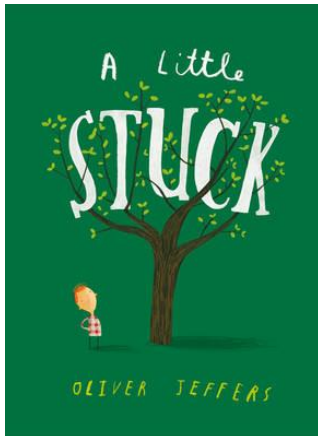


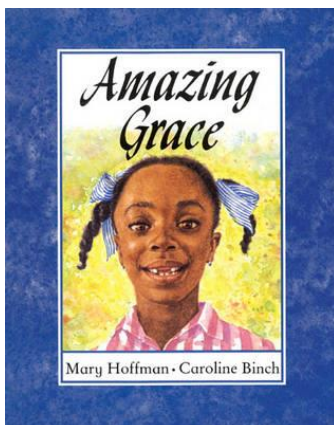
# Books to read..

*A selection of recommended books from different genres that every Dalmain child should read by the end of Early Years!*



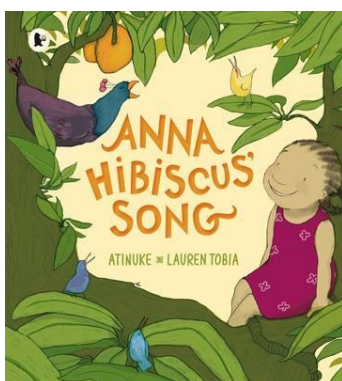
## **Little Stuck by Oliver Jeffers**

A specially adapted board book edition of Oliver Jeffers' laugh-out-loud classic, Stuck. Floyd gets his kite stuck up a tree. He throws up his shoe to shift it, but that gets stuck too. So he throws up his other shoe and that gets stuck, along with...a ladder, a pot of paint, the kitchen sink, an orang-utan and a whale, amongst other things! Will Floyd ever get his kite back?



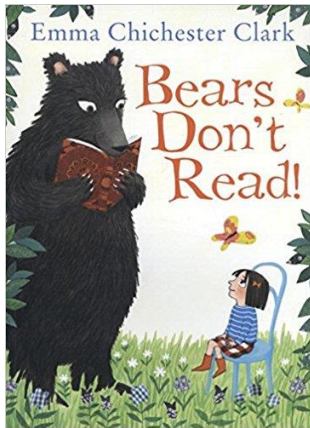
## **Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman**

Grace loves to act out stories. Sometimes she plays the leading part, sometimes she is 'a cast of thousands.' When her school decides to perform Peter Pan, Grace is longing to play Peter, but her classmates say that Peter was a boy, and besides, he wasn't black...But Grace's Ma and Nana tell her she can be anything she wants if she puts her mind to it...



## **Anna Hibiscus' Song by Atinuke**

This is the first picture book featuring Anna Hibiscus and she is very happy in it! So happy, in fact, that she can't quite decide what to do with herself!! So she turns to her grandparents, her aunties, her cousins Chocolate, Angel and Benz, her uncle Tunde and her father, who each offer her a way to express her boundless joy. But being around the people she loves so much only makes her happiness grow and grow; she is SO happy, she is going to EXPLODE! It is her mother who finally helps her to channel her brimming happiness. Sitting in her mango tree Anna sings an amazing song. Amazing is Africa. Amazing is Anna Hibiscus.



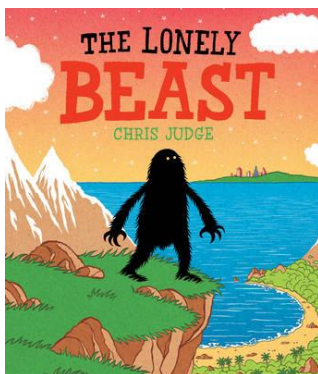
**Bears Don't Read! by Emma Chichester Clark**

That's just silly! said his sister. Bears don't read! George isn't happy doing the usual bear things like chatting and fishing. But what else is there? Then one day, he finds a book beneath a tree and knows...More than anything he wants to learn to read! But, arriving in town, George soon discovers that it's not easy to be a bear at school! If only he could find someone to teach him the alphabet and change his life forever...Perhaps a little girl called Clementine can help?



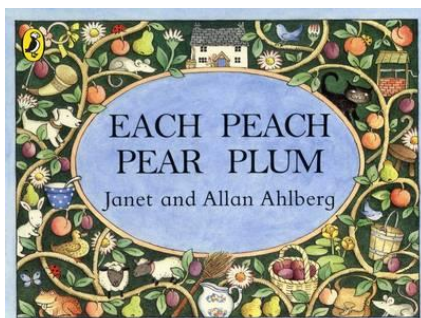
**Blown Away by Rob Biddulph**

Come on an unexpected journey with the fearless Penguin Blue! It's a windy day, and he has a brand new kite - but where's he going on this maiden flight? Penguin Blue and his friends go on a gloriously illustrated adventure full of good ideas, homesickness and the perils of kites, from the sparkling talent of Rob Biddulph.



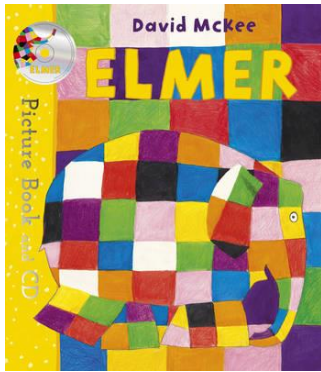
**Lonely Beast by Chris Judge**

Have you heard of the Beasts? No, not many people have. That's because they are very rare. This is the tale of one such Beast, whose determination to overcome his loneliness leads him to undertake a daring and dangerous quest to find others like him...



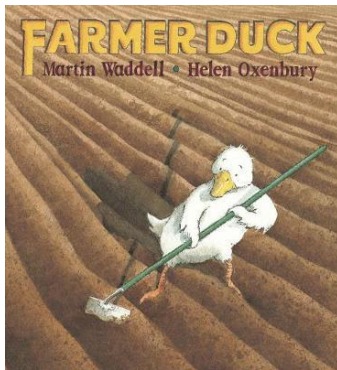
**Each Peach Pear Plum by Allan Ahlberg, Janet Ahlberg**

In this book, children can spy characters hiding in the pictures. A poem on each page gives the clue as to what is hiding in the picture opposite. Many well-known nursery characters are included so that young children can follow the rhymes.



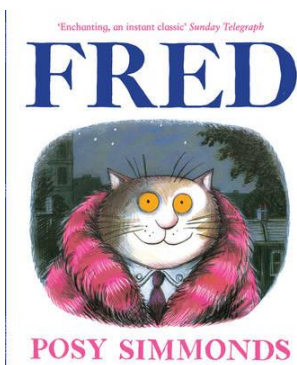
### **Elmer by David McKee**

David McKee's first book about Elmer turned this adorable patchwork elephant into a nursery favourite. D deservedly a modern classic, with over two million copies sold worldwide, Elmer's subtle message that it is ok to be different, resonates with children across the world.



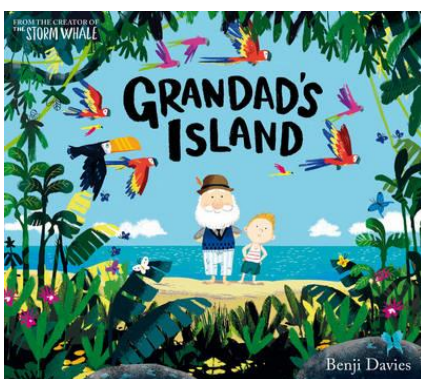
### **Farmer Duck by Martin Waddell**

The winner of the Smarties Book Prize and the Children's Illustrated Book of the Year, this story is about a duck who lived with a lazy old farmer. The duck did all the work while the farmer stayed in bed all day. Then the other animals decided to take action!



### **Fred by Posy Simmonds**

Fred's owners, Sophie and Nick think he is the laziest cat in the world, but who knows what goes on after dark? It's only after their beloved pet dies, that they discover he has been leading an exciting double life...



### **Grandad's Island by Benji Davies**

Syd and Grandad's tropical adventure tells a much bigger story and conveys an important message about loss and love. Grandad's house is at the bottom of Syd's garden and Syd can go round any time he wants. One day Grandad isn't in any of his usual places and Syd finds him in the attic. There's a big metal door at one end, and through it a ship, ready to take Grandad and Syd to a faraway island. Grandad doesn't need his stick on the island and is very much at home with the cheery parrots and bright flowers. He decides to stay behind, though he'll miss Syd very much.