**Discussion ideas for …**

**I, Cosmo by Carlie Sorosiak**

* The story is told by Cosmo, the family dog. Did you like this? Did you find it interesting/different that you were reading the dog’s thoughts?
* Cosmo thinks that dogs have advantages and are superior to humans (pages 25-26). Discuss this in your group. In what ways do you think that humans are superior to dogs or maybe you agree with Cosmo?
* There are problems between Max’s parents and Cosmo is worried that they will split up. In your group talk about how major events within families affect pets.
* Discuss Cosmo’s experiences at the dance class and when they went to the competition. What impact did the classes and the competition have on both Max and Cosmo? What were your favourite parts from the class and the competition?
* Max sets out to run away after his parents tell him and his sister, Emmaline, that they are separating. Why was this not a sensible thing to do? Were you pleased that Cosmo went with him? What differences do you think this made?
* All through the book Cosmo really doesn’t like Comet, the sheepdog, but they become friends at the end. This sometimes happens between humans too. Discuss why we should never judge others.