

## Book Catalogue Primary Program

Hi,  
My name is Kirli  
Saunders and I am a  
proud Gundi Woman,  
writer, teacher and  
emerging artist.

I was surrounded by brilliant story-tellers, artists, cooks, gardeners and musicians as a kid, so I've been lucky to have had really wonderful self-expressive role models my whole life. I loved drawing and painting, and played the flute as a child. I was shy as a story-teller but thankfully had dedicated teachers who encouraged the creator in me to come out.

I'm really grateful to those kind teachers who gifted me art and resources like Mrs Chishom who taught me poetry. I started writing poetry without knowing exactly what it was. I didn't follow particular rules, I just let whatever was bubbling in me arise and transfer into one of my many notebooks.

I loved picture books! I was blessed with a mum who had our shelves constantly stacked with engaging texts, and a dad who loved to take us to the public library as kids. My love affair with books was kept alight when I was teaching and selecting texts for my K-1 students.

When I was 22 and teaching Year 1, I bought a motorbike (a red Ducati 659) to reconnect with bliss. Reflecting on a coastal ride one sunny afternoon, I wrote my debut picture book, *The Incredible Freedom Machines*, in a café in Keiraville near Wollongong on a scrappy notebook I carried around with me everywhere.

My stories are based on my own or inherited experiences. *The Incredible Freedom Machines* is semi-autobiographical. My characters usually come from diverse cultural backgrounds, as I didn't see a lot of these characters in books when I was a kid.

The more I learn about my own cultural and language journey, the more I like to share (with permissions and guidance by Elders and Custodians). Writing for young people keeps me hopeful. It allows me to imagine better worlds with deeper understanding and connection. When I write for children, I'm always dreaming of the ways we might enact big change in our world. Books in Homes weaves more of that big change, sharing stories with children who need them.

I'm thrilled to be a part of the Program.

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# Role Model Competition

For your chance to win one of 25 book prize packs (10 titles in each), please read the front page of your Books in Homes Catalogue and answer the following questions:

1. Who is our Role Model this term?
2. What does our Role Model do as a career?
3. What did our Role Model love doing when she was a child?
4. What did Mrs Chishom teach our Role Model to write?
5. What colour and brand of motorbike did our Role Model buy when she was 22 and teaching Year 1?

## Bonus Question

6. What kind of Incredible Freedom Machine would you most like to ride or fly in?

Please add a drawing of you riding or flying in that machine in a beautiful landscape.

Make sure you also write:

1. Your full name
2. The school you attend
3. The class you are in
4. How old you are.

**Good Luck!**

Please send your entries by **20 November 2020** to:

**Books in Homes Australia**  
**Role Model Competition**  
**PO Box 647, Botany NSW 1455**



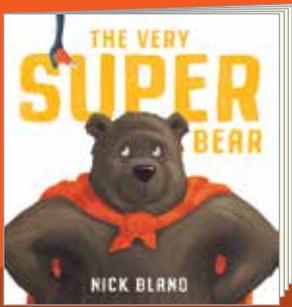
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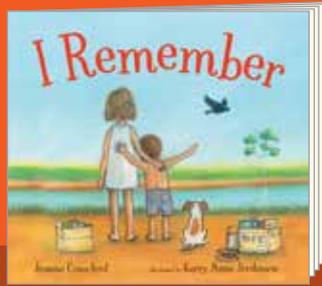




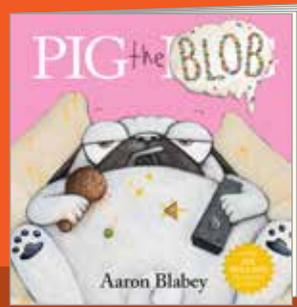
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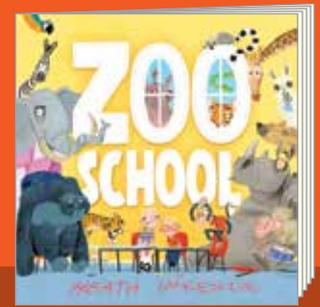
**1. The Very Super Bear**  
Can The Very Super Bear save the jungle from the cranky, yellow monster?



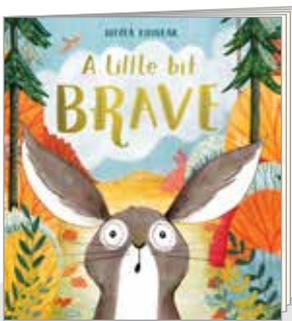
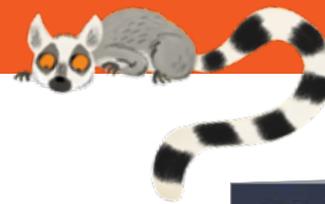
**2. I Remember**  
The family packs up for their yearly camping trip.



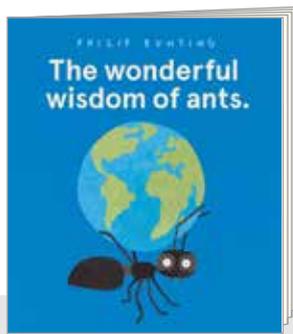
**3. Pig the Blob**  
The world's greediest Pug is back—and he won't get off the couch!



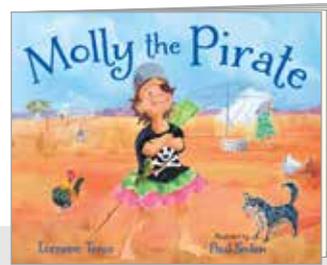
**4. Zoo School**  
What would you do if your school was A ZOO?!



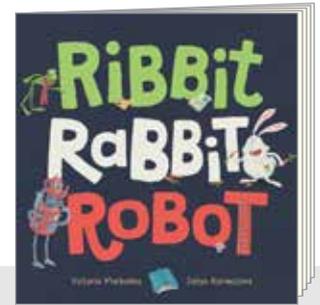
**5. A Little Bit Brave**  
A funny, reassuring story showing we're much braver than we think.



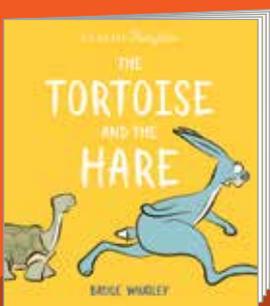
**6. The Wonderful Wisdom of Ants**  
A hilarious look into the world of being an ant.



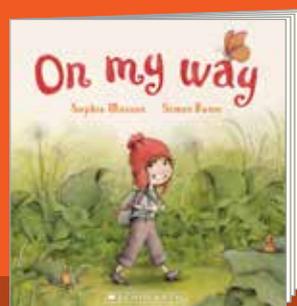
**7. Molly the Pirate**  
Molly becomes a pirate in her own backyard!



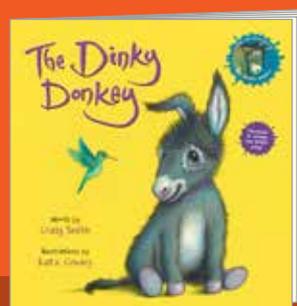
**8. Ribbit Rabbit Robot**  
A friendly frog, a greedy rabbit and a robot discover a magic lamp and friendship.



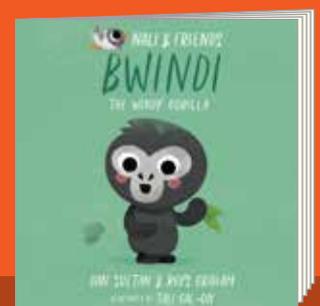
**9. The Tortoise and the Hare**  
The classic tale of the race between a confident hare and a humble tortoise.



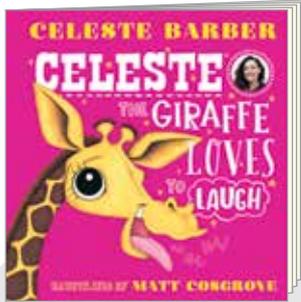
**10. On My Way**  
A delightful story about all the things you can see on your travels.



**11. The Dinky Donkey**  
Dinky is a baby, wonky donkey!

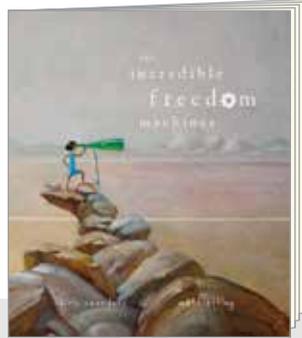


**12. Nali and Friends #2: Bwindi**  
Nali meets a very windy gorilla and discovers something new.



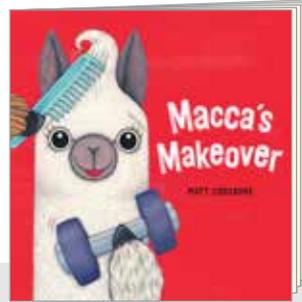
**13. Celeste the Giraffe Loves to Laugh**

Celeste goes on a hilarious journey to find out what makes her special.



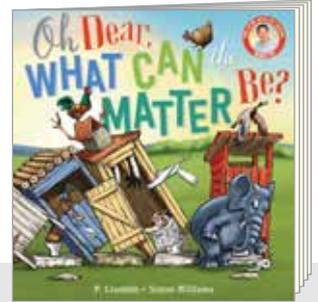
**14. The Incredible Freedom Machines**

A young girl finds a machine that carries her to all kinds of wonderful places.



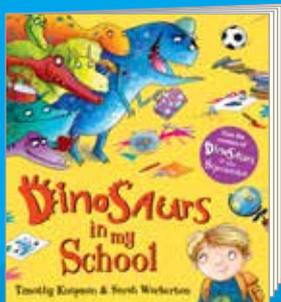
**15. Macca's Makeover**

Macca's makeover shows him he doesn't need to be like his friends to be cool.



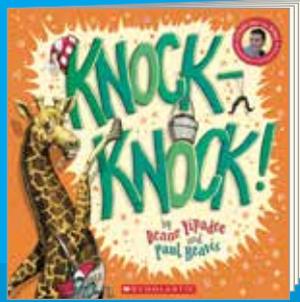
**16. Oh Dear, What Can the Matter Be?**

See what animals get up to when no one is looking!



**17. Dinosaurs in My School**

Dinosaurs are causing chaos at school and the grown-ups can't see them!



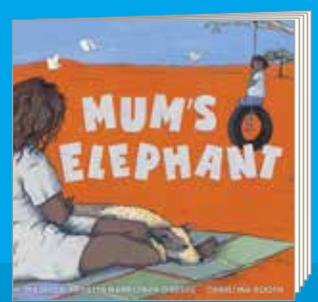
**18. Knock-Knock!**

Gerri decides to cheer up her neighbours with Knock Knock jokes!



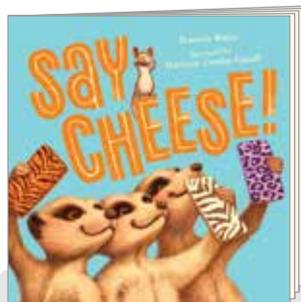
**19. Don't Butt In**

Baboon keeps butting in to show everyone his new pants.



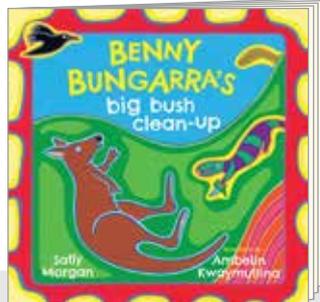
**20. Mum's Elephant**

Can you work out what the mother's elephant is?



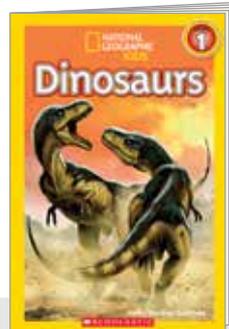
**21. Say Cheese!**

These furry students won't stay still for their school photo!



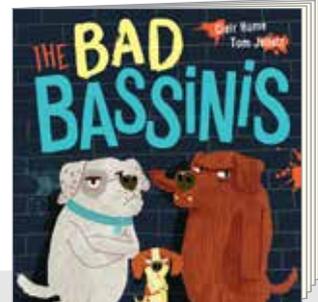
**22. Benny Bungarra's Big Bush Clean-Up**

Australian animals take charge of clearing rubbish left by humans in their habitat.



**23. Dinosaurs**

Find out all about the terrifying giants that once roamed the Earth!



**24. The Bad Bassinis**

The Bassinis are the baddest dogs in town.

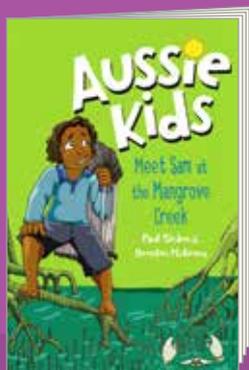


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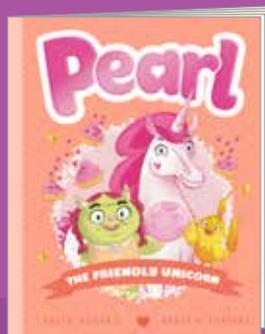
**25. Lego: Super Sharks**

Dive into the world of sharks with the Lego minifigures.



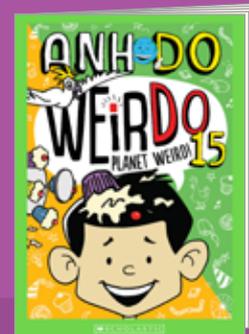
**26. Aussie Kids: Meet Sam at the Mangrove Creek**

Will some bad luck bananas ruin Sam and Peter's fishing trip?



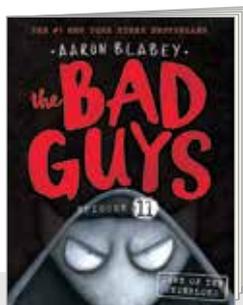
**27. Pearl #7: The Friendly Unicorn**

Can Pearl stop Iggy from making friends with the mean gobble-uns?



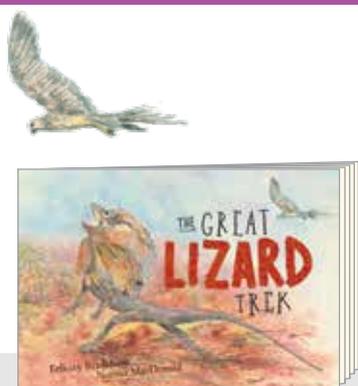
**28. WeirDo #15: Planet WeirDo**

Weir's having a birthday party you can see from space!



**29. The Bad Guys Episode 11: Dawn of the Underlord**

The Bad Guys are back with more blood-curdling badness.



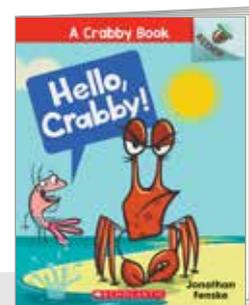
**30. The Great Lizard Trek**

Follow Rocky as he faces the challenge of rising temperatures in his habitat.



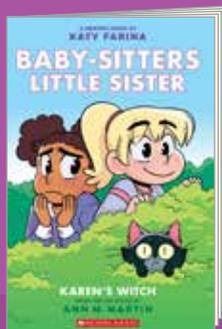
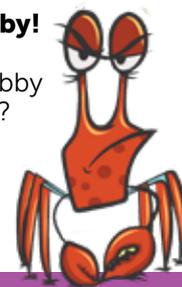
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The sisters have a camping adventure in their own backyard!



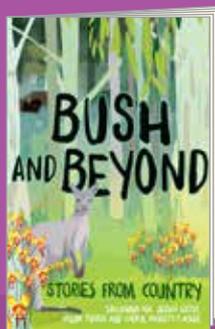
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Can Plankton get grumpy Crabby to crack a smile?



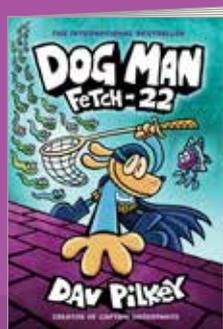
**33. Baby-Sitters Little Sister #1: Karen's Witch**

Karen is determined to prove that her neighbour is a witch!



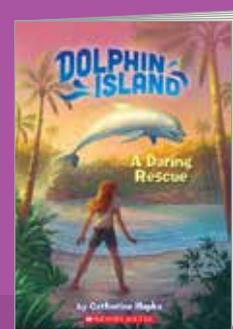
**34. Bush and Beyond**

Four fun stories set in the bush.



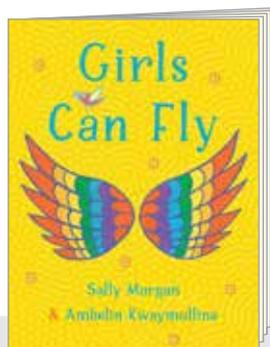
**35. Dog Man #8: Fetch-22**

Will Petey and Dog Man finally work as a team to save the world?



**36. Dolphin Island #1: A Daring Rescue**

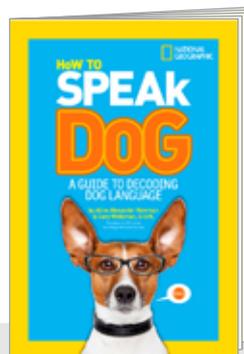
Abby's new island home comes with some unexpected pets—dolphins!



**37. Girls Can Fly**  
An inspirational book of advice about living life to the fullest.



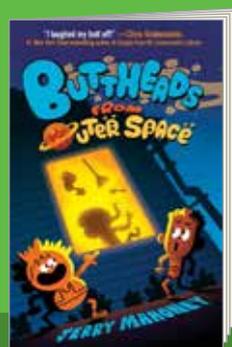
**38. Ella Diaries #17: Time to Shine**  
Ella and her friends are making a cooking video!



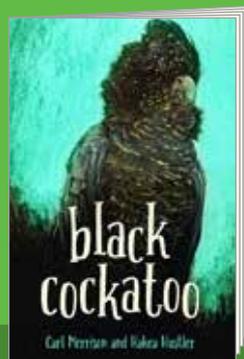
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Find out what dogs are trying to tell you with their behaviour and body language.



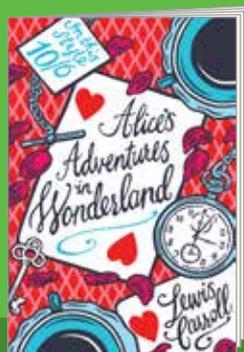
**40. Diary of a Minecraft Zombie #12: Pixelmon Gone!**  
Can Zombie work out why the Pixelmon are disappearing?



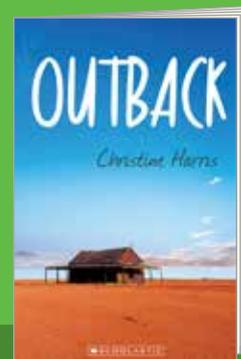
**41. Buttheads From Outer Space**  
Two kids invite aliens to Earth and they turn out to be total buttheads!



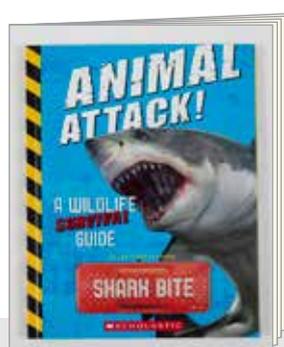
**42. Black Cockatoo**  
Mia feels powerless until the day she rescues her totem animal, the dirran black cockatoo.



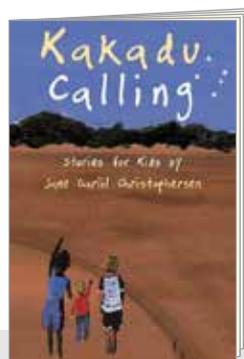
**43. Alice's Adventures in Wonderland**  
Follow Alice down the rabbit hole into Wonderland.



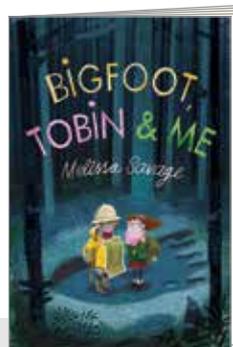
**44. Outback**  
A story about how tough life can be in the Australian outback.



**45. Animal Attack!**  
Learn to protect yourself from the attacks of extreme animals.



**46. Kakadu Calling**  
A wonderful collection of stories about kids in the Australian bush.



**47. Bigfoot, Tobin & Me**  
Two friends set out to catch Bigfoot on film.



**48. The Girl with the Broken Wing**  
The adventure begins for Amanda and James when an angel lands on their roof.



# Gumlu State School



**NUMBER OF STUDENTS:** 20

**LOCATION:** Gumlu, Qld

**ABOUT US:** Established in 1913, Gumlu State School is a small remote school with country values located on the highway between Bowen and Ayr, within the Whitsunday region.

At Gumlu we have a teaching Principal, Thomas Harrington, who is passionate about delivering deep quality education with a focus on hands-on learning. This is achieved with the support of a very experienced part time teacher and multiple Teacher Aides.

The Gumlu community and stakeholders are all committed to delivering personalised journeys to ensure positive outcomes in a supportive and caring environment. At Gumlu we strive to deliver extra-curricular activities. Last year this included: gold mine tours, Mount Carlton, pioneer trail experiences in outback Winton, paddock to plate learning and aquaponics just to name a few.

With the assistance of Books in Homes, supported by Evolution Mining, the Program guarantees that Gumlu students regularly choose high quality books that in return support the best possible start to their education with a genuine focus on reading for life.

At Gumlu, we hand on heart believe our students are "Living the Dream".



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Class

School

Teacher

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Don't forget to keep a record of the four books you have chosen by circling the books in your book catalogue, and remember to enter our competition on page 2 for your chance to win some fantastic prizes.

*We hope you enjoy reading your new books, and remember...*

**Read to Succeed!**

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