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# THE TINY NEWSLETTER

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**The stormy March has come at last,  
With winds and clouds and changing skies;  
I hear the rushing of the blast  
That through the snowy valley flies.  
- - - William Cullen Bryant "March"**

March has a very special day – on 2<sup>nd</sup> March – it's Dr Seuss Day!

## **Dr Seuss Day**



**Theodor Seuss Geisel**, commonly known by his pen name Dr. Seuss, was a writer, poet and cartoonist. Though best known as a children's author (he released a whopping forty-six books for tykes), his career also saw him work as an illustrator for advertising campaigns and a political cartoonist during the Second World War. He was also a true perfectionist, known to discard 95% of his material before settling on a theme for a new book, sometimes spending up to a year writing a single story, and preferring payment upon completion, rather than in advance.

March 2<sup>nd</sup> is a celebration of his life and works, as it was on this day in 1904 that he entered the world. Having lived eighty-seven years and made an incredible impact on numerous generations, he died in 1991 at his home in La Jolla, California. His many bizarre, colourful and zany tales are still cherished by young and old alike, and, having been translated into more than twenty languages, are read all across the world every single day. Some of his most famous works include The Cat in the Hat, How the Grinch Stole Christmas, Green Eggs and Ham.

We will be introducing Green Eggs and Ham in our monthly shoutout page.

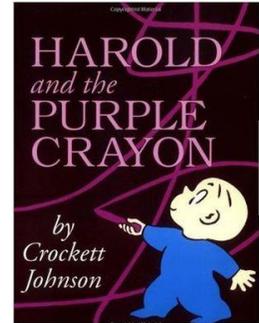
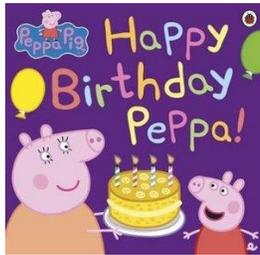
## Updates

### 1. Crafts with storytelling sessions in Kobe – postponed / English Newsletter

On a personal note, I will be starting a new job from 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2016, so I have to postpone this event indefinitely. However, please feel free to borrow our books to have your own events! Also due to the above reason, I will only be creating an English newsletter monthly. Please let me know if you don't understand any part of it and I will explain to you.

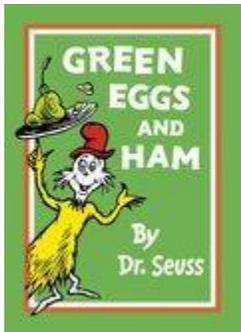
### 2. New books

By request, we have added some books from the series “Harold and the Purple Crayon” to our library. We have also added books from the “Madeline” series and the “Peppa Pig” series.



## Monthly Book Shoutouts

### 1. GREEN EGGS & HAM (by Dr Seuss)



For ages 3-7.

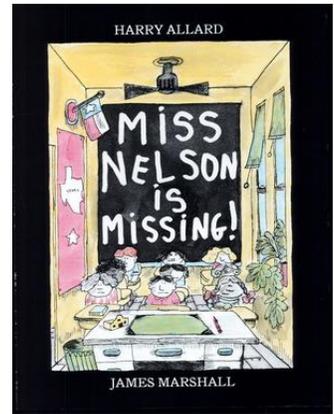
“Do you like green eggs and ham?” asks Sam-I-am in this Beginner Book by Dr. Seuss. In a house or with a mouse? In a boat or with a goat? On a train or in a tree? Sam keeps asking persistently. With unmistakable characters and signature rhymes, Dr. Seuss’s beloved favorite has cemented its place as a children’s classic. In this most famous of cumulative tales, the list of places to enjoy green eggs and ham, and friends to enjoy them with, gets longer and longer. Follow Sam-I-am as he insists that this unusual treat is indeed a delectable snack to be savored everywhere and in every way.

Originally created by Dr. Seuss, Beginner Books encourage children to read all by themselves, with simple words and illustrations that give clues to their meaning. The rhymes are cleverly written with how simple and catchy they were, the illustrations are great as well and perfectly depicts the absurdity of Sam-I-Am and No-name's back and forth about the green eggs and ham.

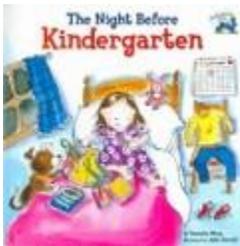
## 2. MISS NELSON IS MISSING (By Harry Allard, James Marshall)

For ages 4-7.

"Miss Nelson Is Missing!" is a classic twist to the mystery genre that can be enjoyed by children of all ages. Miss Nelson has the worst behaved class in the school. The students don't show any respect for their good-natured teacher Miss Nelson, but when the witchy substitute Miss Viola Swamp appears on the scene, they start to regret their own wicked ways. James Marshall's cartoonish full-color ink and wash illustrations are hilarious and children learn how following rules in school is important and also how you should appreciate people you value before they are gone.



## 3. THE NIGHT BEFORE KINDERGARTEN (By Natasha Wing, Julie Durrell)



For ages 4-8.

This book talks about getting ready for school and all the wonderful routines students will go through every night to prepare for school the following day. It would even be a great book for parents to read their children to calm their worries about entering school. This book talks about picking out school supplies, your favorite outfit and making your lunch for school.

The story also shows that the parents will be just as worried to leave their children without out their comfort blankets and animals, as well sad to have to let their children go. This is something that would be good for parents and children to read together because it would validate both of their feelings and could help each of them to be more prepared for the first day of kindergarten.

*The school year is ending for most of the parents soon, so Happy Spring Holidays to everyone and enjoy your books!*

*Tiny Books for Tiny Folks.*