



INTERNATIONAL READ DAY TOME MARCH 19

Recommended Reading List

Imagine

A quirky tale of adventure in a zoo, when your imagination takes hold!

Gold Moonbeam
Gold IPPY

Slow Down Sarah

A little girl is too fast on her bike and constantly is in trouble... until one day, her Dad really needs her.

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Gus the Asparagus

Gus is the only asparagus in this family, but he is happy. However, when he goes to school, he starts to realize he doesn't always fit in.

Digby 's Moon Mission

A children's book about a curious boy and his quest to fix the dark.

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Lulu

Lulu's life is quite cosy and nice, with mountains of fish and even more ice. But something is missing, something wasn't quite right...

The Croc and the Platypus

Reimagining Edward Leary's *The Owl and the Pussycat*, with a distinctively and deft Australian flavor!

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The gloriously creative indulgence of simply sitting and day-dreaming has given rise to the greatest creations in human history. We have to give ourselves permission to do so, and to IMAGINE what may be. Of course, sometimes, what will be may be very silly indeed. Imagine is a fabulously ridiculous romp for your imagination and is a wonderful kick-starter for creative thinking.

GOLD IPPY Best Children's Illustrated eBook
GOLD Moonbeam Children's Picture eBook

IMAGINE Written by Emma Mactaggart, Illustrated by Ester De Boer

RRP \$24.95 from all good bricks and mortar stores (Australia)

www.boogiebooks.com.au/store/Imagine (All other countries)

Available from Amazon / Woodslane Distributors / Booktopia / Youtube

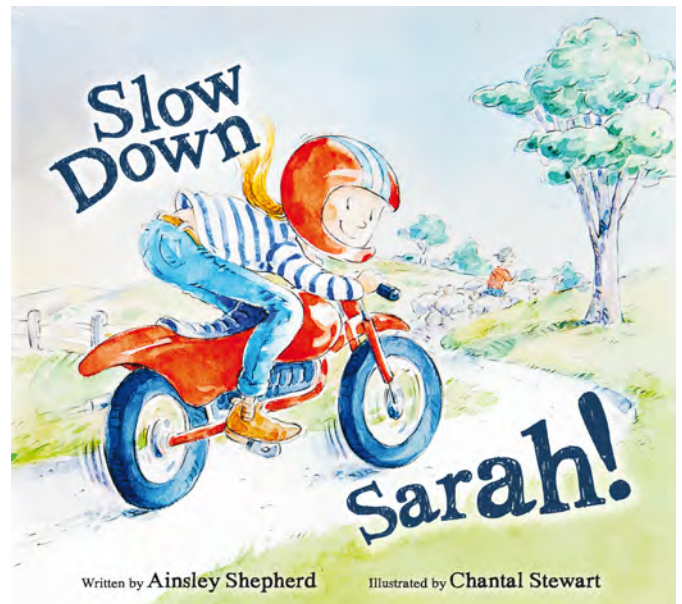
Free Teachers Resource Notes by ABCJenny available upon email request: em@boogiebooks.com.au

Sarah's speedy antics on her motorbike bring havoc and chaos everywhere that she goes!

But one day, her Dad is in trouble. Can Sarah's speed save the day?

"Slow Down Sarah! makes for a jolly read-aloud adventure. This gorgeous picture book will engage and delight readers of all ages."

Aleesah Darlison, Author



Written by Ainsley Shepherd

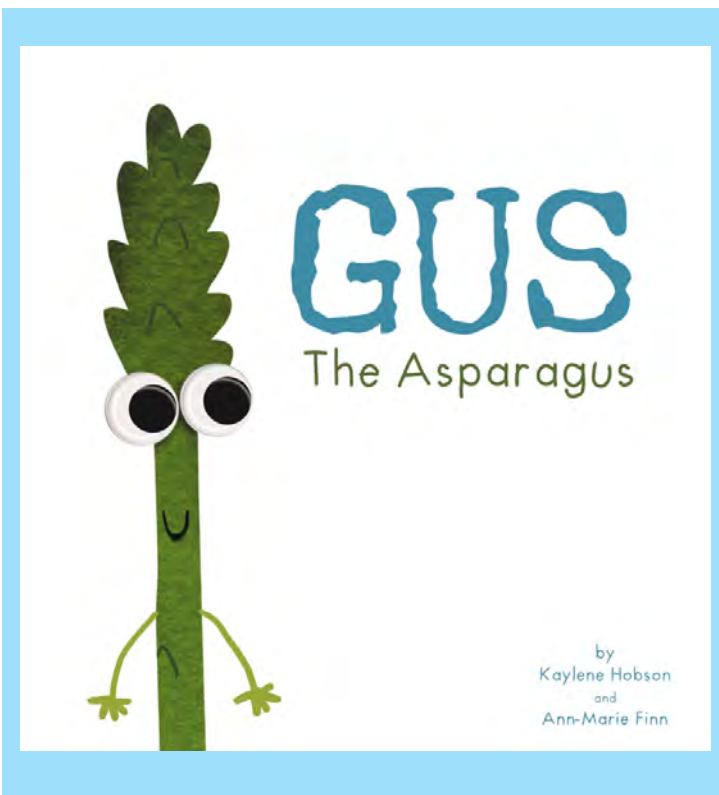
Illustrated by Chantal Stewart

SLOW DOWN SARAH Written by Ainsley Shepherd, Illustrated by Chantal Stewart

RRP \$14.95 from all good bricks and mortar stores (Australia)

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GUS THE ASPARAGUS

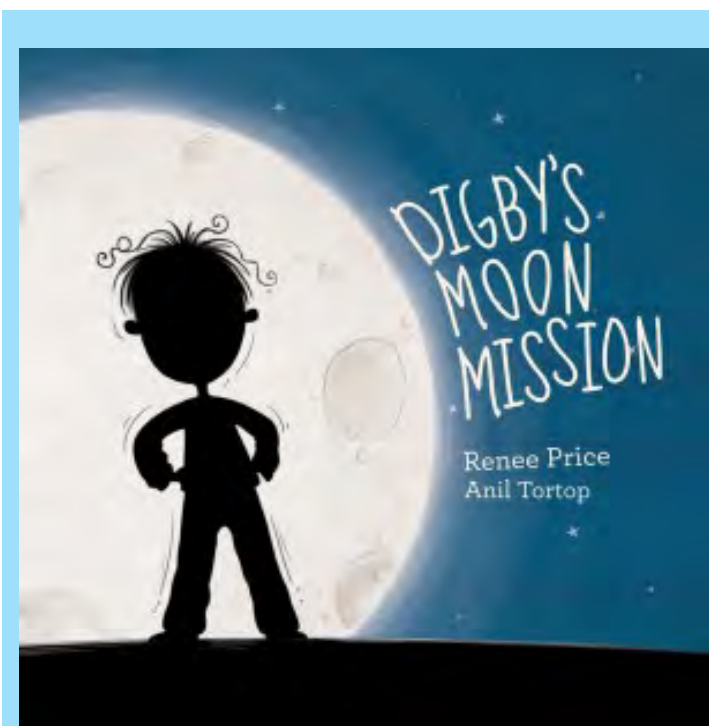
Written by Kaylene Hobson

Illustrated by Anne-Marie Finn

RRP \$19.95 from all good bricks and mortar stores and

<http://www.dragontalespublishing.com.au/gus-the-asparagus.html>

Meet Gus! Gus might be the only asparagus in the family, but he is happy. However, when he goes to school, he starts to realize that he doesn't always 'fit in'. Gus is here to help kids understand it is okay to be different. He will soon be a favourite with anyone who has ever felt a bit out of place, kids and adults alike.



DIGBY'S MOON MISSION

Written by Renee Price,

Illustrated by Anil Tortop

RRP \$14.95 (paperback) & \$22.95 (hardback)

Available online at www.createitkids.com.au/shop

Or bookstores www.createitkids.com.au/stockists

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One night, Digby Fixit wakes to find his room in too much darkness! Discovering the moon is in a frightful state, he plans a clever mission to bring back the light of the night.

Digby's Moon Mission is a tale of curiosity, commitment and celebration. The engaging story portrays the importance of friendship, working together and embracing imagination. This eye-catching picture book is an entertaining and humorous read for young children and their families, many times over!

Digby Fixit Live! is a dramatisation of the Digby series, performed for public events and within schools & preschools. The link to more detail is here - <http://www.createitkids.com.au/digby-fixit-live/>

LULU

Written by Georgie Donaghey

Illustrated by Ann-Marie Finn

RRP \$17.95 (paperback)

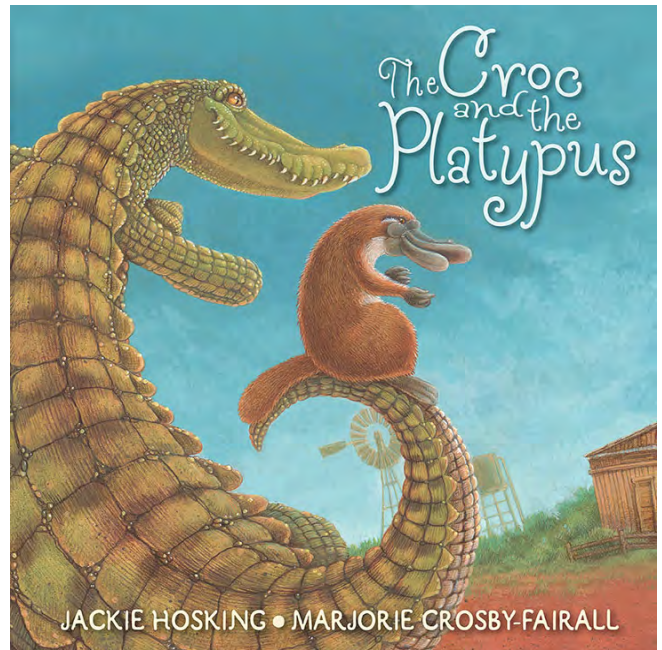
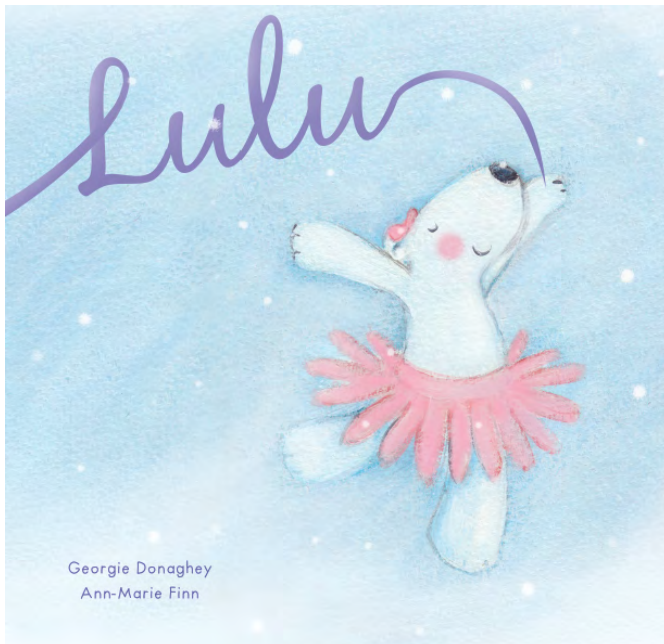
Available online at www.dragontalespublishing.com.au/lulu.html

More information: www.creativekidstales.com.au

Twitter: twitter.com/CKidsTales

Lulu's life was quite cosy and nice, with mountains of fish and even more ice. But something was missing, something wasn't quite right. She dreamed of the stage, she yearned for the lights...

Join Lulu and her friends on a mission to make her dreams come true!



THE CROC AND THE PLATYPUS

Written by Jackie Hosking

Illustrated by Marjorie Crosby-Fairall

RRP \$16.99 (paperback)

Available from Walker Books

More information and teacher notes: www.thecrocandtheplatypus.com

Jackie Hosking is an author and the founder of PASS IT ON! a networking eZine for children's writers and illustrators.

An Australian reimagining of Edwards Lear's nonsense poem, *The Owl and the Pussycat*. The croc and the platypus trundled off in a rusty old Holden ute. They took some damper and tea in a hamper and bundled it up in the boot. Join Croc and Platypus for an Australian Outback hullabaloo!

and from a child
to your child...



Mitten the Kitten

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Jayde Rumoro and Abby Johnstone.



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and fabulous and knows her
own mind. When she gets a
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And again...
about International Read to Me! Day
MARCH 19TH

Empowering children to be part of the conversation by giving them the megaphone so they can demand to be read to – every day! It is a child's right to be safe, to be housed, clothed and fed and educated. This means it is also their right to learn how to read, and to be read to.

Putting the onus of responsibility in the hands of the child for a moment, ensuring the conversation regarding 'who read to you?' is a valid one, means the children also have made a contribution to this discussion.

Your 'to-do' list...

1. read to a child
2. enjoy the moment
3. share the moment:

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www.twitter.com/ReadToMeDay

www.instagram.com/redtomeday

And wear your badge with pride:

