

Cheapside School Christmas Reading Newsletter December 2021



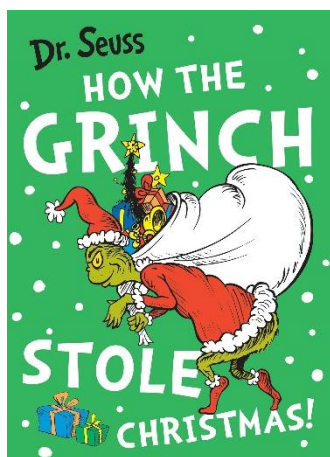
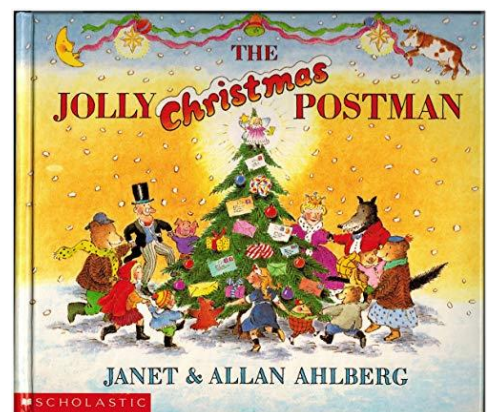
As we approach the Christmas break, it's time to think about what books will be filling stockings across the country this year, so here are some suggestions for Father Christmas.

The Best Children's Christmas Books!

The Jolly Christmas Postman is a Christmas favourite by Janet & Allan Ahlberg.

Full of much-loved fairy tale characters with beautiful illustrations and all the intricate letters and postcards fans of *The Jolly Postman* would expect.

Perfect for children aged 4-7.



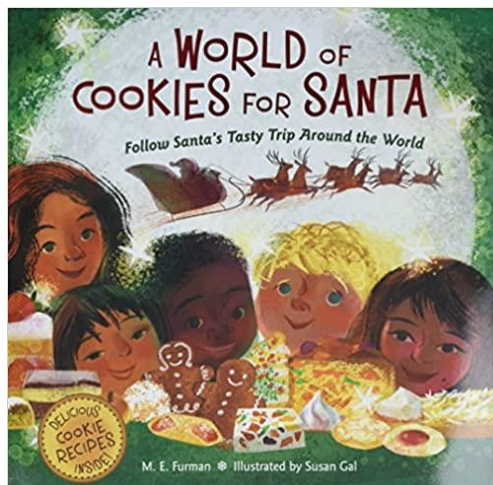
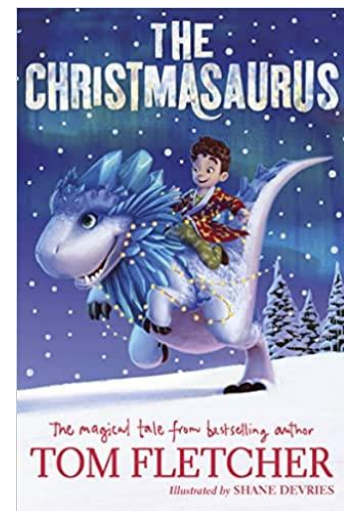
Every Who down in Who-ville liked Christmas a lot.

In recent years, this Dr Seuss favourite has been somewhat overshadowed by the film versions but with its catchy rhymes and Christmas feel-good factor, *How the Grinch Stole Christmas!* is definitely one to look out again.

Perfect for children (and adults!) of all ages.

A more recent addition to the Christmas cannon, 'Strictly' favourite Tom Fletcher's *The Christmasaurus* is fun and magical. He has followed up this hit with *The Christmasaurus & the Winter Witch* and *The Christmasaurus & the Naughty List*.

Perfect for the 7-11 age group.

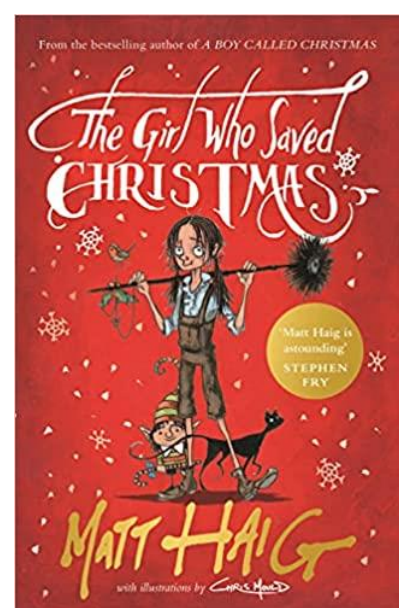


The delightful *A World of Cookies for Santa* is a beautiful book that travels the world at Christmas and even includes some cookie recipes from across the globe.

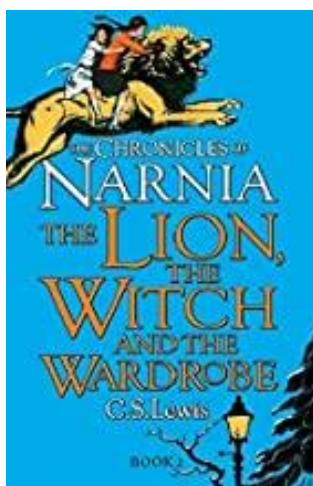
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Adult author turned children's author, Matt Haig, has created a Christmas gem in *The Girl Who Saved Christmas*. And if you like this one, there are two more in the series: *A Boy Called Christmas*, which has just been released as a film on Netflix, and *Father Christmas & Me*.

A great read for children aged 7-11.



Classic Children's Literature at Christmas



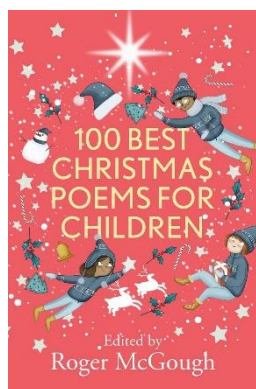
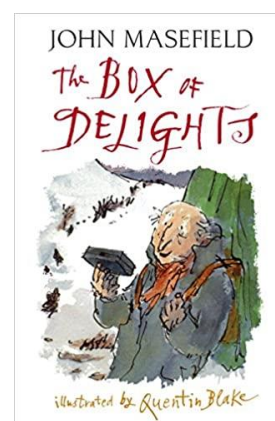
Once there were four children whose names were Peter, Susan, Edmund and Lucy.

A world of winter where Christmas never comes? *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* is C.S. Lewis's timeless story set in the fantastical world of Narnia. It continues to capture the imaginations of children across the generations.

A good read for children aged 9+.

Written in 1935, this is a more challenging read awash with adventure, magic, wolves and mystery; John Masefield's *The Box of Delights* is a real treat. His only other children's book, *The Midnight Folk*, is also considered a children's classic featuring many of the same characters.

Suitable for readers aged 9+.



Poet Roger McGough has collected the *100 Best Christmas Poems for Children*. From traditional poems by the likes of Christina Rossetti and William Blake to more contemporary poems by familiar names like Benjamin Zephaniah and Julia Donaldson; this anthology contains shape poems, Haiku, songs and letters - all imbued with the joy of Christmas.

For readers aged 7+.

Have a wonderful Christmas and happy reading!

Remember to look at all the book ideas at:

<https://www.cheapsideschool.org.uk/reading-zone/>