






# BEST OF 2015-2016 GRADES 2-3

## SOLVING THE PUZZLE UNDER THE SEA : MARIE THARP MAPS THE OCEAN FLOOR

By Robert Burleigh

JB THARP



Marie Tharp was always fascinated by the ocean. Taught to think big by her father who was a map-maker, Marie wanted to do something no one had ever done before: map the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean.

## THE PRINCESS AND THE PONY

By Kate Beaton

PICTURE BEATON



Princess Pinecone would like a real war horse for her birthday, instead of which she gets a plump, cute pony--but sometimes cuteness can be a kind of weapon...

## YARD SALE

By Eve Bunting

PICTURE BUNTING



Callie and her family are moving from their house to an apartment, so they're having a yard sale. It can be hard to let things go, but in the end, it's who you have - not what you have - that counts.

## BUDDY AND EARL

By Maureen Fergus

PICTURE FERGUS



A dog and a hedgehog forge a joyous friendship and banish boredom using their imaginations.

## THE BEAR ATE YOUR SANDWICH

By Julia Sarcone-Roach

PICTURE SARCONE-ROACH



When a sandwich goes missing, it seems that a bear is the unlikely culprit.






# Fairfield Public Library

You belong here!



Print Book  
Available at Main



Print Book  
Available at Woods



Audio Book  
Available



E-Book  
Available

### Main Library

1080 Old Post Road  
Fairfield, CT 06824

Children's: 203-256-3161

Hours: M-Th 9-9; F 9-6;  
Sat 9-5; Sun 1-5 (Sept-May)

### Fairfield Woods Branch Library

1147 Fairfield Woods Road  
Fairfield, CT 06825

Children's: 203-255-7327

Hours: M-Th 9-8; F 9-6;  
Sat 9-5; Sun 1-5 (Sept-May)

Visit us online, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week:

[www.fairfieldpubliclibrary.org](http://www.fairfieldpubliclibrary.org)

(Updated 4/2016)






# BEST OF 2015-2016 GRADES 2-3

## SIMPLE MACHINES: WHEELS, LEVERS & PULLEYS

By David Adler

J 621.8 A



Kids use simple machines every day without realizing it.

## ROCKET AND GROOT: STRANDED ON PLANET STRIP MALL!

By Tom Angleberger

J FICTION ANGLEBERGER



Stranded on a planet filled with dry cleaners, nail salons, and chain restaurants Rocket and Groot face killer robots bent on customer service and raccoon eating.

## LITTLE CAT'S LUCK

By Marion Dane Bauer

J FICTION BAUER



A little cat named Patches manages to push out a window screen and leave her house, chasing a falling leaf, and sets out to find a special place to call her own.

## LOLA LEVINE IS NOT MEAN!

By Monica Brown

J FICTION BROWN



Lola's family and friends help her feel better after she is teased and forbidden to play team sports at recess.

## OWL DIARIES

By Rebecca Elliott

J FICTION ELLIOTT



Eva Wingdale discovers that it is a lot of work running the Bloomtastic Festival, and there is nothing wrong with asking her friends for help.

# BEST OF 2015-2016

## GRADES 2-3

### SHELTER PET SQUAD SERIES

By Cynthia Lord

*J FICTION LORD*

Suzannah and the the Shelter Pet Squad need to find a home that is a perfect match for a mischievous ferret.



### UPSIDE DOWN MAGIC

By Sara Mlynowski

*J FICTION MLYNOWSKI*

With their magic being unpredictable, Nory, Elliott, Andres, and Bax are sent to the upside-down magic room at Dunwiddle Magic School.



### PIPER GREEN & THE FAIRY TREE

By Ellen Potter

*J FICTION POTTER*

Piper's older brother leaves Peek-A-Book Island and Piper refuses to take off his old earmuffs, no matter what! Things are going from bad to worse... until she discovers The Fairy Tree.



### THE STORY OF DIVA AND FLEA

By Mo Willems

*J FICTION WILLEMS*

In the bustling city of Paris, a small yet brave dog, Diva, and an adventurous cat named Flea become two unlikely friends.



### THE MIDNIGHT WAR OF MATEO MARTINEZ

By Robin Yardi

*J FICTION YARDI*

Mateo, a Mexican-American from California, spots two skunks stealing his sister's trike. He launches a crusade to retrieve the trike and soon learns that the skunks are not only thieves---they can talk, too!



Main Library

(203) 256-3161

# BEST OF 2015-2016

## GRADES 2-3

### TUCKY JO AND LITTLE HEART

By Patricia Polacco

*J FICTION PICTURE POLACCO*

A fifteen-year-old soldier in World War II meets a sweet young girl in the Philippines who helps him remember what he is fighting for as he helps her and others of her village avoid starvation, and many years later she returns his kindness.



### FLOP TO THE TOP

By Eleanor Davis & Drew Weing

*J GRAPHIC DAVIS*

In this modern-day fable, Wanda calls her brother and sister "fans," keeps up with celebrity news, and never misses a chance to share a selfie. She's ready to show the world how Wanda-ful she really is, but all people are interested in is . . . her dog!



### WHEN GREEN BECOMES TOMATOES

By Julie Fogliano

*J POETRY FOGLIANO*

A book of poetry moving through the seasons.



### GREETINGS FROM SOMEWHERE SERIES

By Harper Paris

*J SERIES GREETINGS*

Second graders Ethan and Ella are sad about moving away from their hometown to travel the world with their mom, a journalist, and dad, who will home school them, but before they go they have a mystery to solve.



### MOUSE SCOUTS

By Sarah Dillard

*J SERIES MOUSE SCOUTS*

To earn their Sow It and Grow It badge, Violet, Tigerlilly, and the other Mouse Scouts plant a vegetable garden.



# BEST OF 2015-2016

## GRADES 2-3

### PRINCESS IN BLACK AND THE PERFECT PRINCESS PARTY

By Shannon Hale

*J SERIES PRINCESS IN BLACK*

Inconvenient monster alarms, a sparkly array of princess guests, and spot-on slapstick pacing make for a party readers will celebrate.



### ENORMOUS SMALLNESS

By Matthew Burgess

*JB CUMMING*

Here E.E.'s life is presented in a way that will make children curious about him and will lead them to play with words and ask plenty of questions as well.



### GINGERBREAD FOR LIBERTY!:

### HOW A GERMAN BAKER HELPED WIN

### THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

By Mara Rockcliff

*JB LUDWICK*

A stirring picture book biography about a forgotten hero of the American Revolution who rose to the occasion and served his country, not with muskets or canons, but with gingerbread!



### SWAN: THE LIFE AND DANCE OF ANNA PAVLOVA

By Laurel Snyder

*JB PAVLOVA*

The world is big. Anna is small. The snow is everywhere and all around. But...one night, her mother takes her to the ballet, and everything is changed. Anna finds a beauty inside herself that she cannot contain. So begins the journey of a girl who will one day grow up to be the most famous prima ballerina of all time, inspiring legions of dancers after her.



Fairfield Woods Branch Library

(203) 255-7327