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SCHOOLS CATALOGUE 2015–2016
Welcome to the Barrington Stoke Classroom Catalogue 2015–2016

Want to improve literacy across your school? Looking for an effective way to use your Pupil Premium funding to help struggling learners? Looking for SEN reading resources?

Developing a love of reading can change children’s lives. Young people who make the jump from learning to read to loving to read don’t only become better readers – they become better learners across the board. Their literacy skills are consolidated, their horizons are broadened and they are better able to succeed in school and ultimately in life.

Yet many children fail to get the reading bug. Almost every school in the country counts among its student cohort keen readers, struggling readers, and young people who can read but don’t.

There are many reasons for reading difficulty and reading reluctance, from specific learning difficulties and disenchantment with beginner books to a lack of family time and increased competition from gaming or online chatting.

Barrington Stoke’s first-rate short fiction combats many of the factors that can stop young people getting into books. From Early Years to upper Secondary, the books support struggling students with a range of accessibility features, motivate reluctant readers with clever high-low editing and challenge higher achievers as bitesize speed-reads eminently suitable for broadening reading tastes or in-school analysis.

Turn over for more on our accessibility features including our unique dyslexia-friendly approach.

We hope you enjoy browsing our titles; please do contact us if we can help with anything.

The Barrington Stoke Team
About Barrington Stoke books

Children who read for pleasure enjoy significant advantages in education and in life. But making reading a pleasure for struggling and reluctant students can be a challenge, especially as many face real barriers to accessing print, including learning difficulties specific or otherwise, poor attention span and negative perceptions of reading.

Barrington Stoke was established by literacy and SEN experts working in partnership with professional trade publishers to identify and overcome the difficulties experienced by young people with SpLD, language and learning difficulties or reading reluctance with roots in other issues.

The design and editing of our books is informed by understanding of the process of reading itself and the obstacles facing these readers:

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Our books are punchy, with accessible word-lengths supplemented by plenty of chapter breaks to provide rest stops for readers who have not yet built reading stamina (while cliff-hangers incentivise them to return!) Most importantly of all, our books are brilliant stories written by some of the best children’s authors in the UK.

Our books are available at three broad interest ages (5-9, 7-12 and 11+) and at five reading ages (6, 6.5, 7, 8 and 8+, or NC Levels 1-3). Books are edited to offer particular accessibility in opening chapters as research shows that readers’ confidence increases as they move through a text. You may download free sample pages for all of our titles from www.barringtonstoke.co.uk. As a rough guide, a book is at the right level for a reader if (s)he can read a page of text without struggling over five words or more.

Our Authors

At Barrington Stoke, we believe that books should be uplifting, engaging, exciting, intriguing and inspiring. We hate to hear a book described as ‘written for reluctant readers’. Reluctant readers are not a homogenous group and while it’s perfectly possible to reduce barriers to comprehension and help anyone access text more easily, it’s not possible to say who struggling and reluctant readers are, or what they like. Dyslexia, after all, affects 7% of the population and reading reluctance as many as one in two.

Our list is based on the core principle that reluctant and struggling readers deserve the best – the best writers, the best illustrators, and the best covers, finishes and design available. We are incredibly fortunate to be joined in this belief by many of the best writers and illustrators in the UK. We publish Carnegie Medalists, Children’s Laureates, international bestsellers, and national treasures. As you read through the catalogue you can find out more about these wonderful storytellers who want all children to discover the magic of books.

“I’ve always admired the team at Barrington Stoke, their passion for stories and for making stories accessible to children for whom reading is a challenge.”

– Michael Morpurgo
The Little Gems offer varied, high quality stories that are ideal to help your young people get to know some brilliant authors, and make the all-important jump between reading scheme books and ‘real’ reading. Special features to boost confidence and enjoyment include:

- Short texts (2,500 words approx) in a substantial page count to promote a sense of achievement
- A friendly small format to sit well in little hands
- Ample chapter breaks to provide rest stops, and illustration to aid understanding
- An easy-read font and gently tinted paper for sensitive eyes
- Jokes and activities in the jacket flaps to reinforce reading as fun.

The 8th UK Children’s Laureate, Malorie Blackman OBE is one of the UK’s finest storytellers for young people.

Malorie Blackman
The Fish in the Bathtub
978-1-78112-430-7 $6.99

Molly and Alex face an elephant when it turns out Alex’s sister is a Gris-kwok – she can turn into an animal!

Eoin Colfer
Eoin Colfer is the author of international bestseller Artemis Fowl and the current Irish Children’s Laureate.

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ROS ASQUTH & MAIRI HEDDERWICK
Ros Asquith writes & draws books for children and cartoons for The Guardian. Mairi Hedderwick writes & draws Katie Morag – the CBBC adaptation of which is currently in its second season.

It’s Robbie’s birthday and he knows what he wants – a sit-on tractor and a cat. But Granny has other ideas ...

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When Uncle Poached Egg tells tall tales, he doesn’t get into trouble. So Robbie is confused when his own fibs lead to all sorts of mayhem.

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ROSS COLLINS
Ross Collins is an award-winning picture-book writer and illustrator.

Norman and Ringo get the blame for every pong and puddle, and so they decide to get paid for it!

ELMO AND HIS SISTER LOVE THE JUNGLE HOUSE – BUT THEN MEAN OLD MR BIRDNEST MOVES IN AND THINGS TURN VERY ODD INDEED.

JULIA DONALDSON
Julia is perhaps the best-known children’s author in the UK today, and the 7th UK Children’s Laureate.

Elmo and his sister love the Jungle House – but then mean old Mr Birdnest moves in and things turn very odd indeed.

ROSS COLLINS
Polly’s Holiday Home for Pets has just opened, and thanks to Doris the snake, it’s already having some big problems!
**EARLY YEARS**

**READIMG AT LEVEL**

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Master storyteller and author of countless bestsellers and award-winners including War Horse, Michael Morpurgo OBE is nothing short of a national treasure. He was the 3rd UK Children’s Laureate.

Chris and Lisa and their friend Tom make a gang-hut in the old WW2 shelter, but then the local bullies find out.

Chris and Lisa’s holy terror of a cousin comes to visit from the big city, and struggles to adjust to farm life.

Wolfman is on the loose and the townspeople are terrified!

An X-box fan swaps lives with a pig, and the pig does well at school.

Mum is trying to drive and the kids are going mad in the back.

All the mummies wage war on the nasty nits but those nits cling on in there.

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A picture book list that dyslexic parents and less confident readers can read with their children too

– Michael Morpurgo

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MORPURGO'S PYTHON
Robin Hood’s not content with being No.1 Most Wanted man in Sherwood and so he decides to become a fisherman. Shome he’s not such a good sailor!

CLAIRE’S LIFE CAN BE LONELY AND SO SHE IS DELIGHTED WHEN SHE TAMES AN INJURED FOX CUB. BUT CLAIRE’S DAD SAYS THAT FOXES ARE VERMIN, AND NOT WELCOME ON HIS FARM …

DILLY WOULD PREFER A BROKEN LEG TO THE HORRID WART ON HIS KNEE. BUT DILLY FINDS THE COURAGE TO COME OUT FROM HIS BROTHER’S SHADOW AND STAND ON HIS OWN TWO FEET.

Bella doesn’t believe half of what new girl Swan says about her rich parents or her horse. But then a little bit of magic gives Bella a tiny horse of her own …

Zack and Laura disobey a note to keep out of the cellar and set a storybook machine loose – the craziest gadget on the planet. Can they stop it?

An escapee ostrich has holed up in Pudding Lane School! Can Ross and Katie save Mad Iris from the men from the Ostrich Farm?

When Adam agrees to look after Gary’s pet python while Gary is on holiday, he has no idea of the chaos that will ensue. She’s one python with a mind of her own!

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When Granddad gives ‘loser’ George an old bottle of aftershave for his birthday, George’s life becomes more… desirable?!  

Samurai are about to attack the village and Taka wants to fight, not dig trenches or chop wood. But the Grandmaster has a plan …

A Celtic boy takes on the might of the Roman army.

Danny and his mates’ new coach is tough. Can he get a squad together in time?

A new teacher mixes up the class bad boy, but then he thinks it’s a toy. But then he meets its owner – a tiny spaceman!

First the Man with the Black Beard came to visit – then Anne’s dad disappeared; Annie and friends investigate some sticky clues …

When Auntie’s motorbike has its number plate stolen, it’s up to Jay, Ben and Libby to track it down. Fortunately, their motorcycle skills are about to come in very handy.

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Omar, a young asylum seeker, is picked up at the train station. He and the other foster kids feel like they're stuck in the wrong story—until Cherry Green turns up with a magic storybook.

When at last the real crops up, it's true. And the new life starts. They all have a different take, and a story to tell.

Terry DYer

A vampire tale with a twist, based on real happenings at the historic Croglin Hall.

Vivian FRENCH

A princess runs away to claim a magic wish but along the way she meets a very rude sea monster who claims that he needs the wish more.

Cornelia FUNKE

When a strange dog bites Matt, he begins to experience very odd symptoms indeed. The race is on for Matt's friend Liso to find a cure.

Alan GIBBONS

One moment Jimmy's parents were there, then the camera flashed and they were gone. Can Jimmy find the photographer—and his parents?

I really LOVE reading since I found your books!”

– Liam, age 10

I'm saving it is a life line as war ravages their lives.
Tilly’s new at school and has made a best friend forever – Mia. But when Amber joins a few days later, Mia isn’t so friendly to her. What should Tilly do?

Claire’s life can be lonely and so she is delighted when she takes an injured fox cub. But Claire’s dad says that foxes are vermin, and not welcome on his farm …

When Hagurosan steals from the spirits in the shrine, the spirits punish him. But Hagurosan’s punishment is also a thing of wonder.

Rosie Roberts is at a new school, trying to hide a big secret. But her mum has just started there too – as a teacher. How long can Rosie fly under the radar?

When a risk-averse head teacher bans football in the playground, a group of friends form Secret F.C.

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Dilly would prefer a broken leg to the horrid wart on his knee. But Dilly finds the courage to come out from his brother’s shadow and stand on his own two feet.

An inheritance turns sinister for a young boy in WW2 when a Doomb painting resurfaces and the end of the world seems closer than ever.

Chuckle Bob hates life in the pet shop. But it’s hard for a little monkey to survive outside and alone. Can Jessica and Dan make him trust them?

The school inspectors are coming, and Pudding Lane School is making sure everything’s ship shape and there are no ostriches on the premises …

Kevin hates Parents’ Night – his folks are so embarrassing. Plus, there’s all the blood to clean up when they bite the teacher …

Tom’s parents split and he is torn apart. Can Owen hold things together?

Mad Iris is now the Pudding Lane School mascot, but on the day of the big football game, she disappears! Can the school save Mad Iris – and win the Cup?

The European Championships loom but the news from the war zone is bad and it’s hard for Borderlands to focus on the matter in hand.

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The team is in New Zealand for the world championships but things are falling apart. Can Owen hold things together?

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