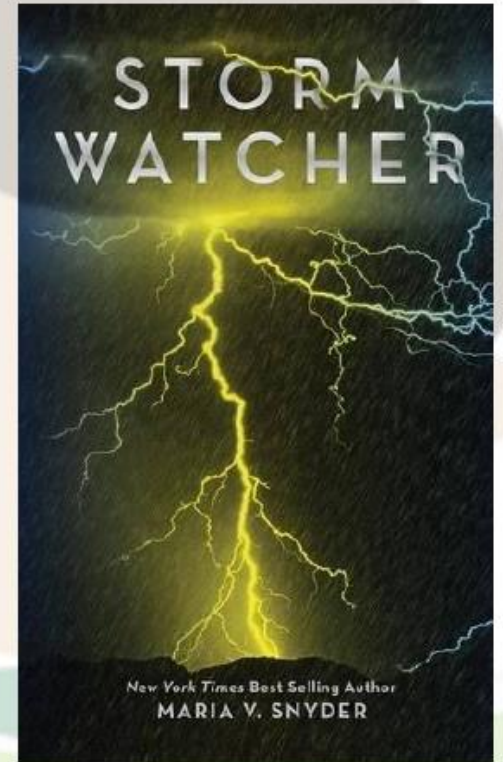
The youngest Son in a family of search-and-rescue dog trainers, Luke must face his deathly fear of storms to prove that he and the dog he's training belong in the family business.

Luke Riley is lost. His mother's recent death has set Luke and his family adrift. Even though his father, twin brothers, and their three Bloodhounds are search and rescue volunteers, they have been unable to rescue themselves and become a family again.

The summer after sixth grade looms in Luke's mind as a long, lonely three months where the only thing he can look forward to is watching The Weather Channel. Luke is fascinated with the weather, but since his mother's death in a storm, he is also terrified. Even the promised 13th birthday present of a Bloodhound puppy fails to lift Luke's spirits. He would rather have a different breed, but his father insists he get a Bloodhound.

Set with a purpose, Luke befriends the daughter of a dog breeder and together they work to get the Papillon puppy that we wants instead. Despite struggles with stubborn fathers, summer storms, unhelpful siblings, and hidden guilt, can one little white dog really save both families?

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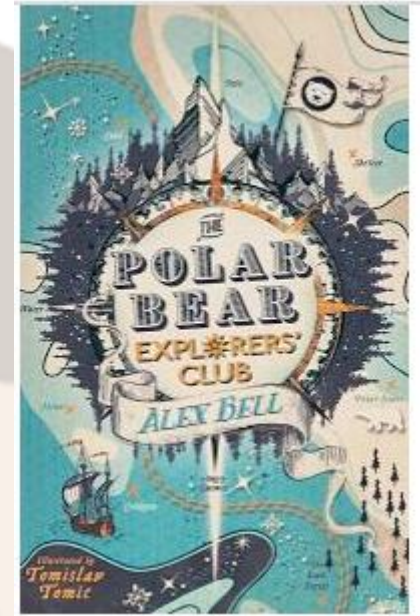
Mrs Watts' choice

Stella's adoptive father, Felix, is a member of The Polar Bear Explorers' Club, and Stella has always wanted to be an explorer as well. Technically girls aren't allowed to join The Club, but when the chance arises to join Felix, Stella is determined to prove she can be as good an explorer as anyone.

She soon finds herself on an expedition to find the coldest part of the Icелands. But it doesn't go to plan, as she and her fellow junior adventurers get separated from the group and have to find their way across the Icелands together. While the Icелands is full of incredible places and creatures to discover, it's equally full of danger.

Join Stella Starflake Pearl and her three fellow explorers as they trek across the snowy Icелands and come face-to-face with frost fairies, snow queens, outlaw hideouts, unicorns, pygmy dinosaurs and carnivorous cabbages.

It is a gripping tale of mystery and adventure with an ending that keeps you thinking...



Mr Hurst's Choice

“Just make a mark and see where it takes you.”

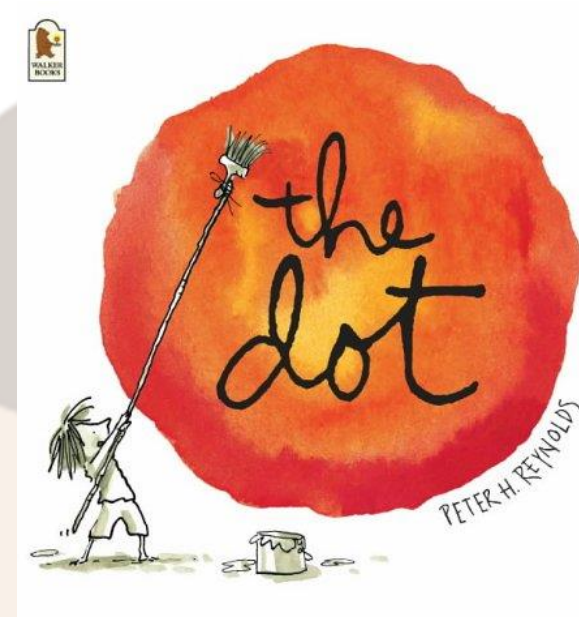
Have you ever felt that you ‘just can’t draw’?

Vashti feels the same way, but her teacher thinks she can. Her teacher knows that there’s a creative spirit in everyone, and where there’s a dot, there’s a way...

Full of colour, this book by Peter H. Reynolds is one of three inspirational stories that are great for people of any age.

If you have ever felt that you’re ‘not very good’ at drawing, painting or anything where you must express yourself, then this short book is well worth 5 minutes of your time.

‘the dot’ has a fantastic message of never giving up and that anyone can be creative if they put their mind to it. All it can take, is a single dot.



Mrs Chapman's Choice

Hilarious – Heartfelt – Adventure - theses three words really do sum up this book! The first in a fabulous trilogy centred on the Olympian gods - perfect for fans of Greek mythology!!

When Elliot wishes upon a star, he doesn't expect a constellation to crash into a dungheap on his family farm. The star is Virgo. She thinks she's perfect. Elliot doesn't. And together they release Thanatos, evil Daemon of Death ... epic fail. They need the King of the Gods and his noble steed but instead, they get a chubby Zeus and his high horse Pegasus. Are the Gods really ready to save the world? And is the world really ready for the Gods?

This books is an exciting, laugh-out-loud hilarious and highly-acclaimed *Percy Jackson*-esque adventure It was shortlisted for both the Waterstones Children's Book Prize and the Books Are My Bag Readers' Award.

