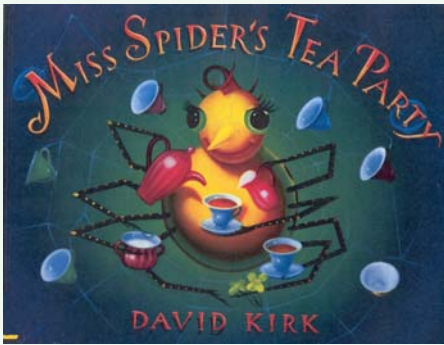


GET OUT AND ABOUT WITH MISS SPIDER!



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IN Term 2, the BookRoom reflects the

Centre's theme — Out and About — by going "Out and About in Miss Spider's New Car".

Just as Dr Seuss revolutionised children's reading books, David Kirk revolutionised children's picture book illustrations.

David's first book, "Miss Spider's Tea Party" in 1994, with its important message of tolerance, in rhyming verse with mesmerising oil illustrations, quickly became a phenomenon. Children and adults instantly fell in love with the eight-legged beauty and the BookRoom is no exception!

The world of Miss Spider has been lovingly re-created for every child and the

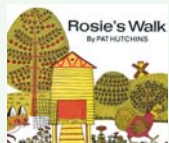
child in every adult in our two BookRooms.

Children up to the age of nine will be fascinated by "Miss Spider's Tea Party", "Miss Spider's Wedding" and "Miss Spider's New Car", all of which can be borrowed from the BookRooms @ Forum and Evans.

Infants and toddlers will enjoy "Miss Spider's ABC" or "Little Miss Spider" or the counting version of Miss Spider's Tea Party.

Get out and about with Miss Spider in Term 2 along with 4 million other people around the world reading about this charismatic arachnid in 7 different languages!

— Caroline Holland, BookRoom Director



6 months to 3 years
Rosie's Walk
by Pat Hutchins
13466

A delightfully simple book that cleverly tells two stories at the same time. First, Rosie the hen takes a seemingly uneventful walk in the barnyard. The text is full of prepositions that describe where she is going — over, under, around, and so on. Meanwhile, the second character, a fox (shown only in the illustrations and not even mentioned in the text, reflecting Rosie's own unawareness of his presence) is having quite a time keeping up with Rosie, in the hope of getting dinner! This story — full of comedy — is sure to be a favourite read-aloud as well as an easily mastered book for beginning readers.



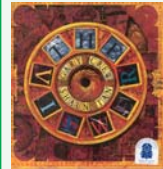
8 to 10 years
Baloney (Henry P)
by Jon Scieszka
14880

Alien kid Henry P Baloney is late for szkola, again. His teacher, Miss Bugscuffle, is less than pleased and is ready to give him Permanent Lifelong Detention. If only Henry can come up with the greatest excuse of his life. Will he do it? Henry tries... You see, it all started when he misplaced his trusty yellow no. zz zimulis. One thing led to another, and before he knew it, he was on a razzo blasting off into space, where he eventually landed on the planet Astrosus. All went well there, as the intrepid explorer entertained the Astro guys with his funny piksas — until they decided Henry and his piksas would be entertaining to eat. Things go on in this vein until somehow, miraculously, Henry P Baloney ends up back in his classroom, a mere seven minutes late — but still one writing utensil short!



5 to 7 years
The Patchwork Cat
by William Mayne and
Nicola Bayley
3297

Tabby, the patchwork cat, enjoys a wonderfully lazy and luxuriant life, but when her special patchwork quilt is thrown out, she climbs into the dustbin to retrieve it. Thus begins a rather terrifying adventure. William Mayne has been described as one of the outstanding children's authors of this century. He has won all major awards including the Carnegie and Guardian fiction awards. Nicola Bayley is a Smarties Award winning illustrator.



11 to 13 years
The Viewer
by Gary Crew and
Shaun Tan
14603

This sophisticated picture book tells a mysterious, eerie and disturbing story. Although an apocalyptic worldview is conveyed, the discs also illustrate the circularity of regeneration and decay. The orbs demonstrate how, over the ages, humans have tried to order their worlds via science, religion, and technology. Circularity is symbolised in numerous images including the design of the text that describes the main character Tristan's absorption with the Viewmaster. Note Tristan's name on the outside of the Viewmaster on the double page spread where he is drawn into the machine — into the inner world that he will now be able to see! Shaun Tan won the 1998 Crichton Award for his illustrations in this book.



7 to 9 years
What Planet Are You From Clarice Bean?
by Lauren Child
16137

Gravity is a strange invisible force. You know it's there because you are not floating about like a jellyfish. Sometimes, I think gravity is a pity... The feisty Clarice Bean is back, tackling the Environment in her own inimitable fashion. From trees and planets and holes in the sky, to litter bugs and eco warriors, Clarice Bean has something to say. She embarks on her third adventure (her earlier ones were Clarice Bean, That's Me and Clarice Bean, Guess Who's Babysitting?) when she learns a neighbourhood tree is about to be chopped down. Her environmental assignment takes on new meaning as she joins her entire family for a spaghetti-eating sit-in amongst its branches. The mixed-media and collage illustrations heighten the hilarity.



11 to 13 years
Public Enemy Number Two
by Anthony Horowitz
15874

Wisecracking young Nick Diamond finds himself sharing a prison cell with Johnny Powers, Public Enemy No.1. His only chance of rescuing the situation is to nail the Fence, the country's master criminal. First, though, Nick has to get out of jail. Anthony Horowitz was born in North London in 1955. He decided he wanted to be a writer at the age of eight and had his first book, Enter Frederick K Bower, when he was 23. He has written lots of television programmes, mostly about murder! He created the detective dramas Midsomer Murders (shown on Hallmark) and Murder in Mind, and he's also written episodes for Poirot and Murder Most Horrid.

Compiled by Mary Lee

Public Holidays Term 2

25th Mar (Fri) - Good Friday

1st & 2nd May (Sun & Mon)
Labour Day

22nd & 23rd May (Sun & Mon)
Vesak Day

Term 2

Term 2 starts on Sunday, 20th March and ends on Monday, 30th May. This will enable make up classes to be held for the Labour Day (1st & 2nd May) and Vesak Day (22nd & 23rd May) public holidays.

Withdrawal Notice

If your child is not returning to class at Forum & Evans Road in Term 3, 2005, you must let us know by Sunday, 24th April. We regret that if notice is not received in writing or by e-mail (enquiries@juliagabriel.com) by this date, we will be unable to refund your deposit.