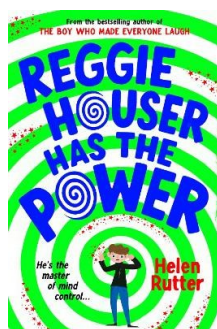


## Neurodiversity Book List: UKS2 (9+) \*Age ranges are a guide only.

### Reggie Houser Has The Power by Helen Rutter



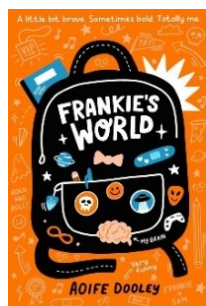
Reggie has ADHD and is coming to the end of primary school where he has constantly struggled to make friends, to fit in and to 'be good.' He desperately wants secondary school to be different and when he sees a hypnotist perform on stage, Reggie becomes obsessed with learning the skills of mind control. Could this be the answer to gaining friends and popularity? (SL)

### The Space We're In by Katya Balen



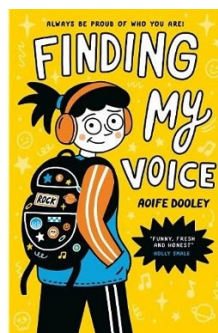
Ten-year-old Frank has trouble navigating his relationship with his younger brother Max, who is autistic. Frank loves soccer, riding his bike, and playing with his friends. His brother Max is five. Max only eats foods that are beige or white, hates baths, and if he has to wear a t-shirt that isn't grey with yellow stripes he melts down down down. (SL)

### Frankie's World by Aoife Dooley



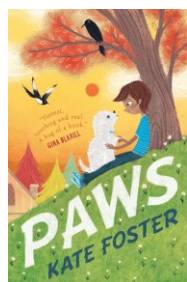
Frankie knows she's not like anyone else in her class: she's different, but she can't quite figure out why. Everyone else seems to think she's weird too, and they make fun of her at school.  
A graphic novel. (SL)

### Finding My Voice by Aoife Dooley



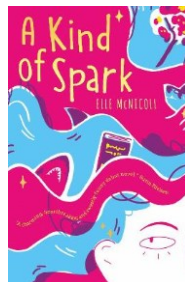
How do you find your voice when everyone around you is telling you to be quiet? Frankie is different, and so is her best-friend, Sam. So, when they both start secondary school, it's tough. Particularly when there are so many rules to follow, like: No talking in class! Be quiet in the hallways! Silence for assembly!  
A graphic novel (SL)

### Paws by Kate Foster



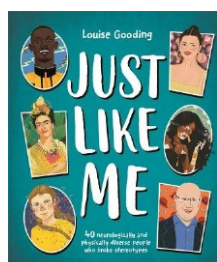
11-year-old Alex is autistic and having difficulty navigating school and friendships, especially with the transition to secondary school on the horizon. His relationship with his dog, Kevin, is at the heart of the story and their ambitions ultimately lead to important lessons about friendship. (SL)

### A Kind of Spark by Ellie McNicoll



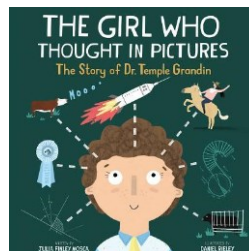
When 11 year old Addie, who is autistic, learns about the 16th century women who were persecuted for witchcraft, she starts to lobby for a local memorial in her small Scottish village. With the help of a new girl at school, she fights valiantly against injustice and oppression. (SL)

### Just Like Me by Louise Gooding

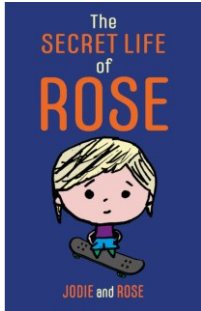
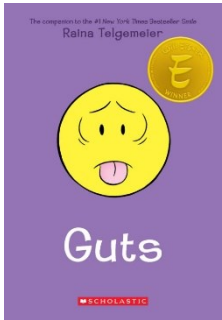


This empowering anthology encourages every child to celebrate their uniqueness and for us all to recognise our potential to achieve whatever we want.

### The Girl Who Thought in Pictures by Julia Finley Mosca



This book introduces young readers to Dr. Temple Grandin, a real-life autism advocate and scientist. It tells the story of her unique thinking and how it led her to become successful in her field.

The Secret Life of Rosie by Jodie and Rosie	Guts by Raina Telgemeier
 <p>The Secret Life of Rose covers a range of topics that are central to the autistic experience. While Rose writes peer-to-peer, her mum Jodie adds the perspective of an adult who is also a professional in the field. The end result is a book that opens up the autistic experience in a way that is both fresh and accessible.</p>	 <p>It soon becomes clear that Raina's tummy trouble isn't going away... and it coincides with her worries about food, school, and changing friendships. What's going on? A thoughtful, charming, and funny true story about growing up and gathering the courage to face - and conquer - fears.</p>

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