





Buzzworthy Announcements April

Reviews

April 2024



Molly's Great Discovery (9798885540254), **Molly Tells the World** (9798885540285), **Molly Finds a Way** (9798885540315) by Krista Weltner

"Unreservedly recommended."

— Children's Bookwatch,
Midwest Book Review

Awards

How to Bird (9798885540346) is a 2023 Blueberry Award Winner, Nonfiction Picture Book

I Think I Think a Lot (9798885540087) and *Paula's Patches* (9781631987335) are finalists for the 2023 Foreword INDIES Award, Picture Books, Early Reader. *Paula's Patches* (9781631987335) was nominated for the 2025 Washington Children's Choice Picture Book Award.

Blurbs/Endorsements

Praise for I See You Series (I See You Smile, 9798885540735; I See You Try, 9798885540759)

"The I See You series is a timely and important addition to make storytime for toddlers and preschoolers more delightful. Through beautiful illustrations, affirming narrative language, and diverse representation, the series offers a modern playbook for families that care about each other, and the world we all share!"—Michael H Levine, Ph.D., Vice Chair, Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy

Praise for Sonia and the Super-Duper Disaster (9798885543903)

"This delightfully funny story is a perfect way to help children with ADHD or anxiety (or really any super-intense feelings) learn that there are simple, yet powerful, things they can do when their emotions overwhelm them. Wholeheartedly recommended!"—Wendi Silvano, author of the award-winning Turkey Trouble series

Features & Articles

Lulu and the Hunger Monster (9781631985461) made North Texas Food Bank's list of books to learn about hunger for Read Across America week. (March 8)

Jayden's Impossible Garden (9781631985904) was included on Food Tank's list of resources to cultivate food sovereignty in your home garden. (March 1)

Updates & Highlights

Hello, Beech Tree! (9798885540377) and Going Blue (9781631987465) were included in Edelweiss's Eco Lit 2024 book list, listed at #84 and #104, respectively.

Children's Book Council featured five Free Spirit titles in their <u>Transformation Showcase</u> (spring 2024) reading list: **You Are Growing All the Time** (9781631987090), **Paula's Patches** (9781631987335), **Jayden's Impossible Garden** (9781631985904), **Hello, Beech Tree**! (9798885540377), and **Laney Dances in the Rain** (9781631986659).

Children's Book Council featured *I Love Harriet Kippley* (9798765922507) and *Quiet Violet Finds Her Voice* (9798765924839) in their <u>April Hot Off the Press reading list</u>.

Quiet Violet Finds Her Voice (9798765924839) and Hello, Beech Tree! (9798885540377) made Booklist's selected preview of new titles publishing in spring or summer 2024.

Interviews

Afsaneh Moradian, author of Jamie and Bubbie (9781631985430), was interviewed about the book on Pride and Less Prejudice.

Gabriella Alderman, author of Paula's Patches (9781631987335), was interviewed on Glitter Reviews about her book and life as an author. (March 12)











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Influencers



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Events

May 2:

Erik Talkin, Lulu and the Hunger Monster™ (9781631985461), read aloud and talk for New Hampshire Hunger Solutions at Kimball Jenkins School of Art, Concord NH

May 4:

- · Jessica Whipple, I Think I Think a Lot (9798885540087), signing at Barnes & Noble, Lancaster, PA
- Jenny Lynn Pease, I Love Harriet Kippley (9798765922507), school visit at Fishing Creek Elementary School, Lewisberry, PA
- Mélina Mangal, Jayden's Secret Ingredient (9781631986024), Leaders Are Reading event at Rondo Community Library, St. Paul, MN

May 11:

• How to Bird (9798885540346), storywalk at Audubon Center at Debs Park, Los Angeles, CA

Jenny Lynn Pease, I Love Harriet Kippley (9798765922507), school visit at Noah's Little Ark Daycare, Palmyra, PA

May 20:

· Jenny Lynn Pease, I Love Harriet Kippley, storytime at Lititz Library, Lititz, PA

June 11:

Jenny Lynn Pease, I Love Harriet Kippley, school visit at Kinderhook Early Learning, Marietta, PA

Now Available



I Love Harriet Kippley (Hard Cover) 9798765922507





50 Strategies for Summer School Engagement (Trade Paperback) 9798765974063

Laugh & Learn® in Spanish

9798885545204	¡Ya tienes teléfono! (Ahora lee este libro)
9798885545136	El acoso es algo muy doloroso
9798885545150	Aprende a organizarte sin desesperarte
9798885545181	Cómo dejar de procastinar (¡Hazlo ya!)
9798885545167	Cómo hacer la tarea sin morir en el intento
9798885545174	Errores sin dolores
9798885545174	El estrés te altera de pies a cabeza
9798885545143	Los infames clanes y otras falsedades

Noteworthy Backlist

As we approach the end of the school year, our Summer Blast and 180 Days of Practice titles are perfect for preventing summer learning loss and helping parents engage with their children.



