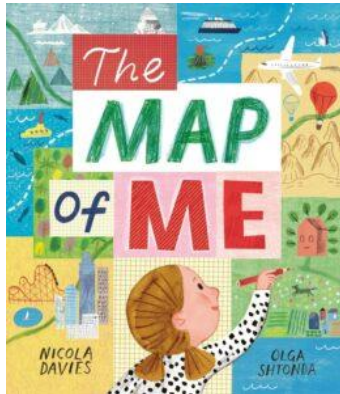


# Spring into a book

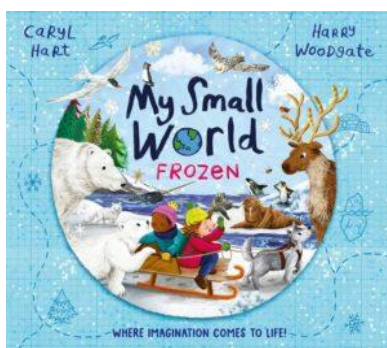
## Book recommendations for Easter

### Picture books for younger readers



When a young girl moves to a new country, leaving behind her Granny and her dog, everything feels strange and unfamiliar. To help her settle in, her mum creates a map of the local area. But the girl still feels far away from the people she loves, so she begins to extend the map to include them too. With the support of new friends and her family, the map grows and grows. Gradually, the world begins to feel smaller, warmer and more connected. Through this journey, she learns to be resilient in times of change and discovers that change can bring new hope and possibility.

Maryam and Issa live on the edge of the Sahara Desert in Mali. One day, they join their family on a special outing where people are working together to transform the dry land by planting trees. As they take part in the "Great Green Wall" project, they begin to see how even small actions can make a real difference. Gradually, the landscape changes, bringing new life and hope to the area. Through this, they realise that change is possible when people work together with care and determination.



The book takes children on a journey through a frozen small world, exploring the landscapes and animals found there. It captures the imagination of small world play while introducing key facts about habitats, weather and wildlife. Through simple, rhyming text, readers travel across icy environments, encountering glaciers, igloos, the Northern Lights, polar bears in their caves, orcas in the ocean and penguins at the South Pole.

The latest instalment in the adventures of Frank and Bert. The pair love sailing Bert's toy boat on the pond — until something unexpected appears. There's a frog in the water, and Bert is far from pleased.

Keen to help, Frank encourages Bert to be brave, even though he's feeling a little unsure himself. Together, they learn that facing fears isn't always easy, but it can lead to moments of fun.

