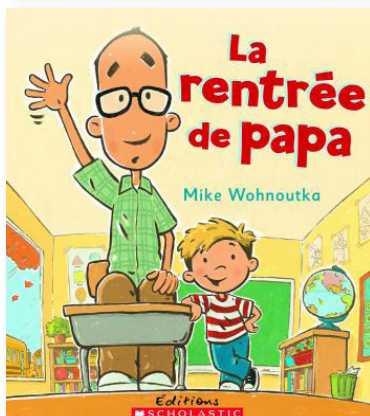
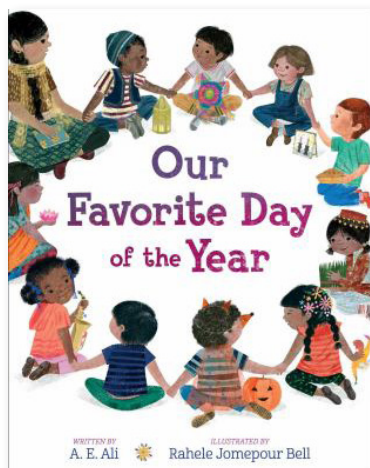


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## Recommended picture books for children



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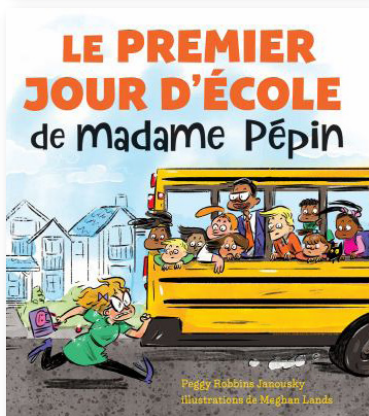
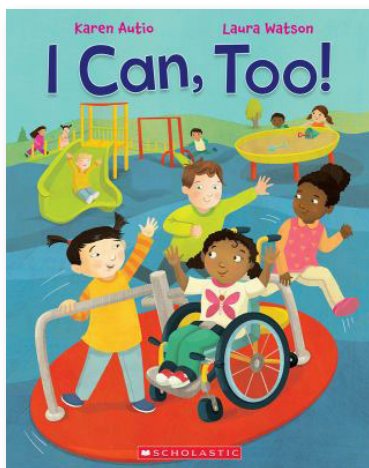
**Our Favorite Day of the Year**  
by A.E. Ali  
ill. Rahele Jomepour Bell / 2020

**The Class**  
by Boni Ashburn  
ill. Kimberly Gee / 2016

**I Can, Too!**  
by Karen Autio  
ill. Laura Watson / 2022 🍁

**King of Kindergarten**  
En français :  
**Roi de la maternelle**  
by Derrick Barnes  
ill. Vanessa Brantley-Newton /  
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**The Queen of Kindergarten**  
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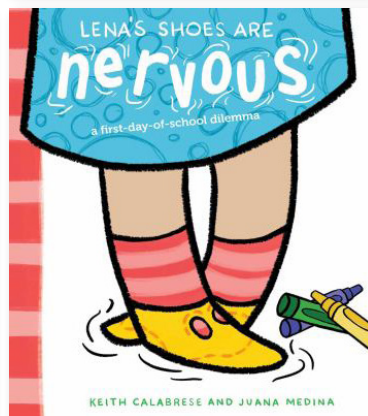
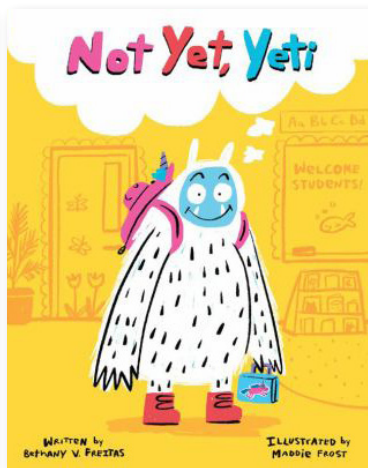
**Becoming Vanessa**  
by Vanessa Brantley-Newton /  
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**Tayra's Not Talking**  
by Lana Button  
ill. Christine Battuz / 2022 🍁

**Lena's Shoes are Nervous**  
by Keith Calabrese  
ill. Juana Medina / 2018

**ABC Ready for School:  
An Alphabet of Social Skills**  
by Celeste Delaney  
ill. Stephanie Fizer Coleman /  
2018

**1, 2, 3 à l'école**  
In English:  
**1, 2, 3, Off to School!**  
by Marianne Dubuc / 2020 🍁



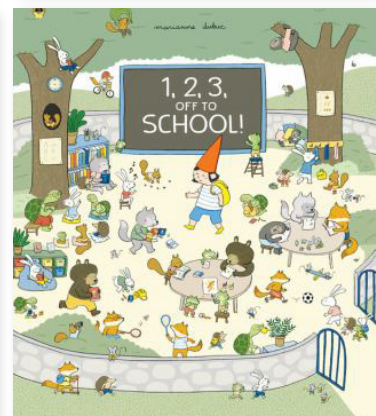
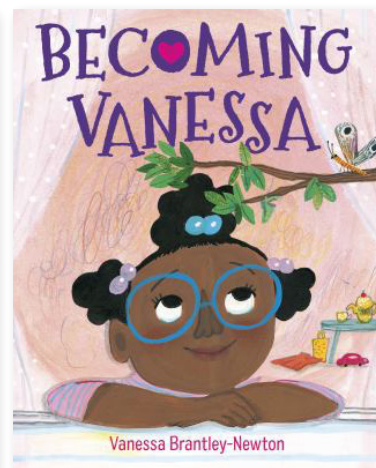
**The Day My Mom Came to Kindergarten**  
by Maureen Fergus  
ill. Mike Lowery / 2013 E

**Not Yet, Yeti**  
by Bethany V. Frietas  
ill. Maddie Frost / 2022

**Planet Kindergarten:  
100 Days in Orbit**  
by Sue Ganz-Schmitt  
ill. Shane Prigmore / 2016

**L'école maternelle**  
par Cécile Jugla  
ill. Mélisande Luthringer / 2018

**Ma première journée à  
l'école maternelle**  
par Sylvie Misslin  
ill. Mélisande Luthringer / 2018



**Move It, Miss Macintosh!**  
En français : **Le premier jour  
d'école de madame Pépin**  
by Peggy Robbins Janousky  
ill. Meghan Lands / 2016 🍁

**Pirates Don't Go to  
Kindergarten**  
by Lisa Robinson  
ill. Eda Kaban / 2019

**This is a School**  
by John Schu  
ill. Veronica Miller Jamison / 2022

**Butterflies on the First Day  
of School**  
by Annie Silvestro  
ill. Dream Chen / 2019

**Dad's First Day**  
En français : **La rentrée de  
papa**  
by Mike Wahnoutka / 2015

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Starting school is an exciting time in your child's life. You can help them prepare by sharing stories together at home. Discover many things to talk about in these picture books - from getting ready for the first day to exploring what happens at school. Stories can help your child understand that kindergarten is a place where learning and fun go together!

The Library has free early literacy programs, with interactive stories, songs, and rhymes, to help build pre-reading skills.

For information about program locations, schedules and registration, please visit the Library website at [winnipeg.ca/library](http://winnipeg.ca/library).

Drop by your local library branch to ask about getting a FREE library card today.

## About This List

All books are available through Winnipeg Public Library. Search for titles in our catalogue and place a hold for pickup at a location convenient for you. Or, download the eBook or eAudiobook from our OverDrive/Libby or Cantook Station Digital Library services. Check out the Parents and Caregivers Info Guide for more books, community links, and other resources.

Some of these recommended books are available in other formats. Look for the letters next to some listings:

**E** eBook (OverDrive/Libby for English; Cantook Station for French)



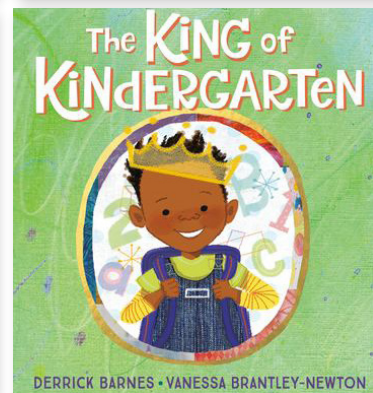
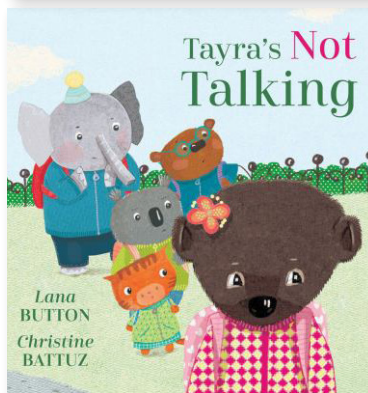
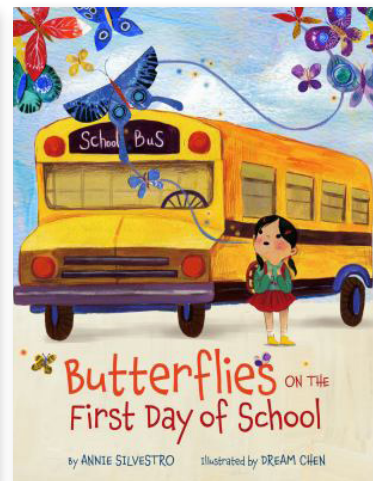
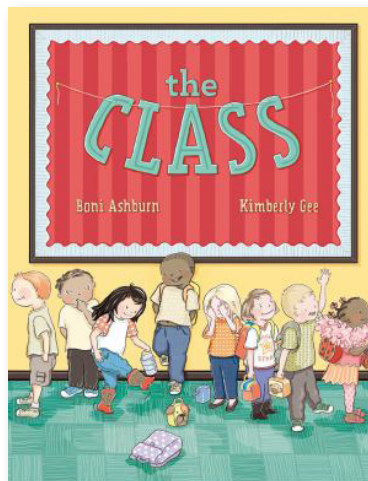
The **Every Child Ready to Read @ your library** initiative provides information for parents and caregivers of children newborn to age five.

Winnipeg Public Library uses this information to develop programs and to share with parents and caregivers the five simple early literacy practices.

For more information, visit:

[www.everychildreadytoread.org](http://www.everychildreadytoread.org)

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## Tips to Encourage Early Literacy Skills

- Read together every day. This shows your child that reading and spending time together is important.
- Always make reading together a warm and happy experience, whether you cuddle up together at bedtime, or read for a few moments during playtime.
- Talk about what you see in a book. Look at the pictures and encourage your child to describe what they see.
- Let your child see you reading. They will want to do what you do.
- Point out words everywhere you see them - on signs, labels, and even at the grocery store. Show your child how you use print every day.
- Sing songs with your child. Finding the rhythm helps break bigger words into smaller parts.
- Take your child to the library regularly. Libraries are a wonderful place to find books, music and so much more!

Talk Sing  
Read Write Play

Children who enjoy being read to are more likely to want to learn to read themselves.