

# Lamont Books Standing Order

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PRIMARY FICTION TITLES

## Slow Down Boris

By Andrew Joyner

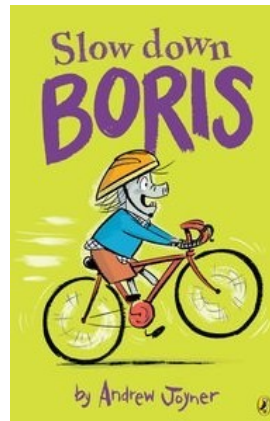
ISBN 9780143306702

\$9.95

Boris is excited!

The whole class is going on a school excursion to the city. They're visiting the museum, the park and the Road Safety School. There's so much to see and do, and Boris wants to try everything – including a big red bike that looks like it could go really fast . . .

You'll never be bored when Boris is around! With his big dreams and super-sized imagination, anything is possible – and adventure is guaranteed.



Any student who has a knack of getting in sticky situations and being in the wrong place at the wrong time will see themselves in Boris!

He just can't seem to stay out of trouble and the most common thing he says on his school excursion is 'Sorry, Mrs Huff.' But can he redeem himself when he sees that a small dog has run away and everyone else is too busy to help?

This is a fun story for your junior readers. The full colour illustrations will make it even more appealing for them.

Reviewed by Sam

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## Rainbow Street Pets

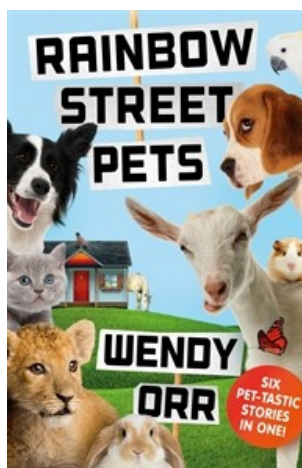
By Wendy Orr

ISBN 9781742379081

\$19.99

What would you do if you lost a pet? Where would you go if you found one? At the Rainbow Street Shelter a cockatoo will greet you and a little round dog will make you welcome. Meet Bear the border collie, Buster the marmalade cat, and Bessy the goat, as well as rabbits and guinea pigs and mice. There's even a pony called Pebbles, and the children who become the animals' friends. But where does a lion cub fit in?

Publishers Blurb.



This is a wonderful collection of animal stories, all centred around the Rainbow Street Animal Shelter and the people who work there.

Wendy Orr gives each of the animals a character of their own and you'll fall in love with all of them.

Great for boys and girls, and will suit independent readers, as each story can stand alone, but they will want to read them all!

Reviewed by Michelle.

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## Sophie Scott Goes South

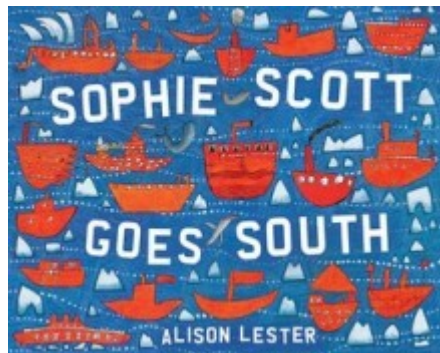
By Alison Lester  
ISBN 9780670880683  
\$29.95

I'm going to Antarctica and I can't wait!

Sophie Scott is only nine years old, but she's going to Antarctica on an icebreaker with her dad, the ship's captain. During the voyage to Mawson Station and back, Sophie keeps a diary. She sees icebergs, penguins, seals and whales. She makes new friends, experiences the southern lights and even becomes stranded in a blizzard!

Children's Laureate and much-loved picture-book creator Alison Lester travelled to Antarctica as an Antarctic Arts Fellow. Her alter ego, Sophie Scott, goes on the same adventure in a friendly, informative and beautifully presented book that sees the wonder of Antarctica through a child's eyes.

Publishers Blurb.



Alison Lester has once again produced a piece of work that really does fall into many categories. It is not only a story written in the form of a diary, but it is a picture book as well as being full of factual information and photographs. We actually struggled with which category to put it into, but knew we had to find a place for it on our Standing Order list!

We follow Sophie Scott on her journey from Hobart with her father to Antarctica, to deliver supplies to Mawson Station. She shares with us all she experiences along the way and about her one week stay at Antarctica.

This is a book that can be adapted to fit all primary students, with the senior students I am sure being able to use it as a great introduction to learning more about Antarctica and all it has to offer.

Reviewed by Sam.

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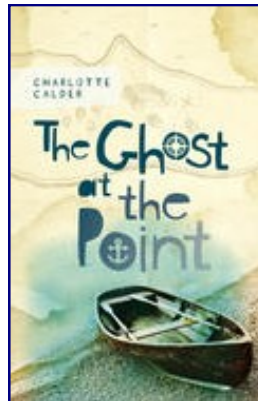
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**The Ghost At The Point**  
By Charlotte Calder  
ISBN 9781921977732  
\$16.95

From acclaimed author Charlotte Calder comes a thrilling historical mystery to make your spine tingle.

Dorrie wonders if Aunt Gertrude's stories are true. Is there really a ghost boy roaming the cliffs? The thought makes her shudder. But how else can she explain the shadowy figure she glimpsed moving through the stringybarks? And the other strange happenings around the point? Dorrie is determined to discover the truth – even if it means confronting a ghost.

Publishers Blurb.



A terrific historical adventure that takes us to a small Australian island on a treacherous coastline in the depression years of the 1930's.

Twelve-year-old Dorrie lives with her grandfather (Gah) after her parents tragically died when a freak wave took them eight years ago. They make do until one day Dorrie comes home to find Gah fallen off a ladder. She enlists the help of her old neighbour and his simple son Jack to get Gah into the truck which she drives to the small island hospital.

But she won't go and stay with her relatives. Who would look after her precious cat Poppy and Sampson her clydesdale? But alone at the farm? She recently had a few reasons to believe the old tale of a ghost that lived on their property.

She returns to discover that not a ghost, but Alonio, a young survivor of a recent shipwreck, is stealing her food. She befriends him and together they tackle the horrid Mr & Mrs Crickle who, now that Gah is out of the way, have come to find a famed treasure buried on the property.

In a fabulous finale, they unlock secrets of their entwined families past and discover the buried gold nugget that will ensure their families future through these harsh times. Great for upper primary students.

Reviewed by Rob.

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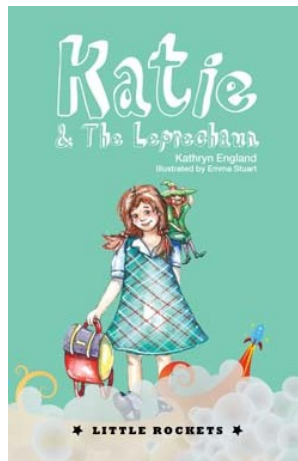
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## **Katie and the Leprechaun: Little Rockets**

By Kathryn England  
ISBN 9781921928239  
\$12.95

Katie is surprised to discover a feisty leprechaun lurking in her local park. Together they go off on an adventure to hunt down the ideal footwear for a leprechaun shoe maker.

Publishers Blurb.



A lovely short story for emerging readers, set off with beautiful colour illustrations.

It is nice to see a new concept for a series, with stand alone stories by a local publishing house. Well done to New Frontier Publishing.

Great junior fiction for those 7+.

Reviewed by Rob.