**Discussion ideas for …**

**Lightning Chase Me Home by Amber Lee Dodd**

* Discuss Amelia’s life - her dad, her grandad, not knowing where her mum is and starting a new school.
* “The room flickered and whirled around me and whoosh, I disappeared” (page 52). How did you feel about what happened to Amelia and Pipi immediately after that?
* Discuss Amelia disappearing. Do you think it was as scary for her as the people who saw it happen?
* Blair is a bully. What do you think bullies get out of being the way they are and what are the best ways to deal with bullying?
* The magic from Serpent Tooth’s Rock helped Amelia piece together what really happened to her mum. Discuss the letter Amelia found in the box on her dad’s boat, which her mum had sent her on her 11th birthday.
* Talk about the main themes in the book, such as magic, family break-up, school, dementia and any others you can think of.
* What did you think of the ending of the story?