# Braille 6 Monthly New Titles List for January to June 2024

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Welcome to the New Titles List January to June 2024.

The Library continually adds new titles to the collection in Braille. Twice a year we produce a list of titles which inform Library members about what’s recently been added to the catalogue.

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## LITERATURE AND FICTION

### Book 1 Book Summer Sisters by Judy Blume

Vix Leonard is twelve when she meets dazzling, reckless Caitlin Somers. Invited to spend holidays on Martha's Vineyard with Caitlin and her eccentric, mysterious family, Vix is welcomed into a life totally unlike her own. As days of bold adventure give way to nights of shy discovery, she and Caitlin come together in the complications of growing up; the refuge of belonging; the pact to Never Be Ordinary . . . Until one devastating summer when a local boy changes everything. Years later life has driven them apart, but the bruise of their friendship remains. When Caitlin begs Vix to return to the Vineyard for her wedding, Vix knows she will go. She wants to understand what happened that last shattering summer - and why her best friend still has the power to break her heart.

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## MILITARY

### Book 2 The Battle of Long Tan by Peter FitzSimons

It was the afternoon of 18 August 1966, hot, humid with grey monsoonal skies. D Company, 6RAR were four kilometres east of their Nui Dat base, on patrol in a rubber plantation not far from the abandoned village of Long Tan. A day after their base had suffered a mortar strike, they were looking for Viet Cong soldiers. Then - just when they were least expecting - they found them. Under withering fire, some Diggers perished, some were grievously wounded, the rest fought on, as they remained under sustained attack. For hours these men fought for their lives against the enemy onslaught. The skies opened and the rain fell as ferocious mortar and automatic fire pinned them down. Snipers shot at close quarters from the trees that surrounded them. The Aussie, Kiwi and Yankee artillery batteries knew it was up to them but, outnumbered and running out of ammunition they fired, loaded, fired as Viet Cong and North Vietnamese Army forces just kept coming. And coming... By far the deadliest battle for Australian forces in Vietnam, the Battle of Long Tan has a proud place in the annals of Australian military history - and every ANZAC who fought there could hold his head high.

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## PARENTING AND FAMILY

### Book 3 The missing sister by Lucinda Riley

The six D'Apliese sisters have each been on their own incredible journey to discover their heritage, but they still have one question left unanswered: who and where is the seventh sister? They only have one clue - an image of a star-shaped emerald ring. The search to find the missing sister will take them across the globe - from New Zealand to Canada, England, France and Ireland - uniting them all in their mission to complete their family at last. In doing so, they will slowly unearth a story of love, strength and sacrifice that began almost one hundred years ago, as other brave young women risk everything to change the world around them.

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### Book 4 Atlas: The Story of Pa Salt by Lucinda Riley

1928, Paris. A boy is found, moments from death, and taken in by a kindly family. Gentle, precocious, talented, he flourishes in his new home, and the family show him a life he hadn’t dreamed possible. But he refuses to speak a word about who he really is. As he grows into a young man, falling in love and taking classes at the prestigious Conservatoire de Paris, he can almost forget the terrors of his past, or the promise he has vowed to keep. But across Europe an evil is rising, and no-one’s safety is certain. In his heart, he knows the time will come when he must flee once more. 2008, the Aegean. The seven sisters are gathered together for the first time, on board the Titan, to say a final goodbye to the enigmatic father they loved so dearly. To the surprise of everyone, it is the missing sister who Pa Salt has chosen to entrust with the clue to their pasts. But for every truth revealed, another question emerges. The sisters must confront the idea that their adored father was someone they barely knew. And even more shockingly: that these long-buried secrets may still have consequences for them today.

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### Book 5 The Cedar Tree by Nicole Alexander

In the spring of 1949, Stella O'Riain flees her home - a sheep property on the barren edge of the Strzelecki Desert. She leaves behind the graves of her husband Joe and her baby daughter. With no money and limited options, Stella accepts her brother-in-law Harry's offer to live at the O'Riain cane farm in the Richmond Valley. There she hopes to get answers to the questions that plague her about her marriage. However Harry refuses to discuss Joe or the family's secrets, even forbidding her to speak to the owner of the neighbouring property. Nearly a century earlier in County Tipperary, Irish cousins Brandon and Sean O'Riain also fled their homes - as wanted criminals. By 1867, they are working as cedar-cutters in New South Wales's lush green Richmond Valley. But while Brandon embraces the opportunities this new country offers, Sean refuses to let go of the past.

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### Book 6 What Alice Forgot by Liane Moriarty

When Alice Love surfaces from a beautiful dream to find she's been injured in a gym, she knows that something is very wrong - she hates exercise. Alice's first concern is her baby - she's pregnant with her first child, and she's desperate to see her husband, Nick, who she knows will be worried about her. But Alice isn't pregnant. And Nick isn't worried. Alice is the mother of three children and her hostile husband is in the process of divorcing her. Alice has lost ten years of her life. In the days that follow, small bubbles of the past rise to the surface, and Alice is forced to confront uncomfortable truths. It turns out forgetting might be the most memorable thing that's ever happened to her.

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## ROMANCE

### Book 7 The Bark Cutters by Nicole Alexander

Sarah Gordon knows what she wants: the family homestead, Wangallon. When it comes to working the homestead she’s a natural but as a woman, it’s not her birthright. Even when her beloved brother, Cameron James, first born and heir, is killed in a tragic accident, nobody looks to Sarah to inherit. Instead her grandfather passes management to the one man she truly loves. Feeling betrayed, Sarah escapes to Sydney to try to put Wangallon behind her. But her heart is pulled in two directions: Sydney with its cafes and social life, her blossoming career as a photographer, and her accountant boyfriend, Jeremy. Or the property that has been in her family for over 120 years, with its floods, its droughts, the ghosts of generations past, and Anthony...

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### Book 8 Dirty Little Midlife Fake Date by Lilian Monroe

Single mom Mia has a problem. Her new landlord Des just raised her rent, and Mia wouldn't be able to afford it. Des is big, grumpy, and apparently his heart is made of granite. He's not willing to meet Mia in any sort of middle. Unitl one day, he has a proposition for her...one little fake date –a cheeky weekend away to go to his family reunion– and Mia's rent troubles will disappear. But as she gets to know Des, feelings start to grow. Could something fake turn real–or is true love just a fantasy?

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## CHILDREN’S BOOKS

### Book 9 Are you there God? It’s me Margaret by Judy Blume

Life isn't easy for Margaret. She's moved away from her childhood home, she's starting a new school, finding new friends – and she's convinced she's not normal. For a start she hasn't got a clue whether she wants to be Jewish like her father or Christian like her mother. Everyone else seems really sure of who they are. And, worst of all, she's a 'late developer'. She just knows that all her friends are going to need a bra before she does. It's too embarrassing to talk to her parents about these things. So she talks to God instead - and waits for an answer.

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### Book 10 Dressed for success by John Dickson

Nikki Hind always dreamed of being a fashion designer. When she was little she had trouble seeing. Later a stroke took way almost all of her eyesight. Nikki didn't let that stop her. Now she has her own fashion label and her fashions are shown all around the world. Discover how being vision impaired has made Nikki who she is today.

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### Book 11 The wishing chair again by Enid Blyton

Another exciting adventure to magical lands lie in store for Mollie and Peter when they sit in the Wishing Chair.

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### Book 12 More wishing chair stories by Enid Blyton

Mollie and Peter are home for half-term, and the Wishing-Chair is ready to whisk them away to magical lands! They'll meet a mysterious witch's cat, visit the Land of Wishes and even find gold at the end of the rainbow. But best of all, a certain jolly somebody needs help delivering presents - or Christmas might not happen!

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### Book 13 Stories for bedtime by Enid Blyton

From adventures with sleepy giants to bedtime stories about how Bobs the dog got a cold nose, drift into dreamland with these short stories by Enid Blyton. Look out for midnight parties and falling stars! These traditional tales are ideal for younger children being read to and for newly confident readers to read alone. Each story stands alone and is the perfect length for reading at bedtime or in the classroom.

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### Book 14 St Clare's collection volume 4-6 by Enid Blyton

The Second Form at St Clare's: The twins have made it to second form. New girls Gladys and Mirabel have great talents for acting and music, and Elsie, the form's unpopular Head Girl, learns to be less spiteful. The Third Form at St Clare's: It's time for a new head girl. There are plenty of candidates, but after a terrible accident, and an hilarious school play, the true leaders are revealed. Kitty at St Clare's: Pat breaks her arm and misses the first weeks of term. Will Pat be upset when new girl Amanda becomes Isabel's new best friend? There'll be mischief at St Clare's!

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### Book 15 The magic finger by Roald Dahl

The Greggs are hunters who will shoot anything for fun. The little girl next door to them can't stand hunting. She tries to be polite. She tries to talk them out of it, but the Greggs just laugh at her. So she does the only thing she can - she puts her magic finger on them... The Greggs wake up the next day to find that their arms have turned into wings! But that's just the beginning of their problems, because when a family of giant ducks takes over their house, the Greggs discover they're no longer the hunters - they're the hunted!

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### Book 16 George's marvellous medicine by Roald Dahl

George's grandmother has the nastiest eating habits in the world. She's as frightening as a witch and as grumpy as a camel without a hump. When he can't stand this cantankerous old woman any longer, George decides to cure her nastiness once and for all. He concocts a very nasty medicine.

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### Book 17 Malory Towers collection 1, books 1-3 by Enid Blyton

First Term: Darrell Rivers is thrilled to start her first term at boarding school. She soon makes friends - and mischief! Another new girl, Gwendoline is beginning to get on everyone's nerves. Will Darrell be able to keep her fiery temper under control? Second Form: Darrell Rivers is excited to be going into her second year at Malory Towers - but is she ready for the drama it will bring? Jealousy flares when a new head of the form is chosen, and the girls become suspicious when their belongings go missing. And why on earth has timid Mary-Lou ventured out during a terrible storm? Third Year: This term, the girls get a surprise when Darrell Rivers returns to Malory Towers with a glamorous new girl in tow. Zerelda soon catches everyone's eye for all the wrong reasons! Meanwhile, Bill is causing a stir with her horse-mad ways - and there's a big shock in store for Darrell…

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### Book 18 Malory Towers collection 2, books 4-6 by Enid Blyton

Upper Fourth: Darrell Rivers is Head Girl of her class and her sister Felicity has joined Malory Towers. It looks set to be a wonderful term until Felicity makes friends with young trouble-maker June. With twins Connie and Ruth causing problems in their form too, Darrell's first term in charge is a big challenge... In the Fifth: Now that Darrell Rivers and her friends are fifth-formers, it's their turn to produce the school play. There is plenty of talent on show but everyone has their own ideas and competition for the starring role is fierce. Can the girls overcome their quarrels so that no one is upstaged? Last Term: Darrell Rivers is Head Girl of Malory Towers and there is plenty to keep her busy. Amanda is prepared to risk everything to be chosen to swim in the Olympics and spoilt Gwendoline is up to her usual tricks. Can Darrell stop Gwendoline from ruining their final term before it's time to wave goodbye?

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### Book 19 Welcome to dead house by R L Stine

11-year-old Josh and 12-year-old Amanda just moved into the oldest and weirdest house on the block--the two siblings think it might even be haunted! But of course, their parents don't believe them. You'll get used to it, they say. Go out and make some new friends. But the creepy kids are not like anyone Josh and Amanda have ever met before. And when they take a shortcut through the cemetery one night, Josh and Amanda learn why.

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### Book 20 Stay out of the basement by R L Stine

Dr Brewer is doing a little plant-testing in his basement. Nothing to worry about. Harmless, really. But Margaret and Casey Brewer are worried about their father. Especially when they 'meet' some of the plants he is growing down there. Then they notice that their father is developing plantlike tendencies. In fact, he is becoming distinctly weedy ― and seedy. Is it just part of their father's 'harmless' experiment? Or has the basement turned into another little shop of horrors?

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### Book 21 Monster blood by R L Stine

Evan visits an eerie old toy store and buys a dusty can of Monster Blood. But then he notices something weird about the slimy green ooze. It keeps growing. And growing. And growing. And all that growing has given the Monster Blood a monstrous appetite....

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### Book 22 Night of the living dummy by R L Stine

Lindy names the ventriloquist's dummy she finds Slappy. Slappy is kind of ugly, but he's a lot of fun. Lindy's having a great time learning to make Slappy move and talk. But Kris is jealous of all the attention her sister is getting. It's not fair. Why does Lindy always have all the luck? Kris decides to get a dummy of her own. She'll show Lindy. Then weird things begin to happen. Nasty things. Evil things. No way a dummy can be causing all the trouble. Or is there?

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## TEENS

### Book 23 Then again maybe I won’t by Judy Blume

Tony Miglione is thirteen, and his family lives in a cramped house in New Jersey. But then his Dad invents something that makes them rich, and they move to a luxury home in Long Island. But being rich brings its own problems - Tony's Grandma feels useless when she doesn't have to cook any more, and his mum is obsessed with impressing the neighbours, but Tony knows the boy next door isn't as perfect as he looks. The only upside to his new life is that his neighbour Lisa keeps undressing with the light on. As he tries to adjust to his new life Tony starts to suffer from anxiety attacks and wishes everything would just be normal again?

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