

# Closestful of Books

where stories live

WE ARE HAVING A BOOKish affair AT  
DULWICH COLLEGE (SINGAPORE)  
28 FEB, 1 & 2 MAR  
8AM TO 4.30PM

www.closestofbooks.com | 6908 5510 | stories@closestofbooks.com

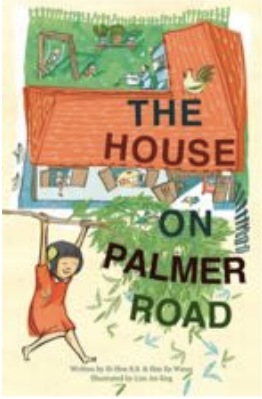
f /wherestorieslive

NAME:

CLASS:

THE BOOK FAIR WILL FEATURE OVER 500 TITLES  
AND WE CANNOT WAIT FOR YOU TO READ THEM ALL!

STORIES OF SINGAPORE

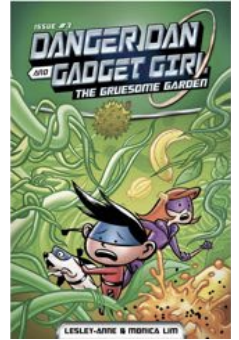


**THE HOUSE ON PALMER ROAD**  
Si-Hoe S. S. & Sim Ee Waun  
\$ 12

This is a collection of sweet short stories told succinctly and poignantly. It is 1930s Singapore and war is raging in China. But for 8-year-old Sing and her nine siblings, life is full of fun at their wooden house in Palmer Road. Join them as they go frog-hunting, avoid disaster with a mosquito net and escape fierce guard geese!

## DANGER DAN & GADGET GIRL

Lesley-Anne and Monica Lim | \$ 10.50 each



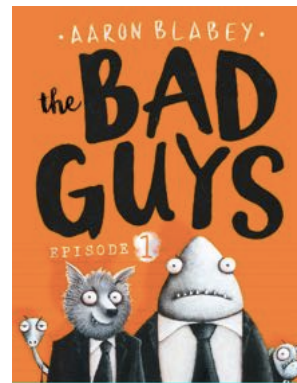
SOME OF OUR FAVOURITE TITLES



## RABBITS BAD HABITS

Julian Gough & Jim Field | \$ 12.50

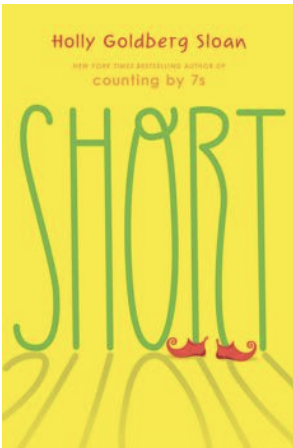
Bear has never built a snowman. Neither has Rabbit, but he definitely wants to make one that's better than Bear's. But with an avalanche and a hungry wolf heading his way, Rabbit soon realises that it might be nice to have a friend on his side. This is a tale of friendship, gravity and just a little bit of poo.



## THE BAD GUYS

Aaron Blabey | \$ 10.50

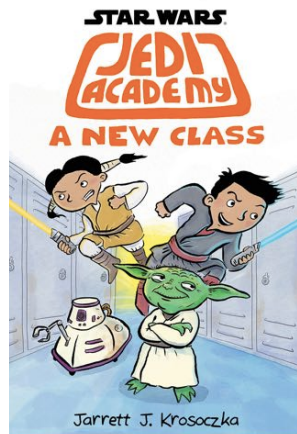
Mr Wolf. Mr Shark. Mr Snake. Mr Piranha. They're bad guys, everybody knows that. They're scary and dangerous. But these guys want to be HEROES. And they're going to prove it by doing good deeds... whether YOU want them to or not. Buckle up for the funniest, naughtiest and coolest book you'll ever read - it's time to meet the BAD GUYS.



## SHORT

Holly Goldberg Sloan | \$ 14.90

Julia is very short for age and really prefers spending time with her scrapbook. When Julia is cast as a munchkin in a production of The Wizard of Oz, she must learn to take her turn in the spotlight. Can her new friends persuade her to step out of the shadows and realise that she may not be as tall as everyone else, but she more than deserves to hold her head high?

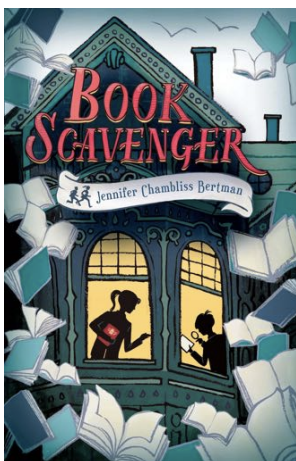


## JEDI ACADEMY: A NEW CLASS

Jarrett J. Krosoczka | \$ 10.90

Victor Starspeeder has been transferred to THE Jedi Academy and he thought that meant he would get to do crazy Jedi stuff. Instead, Master Yoda says, "to the theatre, we go. Drama Club, you will join!" Now, he's got to learn to be a Jedi and help put on the school musical. As if being the new kid wasn't hard enough already!

FOR CONFIDENT READERS



## BOOK SCAVENGER

Jennifer Chambliss Bertman  
\$ 12

Emily's family is relocating to San Francisco, home of her literary idol: Garrison Griswold, creator of Book Scavenger, a game where books are hidden and clues are revealed through puzzles. But Griswold has been attacked, derailing the launch of his new game. Then Emily and her friend, James, discover an odd clue which leads them to a valuable prize. But there are others on the hunt for this and they must race to solve the puzzles Griswold left behind before his attackers come after them.



## THE SECRET KEEPERS

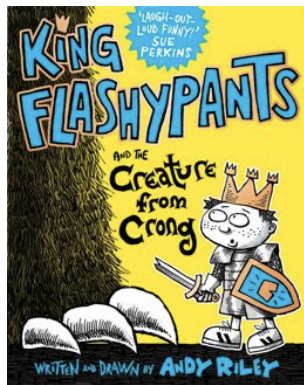
Trenton Lee Stewart  
\$ 13.50

When Reuben discovers an old pocket watch, he realises it has a secret power: fifteen minutes of invisibility. At first, he is thrilled with his new treasure but as one secret leads to another, he finds himself on a dangerous adventure full of curious characters, treacherous traps and breathtaking escapes.

**KING FLASHPANTS AND THE CREATURE FROM CRONG**

Andy Riley | \$ 14.50

Hold tight for a thrilling adventure with jousting, vegetables and fire-breathing toads! When rumours of a huge and terrifying monster reach Edwinland, King Edwin Flashpants decides that, to be a proper king, he needs to go and fight it. Meanwhile, evil Emperor Nurbison has had a similar idea, but he has a much sneakier plan and it involves squishing Edwinland.



**THE BEAR AND THE PIANO**

David Litchfield | \$ 14.90

One day, a bear cub finds something strange and wonderful in the forest. When he touches the keys, they make a horrible noise. Yet he is drawn to it. Eventually, he learns to play beautiful sounds, delighting his woodland friends. But he longs to explore the world and to play bigger and better than before. This gorgeously-illustrated tale of following one's dreams reminds us of the value of friendship, where ever we go.



**TROUBLE NEXT DOOR**

Chris Higgins | \$ 11.50

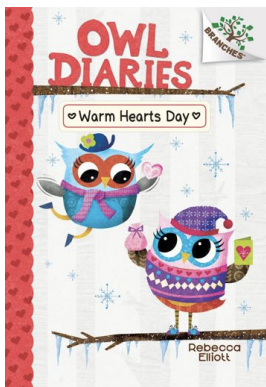
Bella has moved into a new house and it's old and dark. But things start to look up when she meets her new neighbour, Magda. Magda is lots of fun. She's bubbly and full of imagination and can even turn cartwheels! Soon they are best friends. But Magda is also trouble and somehow she makes sure Bella gets the blame for everything.



**CHOOK DOOLAN: THE NEWEST PET**

James Roy | \$ 8.90

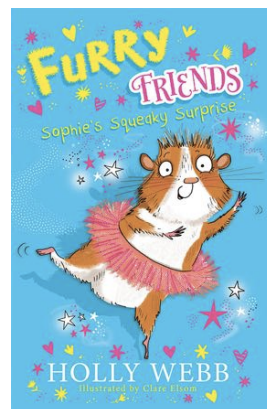
Chook's friend Joe doesn't have a pet to bring to Pet Day. To cheer him up, Chook decides they should try to find him a pet for just a day. But Joe is so sad he can't even come up with a plan. (And that's his best thing.) Can Chook think of a plan to help his friend?



**OWL DIARIES: WARM HEARTS DAY**

Rebecca Elliott | \$ 8.50

Everyone is busy making gifts for their loved ones. Eva loves crafting so she creates all sorts of fun gifts and treats for her friends! She's excited about giving them out at the big party but Eva realises she forgot to make gifts for her family! Will she make the gifts in time?



**FURRY FRIENDS: SOPHIE'S SQUEAKY SURPRISE**

Holly Webb | \$ 12.50

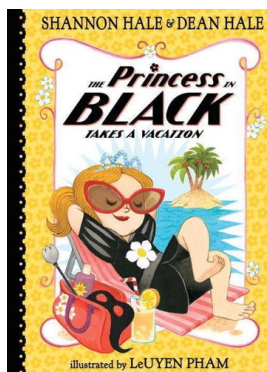
Sophie isn't happy about starting at a new school. But then she meets Josephine – a macaroon-eating, tutu-wearing guinea pig, who lives with her furry friends in the centre of Paris. Josephine soon shows Sophie that living in a new place is exciting and being friends with a guinea pig is the best adventure of all.



**BRO-BOT**

James Foley | \$ 14.50

Sally is the world's foremost inventor under the age of twelve, and she just knows she can build a better brother than the messy, smelly version she has. Sally's invention – Brobot – is fantastic, that is until the remote gets broken and Brobot careens out of control. A hilarious graphic novel for young readers.



**THE PRINCESS IN BLACK TAKES A VACATION**

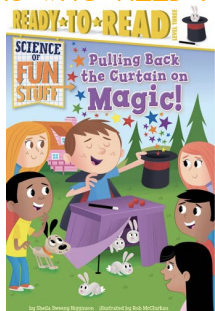
Shannon & Dean Hale | \$ 10.50

After battling monsters all night, a sleepy Princess in Black decides that she needs a vacation. The next day Princess Magnolia rides her bicycle to the seaside, where the air is salty, the sun is shiny, and the sea is as blue as monster fur. But just as Princess Magnolia is about to take a nap on her hammock, she hears a ROAR! Could a sea monster ruin this vacation?

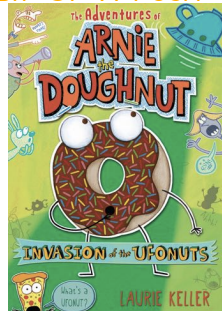
**FOR NEW READERS WHO NEED A BIT OF A PUSH**



STORY OF COMICS \$ 6.90



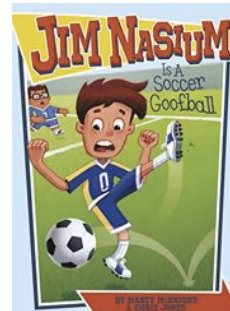
CURTAIN ON MAGIC \$ 6.90



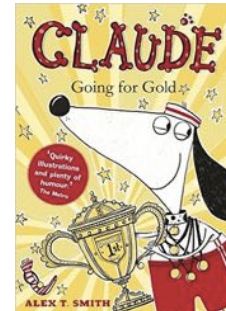
ARNIE THE DOUGHNUT \$ 11



ELLA & OLVIA \$ 8.50



JIM NASIUM \$ 9.90

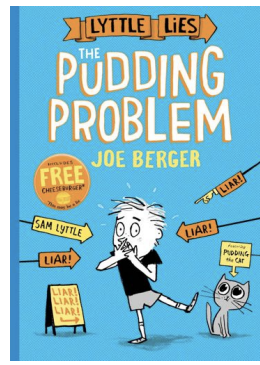


CLAUDE \$ 12.95



**MANGO AND BAMBANG:  
THE NOT-A-PIG**  
Polly Faber | \$ 15

Mango Allsorts is a girl good at all sorts of things, not just karate and chess. Bambang is a tapir and most definitely not-a-pig. In this collection of stories, Mango meets Bambang and a friendship begins. Whether escaping tigers, high diving or trying banana pancakes, both will discover that adventures are better together.



**LYTTLE LIES: THE PUDDING PROBLEM**  
Joe Berger | \$ 15.90

To Sam Lyttle, the truth is like an elephant - heavy, wrinkly and worrying. And when it's sitting in your way, you can't go over or under it. But you can SKIRT around it. So he does, every now and then. But is there more to Sam's occasionally stretching of the truth than meets the eye?



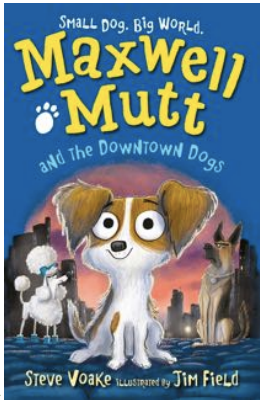
**DELIVERY OF DOOM**  
Dan Yaccarino | \$ 14.90

Luno Zorgoochi's dad has finally given him the responsibility of delivering pizza all over the galaxy. Clive, a super-smart talking bulb of garlic, and Cooch, a not-so-smart robot pizza oven, join Luno on his quest. Their deliveries are often dangerous (try landing on a fire planet!) and to make matters worse, someone wants to steal the Zorgoochi's secret ingredient!



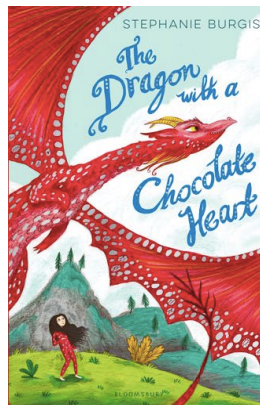
**PET DEFENDERS:  
ATTACK OF THE ALIEN DUNG!**  
Gareth P. Jones | \$ 14

Secret agent Biskit is not happy when he discovers his new partner Mitzy is a cat. But saving the earth from alien invasions must come first and the planet is under attack! A cluster of cow pats has flown into town and they're whipping up a stink. It's time for Biskit and Mitzy to put aside their differences and kick some alien butt!



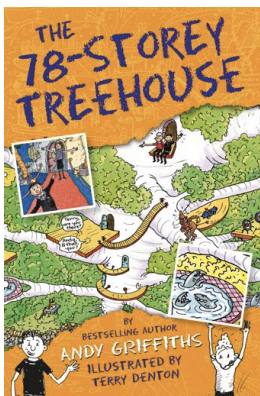
**MAXWELL MUTT AND  
THE DOWNTOWN DOGS**  
Steve Voake | \$ 14.90

Maxwell Mutt might be small but his heart is big and the city is full of adventure. Teamed up with a gang of freewheeling downtown dogs, Maxwell follows a lost friend into the city where they hear tales of the Collector - the cruellest ever dog-catcher. Danger lurks but in between the searching, there's always fun to be had!



**THE DRAGON WITH  
THE CHOCOLATE HEART**  
Stephanie Burgis | \$ 15.90

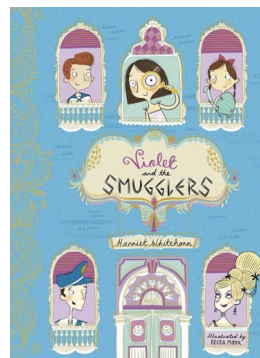
Aventurine is the fiercest, bravest dragon there is and she's ready to prove it by capturing the most dangerous prey of all - a human. But when the human tricks her into drinking enchanted hot chocolate, she's transformed into a puny child with no fire and not one single claw! But now she's found her true passion - chocolate! All she needs is an apprenticeship in a chocolate house and she'll be conquering new territory in no time!



**THE 78-STOrey TREEHOUSE**  
Andy Griffiths & Terry Denton  
\$ 13.90

Andy and Terry live in the world's coolest treehouse! They've been doing some building work and now their treehouse has: a Scribbletorium, a giant unhatched egg and an open-air movie theatre showing their very own treehouse movie!

**NOTABLE NOTES:**  
Award-winning author and illustrator



**VIOLET AND THE SMUGGLERS**  
Harriet Whitehorn | \$ 13.90

Uncle Johnny has invited Violet and her friends to spend the summer with him on a sailing adventure and Violet couldn't be more excited! But when she suspects that the captain of a boat nearby might be up to no good, Violet needs to put her detective skills into action.

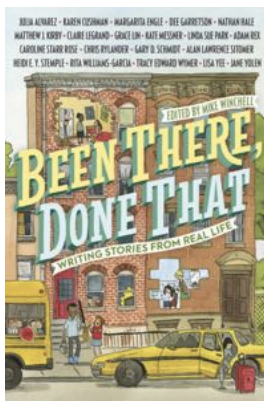
**LAFF-O-TRONIC: ANIMAL JOKES & SCHOOL JOKES** .....  
\$ 7.90 each  
Super terrific collections of jokes, comics, gags and basically everything awesome, fun and gross about school and animals!



**NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CHAPTERS**  
\$ 10.50 each  
Incredible stories of animals and the people who love them.



STORIES FROM REAL LIFE THAT YOU CAN ESCAPE INTO:



**BEEN THERE, DONE THAT:**  
WRITING STORIES FROM  
REAL LIFE  
edited by Mike Winchell  
\$ 14.50

Have you ever wondered where authors get their ideas? Or how those ideas become stories? Now you can find the answers with this collection of short stories, as authors reveal the real-life experiences that inspired them.



**THE FINEST HOURS**  
Michael J Tougas | \$ 13.90

On the night of 18 February, 1952, two oil tankers off the coast of Cape Cod are torn in half. With the storm in full force and waves up to 70 feet high, four coast guardsmen head out to sea in a tiny lifeboat to come to the rescue. They are the only hope for more than 30 stranded sailors. Despite insurmountable odds, these brave men risk their lives, remembering the unofficial coast guard's motto: You have to go out, but you do not have to come back.

**THE FIBONACCI REVELATION**  
Radhika Puri | \$ 14

A mysterious poem attached to an archived photo of the 1954 National Service riots in Singapore sets off a chain of events. First, there was a warning. Then a threat - a coded message that no one sees. No one except Owen, the school's resident outcast. Only Owen can see the mathematical concepts behind the clues. Only he sees the patterns in the chaos and it's up to him to decipher the series of strange clues that uncover a dark truth.

**THE GIRL WHO WALKED ON AIR**  
Emma Carroll | \$ 14

Growing up at Chipchase's Travelling Circus, Louie has dreamt of becoming a Showstopper and she has been secretly practising her act. She just needs to be given the chance to shine. The circus needs her too - Wellbeloved's rival show is stealing their crowd and Chipchase needs a Showstopper. When Louie finally performs, she is a sensation and sinister Wellbeloved offers her the chance to perform... over Niagara Falls. But nothing is quite as it seems and soon Louie's bravery is tested and not just on the highwire.

**THE UNWANTEDS**  
Lisa McMann | \$ 12.90

Every year in Quill, 13-year-olds are sorted into categories: the strong intelligent Wanted go to university and the artistic Unwanted are eliminated. On the day of the Purge, twins Alex and Aaron await their fate. Aaron is Wanted but Alex has been caught drawing with a stick in the stark, grey land of Quill. But Alex and other Unwanted are saved by an eccentric mage, Mr Today, and the hidden world of Artimé - where creativity is considered a gift, and a weapon.

**SPACE CASE**  
Stuart Gibbs | \$ 13.90

You wouldn't think it but being one of the first kids to live on the moon is a snooze - you're not even allowed to go for a low-gravity romp on the moon's surface. But Dash's life gets a jolt when a top lunar scientist turns up dead. Dash suspects foul play but no one believes him. Is there a moon maniac on the loose? And what is he or she trying to hide?

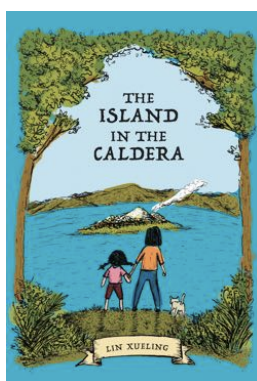
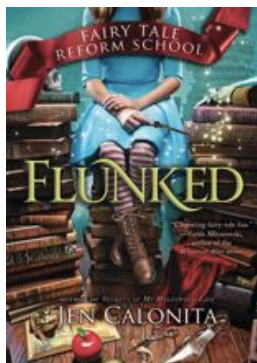


**SPY TOYS**  
Mark Powers | \$ 14.50

Dan is a bear - he should be perfect for hugging. But because of a faulty chip, Dan is so strong he could crush a car. Dan is thrown in the rejects pile where he meets Arabella, a doll who has a very short temper and is not good with children. Soon, Dan, Arabella and Flax (a police rabbit hiding from the law) are enlisted as The Spy Toys. Their first mission: to protect the Prime Minister's son from kidnappers.

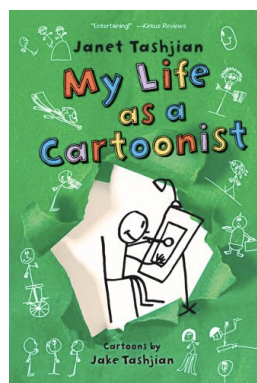
**FAIRY TALE REFORM SCHOOL: FLUNKED**  
Jen Calonita | \$ 12.90

Gilly Cobbler wouldn't call herself wicked, exactly. When you have five little siblings and live in a run-down boot, you have to get creative or be hungry. But Gilly is caught and sentenced to Fairy Tale Reform School - where teachers are former villains like the Big Bad Wolf, the Evil Queen and Cinderella's Wicked Stepmother. There, she learns there is more to the school than its heroic mission and Gilly has to wonder just how good these bad guys are.



**THE ISLAND IN THE CALDERA**  
Lin Xueling | \$ 12

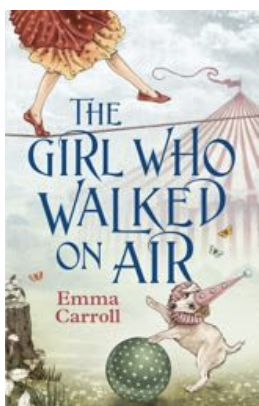
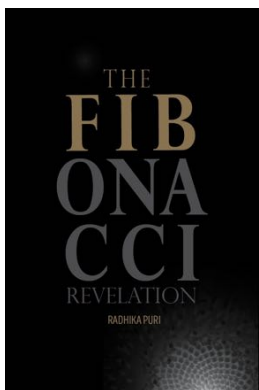
This is a story of ferocious dragons or *nagas*, stinky giants, precocious talking cats, strange lands and two sisters who are brave and true. It is also a story of the amazing beauty of Asia, real inventions by Asian scientists and reading lots of books. A wonderful story for every curious and brave child.



**MY LIFE AS A CARTOONIST**  
Janet and Jake Tashjian | \$ 11.90

There's a new kid in Derek's class. His name is Umberto and he uses a wheelchair. Derek's family is fostering Frank the monkey and Derek thinks it would be great to train Frank to assist Umberto. But Umberto is not looking for any help and keeps telling jokes about Derek - and he starts stealing Derek's cartoon ideas. Can Derek find his way out before he is the laughingstock of the school?

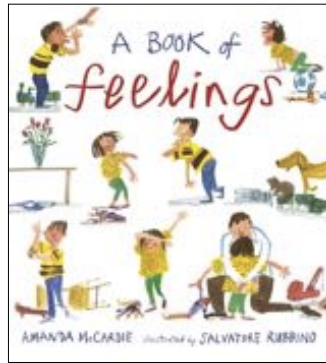
MIDDLE GRADE NOVELS



MORE FAVOURITE TITLES, BECAUSE HOW CAN WE RESIST



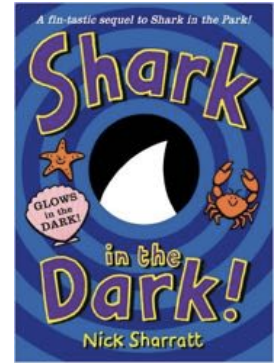
\$15.90



\$17.50



\$16.90



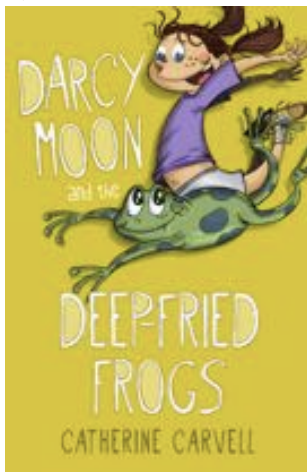
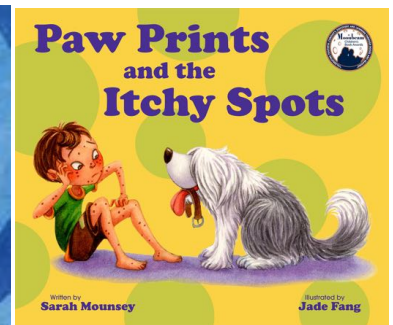
\$14.90

PAW PRINTS SERIES

Sarah Mounsey | \$10 EACH

When Oscar, William and Eddie are together, only chaos and paw prints will reign! Go on three awesome-pawsome adventures involving purple paint, super duper animals and maybe even some bacon and cereal!

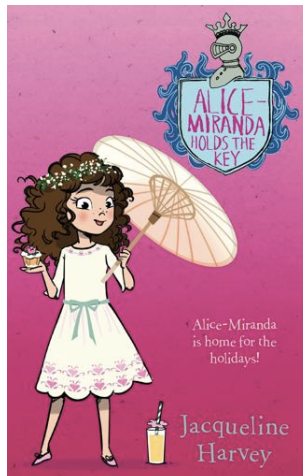
The wonderful Sarah Mounsey is your lovely librarian in the Junior school and she'll sign any of her books that you get at this book fair!



DARCY MOON AND THE DEEP-FRIED FROGS  
Catherine Carvell | \$14.90

Darcy Moon is an ordinary girl with ordinary problems. She's low on cash and low on street cred to fit in with the cool crowd. But Darcy's life is about to take a great leap forward.

FEATURES:  
A freaked-out frog and a wise swamp turtle, super cool parents, a money-grubbing glutton of a baddie



ALICE MIRANDA HOLDS THE KEY  
Jacqueline Harvey | \$14.50

In a startling turn of events, Alice-Miranda finishes the school term earlier than planned. Holidays should be a time for fun, but it seems all is not well at Highton Hall. There is trouble afoot with the family business and it's got everyone worried. Meanwhile, there is an annual garden party to prepare for. And the whole village is invited! Throw in an intriguing neighbour, a runaway and a swindler and it may be the perfect recipe for disaster. Alice-Miranda will have to trust her intuition to find the key to unlock this mystery.



THE LITTLE SINGAPORE BOOK  
Sim Ee Waun and Joyceline See Tully  
\$ 25

The Little Singapore Book will introduce readers to our history and culture through simple storytelling language, vivid illustrations packed with detail and a fresh perspective. It promises to be an enjoyable read interwoven with plenty of discovery.

The book has five chapters and starts with a simplified history of Singapore from the 14th century through nation building and to the present day, then on to a whirlwind tour of the historical districts of Singapore.

Perfect for readers 5 to 10 years old.

# AUTHORS OF THE DANGER DAN BOOKS WILL BE VISITING AND YOU CAN GET SIGNED COPIES!



Lesley-Anne and Monica Lim are a mother-daughter writing team. Monica is the mum and Lesley-Anne is the daughter, although sometimes their roles seem reversed when Lesley-Anne has to force Monica to eat her greens. Monica runs her own corporate writing firm, has a blog on education and wrote *The Good, the Bad and the PSLE*. Lesley-Anne, who was from St Hilda's Primary School, is now in Yale-NUS so she mostly writes essays and papers, which isn't quite as fun.

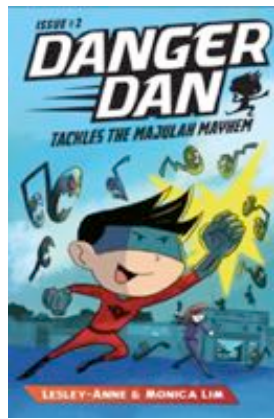
## Danger Dan series

Psst! Pay attention: eleven-year-old Danny is about to start his secret life. And you are not allowed to tell anyone, or who knows what will happen? A mysterious time warp is already messing Singapore up. Big time. But don't worry. Danny is about to transform into Danger Dan—the only boy superhero who can save us all!



\$10.50

# of copies: \_\_\_\_\_



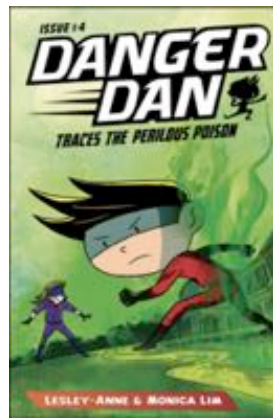
\$10.50

# of copies: \_\_\_\_\_



\$10.50

# of copies: \_\_\_\_\_



\$10.50

# of copies: \_\_\_\_\_



\$10.50

# of copies: \_\_\_\_\_

## Danger Dan and Gadget Girl series

Welcome to Singapore 2135, where cars travel the skyways, the grass is so soft you can sleep on it, and everything runs perfectly. Danny is thrilled with the brilliant gadgets...but some things are not quite what they seem.



\$10.50

# of copies: \_\_\_\_\_



\$10.50

# of copies: \_\_\_\_\_



\$10.50

# of copies: \_\_\_\_\_



SECRETS OF SINGAPORE  
Lesley-Anne & Monica Lim  
\$14.90

In *Secrets of Singapore*, Danger Dan and Gadget Girl uncover our nation's past, all the way from the time of Sang Nila Utama right up to independence. They also investigate intriguing facts seldom found in your history books like which animals have escaped from the Singapore Zoo, how long the first MRT ride was and where you can find a tiger car!

If you would like your own copy of these books, please use this order form and return it with cash or cheque payment to the Closetful of Books book fair.

### Your details

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact #: \_\_\_\_\_

Total order amount: \_\_\_\_\_