

# 2026 GOVERNMENT BOOK OFFER

**"LET READING BE THE  
START OF YOUR JOURNEY  
TO SOMETHING  
EXTRAORDINARY"**

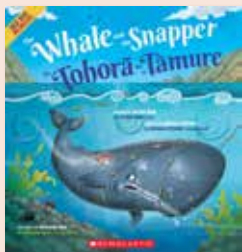


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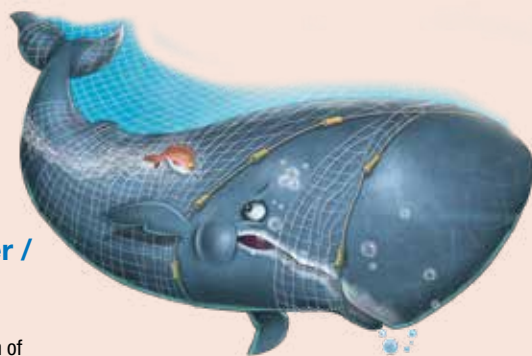
# Aotearoa, Māori & Pasifika



## 1. The Whale and the Snapper / Te Tohorā me te Tāmure

24pp **BILINGUAL**

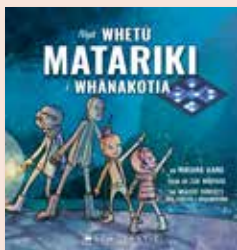
A story of kindness and courage in this Kiwi version of *The Lion and the Mouse*. Now told in English and te reo Māori.



Matariki Stars

## 2. Ko Ngā Whetū Hauhau, Ko Ngā Whetū Tarakaka o Matariki

32pp  
Grandma and Poua must outwit the fairy folk and get Sam safely home, under the watchful eyes of the Matariki stars.



Matariki Stars

## 3. Nga Whetū Matariki i Whānakotia

32pp  
Can Sam and Te Rerehua save the Matariki stars and protect the age-old tradition of Birdlings Flat?



Matariki Stars

## 4. Ko Ngā Whetū Takirua o Matariki: Ko Waiti rāua ko Waitā

32pp  
Each Matariki star has a special job. See how Waiti and Waita shine.



Matariki Stars

## 5. Ko Ngā Whetū Kai o Matariki: Ko Tupuānuku rāua ko Tupuārangi

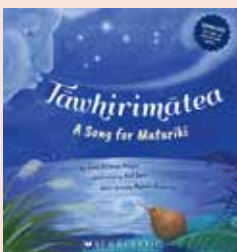
32pp  
Join Sam and Te Rerehua as they prepare a Matariki feast!



Flit the Fantail

## 6. Ko Flit, te Tirairaka me te Mahere Matariki

32pp  
Join Flit and his friends as they learn about Matariki stars and navigation.



## 7. Tāwhirimātea: A Song for Matariki

32pp **BILINGUAL**  
Sing along to this catchy Matariki song celebrating Earth, sky, seasons and whanau.



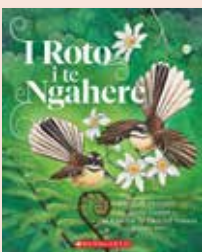
## 8. Ngā Manu Tukutuku e Whitu o Matariki

32pp  
Seven little sisters make kites with eyes of seashells to celebrate the New Year.



## 9. Te Kī Taurangi a Puanga: He pūrākau Matariki

32pp  
Puanga, cousin to the Matariki sisters, appears each year to the people of Aotearoa.



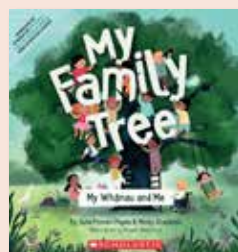
## 10. I Roto i te Ngahere

24pp  
A kiwi twists on *Over in the Meadow* featuring NZ native flora and fauna.



## 11. Whakarongo ki ō Tūpuna

32pp **BILINGUAL**  
*Whakarongo ki o Tupuna* teaches the values represented by Māori gods and ancestors.



## 12. My Family Tree, My Whānau and Me

32pp **BILINGUAL**  
A story that celebrates the family trees of a diverse range of children.



**13. Hūhū Koroheke**

32pp  
A thoughtful tale of young Hu-Hu-Tu's search for understanding of what has happened to his beloved Old Hu-Hu.



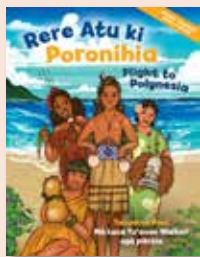
**14. Run, Rabbit: The Race / E Oma, Rāpeti: Te Rēhi**

24pp **BILINGUAL**  
Can Little Rāpeti reach the finish line?



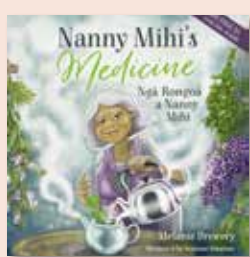
**15. Ngā Atua / Māori Gods**

32pp **BILINGUAL**  
An introduction to the major gods.



**16. Rere Atu Ki Poronihia / Flight to Polynesia**

32pp **BILINGUAL**  
Rangi and his kapa haka group fly from Aotearoa to Hawai'i for a cultural festival.



**17. Nanny Mihi's Medicine / Ngā Rongōa a Nanny Mihi**

32pp **BILINGUAL**  
Nanny takes the kids around her forest and garden, showing them plants that can make them feel better.



**18. Koro Wētā**

32pp  
A delightful way for young readers to gain insight into the habits of the fascinating weta.



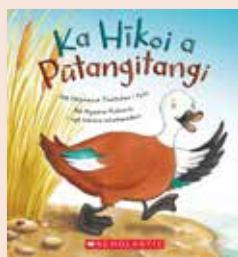
**19. Kua Kore he Moa, e hoa**

32pp  
'Help! Emergency! Poor, frightened Tuatara is sure she has seen a Moa.



**20. Ko Tama Me Te Taniwha**

32pp  
Tama's big sisters try to scare him. Is he brave enough to dive into the lake?



**21. Ka Hikoi a Pūtangitangi**

32pp  
A fun rhyming story about two playful ducks.



**22. The Legend of the Seven Whales**

32pp **BILINGUAL**  
Share the ancient legend of how the islands east of Wairoa came to be.



**23. Tangaroa's Gift / Te Koha ā Tangaroa**

32pp **BILINGUAL**  
Tangaroa's gift to Paua causes much jealousy among the other sea creatures.



**24. Te Kai Kōhua Nui**

32pp  
A joyful celebration of kai, connection, and whanau.



**25. How Many Times? / Me Hia Rawa Ngā Wā?**

32pp  
Mum is tired of asking Tammy and Luca to help around the house, they are always busy with screens, games or sleeping in!





Matariki Stars

### 26. The Wild and Windy Stars of Matariki

32pp  
Grandma and Poua must outwit the fairy folk and get Sam safely home, under the watchful eyes of the Matariki stars.



Keith vs Queenie

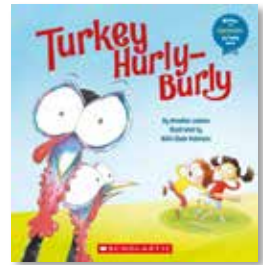
### 27. Keith and the Kitten

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Keith's world is turned upside down when a kitten moves in!



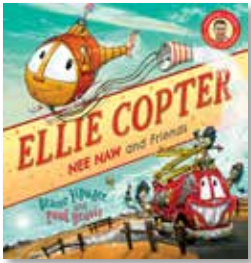
### 28. The Only Dinosaur in School

32pp  
A beautiful story about friendship and being your true self.



### 29. Turkey Hurly-Burly

32pp  
A flock of turkeys cause havoc in the playground.



New Naw and Friends

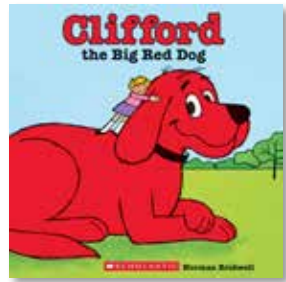
### 30. Ellie Copter

24pp  
Can Ellie Copter rescue the trapped goats and save the day?



### 31. No Home for a Wētā

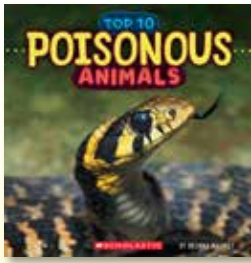
32pp  
Join Wētā as she embarks on a mission to find a quiet new home.



Clifford the Big Red Dog

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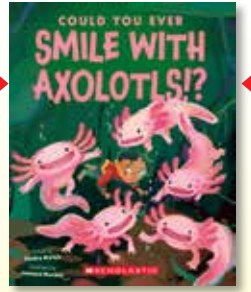
32pp  
Clifford is big. Clifford is red. But most of all, Clifford knows how to be a good friend.



Wild World

### 33. Top 10 Poisonous Animals

32pp  
Learn which poisonous animals are the deadliest.



Could You Ever?

### 34. Could You Ever Smile with Axolotls?!

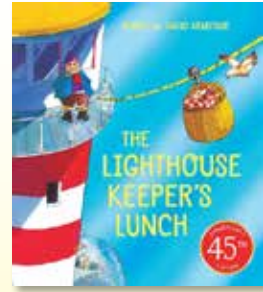
32pp  
What if you could spend a day with your favorite animals? What would you eat? How would you play? Would you ever want to leave?



National Geographic Kids

### 35. Safari

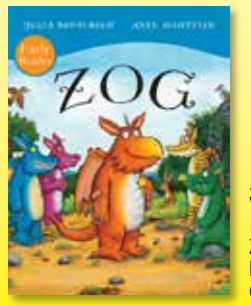
24pp  
Meet the elephants, lions, giraffes, zebras, hippos, and the laughing hyenas of the wilderness and find out who's friends with whom and why!



The Lighthouse Keeper

### 36. The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch

32pp  
Mrs Grinling has to think of a way to stop the greedy seagulls from stealing the lighthouse keeper's lunch.



### 37. Zog

40pp  
Zog is about to face his toughest test yet - capturing a princess!

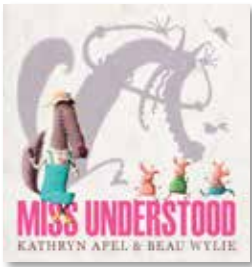


Ella's World

### 38. Big Kids

48pp  
Ella is off to big school!





### 39. Miss Understood

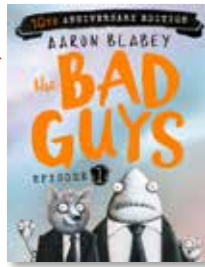
32pp  
Is the wolf really as BIG and BAD as she seems? Or is she just... misunderstood?



The Speedy Sloth

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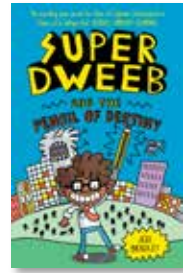
24pp  
An inspiring story to celebrate all winners!



The Bad Guys

### 41. The Bad Guys: Episode 1

192pp  
The Bad Guys have turned good... whether you like it or not!



### 42. Super Dweeb and the Pencil of Destiny

64pp  
Andy's magic pencil can create reality and erase it too!



Magic Gems

### 43. Journey Through the Waterfall

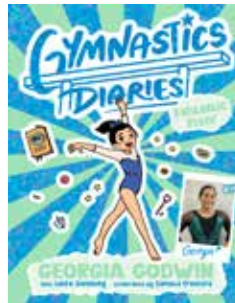
144pp  
Lily volunteers to make the journey and she'll do anything to save one of her beloved others!



National Geographic Kids

### 44. Cats vs. Dogs

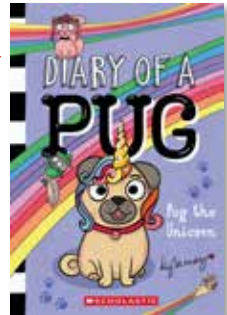
48pp  
Which pet is best? You decide!



Gymnastics Diaries

### 45. Fantastic Floor

128pp  
Georgia hopes to be Sports Captain at school, but so does her BFF!



Diary of a Pug

### 46. Pug The Unicorn

80pp  
Bella and Bob are off on a unicorn spotting adventure.



Baby-sitters Little Sister Graphic

### 47. Karen's Ghost

144pp  
Karen thinks there's a ghost in her house!



Dragon Girls

### 48. Grace the Cove Dragon

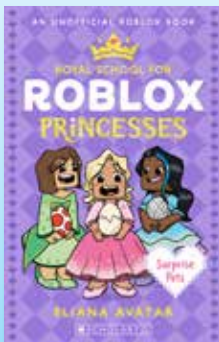
144pp  
Can the Sea Dragons banish the evil Fire Queen?



Sapphire and the Monster Hunters

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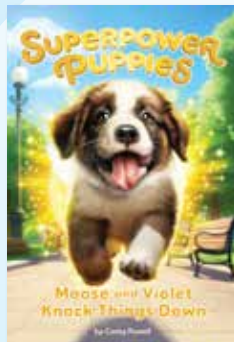
192pp  
Sapphire Sparks is a monster hunter...but she's not very good at it!



Royal School for Roblox Princesses

### 50. Surprise Pets

128pp  
It's time for Princess Eliana to train her new pet, but will Raven ruin her chances?

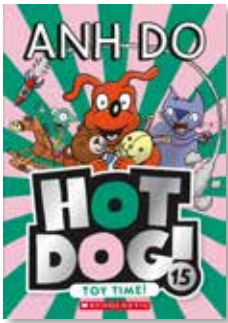


Superpower Puppies

### 51. Moose and Violet Knock Things Down

128pp  
These superpuppies each have a special power to keep humans safe.





**52. Toy Time!**

128pp  
Hotdog and his friends enter a toy-making contest!



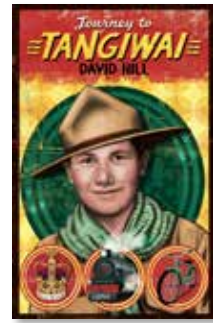
**53. Ninja Buddies!**

192pp  
Can Nelson and his new friends recover the stolen space gem?



**54. Castle Grim**

248pp  
Set in a future dystopia with no internet or global communications, Herman must find his parents.



**55. Journey to Tangiwai**

192pp  
Napier 1953 - forces of nature are at work, culminating in a tragic event.



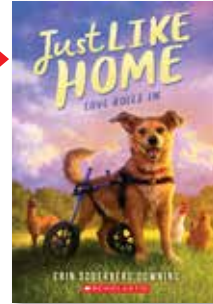
**56. Feet First**

160pp  
Ricky wakes up with the most useless, least impressive, slightly embarrassing super power!



**57. Happily Never After**

192pp  
Zombie reads Player fairytales and uncovers shocking stories from his own life.



**58. Love Rolls In**

176pp  
Ruby and Henry work together to help a scared puppy trust again.



**59. The Truth About Stacey**

144pp  
Stacey finds out she has a serious illness, luckily she has three best friends in the baby-sitters club.



**60. The School for Wicked Witches**

256pp  
Witches in Oz who misbehave get sent to the School for Wicked Witches!



**61. The Audition**

192pp  
Millie feels welcomed into the theatre club and learns to embrace her ADHD.



**62. A Dog Called Hero**

400pp  
A guarded girl and a retired police dog team up to heal and hunt a thief.



**63. The Good, The Bad, and The Fluffy**

64pp  
True stories of animal troublemakers!



39 Clues Graphic

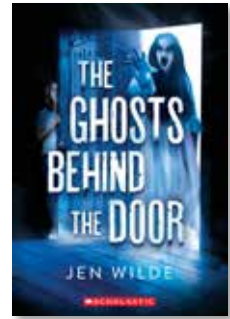
### 64. The Sword Thief

176pp  
Could Amy and Dan be foolish enough to make an alliance with the notorious Alistair Oh?



### 65. Pugs and Kisses

272pp  
Can two cute puppies bring Ana and Calvin together?



### 66. The Ghost Behind the Door

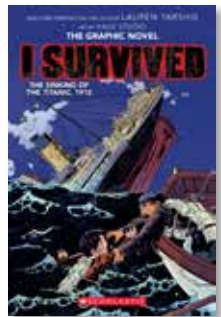
256pp  
The walls breathe, the floorboards whisper, and the ghosts of Maggie's ancestors are trying to break free.



Wings of Fire Graphic

### 67. Escaping Peril

224pp  
Peril must choose between loyalty to Clay or a new life.



I Survived Graphic

### 68. I Survived the Sinking of the Titanic, 1912

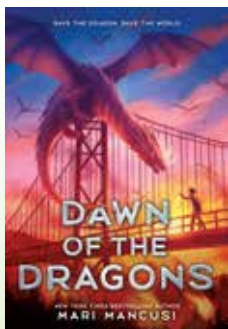
160pp  
George and Phoebe are excited to travel on the Titanic!



Disney: A Twisted Tale

### 69. Set in Stone

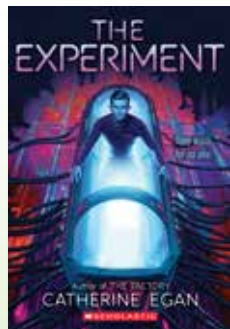
368pp  
A twisted retelling of King Arthur and the Sword in the Stone.



New Dragon City

### 70. Dawn of the Dragons

320pp  
Lucas is having a terrible summer until he meets Cinder, a tiny dragon.



The Factory

### 71. The Experiment

320pp  
Asher is frozen in time and must expose new sinister secrets buried at the Factory.



Minutes of Danger

### 72. 500 Minutes of Danger

192pp  
10 stories. 10 dangerous situations. 10 brave kids. 50 minutes to escape.



Horrible Histories

### 73. Terrible Traitors

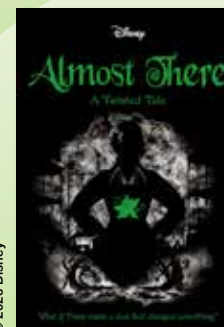
176pp  
Discover the 50 most brutal backstabbers across history!



Kidnapped from Ukraine

### 74. Standoff

288pp  
Twin sisters fight to survive and reunite amid the war in Ukraine.



Disney: A Twisted Tale

### 75. Almost There

464pp  
A twisted modern re-telling of Disney's The Princess and the Frog.

# Books especially chosen for ADVANCED, MATURE READERS

## 76. Escape From East Berlin

176pp

December, 1961 - Marta is a young girl who saw thirty miles of barbed wire appear across her city overnight, separating Berlin into West and East, with Marta's home on the Communist Bloc-controlled eastern side.

January, 1989 - Now a spray-painted concrete monolith, the Berlin Wall bisects the city. Kurt, a young East Berliner, often wonders what those living on the other side must think of their unseen neighbors. Do they hate the people of East Germany as completely as Kurt has been instructed to hate them?

Inspired by real events, *Escape from East Berlin* tells two stories of daring bids for freedom from the Eastern Bloc, set decades apart and relayed in alternating perspectives. Triumph and tragedy intertwine in this examination of both the earliest and final days of the Berlin Wall.

**"This is a realistic view of life in East Berlin, with suspicion and betrayal and the government watching and listening to everything."** - goodreads.com

**"Well-written with distinct characters, good dialogue, and continuous pacing of the action."** - historicalnovelsociety.org

Escape From



## 77. A Storm Unleashed

240pp

A gripping tale about a girl and her dog set in Berlin, Germany, during the lead up to World War II. After losing her mother as a young girl, twelve-year-old Mia is living in Berlin with her veterinarian father and beloved German shepherd, Max. Mia tries to focus on her hobbies, her studies and her trips to her grandparents' farm where she cares for the animals she loves. But it's 1935, and life has changed radically for Mia and her Jewish father over the last two years. Antisemitism is now official state policy. At school, Mia is vilified and treated cruelly by her teachers and fellow students. Outside of school, she witnesses violence against her friends and family. And then suddenly a girl from the Nazi Youth tries to take Max. From that moment on, life becomes more and more dangerous for Mia and her father—who is now being forced to help the Nazis train Hitler's army of dogs. Mia and her best friend, Frieda, must come up with a plan to navigate this new reality. But could it cost Mia more than she realises?

**"Gripping, revealing, heart-pounding and hopeful, this meticulously researched novel breaks new ground and is an outstanding addition to Holocaust literature. This masterfully written novel should be utilized in classrooms everywhere."** - amazon.com



## 78. Red Edge

336pp

Twelve-year-old Cassi Whelan and her dad have just moved into a repaired house on the edge of Christchurch's Red Zone. Although Cassi was only four when earthquakes decimated Christchurch, her memories still haunt her. An obsessive runner, she finds the wide-open spaces of the cleared Red Zone suit her perfectly. However, she becomes suspicious about strange comings and goings at the broken-down house next door. A chance meeting with a boy who lives on the other side of the house who is a tech geek leads to them setting up a surveillance system to investigate what's happening...and the adventure begins. Another compelling science-adventure mystery by acclaimed children's author, Des Hunt.



**"Des Hunt does it again! Des is a master storyteller who has written an exciting, thought provoking adventure."** - goodreads.com

## 79. The Case of the Chaos Monster

432pp

Step into a London lit up by the Elemental spirits: the fiery Dragons, the airy Fumis, the watery Chads and the earthbound Magogs. Marisee and Robert – the Elemental Detectives – are back to solve another mystery on the streets of eighteenth-century London. An orchestra explodes in Vauxhall Pleasure Gardens and suddenly the music of London disappears...and a terrifying monster stirs off the Greenwich peninsula, threatening to trample London underfoot. The detectives must track down the thief behind the music's disappearance – via the Whispering Gallery of St Paul's Cathedral, a Windmill-with-teeth on the Isle of Dogs and the dark streets of Soho...where a shadowy villain and his mechanical animal spies live.

The Elemental Detectives



**"A Stunningly imagined, action-packed fantasy adventure for fans of Nevermoor, Neverwhere and Mortal Engines, from bestselling and award-winning author Patrice Lawrence."** - amazon.com.au

## 80. Blitzkrieg

416pp

Young Joe is living in pre-WWII Berlin, with his British father and NZ mother, attending school and witnessing the excitement of his friends who are enthusiastically joining the Hitler Youth Movement. Joe feels uncomfortable with the growing mistreatment of local Jews, and after the arrest of his father as a spy, he is forced to escape from Berlin with his mother. Joe is separated from his mother and evacuated to New Zealand, and, while war looms in Europe, he is frustrated by his distance from the action, and his inability to do anything about finding his father. After a harrowing route back to Europe, Joe attempts to infiltrate the Hitler Youth movement in Germany while at the same time searching for his mother and father in wartime Berlin.



Katipo Joe



**"Well written and fast paced with a riveting plot. The action is gripping and while the experiences perhaps test the bounds of reality it quite masterfully weaves fact and fiction together in to a believable story. Humour is mixed with tragedy and the reader truly feels how the world was turned upside down."** - Goodreads.com

## 81. Splinters

320pp

Jean Sylvester's life is falling apart. Friendships, family, love—it's all drama and none of it good. On top of that, she's moving into a house she hates. But something Jean discovers there encourages her to reflect on how life could be better. Only the more she looks for a happy ending, the more she loses sight of who she is, and finding her way back will take one more electrifying drama. If it's not too late.

**"This book was such a journey. I absolutely LOVED it! It explores all of the feelings and emotions that one goes through when a teenager while also maintaining a suspenseful and unpredictable storyline. The end had me in hiccuping tears. Overall, it was perfection and is now my NEW FAVOURITE BOOK!"** - Goodreads.com



# Draw where books can take you!

**You've read quite a few books and we want to know where you think reading books could take you.**

Is it a fantasy world with dragons and swords? Or is it you reaching your dream of becoming a famous sports player? Or is it something else?

Draw where books can take you below. ↘



# Kid's Competition

As a Duffy kid you know how cool it is to be a Duffy school. BUT if you could change anything about the Duffy programme (the assemblies, theatre show, books) what would you change?

Let us know and you'll go in the draw to

**WIN** one of ten \$50 prezzy cards

1. What I love about Duffy Books is \_\_\_\_\_

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2. What I don't like about Duffy Books \_\_\_\_\_

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3. If I was in charge, I would add this to the Duffy Books programme \_\_\_\_\_

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4. I secretly wish this about the Duffy Books programme \_\_\_\_\_

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5. If I was telling one of my friends about Duffy Books, I would tell them \_\_\_\_\_

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**Send us your entry and you'll go in the draw to win a \$50 Prezzy card.  
We'll be giving away 10 x \$50 Prezzy cards so make sure you send us your entry!**

Name:

Age:

School:

Post your entry to:  
Duffy Competition, Duffy Books in Homes  
PO Box 132146, Sylvia Park, Auckland 1644

Email your entry to:  
[duffy@booksinhomes.org.nz](mailto:duffy@booksinhomes.org.nz)  
with the subject line 'Duffy Competition'.

**ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2026**

# Duffy DAY OUT

**Duffy Coordinators  
this one's for you!**

**This year you'll be entering  
to win yourself an  
all-expenses paid trip to  
Auckland and a pizza party  
for your class!**

To \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for being our school's funding partner

My favourite book is \_\_\_\_\_

because in the book \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

I love being a Duffy kid because \_\_\_\_\_

My favourite book character is \_\_\_\_\_

because \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Go in the draw to receive an  
all expenses paid trip to Auckland  
(Friday 14 August) where you'll:**

- Tour the Scholastic warehouse and see behind the scenes as the team picks and ships Duffy books.
- A talk by the Scholastic publishing team and some sneak previews of new titles that are not yet on the shelves.
- A \$200 spending spree in the Scholastic Lucky Bookshop.
- Lunch with the Duffy team.

Send your classroom entry to  
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with the subject **'Duffy Day Out'**  
or post your entry to

**PO Box 132146, Sylvia park, Auckland 1644.**

Entries  
close Tuesday  
30 June 2026  
and winners  
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- 6     Ko Flit, te Tirairaka me te Mahere Matariki
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- 19     Kua Kore he Moa, e hoa
- 20     Ko Tama Me Te Taniwha
- 21     Ka Hīkoi a Pūtangitangi
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- 26     The Wild and Windy Stars of Matariki
- 27     Keith and the Kitten
- 28     The Only Dinosaur in School
- 29     Turkey Hurly-Burly
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- 31     No Home for a Weta
- 32     Clifford the Big Red Dog
- 33     Top 10 Poisonous Animals
- 34     Could You Ever Smile with Axolotls?!
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- 41     The Bad Guys: Episode 1
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- 64     The Sword Thief
- 65     Pugs and Kisses
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