Sita
Brahmachari’s
World Book Day
reading list
Journey by Aaron Becker (Candlewick Press). A wordless picture book that explores the power of a child holding a pencil as imagination portal to take them anywhere at whatever stage in a difficult life journey. (Early primary)

Footpath Flowers by JonArno Lawson and Sydney Smith (Walker Books). A wordless picture book in which a child makes a journey through a city collecting wild flowers and seeing beauty wherever she goes. (Early primary)

Boy at The Back of The Class Onjali Q Rauf (Orion Children’s Books). A story to open children’s eyes to the realities of life for refugee children... one that shines a light on children’s wish to help make life better for their fellow class mates and refugee children. (Mid to upper Primary)

Wisp by Zana Fraillon (Orchard Books) A beautiful, lyrical picture book of an orphan child who keep wisps of hope alive. (Primary)

Worry Angels by Sita Brahmachari (Barrington Stoke) A story of growing friendship, welcome and empathy between Manchester school student Amy May and her friend Rima, newly arrived with her refugee family from Syria. (Mid to upper Primary)

A Story Like The Wind Gill Lewis (Oxford University Press). A lyrical tale of a refugee child that celebrates the transformative power of song, music and story. (Upper Primary)

Where The River Runs Gold by Sita Brahmachari (Orion Children's Books). Explores the plight of environmental refugees in a near future world where tree and bee populations have been severely compromised. (Upper Primary/ Early Secondary)

Red Leaves by Sita Brahmachari (Macmillan Children’s Books). Three displaced children search for commonality and friendship in a city wood seeking shelter, building dens among the ancient trees. (Upper Primary)

Refugee Boy by Benjamin Zephaniah (Bloomsbury Children’s Books). A deeply moving story from the perspective of a teenager.

Alpha by Bessora (Barrington Stoke Ltd). A powerful graphic novel account of one man’s desperate journey from North Africa to Europe (Early Secondary)

The Un-Forgotten Coat by Frank Cottrell Boyce (Candlewick Press). A beautiful tale of friendship and building a new life that reminds us of a tradition of welcome.