

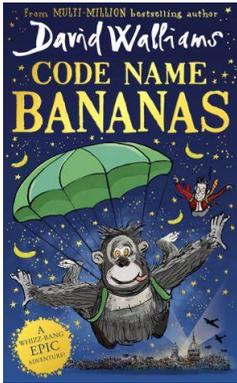
The Hamble School

ANIMAL READING LIST



THE HAMBLE SCHOOL

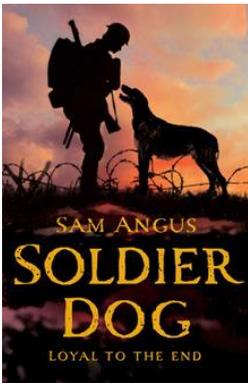
ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE TOGETHER



Code Name Bananas

David Walliams

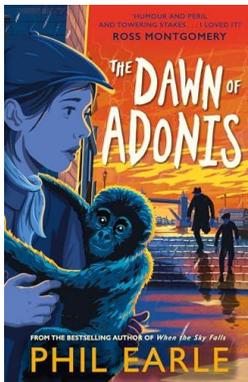
1940. Britain is at war with Nazi Germany. Eleven-year-old Eric spends his days at the place that makes him most happy: London Zoo. And there's one animal in particular he loves: Gertrude the gorilla. With bombs falling all over London, Eric must rescue Gertrude. Together with his Uncle Sid, a keeper at the zoo, the three go on the run.



Soldier Dog

Sam Angus

Stanley's dad hasn't been the same since his wife died and his eldest son went off to fight in the war. Now Stanley's only friend is his dad's prizewinning greyhound, Rocket. Stanley runs away and enlists in the army to train as a messenger dog handler, and is soon heading to France with a great Dane called Bones by his side.

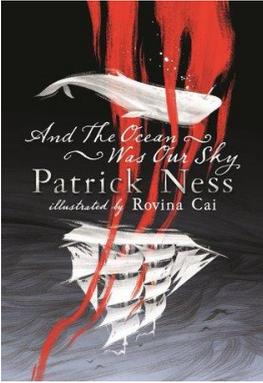


The Dawn of Adonis

Phil Earle

In 1911, before the start of World War One, London's docks thrum with underhand deals, none so great as the arrival of a valuable, rare and exotic animal – a baby silverback gorilla. The baby gorilla stands to make one man very, very rich. Heaven help anyone who gets in his way. But then one night a twelve-year-old girl is unwittingly drawn into his criminal underworld.

Can she find a way to escape and rescue the baby gorilla?



And the Ocean Was Our Sky **Patrick Ness**

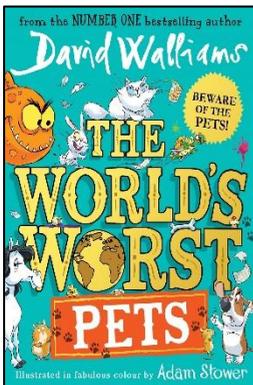
With harpoons strapped to their backs, the proud whales of Bathsheba's pod live for the hunt, fighting the ongoing war against the world of men. When they attack a ship bobbing on the surface of the Abyss, they expect to find easy prey. Instead, they find the trail of a myth, a monster, perhaps the devil himself...



Knightley & Son: K-9 **Rohan Gavin**

Darkus Knightley, tweed-wearing, mega-brained, thoroughly logical 13-year-old investigator of the weird, was just getting used to having his dad back in his life. Then Alan Knightley went off-radar, again, leaving Darkus with a traumatised ex-bomb disposal dog as his only partner in crime-solving. Now things are getting even stranger. Family pets are being savaged by a

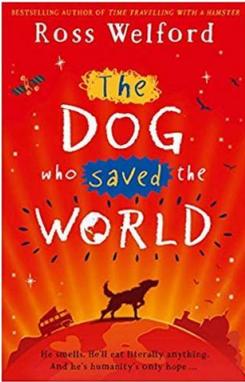
beast at a top London beauty spot.



The World's Worst Pets **David Walliams**

Marvel at Houdini, the magician's rabbit. Take a trip around the world with Zoom the supersonic tortoise. Gasp at the chaos created by Griselda, a grizzly bear with a big secret. And run for your lives! It's Furrp, the monstrous goldfish! Good pets, bad pets, supervillain pets, pets as big as a house and pets that could eat you in one gulp – these are the most hilarious and

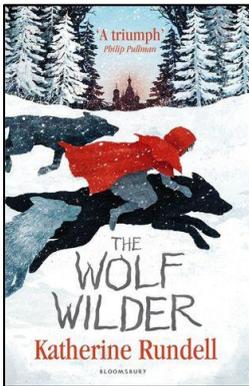
horrendous animals around.



The Dog Who Saved the World

Ross Welford

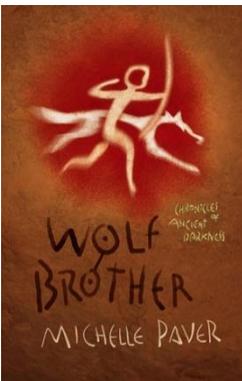
When eleven-year-old Georgie befriends an eccentric retired scientist, she becomes the test subject for a thrilling new experiment: a virtual-reality 3D version of the future. But then a deadly disease threatens the life of every dog in the country and Georgie's beloved dog, Mr Mash, gets sick. And that's only the start of her troubles.



The Wolf Wilder

Katherine Rundell

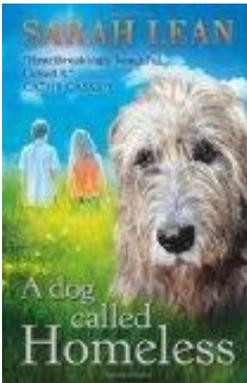
Feodora and her mother live in the snowbound woods of Russia, in a house full of food and fireplaces. Ten minutes away, in a ruined chapel, lives a pack of wolves. Feodora's mother is a wolf wilder, and Feo is a wolf wilder in training. A wolf wilder is the opposite of an animal tamer: it is a person who teaches tamed animals to fend for themselves, and to fight and to run, and to be wary of humans.



Wolf Brother

Michelle Paver

Six thousand years ago. Evil stalked the land. Only twelve-year-old Torak and his wolf-cub companion can defeat it. Their journey together takes them through deep forests, across giant glaciers, and into dangers they never imagined. Torak and Wolf are joined by an incredible cast of characters as they battle to save their world, in this first book in the Chronicles of Ancient Darkness series.

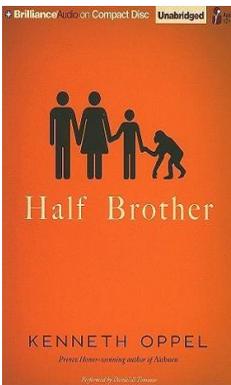


A Dog Called Homeless

Sarah Lean

When Cally Fisher sees her dead mother, real as anything, no one believes her. So Cally stops talking – what's the point if no one is listening?

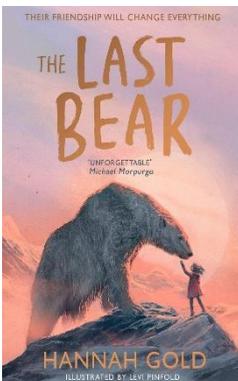
The only other living soul who sees Cally's mum is a mysterious wolfhound who always seems to be there when her mum appears.



Half Brother

Kenneth Oppel

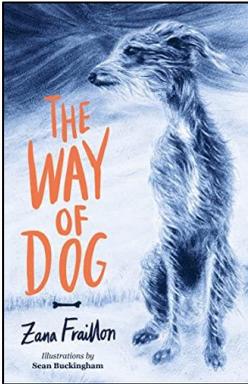
For thirteen years, Ben Tomlin was an only child. But all that changes when his mother brings home Zan — an eight-day-old chimpanzee. Ben's father, a renowned behavioural scientist, has uprooted the family to pursue his latest research project: a high-profile experiment to determine whether chimpanzees can acquire advanced language skills.



The Last Bear

Hannah Gold

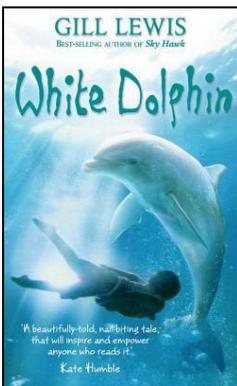
There are no polar bears left on Bear Island. At least, that's what April's father tells her when his scientific research takes them to a faraway Arctic outpost. But one night, April catches a glimpse of something distinctly bear shaped loping across the horizon. A polar bear who shouldn't be there—who is hungry, lonely and a long way from home.



The Way of Dog **Zana Fraillon**

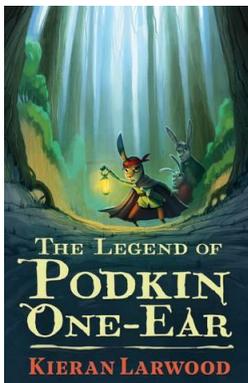
Scruffity is born into the harsh, grey world of a puppy farm. Taken from his mamma and locked in a concrete cage, what he yearns for most is a family. To belong is The Way of Dog. But no one wants him.

Just as his chances of adoption grow dangerously thin, Scruffity is set free by a boy as unwanted and lonely as he is.



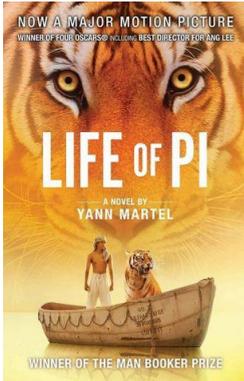
White Dolphin **Gill Lewis**

Frustrated at school and haunted by her mother's disappearance, Kara only feels truly alive when she is sailing the ocean's waves. But when she and Felix make a startling discovery on the beach, it sets in motion a dramatic chain of events. And soon they must make an impossible choice. Risk their own lives or face losing everything.



The Legend of Podkin One-Ear **Kieran Larwood**

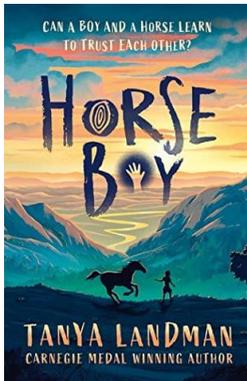
When a travelling bard arrives at Thornwood Warren on Midwinter night, he is warmly welcomed. In return for food and lodging, he settles down to tell the legend of how Podkin One-Ear – one lost little rabbit - overcame the cruellest enemy imaginable, and became the greatest warrior their land has ever known.



Life of Pi

Yann Martel

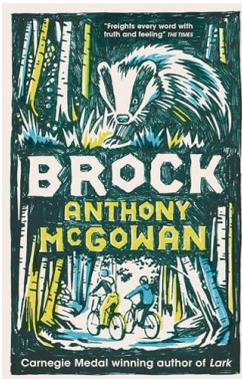
Piscine Molitor "Pi" Patel, a Tamil boy from Pondicherry, explores issues of spirituality and practicality from an early age. He survives 227 days after a shipwreck while stranded on a boat in the Pacific Ocean with a Bengal tiger named Richard Parker.



Horse Boy

Tanya Landman

Oak, son of the Deer clan chief, hopes that this summer he will finally be allowed to join the hunt and make his father proud of him. But this year is not like other years - the rains have failed, his father has fallen out with the Bear chief, and everyone is mistrustful of the new creatures that have been spotted near their encampment: horses.



Brock

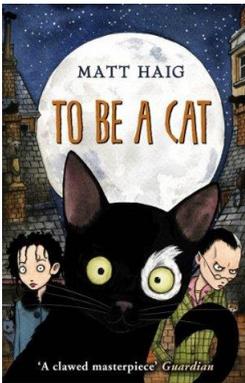
Anthony McGowan

Life's not easy for Nicky. His mum's gone, his dad's on bail and his brother Kenny needs looking after all the time. When Kenny drags Nicky out of bed one dark morning, Nicky has no idea that he is about to witness a terrible act of destruction and the senseless killing of an innocent animal. But Nicky manages to save something precious from the disaster, which changes their lives.



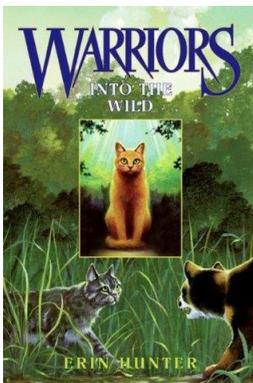
Pax
Sara Pennypacker

Pax was only a kit when his family was killed, and “his boy” Peter rescued him from abandonment and certain death. Now the war front approaches, and when Peter’s father enlists, Peter has to move in with his grandpa. Far worse than being forced to leave home is the fact that Pax cannot go with him.



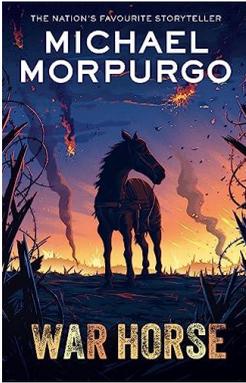
To Be A Cat
Matt Haig

Barney Willow thinks life couldn't get any worse. Horrible Gavin Needle loves tormenting him, his Dad has been missing for almost a year and there's no sign of him ever coming home. Barney just wants to escape, to find another life... being a cat, for example. Barney's about to discover just how wrong he is, when he wakes up as a cat - and not just any cat. Gavin Needle's cat...



Warriors: Into the Wild
Erin Hunter

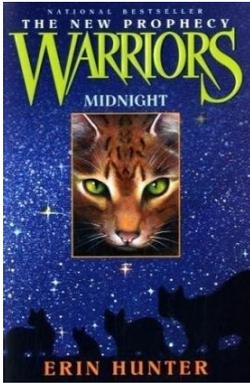
For generations, four Clans of wild cats have shared the forest according to the laws laid down by their warrior ancestors. But the ThunderClan cats are in grave danger, and the sinister ShadowClan grows stronger every day. Noble warriors are dying-- and some deaths are more mysterious than others.



War Horse

Michael Morpurgo

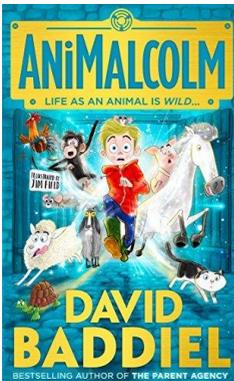
In 1914, Joey, a beautiful foal is sold to the army and thrust into the midst of the war on the Western Front. With his officer, he charges toward the enemy, witnessing the horror of the battles in France. Joey's courage touches the soldiers around him. His heart aches though for Albert, the farmer's son he left behind. Will he ever see his true master again?



Warriors: The New Prophecy: Midnight

Erin Hunter

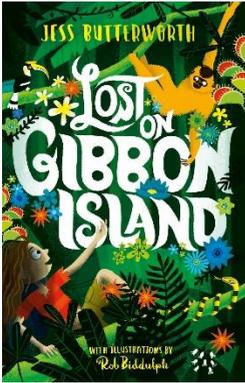
The wild cats of the forest have lived in peace and harmony for many moons but a doom that will change everything is coming. Strange messages from their warrior ancestors speak of terrifying new prophecies, danger, and a mysterious destiny. All the signs point to young warrior Brambleclaw as the cat with the fate of the forest in his paws.



AniMalcolm

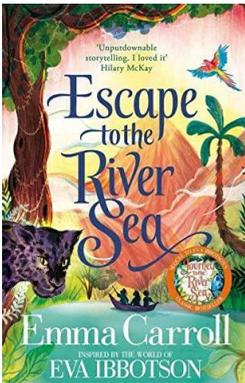
David Baddiel

Malcolm doesn't like animals. Which is a problem because his family love them. Their house is full of pets. What the house is NOT full of is stuff Malcolm likes. Such as the laptop he wanted for his birthday. The only bright spot on the horizon is the Year Six school trip, which Malcolm never thought his parents would pay for. And yet there he is, on the bus, heading to... oh no. A farm.



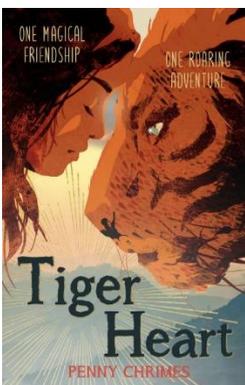
Lost on Gibbon Island **Jess Butterworth**

When Lark's mum takes her family with her on a research trip to Cambodia, Lark never expects that she'll end up stranded on a deserted island, with no one but a baby gibbon for company. But that's exactly what happens. Lost and with no idea how to survive in the jungle, Lark must learn the ways of the wild from the gibbon and in return, try to help the gibbon find her way home ...



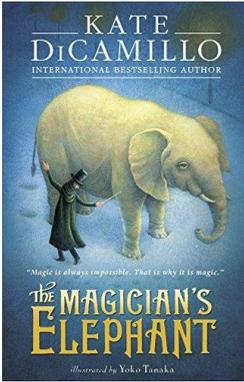
Escape to the River Sea **Emma Carroll**

In 1946, Rosa Sweetman, a young Kindertransport girl, is longing for her family to claim her. The war in Europe is over and she is the only child left at Westwood, a rambling country estate in the north of England. The arrival of a friend of the family, Yara Fielding, starts an adventure that will take Rosa deep into the lush beauty of the Amazon rainforest in search of jaguars, ancient giant sloths and somewhere to belong.



Tiger Heart **Penny Chrimmes**

Fly never meant to end up in a cage with a man-eating tiger. And though she's no princess, when the tiger bows to her, she can't help vowing to free him and return him home. But the bird-filled jungles and cloud-topped mountains of the tiger's homeland are an ocean away. And not everyone wants the tiger to return. With dark and dangerous forces working against them, will Fly be able to fulfil her promises, keep them both alive and - just maybe - become the queen her tiger knows her to be?



The Magician's Elephant

Kate DiCamillo

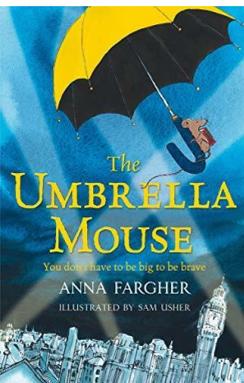
When a fortune teller's tent appears in the market square of the city of Baltese, orphan Peter Augustus Duchene knows the questions that he needs to ask: Does his sister still live? And if so, how can he find her? The fortune teller's mysterious answer (an elephant! An elephant will lead him there!) sets off a chain of events so remarkable it's almost unbelievable!



Animal Farm

George Orwell

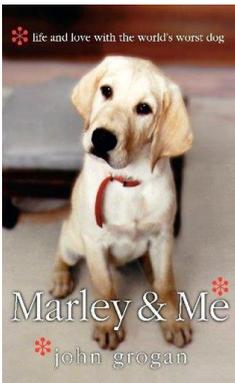
Mr Jones of Manor Farm is so lazy that one day he forgets to feed his livestock. The ensuing rebellion under the leadership of the pigs Napoleon and Snowball leads to the animals taking over the farm. Vowing to eliminate the terrible inequities of the farmyard, the renamed Animal Farm is organised to benefit all who walk on four legs. But as time passes, the ideals of the rebellion are corrupted, then forgotten. And something new and unexpected emerges...



The Umbrella Mouse

Anna Fargher

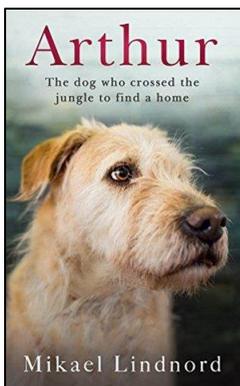
1944, and London is under attack. Young mouse Pip Hanway's safe and quiet world is turned upside down when her home, an umbrella shop, is destroyed by a bomb. Orphaned and alone, she must begin a perilous quest to find a new home. But the only way to get there is by joining Noah's Ark, a secret gang of animals fighting the resistance in France, operating beneath the feet of the human soldiers. Danger is everywhere and as the enemy closes in, Pip must risk everything to save her new friends.



Marley and Me (NF)

John Grogan

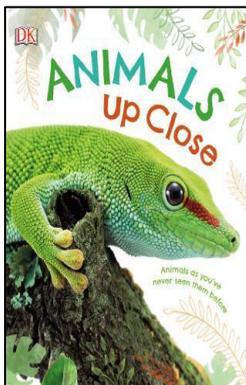
John and Jenny were just beginning their life together. They were young and in love, with a perfect little house and not a care in the world. Then they brought home Marley, a wiggly yellow furball of a puppy. Life would never be the same. Marley quickly grew into a barrelling, ninety-seven-pound streamroller of a Labrador retriever, a dog like no other.



Arthur (NF)

Mikael Lindnord

When you are racing 435 miles through the jungles and mountains of South America, the last thing you need is a stray dog tagging along. But that's exactly what happened to Mikael Lindnord, captain of a Swedish adventure racing team, when he threw a scruffy but dignified mongrel a meatball one afternoon. When they left the next day, the dog followed.



Animals Up Close (NF)

D. K. Publishing

See the world's most fascinating animals closer and more vividly than you've ever seen before, through stunning, larger-than-life photography in this modern DK classic. Readers will be fascinated by stories such as the crab that carries its home on its back, or the salamander that turns from a fish into an amphibian as it grows..