








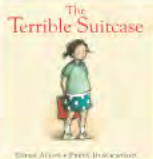







100 Stories Before School Getting Ready for Big School Booklist.

	<p>First Day by Andrew Daddo. Harper Collins.</p> 	<p>Mum is enthusiastically getting her child ready on the way to the first day of school. Lots of positive talking about school. The most up to date book we've read with a selfie!</p>
	<p>Grug goes to school by Ted Prior. Simon and Schuster.</p> 	<p>Grug is a truly unusual Australian character. "Once the top of a Burrawang tree fell to the ground and became Grug! Grug is a curious creature who decides to find out all about school. This book easily lends itself to children pretending to be Grug</p>
	<p>Jessica's Box, Peter Carnavas. New Frontier Publishing.</p>	<p>Jessica is trying to make friends when she starts school. She brings something new in her box each day.</p> 
	<p>My First Day at School by Meredith Costain, illustrated Michelle Mackintosh, Windy Hollow Books.</p> 	<p>This story is written as poems as Zoe, Amira, Zach and Ari all go through their first day at big school. " It follows the experiences and emotions of four very different children from their first teary farewells to their parents through to the joy of making new friends and the discovery that school can be an exciting and enjoyable place, however challenging."(Publisher notes)</p>
	<p>Starting School by Jane Goodwin and Anna Walker. Viking.</p> 	<p>5 different children (Tim, Hannah, Sunita, Joe and Polly) start their first day at big school. The routine of the school day and how everyone reacts to their new environment and friends, allows for story reading to a range of children, who will all experience school in their own special way.</p>
	<p>Social and home made Stories.</p> 	<p>Make your own stories before and after your introductory school visits. Use photographs or drawings. See our Blog for resources.</p>
	<p>The Kissing Hand by Audrey Penn. Tanglewood Press.</p>	<p>This story is more about the emotions leaving Mum to go to school and lovely for parents as well as children - both are going through transition!</p>
	<p>The Terrible Suitcase by Emma Allen and Freya Blackwood. Omnibus/ Scholastic.</p>	<p>The little girl starts her first day at school grumpy, as she didn't have the school bag she wanted. She ends up making friends by using her suitcase to play wonderful imaginary games.</p> 
	<p>Toby Goes to School by Steve Parish and Karin Cox. Steve Parish Publishing.</p>	<p> Based on a true story, Toby is a rescued Southern Hairy-Nosed wombat who wants to go to school with his human friends.</p>

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 <p>Wombat Goes to School JACKIE FRENCH & BRUCE WHATLEY <small>The Jackaroo & the Kangaroo Group Ltd. Australia</small></p>	 <p>Wombat goes to school, by Jackie French and Bruce Whatley, Harper Collins.</p>	<p>When Mothball discovers a new hole, it unexpectedly leads her to the local school. The children learn that wombats love carrots and grass, while Mothball learns that lunch boxes contain very few carrots, that sports sheds can be a good place to have a nap, and that when you're brown and round, it's not a good idea to get too close to a ball ... "</p> <p>From Harper Collins website.</p>
<p>Additional Titles</p> <p>Preschool or School focus</p> <p>Translated</p>	<p><u>Come to School Too, Blue Kangaroo</u> by Emma Clark. Harper Collins UK.</p> <p><u>Curious George's First Day at School</u> by Margret Rey and H.A Rey. Walker Books.</p> <p><u>Fiona the Pig's Big Day</u> by Leigh Hobbs. Penguin/Puffin.</p> <p><u>Harry and The Dinosaurs Go To School</u> by Ian Wybrow and Adrian Reynolds. Random house for Young Readers.</p> <p><u>How Do Dinosaurs Go to School?</u> By Jane Yolen and Mark Teague, various publishers.</p> <p><u>I am too absolutely small for school</u> by Lauren Child. Angus and Robertson.</p> <p><u>I Don't Want To Go To School</u> by Stephanie Blake, Gecko Press. (same rabbit as Poo Bum)</p> <p><u>I Love School</u> by Philemon Sturges. Harper Collins US.</p> <p><u>Jellybean goes to school</u> by Margaret Roc, illustrated Laura Hughes. Random House.</p> <p><u>Meg Comes to School</u> by Helen Nicoll and Jan Pienkowski. Penguin Books Australia.</p> <p><u>Miss Mingo and the First Day of School</u> by Jamie Harper. Walker Books</p> <p><u>On the Way to Kindergarten</u> by Virginia Kroll. Scholastic US.</p> <p><u>Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes</u> by Pete Litwin and James Dean. Harper Collins.</p> <p><u>Starting School</u> by Caryn Jenner and Arthur Robins. Franklin Watts Ltd</p> <p><u>The Things I love about School</u> by Trace Moroney Five Mile Press</p> <p><u>Starting School</u> by Janet and Alan Ahlberg. Penguin.</p> <p><u>Stories From Little Lunch</u> by Danny Katz and Mitch Vane. Walker Books.</p> <p><u>Tom goes to kindergarten</u> by Margaret Wild and David Legge. ABC Books</p> <p><u>Kindergarten Rocks!</u> by Katie Davis. Voyager Books</p> <p><u>Little School</u> by Beth Norling. Kane/Miller Book Publishers (Preschool focus) may be hard to find.</p> <p><u>Going to Playschool</u> by Sarah Garland. Walker Books.</p> <p><u>Maisy Goes to Preschool</u> by Lucy Cousins. Harper Collins.</p> <p><u>My Preschool</u> by Anne Rockwell. Macmillan US.</p> <p><u>Spot goes to school</u> by Eric Hill, Penguin/Puffin in lift the flap format (focuses on Preschool) Also has an App.</p> <p><u>There's a Hippopotamus in Our Playground Eating Cake</u> by Hazel Edwards and Deborah Niland. Puffin/Penguin (has a Chinese version)</p> <p><u>Tom and Sofia Start School</u> by Henrielle Barkow. Mantra Lingua Arabic, Cantonese, French, Hindi, Korean, Mandarin, Polish, Russian, Spanish, Tagalog, Tamil, Urdu and Vietnamese.</p>	

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<p><u>Indigenous</u></p>	<p>READY FOR SCHOOL, WILCANNIA: A resource for parents and families, written by Patrick Ellis & the Paakantji Language Circle, NSW, 2014. "Ready for School, Wilcannia has been developed for the Paakantji people of New South Wales. The picture book is aimed at helping parents and families prepare their kids for school through early learning at home and in the community...."Reading opens our murrpa eyes to the world. Let's give our murrpa the tools to broaden our world. Ready for School, Wilcannia book is a tool to help achieve this." – Uncle Murray Butcher, Coordinator Paakantji Language Circle http://www.indigenouliteracyfoundation.org.au/community-identified-literacy-projects.html#GET%20READY%20FOR%20SCHOOL (text from Indigenous Literacy Foundation website)</p>	
<p>100 Stories normal categories.</p>	<p>Many Australian titles. Download the booklist http://100storiesbeforechool.com/family-booklist-certificate-and-resources</p>	<p>Aboriginal, alphabet, Australian authors and illustrators, award books e.g. from Children's Book Council of Australia, fun, homemade, iconic, maths concepts, multicultural, non fiction, rhythmic/rhyming, traditional tales, video (read online) and wordless.</p>
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