







Marymount Convent School
Recommended English Reading List
For Primary 2 Pupils

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is with great pleasure that we welcome your daughter to Primary Two! We look forward to helping your child continue to develop the skills and abilities that will enable her to become a successful, life-long learner.

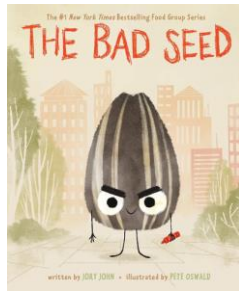
You are your daughter's first and most important teacher. Reading serves as the major foundational skill for all school-based learning. Helping your child develop into a proficient reader is a gift that will last a lifetime. These few, simple strategies and actions during the early months can make a significant difference in helping your child maintain and extend her literacy skills.

-  **Read aloud together with your daughter every day.**
-  **Take turns reading. Your daughter can read books to you, younger siblings, and older siblings.**
-  **Older siblings can take turns reading as well.**
-  **Read your daughter's favourite book over and over again.**
-  **Don't forget to pack a book wherever you go during the holidays.**
-  **Visit the public library regularly to borrow books that are not found in the school library.**

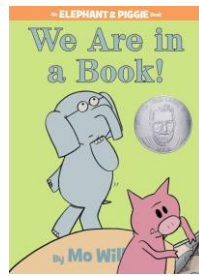
We hope this is the beginning of an enjoyable and enriching journey for your child and you!

Happy Reading!

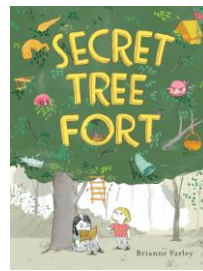
Picture Books



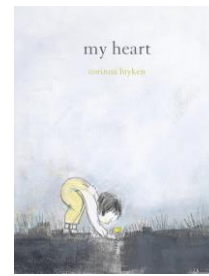
The Bad Seed
by Jory John



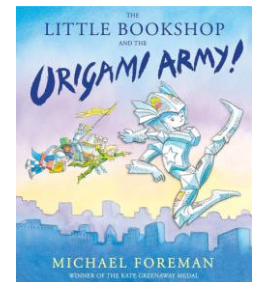
Elephant & Piggie
by Mo Willems



Secret Tree Fort
by Brianne Farley

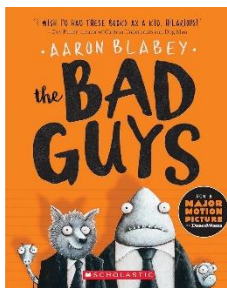


My Heart
by Corinna Luyken



The little bookshop and the origami army
by Michael Foreman

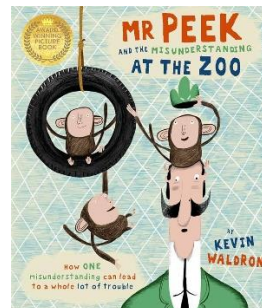
More Popular Picture Books



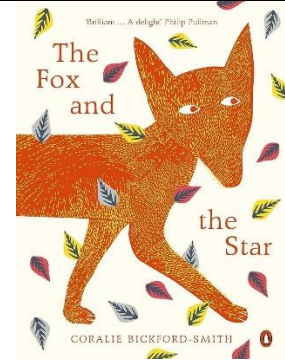
Bad guys and the
By Aaron Blabey



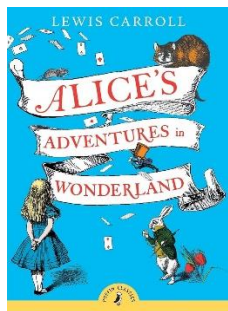
**The Prince and the Witch
Thief and the Bears**
by Alastair Chisholm



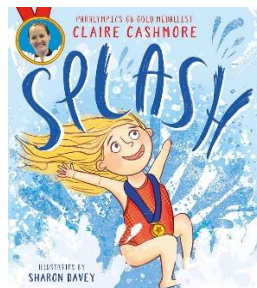
**Mr Peek and the
misunderstanding at the Zoo** by
Kelvin Waldron



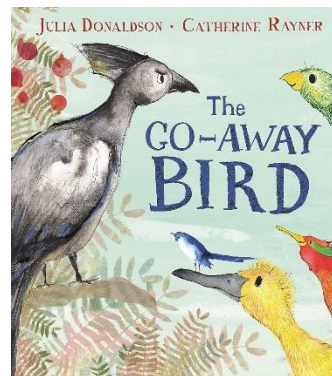
The Fox and The Star by
Coralie Bickford-Smith



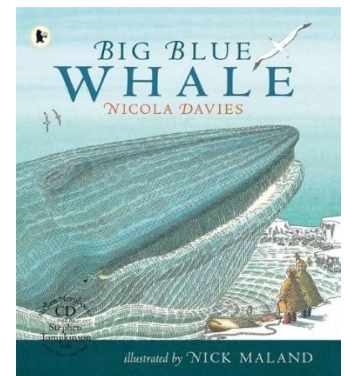
**Alice's Adventures
in Wonderland** by
Lewis Carroll



Splash by
Claire Cashmore



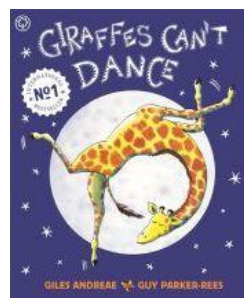
The Go-Away Bird by
Julia Donaldson



Big Blue Whale by
Nicola Davies



Twisted Fairy tale by Jo
Franklin



Giraffes Can't Dance by
Giles Andreae

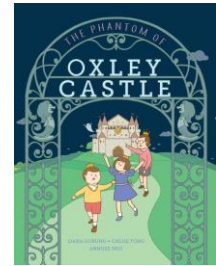
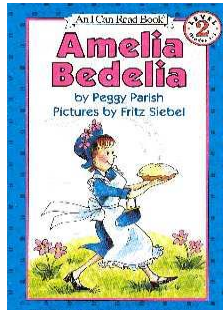
Beginning Reader Series

Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parrish

Junie B Jones by Barbara Park

Freckle Juice by Judy Blume

The Phantom of Oxley Castle by
Liana Gurung, Chloe Tong,
Angee Neo



Family Read-Alouds

The Keeping Quilt by Patricia Polacco

The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein

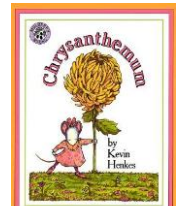
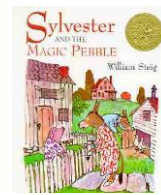
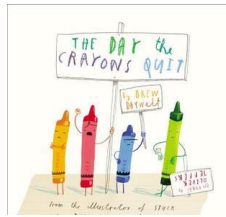
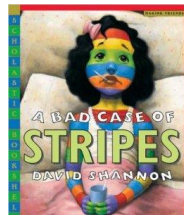
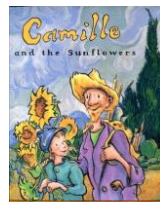
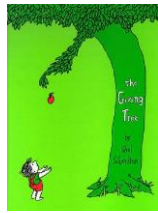
Camille and the Sunflowers by L Anholt

Bad case of Stripes by David Shannon

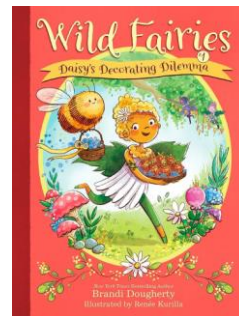
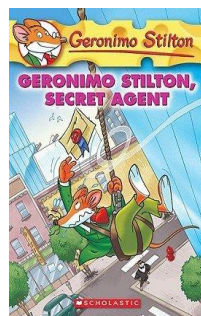
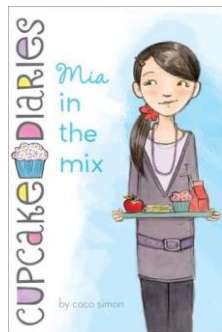
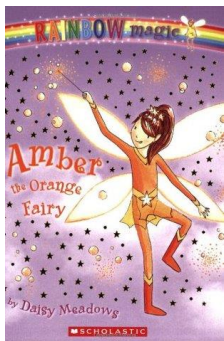
The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt

Sylvester and the Magic Pebble by William Steig

Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes



For Intermediate Readers



Rainbow Magic series

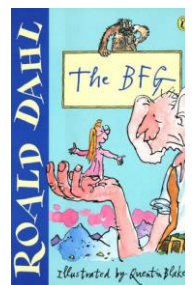
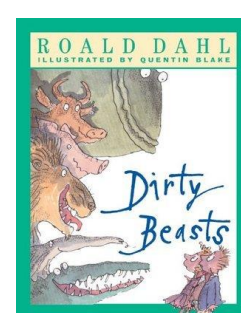
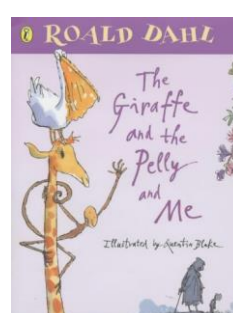
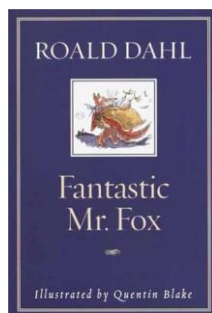
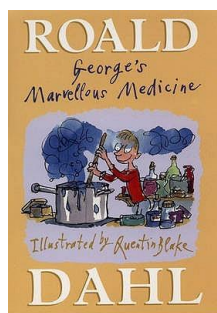
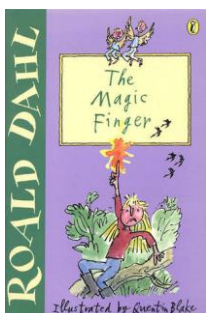
Cupcake Diaries

Geronimo Stilton

Wild Fairies

Sherlock Holmes

Books by Roald Dahl



The Magic Finger

George's Marvellous
Medicine

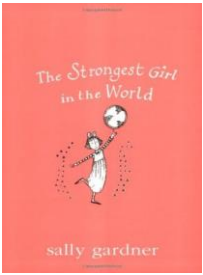
Fantastic Mr. Fox

The Giraffe and the
Pelly and Me

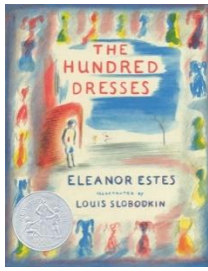
Dirty Beasts

The BFG

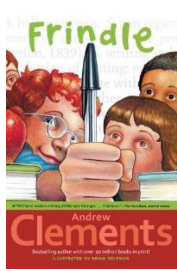
For Advanced Readers



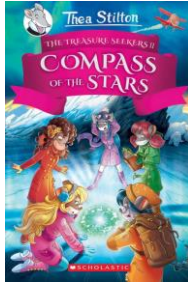
The Strongest Girl in the World by Sally Gardner



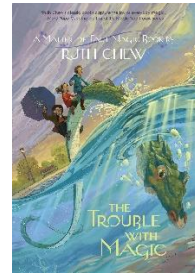
The Hundred Dresses by Eleanor Estes



Frindle by Andrew Clements

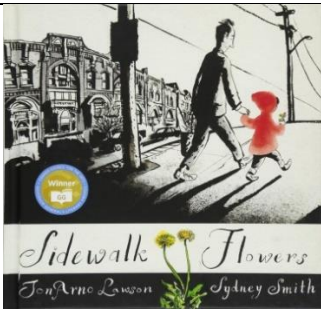


Thea Stilton series by Elisabetta Dami



The Trouble with Magic by Ruth Chew

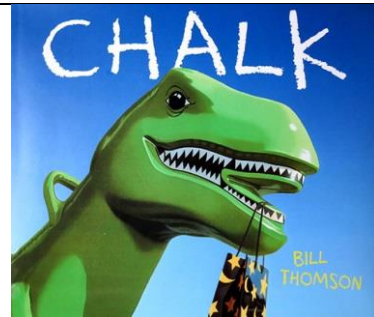
Wordless Books



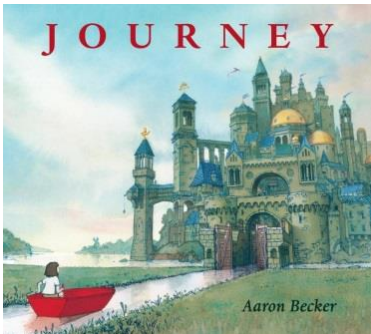
Sidewalk Flowers by Jon Arno Lawson



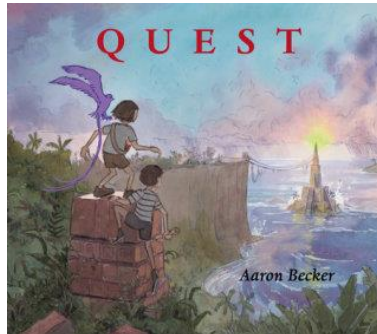
Stuck by Oliver Jeffers



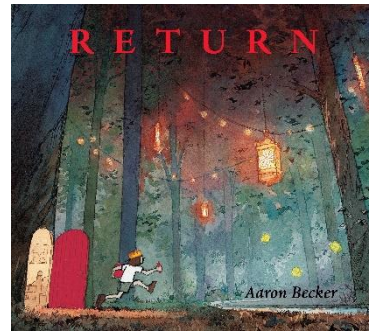
Chalk by Bill Thomson



Journey by Aaron Becker



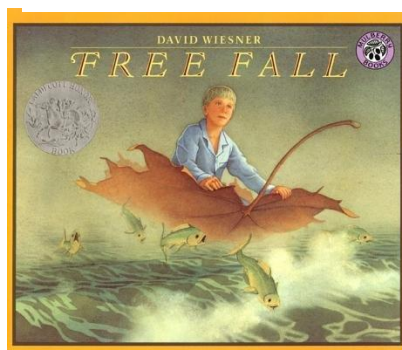
Quest by Aaron Becker



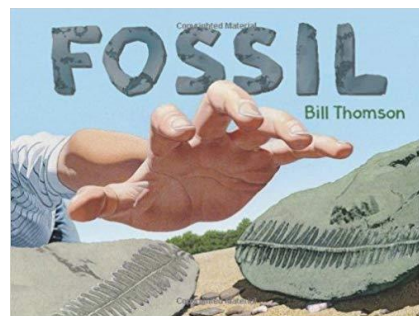
Return by Aaron Becker



Zoom by Istvan Banyai








Free Fall by David Wiesner



Fossil by Bill Thomson

Wordless picture books are told entirely through their illustrations. Sharing wordless books with a child enables her to listen and speak, and create her own story in her own words.

Some tips for sharing wordless picture books with a child:

-  **Recognize that there are no "right" or "wrong" ways to read a wordless book.**
-  **Spend time looking at the cover and talking about the title of the book. Predict what the story is about.**
-  **Enjoy the illustrations. Look carefully at the expressions on characters' faces, the setting and the use of colour. Talk to each other about the pictures.**
-  **Encourage your child to "read" you the book with her story. Focus on the words your child uses when she tells the story.**
-  **Expand her sentences or thoughts by encouraging her to add information from the illustration's details. Use "W" questions: Who? Where? When? Why?**