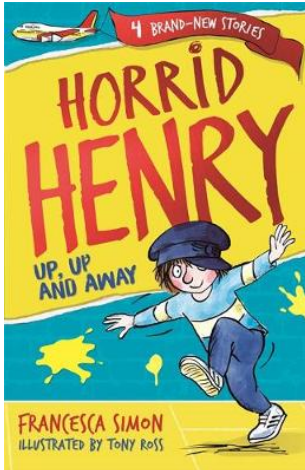


The list below was created from a survey run on Lovereading4schools where we asked Teachers and Parents to recommend books that they have found helpful in encouraging reluctant readers.

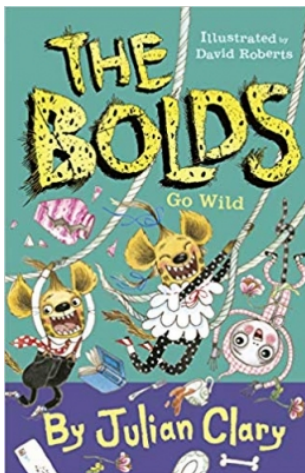
As with all Lovereading4schools book lists please treat this as a template and adapt it if you wish. The more 'text based' books in this list have been included to be read too, or with the child.



Horrid Henry: Up, Up and Away

Author: Francesca Simon **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 21/03/2019 **Year Groups:** Key Stage 1

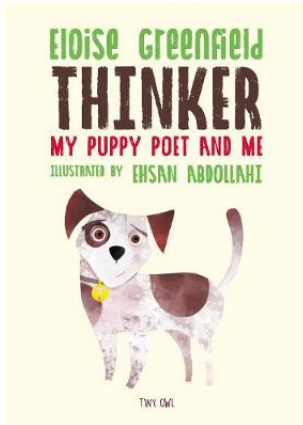
Funny, short illustrated stories about Horrid Henry - up to his usual chaotic and madcap adventure, involving essays on the Tudors and the school play amongst others!



The Bolds Go Wild

Author: Julian Clary **Format:** Hardback **Release Date:** 07/03/2019 **Year Groups:** Key Stage 1, Key Stage 2

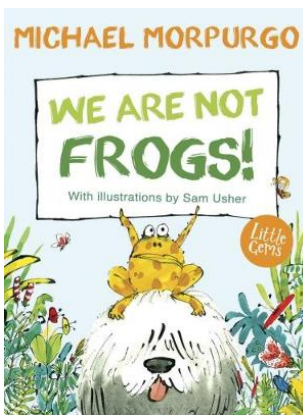
They may be a family of hyenas, but if we were all like the Bolds the world would be a much better place. In case you don't know, the Bolds live disguised as humans in Teddington. Their two children attend the local primary, and both parents work: Mr Bold writes cracker jokes, Mrs Bold designs extravagant hats. In this story, Mr Bold's mother arrives from Africa for a visit, and struggles rather with her son's new lifestyle choice. It looks like the family will be exposed, but the story takes a different turn, and once again the Bolds come to the aid of someone who needs their help. The story is deliciously bonkers, the illustrations just as witty and full of quirky detail, and the Bolds' live-and-let-live philosophy is a breath of fresh air in our quarrelsome times. If you want everyone to go to sleep smiling and happy, make this your bedtime reading.



THINKER: My Puppy Poet and Me

Author: Eloise Greenfield **Format:** Hardback **Release Date:** 27/04/2018 **Year Groups:** Key Stage 1

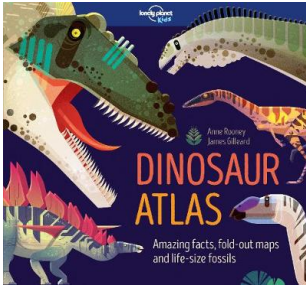
Highly illustrated poetry - short listed for awards. A boy and his puppy try to make sense of the world in rhyme - joyful and engaging.



We Are Not Frogs! (Little Gems)

Author: Michael Morpurgo **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 01/01/2018 **Year Groups:** Key Stage 1

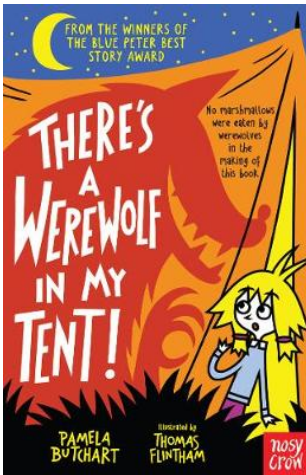
A Julia Eccleshare Pick of the Month March 2018 | Interest Age 5-8 | We Are Not Frogs is a joyful exploration of frog, toad and human nature! Toads are not at all like frogs. The frogs have set up a long-jump competition which the toads go along with, even though they know the frogs will win – anything for a quiet life. The game is interrupted by the arrival first of a dog, then a couple of children, who have a lot to learn about toads. Readers will stay one jump ahead of the protagonists throughout, and it's a fun and very satisfying story. Sam Usher's lively illustrations reveal just as much about the characters – amphibian and human – as the text, and feature a counting game too. ~ Julia Eccleshare High quality cream paper and a special easy to read font ensure a smooth read for all. About the Little Gems series: Little Gems are in a gorgeous new chunky format, with high-spec production including coloured endpapers and jacketed flaps with activities. Additional features include high quality cream paper, Barrington Stoke font and illustrations on every page. They are perfect for 5-8's. These quality stories promote good reading practice for all newly independent readers. Julia Eccleshare's Picks of the Month for March 2018 The Lottery's Plus One by Emma Donoghue King Coo by Adam Stower Splish, Splash, Ducky! by Lucy Cousins We Are Not Frogs! (Little Gems) by Michael Morpurgo The Sorry Tale of Fox and Bear by Margrete Lamond Song of the Dolphin Boy by Elizabeth Laird What Do People Do All Day? (50th anniversary edition) by Richard Scarry Bird House by Libby Walden Bug Hotel by Libby Walden Alone Together by Clayton Junior The Lost Penguin by Claire Freedman



Dinosaur Atlas

Author: Lonely Planet Kids **Format:** Hardback **Release Date:** 01/10/2017 **Year Groups:** Key Stage 1

Engaging detailed illustrations with short text pieces on everything dinosaur - a surefire winner for dinosaur addicts.



There's a Werewolf in My Tent!

Author: Pamela Butchart **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 04/05/2017 **Year Groups:** Key Stage 2



The Usborne Official Astronaut's Handbook

Author: Louie Stowell **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 06/01/2015 **Year Groups:** Key Stage 1, Key Stage 2, Key Stage 3

One of our Books of the Year 2015 Cartoon-like illustrations fill this book which is packed with information about all things to do with space from machinery to suits to simple explanations of physics. Tricia Adams This book, with a Foreword by Tim Peake who in December 2015 became the first British astronaut to go to the International Space station, should go to the top of any must-have list for young children interested in space travel. It's packed with fascinating information on everything from what to study to help you become an astronaut, to the special training astronauts undergo, rocket science and how shuttles get into space, and what it's like to live on the International Space Station. Of course it explains how astronauts go to the loo, but the sections on what happens to human stomachs in space is just as icky and interesting! The information is very well presented, and despite the conversational tone there's no talking down. After all, the children reading this book could become fully fledged astronauts in the 2030s. Inspiring stuff!