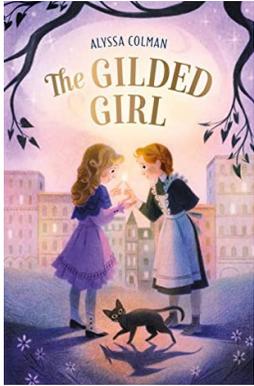


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# Kid Picks

Books for 3rd - 5th graders



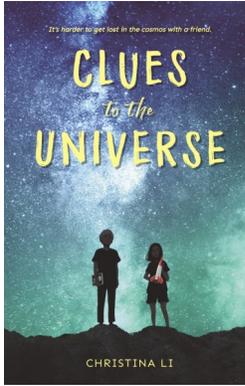
## The Gilded Girl

By Alyssa Colman  
J F Colm 348 pages *Fantasy*

Emma Harris is the new girl at a posh school, the Academy for Practical Magic. She is hoping to make her brilliant “magitect” father proud by undergoing a kindling ceremony to harness her magical abilities. Suddenly, her dreams appear to be out of reach when her father dies and Emma is deprived of her inheritance.

Will this new financial burden prevent

her from harnessing her magical abilities?



## Clues to the Universe

By Christina Li  
J F Li 292 pages *Historical Fiction*

Ro and Benji are science fair partners who become unlikely friends, bound together in their grief over their lost fathers and their interest in space; for Ro, it's building a rocket to launch into space in memory of her dad; for Benji, it's deciphering the comic *Spacebound* in search of something to lead him to his missing father. As the pair faces bullying,

grief, and their own differences, they begin to piece together some of the biggest “clues to the universe.”

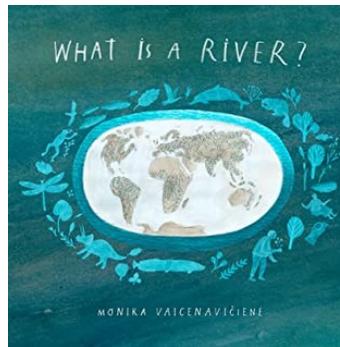


## Fearless

By Mandy Gonzalez  
J F Gonz 232 pages *Mystery*

Traveling with her abuela (grandmother), 12-year-old Monica Garcia arrives in New York City to make her Broadway debut as an understudy. To her surprise, she discovers the once-great theater in shabby splendor, rehearsals plagued with accidents, and a rumored curse on the entire thing. Can Monica figure out why the theater's luck has run out in time to

save her own fate?



## What Is a River?

By Monika Vaicenašienė  
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*Juvenile Nonfiction*

Readers will enjoy learning what rivers mean to people, animals, ecosystems, and civilizations, and how they have connected us in both ancient and modern times. Detailed illustrations enhance the story, providing much to explore.

## Heads in Books

Kids' Book Club for Grades 3-5

Do you like reading *and* talking about books?

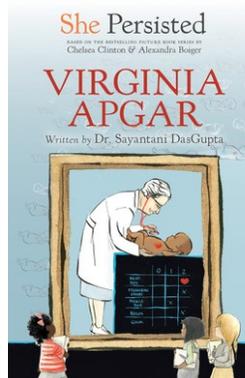
Join us virtually

Thursday, June 24 from 7:15-8:15 PM to discuss

*Ways to Make Sunshine*  
by Renée Watson

Copies of the book are available at either Children's Desk or for Curbside Hold Pickup at Woodbourne or Centerville Library. Registration required. Registrants will receive a Webex invitation shortly before the meeting date/time.

See our [online Calendar of Events](#) for details!



## Virginia Apgar

By Sayantani DasGupta  
J B APGAR 54 pages  
*Juvenile Biography*

Part of the *She Persisted* series, this is the story of a woman who defied norms to become an anesthesiologist when there were not many female doctors in the world. During her medical career, she created the famous Apgar test, which is used to check a newborn's health and is still used all around the world. Don't miss the other books in this empowering series!