

BOOKS THAT CELEBRATE **diversity**

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Ofsted and the Department for Education now challenge schools to tackle all types of discrimination.

Blackwell's believe in the power of books to open young people's minds and challenge discriminatory attitudes and are offering the opportunity to buy the books below at special prices, or as a set.



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Stonewall

These fabulous titles help to show children that people and families come in all shapes and sizes and send out the important message that it's OK to be yourself.

Adding these books to your collections is a proactive step you can take towards demonstrating your commitment to tackling homophobic bullying and fulfilling the requirements of the public duty to promote inclusion. It also means that young people in your school are more likely to enter secondary school more broad-minded and understanding of difference and less likely to take part in bullying.



Research by Stonewall has shown that three in five primary school teachers hear the use of homophobic language in their school. Over time this leads to young people beginning to develop an intolerance of difference and diversity which can lead to bullying and more serious issues in secondary school.

“Biff the Bulldog does not like normal bulldog things.”

Join the increasing number of progressive schools who successfully promote inclusion and acceptance through working with children's books.

Although not all of the books focus specifically on LGBT issues, they have the scope within them to allow discussion around difference. They also have the freedom and flexibility for teachers to teach about LGBT people and issues. Under the Equality Act, schools have a responsibility to prevent bullying. To prevent homophobic bullying, you have to demystify LGBT people. As a direct result of using the books in our school, all our children say they feel safe and valued.

– John Yates-Harold

John Yates-Harold is a progressive educator based at the Jenny Hammond primary school in east London. His school has been championed by both Stonewall and Ofsted for its work. Some of his lesson plans which accompany the books can be found on the Stonewall website.



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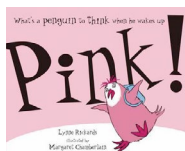
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It's important to start early, so these 4 colourful Key Stage 1 titles are specially written to encourage children to be themselves and celebrate those who are different .

Pink!

ISBN: 9781780271767

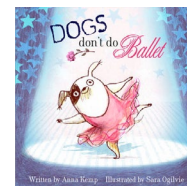
When it dawns on Patrick the penguin that, unlike the penguins around him, he is pink, he feels he can't fit in. After his own drastic measures don't work out, he discovers that the other penguins will celebrate him as he is.



Dogs Don't Do Ballet

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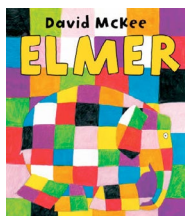
Biff the bulldog does not like normal bulldog things. He likes moonlight and music and he just wants to dance, and dreams of becoming a ballet star. Unfortunately, the humans around him take a little convincing.



Elmer

ISBN: 9781842707319

This vibrant modern classic picture book tells the tale of Elmer, the multi-coloured elephant, who tries to hide his colours with mud, to fit in with those around him. He soon realises that he'll never be happy hiding the truth.



The Worst Princess

ISBN: 9781847388766

Princess Sue can't think of anything more dull than the royal life of pomp that's in store for her, and so one day she throws off the constraints of tradition in this funny twist to the conventional princess tale.

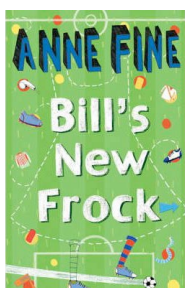


For 8-11 year olds, these 3 titles have been selected for the way they challenge the reader to consider gender equality and identity.

Bill's New Frock

ISBN: 9781405233187

One morning Bill's mum forces him to wear a pretty pink dress to school. The day only becomes more awkward when he discovers school life is very different when everyone thinks you're a girl just because you're wearing a dress.



Two Weeks with the Queen

ISBN: 9780141303000

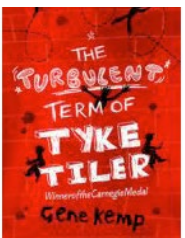
In this very funny and moving story for older children, Colin travels to London where he resolves to find a cure for his ill brother, and along the way he befriends a same-sex couple.



The Turbulent Term of Tyke Tiler

ISBN: 9780571230945

After a school term of mishap after mishap, no reader can resist admiring Tyke's loyalty and good-will, but in the penultimate chapter we discover we may have made our own unfair assumptions about Tyke.



Representations of diverse and different families should be made available to children as early as possible. These three endearing titles introduce same-sex relationships in a fun, age-appropriate way.

King & King

ISBN: 9781582460611

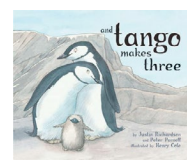
This bold, colourful book depicts a queen parading a string of potential brides before her son, the Prince. When the Prince finally finds his perfect partner, who happens to be male, the whole kingdom simply celebrates.



And Tango Makes Three

ISBN: 9781847381484

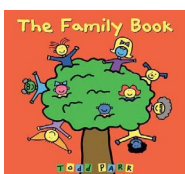
This book tells the true story of two male penguins in New York Zoo who adopt an orphaned chick as their own.



The Family Book

ISBN: 9780316070409

This book shows that some families look different, but no matter how a family is made up, some things are just the same.



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