

PRIMARY RESOURCE LIST (F–6)

January 2026

LEGEND

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures
- Asia and Australia's engagement with Asia
- Sustainability

- ✚ Suits multiple years
- ◆ Identifies as Indigenous

FOUNDATION	Author	Illustrator
UPDATED! <i>All Through the Year</i> ●	Jane Godwin	Anna Walker
UPDATED! <i>Bamboozled</i>	David Legge	
UPDATED! <i>Banjo and Ruby Red</i> ●	Libby Gleeson	Freya Blackwood
<i>Be Careful, Xiao Xin!</i> ●	Alice Pung	Sher Rill Ng
<i>Benny Bungarra's Big Bush Clean-Up</i> ●	Sally Morgan ◆	Ambelin Kwaymullina ◆
<i>Big Rain Coming</i> ●	Katrina Germein	Bronwyn Bancroft ◆
UPDATED! <i>Crocodile Beat</i>	Gail Jorgensen	Patricia Mullins
UPDATED! <i>Don't Let a Spoonbill in the Kitchen!</i>	Narelle Oliver	
UPDATED! <i>DUCK!</i> ●	Meg McKinlay	Nathaniel Eckstrom
UPDATED! <i>Going to the Footy</i> ●	Debbie Coombes ◆	
UPDATED! <i>Goodbye House, Hello House</i>	Margaret Wild	Ann James
UPDATED! <i>Isabella's Garden</i>	Glenda Millard	Rebecca Cool
<i>Lizard Gang, The</i> ●	Kirra Somerville ◆	Grace Fielding ◆
UPDATED! <i>Mr Chicken All Over Australia</i>	Leigh Hobbs	
<i>One Dragon's Dream</i>	Peter Pavey	
UPDATED! <i>One Little Goat</i>	Ursula Dubosarsky	Andrew Joyner
<i>Scaly-tailed Possum and Echidna</i> ●	Cathy Goonack ◆	Marlene, Myron and Katrina Goonack ◆
<i>Speak Chinese, Fang Fang!</i>	Sally Rippin	
<i>Terrible Plop, The</i>	Ursula Dubosarsky	Andrew Joyner
NEW! <i>Truck Cat, The</i> ✚	Deborah Frenkel	Danny Snell
UPDATED! <i>Who Sank the Boat?</i>	Pamela Allen	
YEAR 1	Author	Illustrator
UPDATED! <i>Amy and Louis</i>	Libby Gleeson	Freya Blackwood
<i>Bunyip of Berkeley's Creek, The</i>	Jenny Wagner	Ron Brooks
UPDATED! <i>Come Down, Cat!</i>	Sonya Hartnett	Lucia Masciullo
UPDATED! <i>Cunning Crow</i> ●	Gregg Dreise ◆	
UPDATED! <i>Eleventh Hour, The</i>	Graeme Base	
UPDATED! <i>Family Forest</i>	Kim Kane	Lucia Masciullo
UPDATED! <i>Introducing Teddy</i>	Jessica Walton	Dougal MacPherson
NEW! <i>Just One Bee</i> ●	Margrete Lamond, Anthony Bertini	Christopher Nielsen
<i>Little Bird's Day</i> ●	Sally Morgan ◆	Johnny Warrkatja Malibirr ◆
<i>Little Corroboree Frog, The</i> ●	Tracey Holton-Ramirez ◆	Angela Ramirez ◆
<i>Milli, Jack and the Dancing Cat</i> ●	Stephen Michael King	

New Year Surprise! ●

UPDATED! *Patchwork Bike, The* ●

UPDATED! *Pearl Barley and Charlie Parsley*

NEW! *Truck Cat, The* +

Two Mates ●

UPDATED! *Where Happiness Hides*

UPDATED! *Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge*

Yirruwa Yirrilikenuma-langwa (When We Go Walkabout) ● ●

Christopher Cheng

Maxine Beneba Clarke

Aaron Blabey

Deborah Frenkel

Melanie Prewett ◆

Anthony Bertini

Mem Fox

Rhoda Dugururu Lalara ◆

Di Wu

Danny Snell

Maggie Prewett ◆

Jennifer Goldsmith

Julie Vivas

Alfred Lalara ◆

YEAR 2	Author	Illustrator
UPDATED! <i>A Walk in the Bush</i>	Gwyn Perkins	
<i>Big Book of Old Tom, The</i>	Leigh Hobbs	
UPDATED! <i>Bully on the Bus</i>	Kathryn Apel	
UPDATED! <i>Eagle Inside, The</i> ●	Jack Manning Bancroft ◆	Bronwyn Bancroft ◆
UPDATED! <i>Fashionista</i>	Maxine Beneba Clarke	
UPDATED! <i>Finding François</i>	Gus Gordon	
UPDATED! <i>Flood</i> ●	Jackie French	Bruce Whatley
NEW! <i>Frank's Red Hat</i>	Sean E. Avery	
<i>How to Heal a Broken Wing</i>	Bob Graham	
UPDATED! <i>John Brown, Rose and the Midnight Cat</i>	Jenny Wagner	Ron Brooks
UPDATED! <i>Littlelight</i> ●	Kelly Canby	
UPDATED! <i>Mad Magpie</i> ●	Gregg Dreise ◆	
<i>Mrs White and the Red Desert</i> ●	Josie Wowolla Boyle ◆	Maggie Prewett ◆
<i>Mulga Bill's Bicycle</i>	A.B. Paterson	Deborah Niland
UPDATED! <i>My Two Blankets</i>	Irena Kobald	Freya Blackwood
UPDATED! <i>Our Little Inventor</i> ●	Sher Rill Ng	
<i>Our Village in the Sky</i> ●	Janeen Brian	Anne Spudvilas
<i>Rainbow Serpent, The</i> ●	Dick Goobalathaldin Roughsey ◆	
UPDATED! <i>Treasure Box, The</i>	Margaret Wild	Freya Blackwood
NEW! <i>Truck Cat, The</i> +	Deborah Frenkel	Danny Snell
<i>Where the Forest Meets the Sea</i> ● ●	Jeannie Baker	

YEAR 3	Author	Illustrator
UPDATED! <i>All New Must Have Orange 430, The</i> ●	Michael Speechley	
UPDATED! <i>Are We There Yet?</i>	Alison Lester	
UPDATED! <i>Baby Business</i> ●	Jasmine Seymour ◆	
<i>Bear and Rat</i>	Christopher Cheng	Stephen Michael King
NEW! <i>Come Over to My House</i> ●	Eliza Hull, Sally Rippin	Daniel Gray-Barnett
<i>Do Not Go Around the Edges</i> ●	Daisy Utemorrah ◆	Pat Torres ◆
<i>Five Times Dizzy</i>	Nadia Wheatley	
<i>Great Bear, The</i> ● ●	Libby Gleeson	Armin Greder

UPDATED! *Jelly-Boy* ●

UPDATED! *Little Refugee, The* ●

UPDATED! *My Place* ●

Once There Was A Boy

One Tree ● ●

Our World: Bardi Jaawi Life at Ardiyooloon ●

UPDATED! *Pearl Verses the World*

UPDATED! *Remembering Lionsville* ●

UPDATED! *Room On Our Rock*

UPDATED! *Sonam and the Silence* ●

UPDATED! *Suri's Wall*

NEW! *Truck Cat, The* +

Two Bullies, The ●

UPDATED! *Welcome to Country* ● ●

Nicole Godwin

Anh and Suzanne Do

Nadia Wheatley

Dub Leffler ◆

Christopher Cheng

One Arm Point Remote
Community School ◆

Sally Murphy

Bronwyn Bancroft ◆

Kate and Jol Temple

Eddie Ayres

Lucy Estela

Deborah Frenkel

Junko Morimoto

Aunty Joy Murphy ◆

Christopher Nielsen

Bruce Whatley

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Heather Potter

Terri Rose Baynton

Ronak Taher

Matt Ottley

Danny Snell

Lisa Kennedy ◆

YEAR 4	Author	Illustrator
UPDATED! <i>Clever Crow</i> ●	Nina Lawrence ◆	Bronwyn Bancroft ◆
UPDATED! <i>Cooee Mittigar</i> ●	Jasmine Seymour ◆	Leanne Mulgo Watson ◆
UPDATED! <i>Feather, The</i> ●	Margaret Wild	Freya Blackwood
UPDATED! <i>Happiness Box, The</i>	Mark Greenwood	Andrew McLean
NEW! <i>Little Wave, The</i> ●	Pip Harry	
<i>Mrs Whitlam</i> ●	Bruce Pascoe ◆	
NEW! <i>Other Brother</i>	Simon French	
UPDATED! <i>Paperboy</i>	Danny Parker	Bethany Macdonald
<i>Peasant Prince, The</i> ● ●	Li Cunxin	Anne Spudvilas
<i>Shake A Leg</i> ●	Boori Monty Pryor ◆	Jan Ormerod
UPDATED! <i>Sister Heart</i> ●	Sally Morgan ◆	
UPDATED! <i>Stolen Girl</i> ●	Trina Saffioti ◆	Norma MacDonald ◆
UPDATED! <i>Teacup</i>	Rebecca Young	Matt Ottley
UPDATED! <i>This is Home: Essential Australian Poems for Children</i> ● ●	Jackie French (ed.)	Tania McCartney
NEW! <i>Truck Cat, The</i> +	Deborah Frenkel	Danny Snell
UPDATED! <i>Waves</i>	Donna Rawlins	Mark Jackson, Heather Potter

YEAR 5	Author	Illustrator
UPDATED! <i>Aster's Good, Right Things</i>	Kate Gordon	
<i>Desert Lake</i> ● ●	Pamela Freeman	Liz Anelli
UPDATED! <i>Duck and the Darklings, The</i> ●	Glenda Millard	Stephen Michael King
<i>Free Diving</i> ●	Lorrae Coffin ◆	Bronwyn Houston ◆
<i>Girl from the Great Sandy Desert, The</i> ●	Jukuna Mona Chuguna ◆, Pat Lowe	Mervyn Street ◆
UPDATED! <i>Girl on Wire</i>	Lucy Estela	Elise Hurst

UPDATED! <i>Incredible Freedom Machines, The</i> ●	Kirli Saunders ◆	Matt Ottley
<i>Loyal Creatures</i> ●	Morris Gleitzman	
UPDATED! <i>Ned Kelly and the Green Sash</i>	Mark Greenwood	Frane Lessac
UPDATED! <i>One Minute's Silence</i>	David Metzenthien	Michael Camilleri
<i>Seven Little Australians</i>	Ethel Turner	
NEW! <i>Truck Cat, The</i> +	Deborah Frenkel	Danny Snell
NEW! <i>Wilam: A Birrarung Story</i> ●	Aunty Joy Murphy ◆, Andrew Kelly	Lisa Kennedy ◆

YEAR 6	Author	Illustrator
UPDATED! <i>A Ghost in my Suitcase</i> ●	Gabrielle Wang	
UPDATED! <i>Alfred's War</i> ●	Rachel Bin Salleh ◆	Samantha Fry ◆
<i>Ash Road</i>	Ivan Southall	
UPDATED! <i>Bindi</i> ●●	Kirli Saunders ◆	Dub Leffler ◆
UPDATED! <i>Black Cockatoo</i> ●	Carl Merrison ◆, Hakea Hustler	
NEW! <i>Dirrarn</i> ●	Carl Merrison ◆, Hakea Hustler	
<i>Dot and the Kangaroo</i> ●	Ethel Charlotte Pedley	Frank Mahony
<i>Fog a Dox</i>	Bruce Pascoe ◆	
UPDATED! <i>His Name Was Walter</i>	Emily Rodda	
<i>I Own the Racecourse!</i>	Patricia Wrightson	
UPDATED! <i>Limelight</i>	Solli Raphael	
<i>Little Brother</i>	Allan Baillie	
<i>My Girragundji</i> ●	Meme McDonald, Boori Monty Prior ◆	
<i>Once</i>	Morris Gleitzman	
UPDATED! <i>Red Tree, The</i>	Shaun Tan	
<i>Refugees</i> ●	David Miller	
<i>Silver Donkey, The</i>	Sonya Hartnett	
<i>Songbird</i> ●	Ingrid Laguna	
<i>Sorry Day</i> ●	Coral Vass	Dub Leffler ◆
<i>Storm Boy</i>	Colin Thiele	
<i>Taronga</i> ●	Victor Kelleher	
<i>Tjarany Roughtail</i> ●	Gracie Greene ◆, Joe Tramacchi	Lucille Gill ◆
UPDATED! <i>Took the Children Away</i> ●	Archie Roach ◆	Ruby Hunter ◆
NEW! <i>Truck Cat, The</i> +	Deborah Frenkel	Danny Snell
<i>Way Home</i>	Libby Hathorn	Gregory Rogers
<i>William Bligh: A Stormy Story of Tempestuous Times</i> ●	Michael Sedunary	Bern Emmerichs
UPDATED! <i>Yinti, Desert Child</i> ●	Pat Lowe, Jimmy Pike ◆	
UPDATED! <i>Young Dark Emu</i> ●●	Bruce Pascoe ◆	