
Book Review

Hurray! They're back! Fans will be thrilled to see much-loved friends as they encounter time-honoured holiday traditions in the newest

Railfence Bunch Book, *Chick and Duckling's Christmas*.

Sleigh rides, carolling and manger scenes are just some

of their observations as 'Chick and Duckling go out

one day, celebrating Christmas along the way'. In

this endearing book for very young children, author

Carolyn j Morris skillfully combines the musical

features of repetition and rhyme with an engaging

remembrance of all that

really is the reason for the season. Richard McNaughton's evocative

water-coloured illustrations help children reconnect with Christmases

past and eagerly anticipate upcoming holiday delights. Reading to

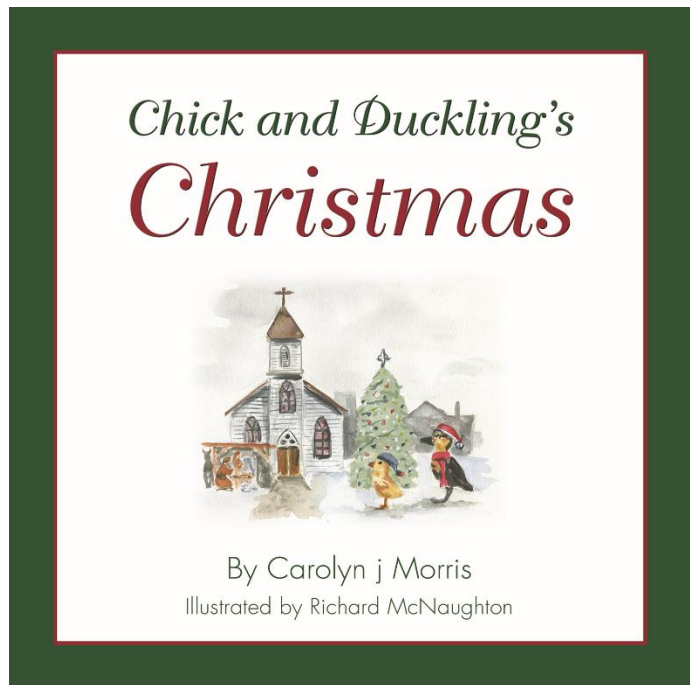
children and encouraging them to respond to texts in a meaningful

way is massively helpful to developing literacy. So, don your tuques

and scarves with these dear barnyard creatures, as you 'Glory to the

New Born King!' And don't forget to 'seek and find' the hidden

Christmas candy in each of McNaughton's illustrations! *Chick and Duckling's Christmas* is an outstanding addition to your holiday library.



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