

Children's House Birthday Book Wish List

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Many parents have asked for suggestions for appropriate "birthday books" to donate. This is a list of books that we would like to have added to Thacher's library. If none of these appeals to you, factual books about animals, foreign countries, or history are always welcome.

To avoid donating a duplicate, you can check whether or not the library already has a copy of any book by visiting the school website (thacherschool.org). The library page has a link to our catalog of current holdings, as well as the current version of the wish list. Please feel free to contact Joy or Andrea with any questions. Thank you!

A New Baby Arrives Nicola Barber 9781435828421
Vibrant photographs and simple text illustrate babies coming home to older siblings to join the family.

What Rat Told Me: A Legend of the Chinese Zodiac Sellier 9780735822207
A Chinese legend explaining the animals of the zodiac. This book would make a great read-aloud book.

Brand-new Baby Blues Kathi Appelt 9780060532338
"Eldest siblings of the world can unite behind the older sister in this picture book, who expresses her frustrations at the arrival of a new baby in rhyme: 'Everything is changed. / I'm not the one and only. / My whole life's rearranged...' kids may find that this offers a reassurance of love and hope for better times to come." – Booklist

Woof: A Love Story Sarah Weeks 9780060250072
When an ordinary dog falls in love with a cat, he finds it hard to make her understand. When he says "I love you" all she hears is "Woof!" A sweet ending brings the animals together in the end.

Clarabelle: Making Milk and So Much More Cris Peterson 9781590783108
An eye-catching picture book exploring a dairy farm. Excellent photographs and interesting information.

Bread Comes to Life George Levenson 9781582461144
A baker is shown as he creates bread, from planting the wheat, to the final baking. Beautiful photographs show breads from around the world.

Little Chick Amy Hest 9780763628901
In three very short tales, Little Chick deals with the small frustrations of life, with help from Old-Auntie.

You! Vladimir Radunsky 9780152051778

A charming girl and endearing mutt watch as friends pass by until they find each other.

How Many Baby Pandas? Sandra Markle 9780802797834
Photo essay about eight baby pandas born in the Beijing zoo.

Any of these books by Dr. Seuss would be a welcome addition to our library. His perennial classics have been very popular this past year.

<u>Would You Rather Be A Bullfrog?</u>	9780394831282
<u>I Can Lick 30 Tigers Today</u>	9780394800943
<u>Did I Ever Tell You How Lucky You Are?</u>	9780394827193
<u>The Sneetches and Other Stories</u>	9780394800899
<u>Dr. Seuss's Sleep Book</u>	9780394800912
<u>Hunches in Bunches</u>	9780394855028
<u>Scrambled Eggs Super</u>	9780394800857
<u>Thidwick the Big Hearted Moose</u>	9780394800868
<u>If I Ran the Circus</u>	9780394800806
<u>I Am Not Going To Get Up Today</u>	9780394892177
<u>The 500 Hats of Bartholomew Cubbins</u>	9780934844848
<u>I Had Trouble Getting to Solla Sollew</u>	9780394800929

Dad and Pop: A Ode to Fathers and Stepfathers
Kelly Bennett 978076363790
A child celebrates the special but different relationship she has with her father and her stepfather.

All Around the Seasons Barney Saltzberg 97807636944
A simple book depicting the activities that we enjoy during each season. Brightly colored illustrations accompany the lively verses.

My Father is Taller Than a Tree Joseph Bruchac 9780803731738
Short, simple rhymes about the things fathers and sons enjoy doing together.
The Fox and the Hen Eric Battut 9781907152023
When Henrietta foolishly trades her egg to fox for a worm, she is immediately chided by the other farm animals. She then schemes to get her egg back before it is eaten by the fox.

Maggie's Ball Lindsay B. George 9780061721663
An eager dog loses her ball and chases it all around town. When she finally finds her ball, it turns up right next to someone who wants to play with her!

The Thingamabob Il Sung Na 9780375861062
When an elephant finds an umbrella he is quite perplexed. What could it be for? Children will enjoy the playful illustrations of the elephant trying to find a good use for his "thingamabob."

Dogs

Emily Gravett

9781416987031

Gravett once again produces a winning book, with simple text and charming line drawings showing all kinds of dogs, big, small, stripy, spotty...

Windows with Birds

Karen Ritz

9781590786567

Moving from home to an apartment is a difficult transition for a cat. It takes a day before it is comfortably on its boy's bed and on the windowsill. This is a good book for those who love cats, and those who dislike change.

Roly Poly Pangolin

Anna Dewdney

9780670011605

Roly Poly is a young pangolin who would rather stay near his mother than face anything new. When he's scared he rolls up into a ball. But in time he finds a friend, and realizes that it's not so scary when you're not alone.

Don't Spill the Beans

Ian Schoenherr

9780061724572

Bear's secret is so hard to keep—he just has to tell all his friends, and a birthday greeting is the surprise ending.

Milo Armadillo

Jan Fearnley

9780763645755

Tallulah wants a fluffy pink rabbit for her birthday, but instead grandma's knitting needles produce an armadillo. Over time, though, Milo the armadillo proves to be a better pal than a rabbit would have been.