A Select List of Brown County Library Children’s Books
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**Picture Books**

- *Another Day in the Milky Way* by David Milgrim
- *Balloon on the Moon* by Dan McCann
- *The Boy Who Cried Alien!* by Marilyn Singer
- *Cindy Moo* by Lori Mortenson
- *Doug Unplugged* by Dan Yaccarino
- *Earth to Clunk* by Pam Smallcomb
- *Enchanted Lions* by David Greenburg
- *Even Aliens Need Snacks* by Matthew McElligot
- *Green Wilma, Frog in Space* by Tedd Arnold
- *Happy Birthday, Moon/Mooncake* by Frank Asch
- *How to Bicycle to the Moon to Plant Sunflowers: A Simple Plan but Brilliant in 24 Easy Steps* by Mordicai Gerstein
- *I Want to be an Astronaut* by Byron Barton
- *Joey and Jet in Space* by James Yang
- *Jumpin’ Jackie: The Cow who Jumped over the Moon* by Jack May
- *Krong!* by Garry Parsons
- *La Luna* by Kiki Thorpe
- *A Long Way Away: A Two Way Story* by Frank Viva
- *Lego Man in Space: A True Story* by Mara Shaugnessy
- *Light Up the Night* by Jean Reidy
- *The Man in the Moon/The Sandman: The Story of Sanderson Mansnoozie* by William Joyce (ages 6+)
Mooncakes by Loretta Seto

Moonday by Adam Rex

The Moon Over Star by Dianna Hutts Aston

Moon Plane by Peter McCarty

Mousetronaut: Based on a (Partially) True Story/Mousetronaut Goes to Mars by Mark Kelly

Oliver who would not Sleep by Mara Bergman

Pluto Visits Earth! by Steve Metzger

Sheep Blast Off by Nancy Shaw

Sidney, Stella and the Moon by Emma Yarlett

Space Case by James Marshall

Space Boy by Leo Landry

Stars by Mary Lyn Ray

Celebrate of all manner of stars, from gold star stickers that proclaim “good job,” to stars in the sky to a star-tipped magic wand, with this poetic picture book. From man-made star shapes to star shapes in nature, this thoughtful look at the feelings evoked by stars is complimented by Marla Frazee’s whimsically detailed illustrations. The message that even a dark sky has pinpoints of light is a comforting metaphor with universal appeal. For ages 4 and up.

Toys in Space by Mini Grey

Wonderdoll, a female superhero doll of the type that would cast a withering glare towards Barbie, is a capable source of comfort to a motley crew of toys. Left on the lawn overnight, the six toys, including a plush pony, rabbit and sheep, a toy dinosaur, a cowboy figurine and a wind-up robot, quickly descend into panic and/or fussiness, until Wonderdoll leads an impromptu storytime. Careful to include all of her friends, Wonderdoll weaves a spellbinding tale involving aliens, a missing “Cuddles,” a room of lost toys and an intergalactic party. Frequent interruptions by the enthusiastic listeners highlight the personalities of each toy in this hilarious ode to playthings and the realm of imagination on earth and beyond. Ages 5 -9.

Willoughby & the Moon by Greg Foley

Greg Foley’s Willoughby & the Moon is a gently surreal bedtime tale with an empowering message about facing fears. Young Willoughby has not been able to see the moon outside his bedroom window in many nights, and he misses its comforting presence. When the moon appears in his closet, topped by a luminous silver snail, Willoughby is eager to help the shelled creature find his missing ball. The snail is a very hesitant fellow, while Willoughby is a brave explorer afraid of nothing except the dark. When Snail enters a shadowy moon-cave, Willoughby
overcomes his fears to help his new friend. Pixilated photos of the moon’s surface serve as backdrop for Foley’s timeless cartoon illustrations of characters and space equipment, all in a palette of black, white and silver. Young children will be eager to traverse this luminous dreamscape with the likeable Willoughby as their tour guide. Ages 3-6.

**You Are a Star!** by Michael Parker

**You Can’t Eat a Princess!** by Gillian Rogerson

**Zathura: A Space Adventure** by Chris Van Allsburg

**Zoom, Rocket, Zoom!** by Margaret Mayo

This bright and cheery introduction to space exploration combines bright and cheery illustration with action-packed facts. From astronauts floating, repairing, and data collecting, to robot rovers exploring, collecting, and discovering new findings on Mars, the roles and functions of each job, location, and piece of equipment are the focus. Pair this exuberant book with Steve Kortenkamp’s *Show Me Space: My First Picture Encyclopedia* for a beginner’s sightseeing tour of the universe. Ages 3-7.

### Non-Fiction for Young Children

**Amazing Science. Planets** (series) by Nancy Loewen

**Astronauts** by Sarah Tieck

**Blazers. Incredible Space** (series) by Steve Kortenkamp

**Eight Days Gone** by Linda McReynolds

**Every Planet has a Place** by Rebecca Baines

**How Do Space Vehicles Work?** by Buffy Silverman

**If I Were an Astronaut** by Eric Braun

**Night Light: A Book about the Moon/Spots of Light: A Book about Stars** by Dana Rau

**The Night Sky** (beginning reader) by Robin Nelson

**On the Moon** by Anna Milbourne

**Our Stars** by Anne Rockwell

**Pebble Plus. Exploring Space** (series) by Martha Rustad

**Planets** by Elizabeth Carney (beginning reader)

**Show Me Space: My First Picture Encyclopedia** by Steve Kortenkamp

**Skywatch** (series) by Lynn Stone

**Space Cowboy Caleb and the Night Sky Round-Up: Learning about the Night**
Sky by Tina Dybvik

Space Neighbors (series) by L.L. Owens

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