



**Celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Waterstones Children's Laureate with these Laureate books with a travelling theme...**

Suggested by Emily Drabble, BookTrust's head of Children's Book Promotions and Prizes

#### **Quentin Blake**

**The Green Ship (Penguin)** When two children journey over the wall, they discover a ship made out of trees and go on an imaginative voyage

**Mrs Armitage of Wheels (Penguin)** Mrs Armitage sets off on a quiet cycle with her dog Breakspear but can't help thinking of ways to improve her bike with disastrous consequences!

#### **Anne Fine**

**Mrs Doubtfire (Puffin)** lots of travelling from house to house for the split family in this masterpiece, and of course the journey the impractical out-of-work actor Dad Daniel goes on in this book is huge.

**Killer Cat Runs Away (Puffin)** Tuffy the cat doesn't feel at home anymore after he gets in big trouble from breaking the TV and eating Tinkerbell's special kitten, so Tuffy decides to make a break for it and run away!

#### **Jacqueline Wilson**

**Cliffhanger (Penguin, illustrated by Nick Sharratt)** an adventure holiday sounds like fun, but Tim proves to be hopeless at sports of any kind. Can he survive the horrors of the week?

**Buried Alive (Penguin, illustrated by Nick Sharratt)** Tim gets to bring his friend Biscuits on holiday with his family. But some local bully boys try and disrupt the fun.

#### **Michael Morpurgo**

**Running Wild (Harper Collins)** Will's holiday to Indonesia with his mum turns to disaster as the Boxing Day Tsunami hits – and his escape on the back of Oona the elephant begins a truly epic adventure.

**Alone on the Wild Wild Sea (Harper Collins)** when orphaned Arthur Hohoouse is shipped to Australia after World War Two, he loses his sister, country and everything he knows

#### **Anthony Browne**

**Into the Forest (Walker Books)** a boy takes the shortcut alone through the forest to his grandma's house for the first time and meets a variety of fairy-tale folk!

**Through the Magic Mirror (Walker Books)** Toby is fed up with everything, but when he travels through the magic mirror things are amazing different!

#### **Michael Rosen**

**We're Going on a Bear Hunt (Walker books, illustrated by Helen Oxenbury)** one of the most famous journeys in children's books.

**The Bus is For US (illustrated by Gillian Tyler)** – the best journeys of all are by bus, because the bus is for everyone! (also see the Michael read his poem: The Car Trip

<https://www.michaelrosen.co.uk/hypnotiser/>)

#### **Julia Donaldson**

**The Snail and the Whale (MacMillan illustrated by Axel Scheffler)** a tiny snail longs to see the world so hitches a ride on a big grey-blue humpback whale!

**Room on the Broom (MacMillan illustrated by Axel Scheffler)** a witch and her cat are happily flying through the sky when the wind blows away her hat, her bow and her wand which leads to lots more guests on the broom trip!



**Malorie Blackman**

**Chasing the Stars (Penguin)** Olivia and her brother Aiden are travelling alone through deep space when they pick up the crew of a ship in trouble, an epic retelling of Othello.

**Betsey Bigalow is Here! (Penguin, illustrated by Jamie Smith)** Join Betsey on four short, sun-filled adventures as she learns you don't have to be big to make a big difference!

**Chris Riddell**

**Once Upon a Wild Wood (MacMillan)** Take a journey with lovey Little Green Cape, through a magical fairy-tale world

**Ottoline at Sea (MacMillan)** When Mr Munroe disappears, Ottoline is forced to go on an epic journey across the seas to find him.

**Lauren Child**

**That Pesky Rat (Hachette)** join a rat on a journey to visit several friends who are proper pets, until he finally finds an owner of his own.

**Who's afraid of the Big Bad Book? (Hachette)** The thrilling story of Herb, a boy who travelled through a book of fairytales after falling in!