



Bramble Bay Bulletin

Term 4 2006

Hello Librarians & Readers

Well here we are, the 4th and final term of 2006, where has the time gone. It will be christmas before we know it. What an amazing term 3 we had. The Shortlisted titles kept us very busy last term, with some titles very difficult to get hold of but we have managed to complete most of our orders with only a couple of titles still outstanding. Annies Chair has finally come in so we will be delivering that book early this term. We apologise for the delay and we thank you for your patience.

Here at Bramble Bay Books we were also kept extremely busy with Bookfairs, there were 8 Bookfairs run last term and each was very successful, so congratulations to those schools who held bookfairs. We are pleased to tell you that Bramble Bay Books has given in excess of \$3500.00 in reading resources back to these schools through sales commissions. You all did an amazing job. Bookfairs are a great way of fundraising and at this time of year, a great way to get some affordable christmas presents or stocking fillers. Our books range in price from \$2, \$5, \$7, \$10, \$15 and \$20. We like to keep our bookfairs simple and easy to operate, with little or no work required by you or your staff. We set up and pack up, so if you are considering a bookfair, then this term might just be the right term for you. Please contact us for further details.

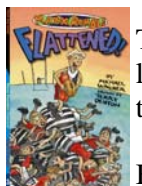
Special Orders also made up a big portion of our business last term. Special orders are books that are ordered rather than selected from our boxes. Unfortunately we are unable to carry every publication in our boxes so we have a Special Order Service available. We are in a position where we deal with all publishing houses therefore we are not limited in our purchases. Unless books are out of print, we are able to locate and purchase them as required. There are no delivery charges to you, if orders are over \$150.00 a discount will apply and class sets will receive an automatic 15% discount.



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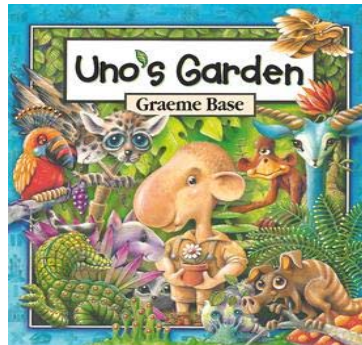
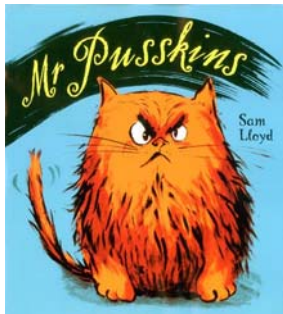
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New Releases: Picture Books

Mr Pusskins (Lloyd \$28.95) – Orchard Sept release

Mr Pusskins is a cantankerous, crabby old cat who decides he's not happy with things as they are and, needless to say by the end he has realized what a lucky cat he really is.

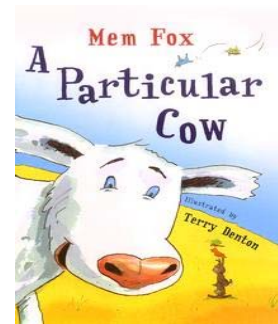


Uno's Garden (Base \$29.95) Penguin Oct

The latest storybook/puzzlebook from Graeme Base has an environmental theme and is just as beautifully and ingeniously illustrated as his others. He is an extraordinarily talented man.

A Particular Cow (Fox/Denton \$24.95) – Penguin Sept release

Mem Fox and Terry Denton at their best. Absolutely perfect for reading aloud with a rollicking rhythm and great visual storyline. It's full of zippy characters and clever language and

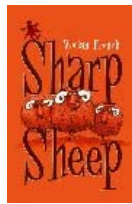


to quote a seven year old boy that I read it aloud to "It's a MAD book!"

New Releases: Junior Fiction

Sharp Sheep (French \$12.95) Macmillan Oct

Prepare to be scared. A flock of sheep has never been so frightening! Baaaa!



Clarice Bean Don't look Now (Child \$27.95) – Orchard Oct Release

In the new Clarice Bean we find out all about Clarice's worst worries..."Always remember it's the worry you haven't even thought to worry about that should worry you the most." Very funny and highly entertaining. If you're ever looking for a read aloud for the classroom the Clarice Bean titles are excellent.

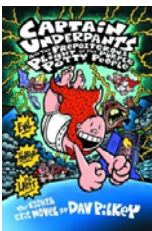


Mermaid SOS (Shields \$9.95) – Allen and Unwin Nov

Desperate to have something else to offer the girls who are hooked on the Rainbow Magic books. Try Mermaids for a change. 6 titles available



Captain Underpants & the Preposterous Plight of the Purple Potty People (Pilkey \$9.99) – Scholastic Sept release

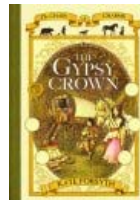


New Releases: Bridging Fiction



Secret Life of Maeve Lee Kwong (Murray \$15.95) Allen & Unwin Sept release

What do you do when your family is tragically torn apart and you're part Irish, part Chinese, part Australian and don't know where you fit in? This is a contemporary story of self discovery.



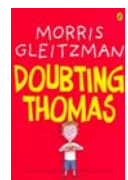
Chain of Charms: Bk1 Gypsy Crown & Bk 2 Silver Horse (Forsyth \$14.95)

New six book series from popular fantasy writer, Kate Forsyth.



Doubting Thomas (Gleitzman \$16.95) – Penguin Oct

Morris Gleitzman is amazingly prolific. **Doubting Thomas**, his latest title, is a funny, clever and poignant story about family, itchy nipples and telling the truth.



New Releases: Older Fiction

Just In Case (Rosoff \$17.95) – Penguin Sept. Meg Rosoff's earlier novel, **How I Live Now**, was a book that sold well by word of



mouth. We had a few librarians ring up to order it because students had been asking for it. The Sales Representative from Penguin claims that this one is even better.

Will (Boyd \$17.95) – Random House Sept. “In retrospect, mooning the girls’ school bus wasn’t such a good idea...” Will is in



Year 11 and in trouble and helping out with the school musical wasn’t the punishment that he would have chosen. Funny, realistic, very readable. Think of a **Looking For Alibrandi** style story, but for boys.

Shooting The Moon (Jones \$14.99) – Harper Entertainment September

Buddy and Juggling With Mandarins both won numerous awards in New Zealand and internationally. **Shooting the Moon** is the sequel to **Juggling With Mandarins** and continues the story of 14 year old Pip. Excellent read.



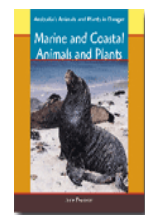
Specials



My Pet Series. 6 titles in the series. Paperback edition, titles include Puppy, Kitten, Rabbit, Guinea Pig & Rats & Mice. Originally **\$16.95**, now **\$7.95 ea**



Australia’s Animals & Plants in Danger is a series by Jane Pearson. Each title describes 10 animals & 2 plants that are in danger. The threats they face are described as well as the ways people are working to help them survive. Titles include Forest Animals & Plants, Desert Animals & Plants, Marine & Coastal Animals & Plants and Wetland Animals & Plants. \$29.95 but if purchased as a set, you will receive **15% discount**.



Creepy Creatures Series. Perfect for prep class. 4 titles are Ants, Bees, Earthworms & Mosquitoes, at **\$16.95ea** or buy the set for **\$57.00**

Christmas Reads



With Christmas just around the corner, we are offering 4 Christmas to do Books for **\$44.00** or **\$12.95ea**. Titles include **Thinks to make & Do for Christmas, Christmas Cooking, Christmas Activities & Christmas Decorations & Cards**. If you would like to place an order, please contact the office or they can be bought from our boxes.



Contains imaginative & creative ideas for a multitude of festive activities, including how to make an Advent calendar, Christmas cards, decorations, stickers, easy step by step recipes for biscuits & cakes and much much more.

One Starry Night (Godfrey \$27.00) -

Hodder Sept. Stunningly illustrated, the story will enchant children. This time honoured story will make the perfect teaching tool for children, particularly those learning to read and count..



An Aussie Night Before



Christmas (Morrison \$14.99) Scholastic.

The classic story with an Australian adaptation.



When Santa Fell to Earth (Funke \$19.99) Scholastic

A twinkling festive treat, a story of two children who save the last real Santa on earth. Written by Funke as a heartwarming adventure that celebrates the magic of christmas.

Christmas Wonderland

(French \$14.95) Hachette Nov. A must have in the Tiara Club series.



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Australian Children's Book of the Year Awards 2006

The winners were announced in August

Picture Book of the Year - Short & Incredibly Happy Life of Riley - Colin Thompson

Book of the Year, Early Childhood - Annies Chair - Deborah Niland

Book of the Year, Younger Readers - Helicopter Man - Elizabeth Fenshem

Book of the Year, Older Readers - The Story of Tom Brennan - J.C. Burke

Eve Pownall Award for Information - Scarecrow Army - Leon Davidson

Colin Thiele 16/11/1920 – 4/9/2006

Farewell to one of Australia's most popular and most prolific authors. Colin Thiele contributed an enormous amount to both literature and education. He published over 100 books across a wide range of genres, but **Storm Boy** is undoubtedly his best known and best loved title. Written in 1963 it still remains as relevant today as it did 40 years ago, not only because it is such a great story and Mr Percival the pelican is such a great character, but also because of its concern over senseless vandalism and the wilful destruction of fragile environments. Thiele was a great story teller. He wrote with humour, excitement, and had great empathy for his characters and their lives. Who can forget Snook after reading **Blue Fin** – gangily, clumsy and always the butt of his father's scorn, or the wild, windy, empty loneliness of the Coorong, home of Storm Boy and his father, Hideaway Tom? Colin Thiele worked tirelessly to share his love of stories and writing with others, despite suffering from severe rheumatoid arthritis. His books have won many awards and in 1977 he was made a Companion of the Order of Australia for services to literature. Farewell to a truly remarkable Australian.

What's happening in the Library!!

It may look like a scene out of a Shakespearean play, but this photo was taken at the launch of Gregory Rogers new picture book, **Midsummer Knight** (*Allen & Unwin, \$27.95*) at Clayfield College just before the school holidays. Staff, students and Rogers had great fun dressing up in costume for a great night and a successful book launch. Entertainment was provided by students from the Senior School and food and drinks provided by the Boarding House catering team. **Midsummer Knight** again features the bear and the boy from **The Boy, the Bear, the Baron, the Bard** and is a wordless picture book set in an enchanted fairy world back in Elizabethan times. It is a great adventure and children will enjoy the comic format and the humour.

