

## Brookland Infant and Nursery School Recommended Booklist for FS (Nursery and Reception)

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Eco Girl Ken Wilson-Max	Eco Girl Author: Ken Wilson-Max	Eve loves all the trees in the forest near her home. She feels their magic, but her favourite is the Baobab tree. If only she could talk to the trees! Then, on a birthday visit to Grandma, deep in the forest, Eve gets a magical surprise. What could it be? It's something that Eve must take care of, something that will connect her for ever with the forest she loves. Happy birthday, Eco Girl!
I Like Trains Daisy Hirst	I Like Trains  Author: Daisy Hirst	I like trains. I like playing with my train. I like putting all the animals on board so they can go off on a journey.  Small Dog loves trains. Playing with them, reading about them, drawing them and pretending to be the driver. But the best thing of all is going on a real train — looking at everything whoosh past the window! But who is Small Dog going to see?
BARBARA THROWS A WOBBLER NADIA SHIREEN	Barbara Throws a Wobbler Author: Nadia Shireen	Barbara is having one of those days. She has a sock problem <i>and</i> there's a strange pea. Then, all of a sudden, Barbara's Wobbler is out of control! But what happens when a bad mood like this comes along? Barbara has a lot to learn about the ways of wobblers in this laugh-out-loud story from Nadia Shireen.
Caterpillar  CAKE  PERO-ALOUP POEMS TO BRIGHTEN YOUR OAP  Matt Coordiellou  Matt Coordiellou  Krins Patel-Sage	Caterpillar Cake Author: Matt Goodfellow	The tuneful, witty and warm poems that form this collection are perfect for reading aloud and joining in with. Assisted by Patel-Sage's exuberant illustrations, Goodfellow's poetry opens up a range of imaginative possibilities: the power of poetry to capture and reflect a child's everyday experiences, from splashing in the sea to stroking a "furry, purry cat"; how to use poetry to express one's personal thoughts, feeling and emotions; and how to really play with and get involved with the inner workings of language.
WE'RE GOING TO FIND THE MONSTER!	We're Going to Find the Monster! Author: Malorie Blackman	Join two intrepid adventurers as their imaginations transform their house into a wild wonderland - and their big brother becomes a mighty monster. A joy to read-aloud with its cumulative refrain, and full of funny, relatable characters, this is a contemporary celebration of creativity, fantasy and family.

JABARI TRIES Gaia Cornwall THE CREATUR OF AMARIT SOURS	Jabari Tries  Author: Gaia Cornwall	Jabari is determined to invent a machine all by himself that will fly right across his back garden. He consults books, finds out about inventors and inventions and makes careful plans but he just can't quite make it work. Then his dad suggests that partnering with his little sister Nika might help and together they produce a feat of engineering. Advice from dad about dealing with feelings of frustration plays an important part too.
Bloom.  Anna Brith.  Rolga billom: Corn.	Bloom Author: Anne Booth	A girl stops every day to admire and talk to a flower growing beside a big colourful house close to a grey block of flats. The man in the house shouts at her and so she doesn't stop by any more. He can't understand why the flower no longer blooms even though he waters it, makes sure it has enough shade and talks to it. But maybe it's what he says and how he says it that is the problem
Our Favourite Day  Joewon Oh	Our Favourite Day Author: Joowon Oh	Readers follow an elderly man through his daily routine, greeting those he knows and observing his local surroundings. When it gets to Thursday, he stops to get some special supplies from the craft shop as this is the day of week he welcomes his granddaughter. The collage illustrations incorporating dialogue in speech balloons are as carefully crafted as the art they make together and as delicious as the dumplings they share.
Let's Get a PUP!  BOB GRAHAM  BOB GRAHAM	"Let's Get a Pup!" Author: Bob Graham	Kate and her mum and dad go to the rescue centre to choose a puppy. They come home with small and excitable Dave. However, they can't forget Rosy who was 'old and grey and broad as a table', and the next day they rush back to get her as well!
Please, Mr Magic Fish, Dessica Souhami	Please, Mr Magic Fish! Author: Jessica Souhami	Fisherman Jack is astounded when a fish he catches promises to grant his dearest wish if he frees him from the net. Jack relates the incident to his wife, Liz, and they return to the sea ask the fish for a better home than the one in which they live. However, they are quickly dissatisfied and their requests become increasingly demanding leading to sorry consequences – but are they?
Im a Girl!  yesnun Imul  Barrier  Imul	I'm a Girl!  Author: Yasmeen Ismail	A rabbit rushes through life, confounding gender stereotypes with her boisterous behaviour. When people assume she's a boy, she repeatedly declares 'I'm a girl!'. Eventually she makes friends with a boy who is equally at ease with his own individuality.

WHEN IT RAINS Rassi Nanka	When It Rains Author: Rassi Narika	Kira has always felt gloomy whenever it rains. She can't read outside, can't play in the park, and has to wear all her thickest clothes. Then one day her friends Ana and Ilo ask her to join them on an adventure outside during another downpour. Kira discovers the joy of all the things that happen outside when it rains from the new friends she makes, to the umbrellas on the streets, to the thrill of lightning, and finally, the warmth found at the end of each rainfall.
This Is OUT HOUSE  MICHAEL ROSEN BOB GRAHAM	This Is Our House  Author: Michael Rosen	George has a house made out of a cardboard box which all the other children want to share. However, George is determined to keep the house to himself and finds all sorts of spurious reasons why they can't come in. Eventually nature calls and George must leave his precious house to answer it
PUFFIN BOOK OF AST NURSERY Rhymes	The Puffin Book of Nursery Rhymes Author: Raymond Briggs	A revised edition of the classic <i>Mother Goose Treasury</i> . All the well-known rhymes are here as well as some less often recited. Raymond Briggs has described nursery rhymes as 'rough, tough and earthy' and his illustrations reflect their origins in the lives of ordinary working people. An important early introduction to poetry.
Pirate Tree	The Pirate Tree  Author: Brigita  Orel	Sam won't let Agu play with her in the tree which has become a pirate ship in her imaginative games, saying "I don't know you. You're not from my street." Then he reveals a fact in response to something he hears her say which rouses her curiosity and leads to a new friendship as they begin to play together and subtly develop new understandings.
Hello, friend!	Hello, friend!  Author: Rebecca Cobb	A warm and sociable little girl describes how much she enjoys the company of a boy in her class at school. However, the pictures reveal him to be reserved and reluctant to join in and play despite her enthusiasm. Gradually he overcomes his anxieties and their continuing friendship seems assured, enabling them both to extend this to another child who seems lonely and left out.
ROBY'S SWORD	Ruby's Sword  Author: Jacqueline Véissid	Ruby finds a stick that can be used in her imaginative games. The stick becomes a sword that fulfils many functions from fighting dragons to providing a prop for holding up a 'magnificent castle' that Ruby constructs with her brothers to whom she has 'granted' swords.

JUIAN IS A JERMAD  Restaura set einer besser's  The finite Time  Jessica Love  ALPHONSE;  THERE'S AUD-1  COLUMN THE  CEILING!	Julian is a Mermaid  Author: Jessica Love  Alphonse, There's Mud on the Ceiling!	Captivated by the sight of three women dressed as mermaids he sees on the train, Julian declares to his Nana that he is a mermaid too. While Nana takes a bath, Julian creates his own mermaid costume, and then the pair of them join a joyous parade of people dressed as sea creatures.  Alphonse and Natalie live in a flat on the seventh floor. Despite the limitations of space, they indulge in a range of imaginative play activities. However, Natalie in particular yearns for wildness and their
Daisy Hirst	Author: Daisy Hirst	Dad widens their horizons by taking them to the local park.
DON'T WORK, LITTLE CRAB GRIS HAUGHTEN	Don't Worry, Little Crab Author: Chris Haughton	Very Big Crab is taking Little Crab out of the safety of the tiny rockpool where they live into the sea for the first time. Little Crab is excited but when he encounters the huge waves he feels overwhelmed. With Very Big Crab's encouragement, Little Crab's courage builds and he is able to take the plunge and explore the wonderful underwater world.
ASTRO GIRL	Astro Girl  Author: Ken Wilson-Max	Astrid wants to be an astronaut. Her dad tells her all the things she will need to do if she becomes one and her strong self-belief in her abilities is joyfully apparent. Then it's time to go and meet Astrid's mum from work and we discover who has inspired her to have this ambition.
RUBYS WORRY TOM FERCIVAL	Ruby's Worry  Author: Tom Percival	Ruby is a happy little girl, content with exploring the world around her, until one day she discovers a Worry. The nature of Ruby's Worry is never disclosed, suffice it to say it grows and grows, as she internalises it and doesn't confide her concerns.
MY VERY FIRST MOTHER GOOSE  GOOSE  TOTAL OPIL  WANTED BY  ROSEMARY WELLS	My Very First Mother Goose Author: Iona Opie	The rhymes is this collection were chosen by a foremost chronicler of the oral lore of children. The large pages and generously sized typeface make it perfect for sharing with small groups.

Loves Library Day	Luna Loves Library Day  Author: Joseph Coelho	Luna loves visiting the library. She and her dad enjoy browsing and choosing a variety of books and checking them out. On this occasion they find books about dinosaurs, bugs, performing magic tricks and about the place where dad grew up. They sit in the big library chair and read a fairy tale together about a troll king and a mermaid queen and there's a bonus that the story they read is inserted for us to share and enjoy too.
JABARI JUMPS Gaia Cornwall	Jabari Jumps Author: Gaia Cornwall	Jabari is going to the swimming pool with his dad and little sister. He has decided that today he will jump from the diving board for the first time. When he starts to climb the ladder, though, he begins to wonder if it is such a good idea.
THERE'S A TIGER IN THE GARDEN	There's a Tiger in the Garden Author: Lizzy Stewart	Children seeing animals or imaginary friends that are invisible to adults is a recurrent theme in children's literature. Here the tables are turned as Grandma urges Nora to go outside and see the tiger in her garden. Nora is sceptical but when she and her toy giraffe Jeff start to explore, they are amazed at what they find.
DOUBLE TROUBLE FOR ANNA HIBISCUSI	Double Trouble for Anna Hibiscus Author: Atinuke	This third picture book about Anna Hibiscus and her family in Africa begins with a picture showing someone arriving at a house during the night with a bag. What is happening? Morning comes and Anna Hibiscus is wakened by her father with the news that her twin brothers have been born. She tries to get the attention of various members of her family but all are too busy or too tired due to the babies' arrival. At first Anna Hibiscus declares 'it's not fair!' but soon discovers that everyone is her family is warmly welcome and that love can be shared.
ZGOMI ZAMP FORMS TO READ OUT COID  JANES CARTER BYTCHES BYTCHE	Zim Zam Zoom!  Author: James Carter	This poetry picture book is perfectly pitched for the young listener or early reader. Rhythmically pleasing to the ear, the poems ask to be read aloud and provide plenty of opportunities for joining in. The poems are patterned yet playful, familiar yet surprising. 'Hey, Let's Go!' revisits well known fairy tales in a series of rhyming couplets while the story of Three Billy Goats is set to a rap rhythm in 'Grump, Grump, Grump!'. 'Have You Met a Wolf?' builds tension by putting the emphasis on different words in a repeated phrase. 'Lullaby for a Woolly Mammoth' is designed to be sung to a familiar tune and it will be impossible to resist raising your voice for a rousing rendition 'Splish, Splash! Splosh!'.

The Everywhere Bear	The Everywhere Bear Author: Julia Donaldson	The Everywhere Bear belongs to Class One and the children take it in turns to take him home for the weekend. Then one day, the beloved bear falls out of new boy Matt's bag and a hazardous journey ensues until he is returned to Class One in satisfactory circumstances.
How to Find a Fruit Bat  Mathele Rollinson & Larent Tobis	How to Find a Fruit Bat  Author: Michelle Robinson	What do you do if you're not too keen on eating fruit? An amiable voice suggests a solution – go and find a fruit bat! You'll need to make a plan and take a long journey but in the end you're sure to find a friendly fruit bat and maybe you'll discover that fruit is enjoyable after all.
GREAT BIG CUDDLE POINS FOR THE VIEY YOUNG	A Great Big Cuddle Author: Michael Rosen	Subtitled 'Poems for the Very Young', this is a collection children can have fun and identify with, enabling them to see the point of poetry.
A Brave Bear	A Brave Bear Author: Sean Taylor	A small bear leads the way having suggested to dad that it would be a good idea to go to the river on a very hot day. Dad encourages his offspring's independence whilst keeping close enough for help and protection when necessary.
BLUE PENGUIN Petr Horáček	Blue Penguin Author: Petr Horáček	Blue Penguin is not accepted by his community because he looks different from them. In his lonely dreams he envisions a white whale which moves him to make up a song. Its spiritual quality leads Blue Penguin to friendship and the inspiration to create a new song that everyone can share.
BIRD  ALEXIS DEACON	Croc and Bird  Author: Alexis  Deacon	Croc and Bird hatch out from eggs lying side by side on the sand and assume that they are brothers. They nurture and shelter each other but the day comes when they realise that they are not brothers after all. Will they follow nature's course or allow the behaviour they have learned from each other and the interdependency of their early lives to influence what happens?

SPLASIC. ANNA HIBISOUS! ATTRICE 1-1 Affect TO ALL OLIVER JEFFERS	Splash, Anna Hibiscus! Author: Atinuke  The Way Back Home	Anna Hibiscus, is a child of dual heritage, who lives in Africa with her extended family. The whole family is at the beach and Anna is desperate 'to splash in the laughing waves'. She wants to share this experience but everyone is busy and none of her family responds to her repeated entreaties to join her. At last, irrepressible Anna takes matters into her own hands and soon the whole family is rushing to join in the fun.  A delightful story about an Earth boy and a Martian who both crash land on the moon. They co-operate
BACK HOME	Author: Oliver Jeffers	to find solutions so that they can both return to their homes in their respective craft. The joke of it is, the Earth boy has to return home by other means to collect the things they need to effect the repairs & then return to the moon to help his new friend.
Hooray for Fish!	Hooray for Fish! By Lucy cousins	Meet Little Fish and all his fishy friends in this splishy-sploshy riot of colour and rhyme under the sea.
Happy Birthday Maisy  Lift the flap! Pull the toba!	Happy Birthday Maisy  Author: Lucy Cousins	Maisy's having a birthday party and there are lots of fun things to do. Lift the flaps, pull the tabs and watch her open her presents, play party games and blow out the candles on her cake. You can even join in singing "Happy Birthday" to Maisy!
BROWN the THING	Emily Brown and the Thing  Author: Cressida Cowell	Emily and Stanley find a 'Thing' crying outside their house. They embark on a series of adventures to find everything he needs for a good night's sleep but nothing seems to work. What is troubling the Thing, and why can't he get to sleep?
Adataghh. Spider	Aaaarrgghh, Spider! Author: Lydia Monks	A friendly spider is keen to ingratiate herself as a potential pet for a family she has selected. She demonstrates her superior qualities by showing how she can dance, keep clean and find her own food, but the family's response is a refrain of "Aaaarrgghh, Spider!" "Out you go!". However, when she is outside they see her most special skill of all – the ability to spin beautiful sparkly webs, and decide that the spider would be a welcome pet, after all. A humorous denouement follows.

ANNA HIBISCUS SONG ATHIUKE # LAUBEN TOBIA	Anna Hibiscus' Song Author: Atinuke	Anna Hibiscus is a small girl of dual heritage with a happy heart living with a large and loving family in Africa. She asks each member of her extended family what she should do because she feels so happy and she weaves their various responses into a song. The location of the mango tree from which Anna surveys her world is non-specific but the endpapers of the book depict an urban environment by day and night, a contrast to picture books which frequently depict only the rural landscapes of Africa.
Avocado Baby	Avocado Baby Author: John Burningham	Baby power is something that exerts itself in all families - but in this picture book Burningham has used exaggeration to make his point with humorous effect. Eating an avocado suddenly turns a weedy infant into a menacing force - so Avocado Baby can push the family car, chase a burglar and put bullies to flight in the park.
The Gigantic Turnip  Alekaei Tolotoy Numb Shurkey	The Gigantic Turnip  Author: Aleksei Tolstoy	Niamh Sharkey's highly original illustrations, with their use of angles and circles, make this an exciting new interpretation of a well-known story. The text includes an interesting counting element, and some use is made of shaping the typeface to accentuate the meaning of certain words.
John Hegley- Neal Layton  STANLEY  STICK	Stanley's Stick Author: John Hegley	Stanley's stick is his constant companion, a toy with which he creates 'game after sticky game.' The endless uses to which he puts this natural object are wittily and affectionately described in often alliterative and always playful prose, the humour reflected in the collage illustrations.
Naughty Bus by Jan and Jayour	Naughty Bus  Author: Jan and Jerry Oke	An eye-catching picture book using photographs to depict a child's imaginative game as he plays with the present of a toy London bus. The bus has a multitude of adventures, including speeding through a plate of beans and falling into the garden pond. The text mimics a child's descriptive dialogue as he plays, switching between the words of the bus and the child himself.
PEEPO!  Janet & Allan Ahlberg	Peepo! Author: Janet & Allan Ahlberg	A wonderfully entertaining picture book which uses the peephole in the page to take the reader both on to the next opening and back to the one before. The text is in easy-to-read rhyme

Riding Hood	Little Red Riding Hood Author: Lari Don	In this version Red Riding Hood gets eaten as well as grandma and it is a hunter rather than a woodcutter that rescues them. The pictures show our heroine to be a determined little dame, from her facial expression on the front cover onwards, who is not afraid to step from the forest path to pick flowers or sew up a wolf's belly full of stones.
Bog Baby  **Fernanc Willis ** Gwen Millward	The Bog Baby Author: Jeanne Willis	One Spring, two girls find a creature in a pond. They nurture and care for it but gradually the bog baby sickens and the children have to ask their mother, from whom they have kept it a secret, for help. The response they get is unexpected and the story ends with a delightful revelation of interaction between children and bog babies continuing through the generations.
RHINOS DON'T EAT PANCAKES  FROM THE CHARGE OF DOOR TO MALET  ATTACK AND A SATE OF THE CHARGE OF THE	Rhinos Don't Eat Pancakes Author: Anna Kemp	Daisy's parents just don't listen to her so when she tells them that a purple rhino has taken up residence and is eating up the pancakes, they just humour her and take her to the zoo to see a 'real' rhino. The discovery they make when they get there leads to changes in their relationship with their daughter.
STOMP CHOMP BIG BIG ROARS! HERE COME TWE DINOSAURS! EVEL DIMASCY INCC SIARRAT!	Stomp, Chomp, Big Roars! Here Come the Dinosaurs!  Author: Kaye Umansky	Huge dinosaurs in luminous colours stomp, chomp and romp across the pages of this picture book of poems which can quickly be memorised. The poems are short and lively with dynamic rhythms, sometimes substituting dinosaur lyrics for those of well known rhymes: 'One, two,/Three, four, five,/Five fat dinosaurs/Take a dive'.
Puffin Peter	Puffin Peter  Author: Petr Horáček	'Two little dicky birds' Peter and Paul are separated during a big storm. Peter searches for his friend over oceans and on islands, his epic journey depicted in glowing mixed media illustrations. He describes Paul to each successive creature that he meets but never thinks to mention the obvious fact which would help others to identify him.
AUGUSTUS AND HIS SMILE	Augustus and his Smile Author: Catherine Rayner	Augustus the tiger believes he has lost his smile so he sets off to find it. His search takes him to 'the tops of the tallest trees', over mountains and to the bottom of the ocean. When finally he finds it, he realises it was there all along.
mus possessor Laber mones  What the  Lacybird  Heard	What the Ladybird Heard  Author: Julia Donaldson	In this clever plotted rhyming tale, a ladybird overhears a secret plan to steal the prize cow. Through team work and communication the animals work together to foil the burglars and save the cow.

The Tiger Who Came to Tea  Judith Kerr	The Tiger Who Came to Tea  Author: Judith Kerr	If you let a Tiger into the house and invite him to stay for tea – as Sophie did – what is more natural than that he will eat you out of house and home and in addition drink all the water from the tap? With the inevitable consequence that when Dad comes home the whole family has to go out to a cafe to eat.
A Splendid Friend, Indeed	A Splendid Friend, Indeed Author: Suzanne Bloom	An ebullient goose makes energetic efforts to get the attention of a stolid polar bear who prefers reading, writing and thinking in a solitary fashion. Eventually he is won over by the effervescent goose who shows him ways of embracing these activities together.
George and the DRAGON	George and the Dragon  Author: Chris Wormell	'Far, far away in the high, high mountains in a deep, deep valley in a dark, dark cave there lived a mighty dragon.' So begins the tale of a dragon and his fierce and ferocious exploits. However, he has one fatal flaw – he is afraid of mice! One day a mouse called George arrives in the next door cave and pays a neighbourly call.
CAN'T YOU SLEEP, LITTLE BEAR? 25  Martin Waddell Barbara Firth	Can't You Sleep, Little Bear? Author: Martin Waddell	A perfectly modulated story and picture exploration of Little Bear's fear of the dark and Big Bear's frustration when Little Bear keeps disturbing him. Lanterns are useless because there's still dark 'out there'. So, out of the cave they go into the night itself where moon and stars light up the landscape and Little Bear falls asleep in Big Bear's arms.
Iris and Isaac	Iris and Isaac Author: Catherine Rayner	The protagonists are two polar bears who fall out over a squashed snow nest and stride away from each other across the snowy landscape. Each sees amazing sights and regrets the other is not there to share in the pleasure. Eventually the friends are reunited and create a new snow nest to share.
BUCKET	Billy's Bucket  Author: Kes Gray	Billy wants a bucket for his birthday. At first, his parents try and persuade him to have a more conventional present but eventually they take him to Buckets "R" Us to select his gift from a huge array. Once he fills his bucket with water, Billy claims he can see all the wonders of the ocean deeps and his parents humour him. However, when they ignore his instructions not to borrow his bucket, something amazing happens.

Shiwley Hughes ALFIE Alfie Gets in First	Alfie Gets in First Author: Shirley Hughes	When Alfie's mum opens the front door, puts her basket with the key in it in the hall, and goes back to the street to collect the baby from the buggy, Alfie 'gets in first' - and slams the door. The whole street tries to solve the problem of getting into the house - but in the end it is Alfie himself whose ingenuity wins the day.
A VERY FIRST BOOK OF POETRY	Here's a Little Poem Author: Various	A selection of short memorable poems.
David M'Ree	Elmer  Author: David McKee	Elmer the patchwork elephant rolls in berry juice to make himself grey like all the other elephants. However, it doesn't take long for his sense of fun and his 'true colours' to emerge.
THERE'S GOING TO BE A BABY  JOHN BURNINGHAM & HELEN OXENBURY	There's Going To Be a Baby Author: John Burningham	A child and his mother speculate about the future life of his yet unborn sibling. For the mother, the places they go together spark ideas of what the new child's career might be. In a contrasting style, the soon-to-be big brother imagines the child, still a baby, being a doctor or working in a bank or a park in humorous comic strip pointillist illustrations in a palette principally of yellow and blue.
OWL BABIES  LATIN WINGLE	Owl Babies  Author: Martin Waddell	Separation is one of the big traumas of childhood. In this utterly simple yet deeply moving picture book all that happens is that three owlets are left alone whilst their mother goes off into the night to hunt for food. The older ones think and reason ('Owls think a lot') - but Bill, the youngest can only cry 'I want my mummy!'
Shiwley Hughes DOGGER  The classic story about lusing your favourite toy	Dogger Author: Shirley Hughes	Young Dave is in despair when he discovers that his favourite soft toy, Dogger, has got lost. After searching everywhere, he discovers him for sale on a stall at the school fête. Too late! Dogger has just been sold. Sister Bella comes to the rescue and Dave and Dogger are reunited.
The Tiger-Skin Rug	The Tiger-Skin Rug Author: Gerald Rose	A thin old tiger longs for the company and food that living in the Rajah's palace would provide and worms his way in by posing as a tiger-skin rug. At first all is well but then it becomes necessary to clean the moth-eaten 'rug' and the tiger fears discovery and banishment until an opportunity presents itself which will secure his future.

HOT HEPPO Meen allers in	Hot Hippo Author: Mwenye Hadithi	Hot Hippo longs to live in the river rather than on dry land but what about the fishes? Can the god trust him? When Hot Hippo opens his mouth in a wide yawn he proves that the fishes are safe – even with him in the water.
Anna McGuinn - Rosalind Beardshow Lulu Loves The Library  Alanne Max	Lulu Loves the Library Author: Anna McQuinn	A simple story featuring a small black girl which celebrates adults and children sharing books together. Lulu and her mum visit the library every Tuesday. They change their books, listen to stories being read and join in with songs and rhymes. At bedtime they enjoy the books they have chosen, stories old and new.
I Love You, Blue Kangaroo!	I Love You, Blue Kangaroo! Author: Emma Chichester Clark	Lily's favourite toy is Blue Kangaroo and she takes him to bed every night. Friends and relatives keep adding to her collection of cuddly toys until gradually Blue Kangaroo is ousted. The way he is returned to first place in her favour brings a very satisfactory resolution to the story.
Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs  Lan Whybrow Adrian Reynolds	Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs  Author: Ian Whybrow	The magic starts when Harry discovers a collection of toy dinosaurs in his Nan's attic. He looks up and learns all their names so that they will always come back to him. When he leaves them on a train, will this charm ensure their safe return?
Kipper's Birthday Mick Inkpen	Kipper's Birthday  Author: Mick Inkpen	Kipper is no better at understanding exactly how long it will be until his birthday than are most puppies or young children - which leads to a confusion about the right day for his birthday party.
THE LEOPARD'S DRUM As Assault the three West Africa,	The Leopard's Drum Author: Jessica Souhami	Nyame the Sky-God covets Leopard's drum and offers a reward. But only the little soft-shelled tortoise can think of a way of capturing it - with Leopard inside. Her reward: a hard shell.
Lauren Child  Lwill NOT EVER  Part a tomato	I will not ever NEVER eat a tomato  Author: Lauren Child	Charlie's little sister Lola is a very fussy eater. She has a long list of foods she will not entertain passing her lips. However, Charlie thinks of an imaginative way to encourage her to try everything. Eventually, Lola eats even her pet hate, tomatoes, by choice.
Abigail	Abigail Author: Catherine Rayner	The adorable giraffe Abigail loves to count, but it's very difficult when the things you are trying to count just won't keep still! What will Abigail do?

Hurst Parrot Par	The Girl with the Parrot on her Head Author: Daisy Hirst	Left bereft when her friend moves away, Isabel organises her life in boxes. 'She had a system.' However, not everything will fit in its box so she seeks a bigger one. The discovery of such a box and its contents brings the story full circle and gives it a satisfying shape.
BISCUIT	Biscuit Bear Author: Mini Grey	A night-time adventure as a gang of biscuit bears create a wild circus in the kitchen. The arrival of a dog in the middle of the excitement creates total confusion but, unlike his literary forebear the Gingerbread Man, Biscuit Bear finds 'somewhere safe to be'.
On Sudden Hill Linda Sarah and Remit Phinnes	On Sudden Hill Author: Linda Sarah	A box is a wonderful thing. Of course, it's useful for transporting things, but its most charming uses are when it's a robot, house or a spaceship, really anything your imagination wants. Birt and Etho are old friends who climb up Sudden Hill with their boxes and play many games. One day another child with his box wants to join them. He has a fine box, ideas too, but as the saying goes 'two's company, three's a crowd' and Birt 'feels strange' about sharing his friend and so begins to avoid them. However, who can hold out against the allure of 'an incredible monster creature box thing', and eventually two friends become three and that feels good.
NIGHT PIRAVES	The Night Pirates  Author: Peter  Harris	The adventure begins and ends with memorable patterned language as a band of rough, tough little girl pirates adopt Tom as their shipmate and sail to an island where they get the better of a group of rough, tough grown-up pirates.
Bedtime for MONSTERS COLOR	Bedtime for Monsters Author: Ed Vere	Do you ever wonder if somewhere, not too far away, there might be monsters? What if this monster wanted to eat you and was making his way from his home in the hills towards you in your cosy home? Watch out as he bicycles through a dark and terrible forest, crosses a gloopy, schloopy swamp, climbs cold and snowy mountains and up the stairs into your house