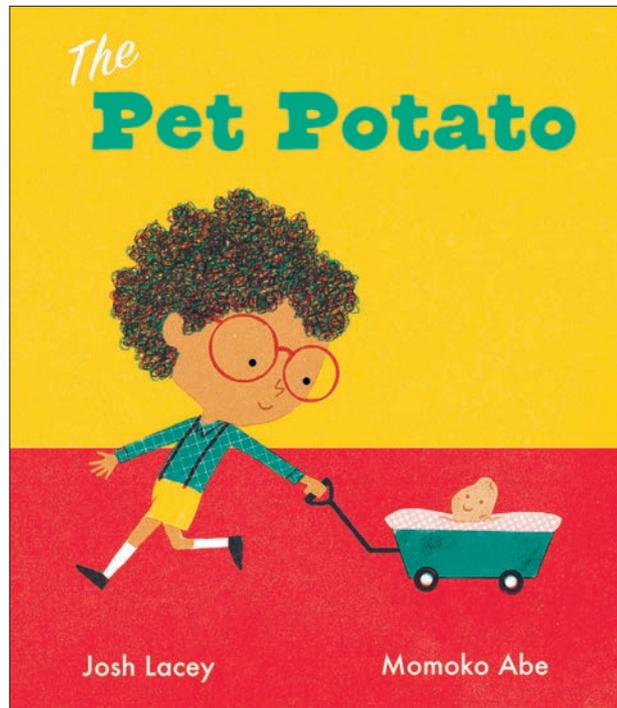


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Josh Lacey Momoko Abe



THE PET POTATO

Albert is desperate to get a pet, so he's really excited when Dad finally brings one home. There's just one problem: it's a potato. Potatoes can't do anything a proper pet does ... can they?!

A funny story with a sweet, green-fingered resolution for any child who's ever begged their parents for a pet!

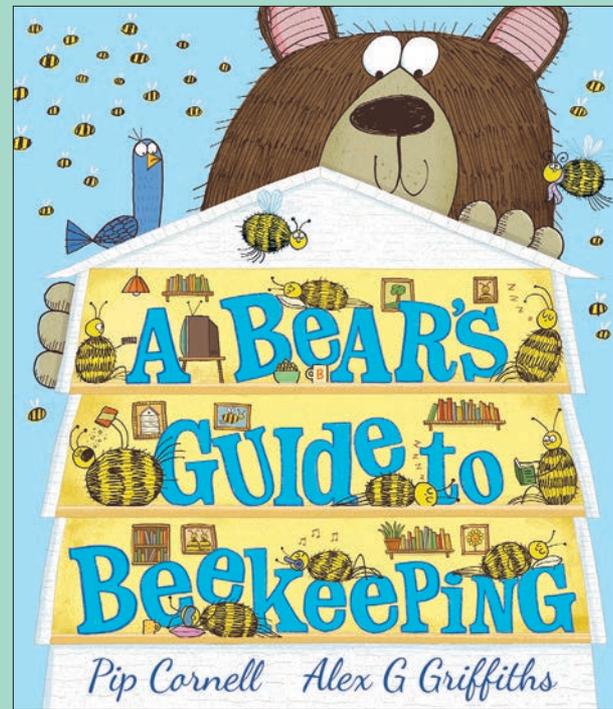


JUN 2022 | 32pp | HB 3+
9781839130809 | 280 x 240mm | £12.99

JOSH LACEY is the author of many books for children including *The Dragonsitter* series and the *Grk* books. He has worked as a journalist and written one book for adults. He lives in London.

MOMOKO ABE is a self-taught illustrator based in London. She grew up in Japan, and moved to the UK to study filmmaking. She still works in the TV and film industry, whilst pursuing her passion for children's books. Momoko was shortlisted for the **World Illustration Award** in 2019.

Pip Cornell Alex G Griffiths



A BEAR'S GUIDE TO BEEKEEPING

Are you a bear considering keeping your very own bees? Can't get enough of delicious honey? Then this is the book for you!

With invaluable tips such as how to make a tiny crown for your queen bee, you can become a master beekeeper in no time! Learn how to care for your new buzzy friends in easy-to-follow steps – but don't forget to absolutely never hug the bees.

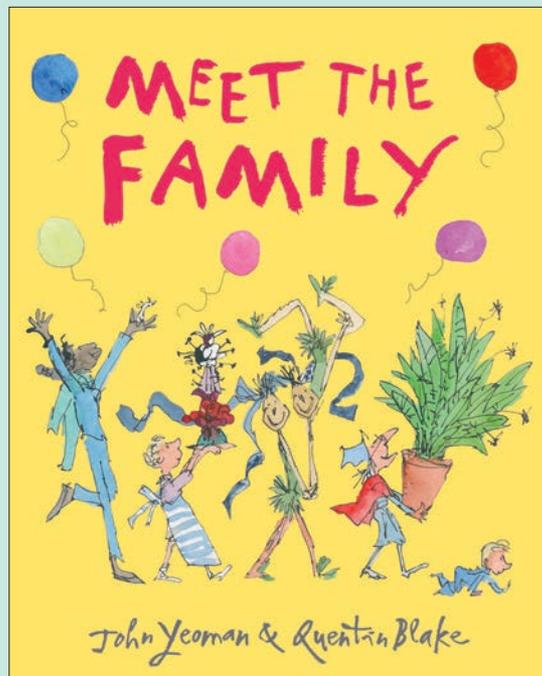
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PIP CORNELL studied Graphic Design at Preston Polytechnic, graduated with an MA in Narrative Illustration from Brighton University and in her publishing life she's been submerged in stories for over twenty years, working as a picture book Art Director.

ALEX G GRIFFITHS lived in Oslo, Norway until the age of 5, when his family moved to Buckinghamshire, UK. He studied Graphic Design at Coventry University, and he is a self-proclaimed drawing addict with a love for scuba diving and snowboarding. Alex now lives in Canada.



John Yeoman Quentin Blake



MEET THE FAMILY

Everyone's family is different, but none more so than this one from the imagination of legendary team John Yeoman and Quentin Blake.

Meet Uncle Marvello and Auntie Shazam: magicians extraordinaire ... they can even make your watch disappear. And Cousin Charlie, who cooks up a feast ... then eats it all himself. From uncles and cousins to babies and elderly aunts, everyone in this family is guaranteed to make you laugh out loud!

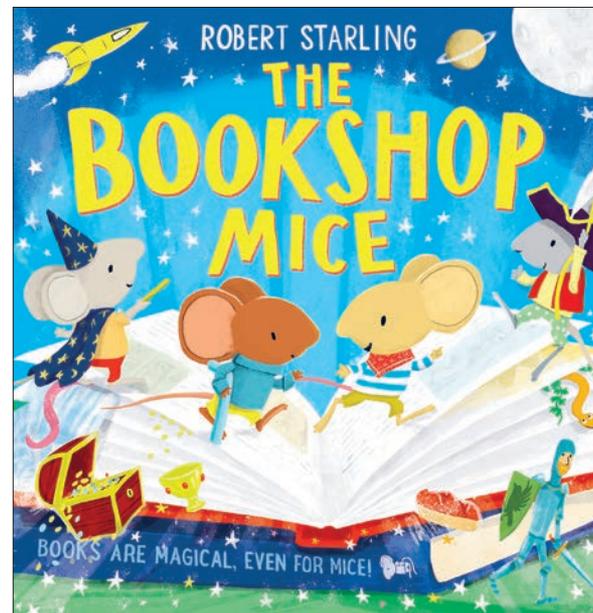


MAR 2022 | 48pp | HB 3+
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JOHN YEOMAN's collaboration with Quentin Blake began in 1960, and has resulted in a long list of successful children's books. In fact, they have created more books together than Quentin has with any other author, including Roald Dahl.

QUENTIN BLAKE has always made his living as an illustrator, as well as teaching for over twenty years at the Royal College of Art. He has won numerous awards, including the **Kate Greenaway Medal** and the **Hans Christian Andersen Award** for Illustration, and in 1999 he was appointed the first ever **Children's Laureate**. He received a knighthood for 'services to illustration' in 2013.

Robert Starling



JUN 2022 | 32pp | HB 3+
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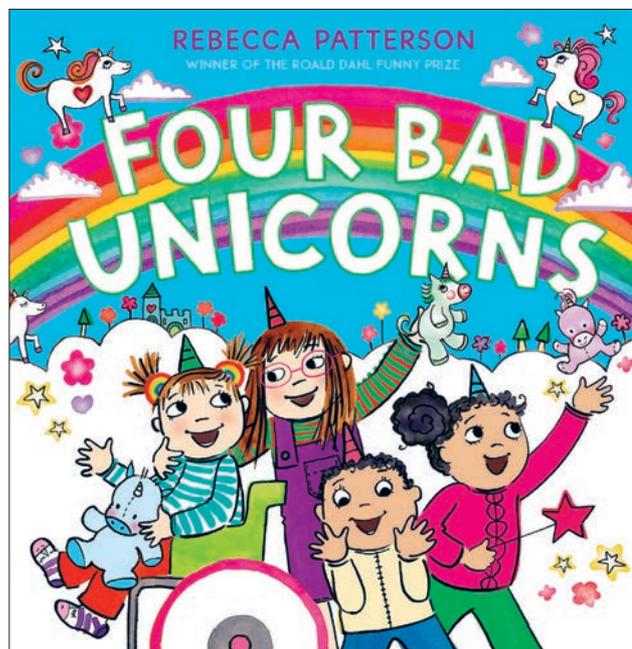
THE BOOKSHOP MICE

From **Waterstones Children's Book Prize** shortlisted Robert Starling comes this new tale about the incredible places books can take us.

Astrid's family has just moved in to the mouse hole in the bookshop on Maple Street, and none of her new classmates believes the incredible adventures she has with her family. But when she invites each of them to the bookshop, they'll see that there is a big, exciting world of possibilities there, just waiting to be discovered ...

ROBERT STARLING began doodling creatures and characters at school and hasn't stopped since. He is the creator of the *Fergal* series of picture books, which have been published in 22 languages, and *Fergal is Fuming!* was shortlisted for the **Waterstones Children's Book Prize**.

Rebecca Patterson



FOUR BAD UNICORNS

Frankie and her sister are UNICORN MAD! Today, they're playing their favourite unicorn game, but when their bossy friend Ada arrives with her brother to play, she takes over the game – and takes over the wheelchair – putting them all in unicorn prison! After all, they've been bad unicorns, haven't they?

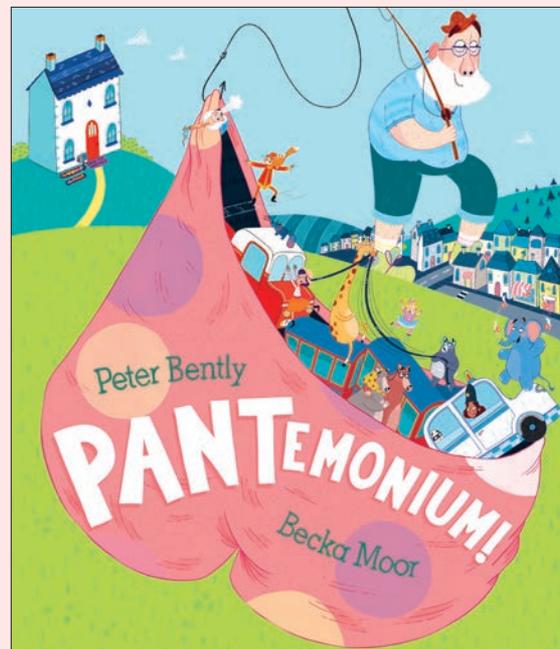
Roald Dahl Funny Prize winner Rebecca Patterson deftly handles the subject of childhood play and disability, drawing on her personal experience of growing up with a disabled sister.

MAY 2022 | 32pp | HB 3+
9781839131035 | 260 x 250mm | £12.99



REBECCA PATTERSON grew up in Bolton, and studied fashion. After graduating, she worked various jobs, including classroom assistant in a primary school. Once her own children had started school, Rebecca began an MA in Children's Book Illustration and had her first picture books commissioned at the end of the course.

Peter Bently Becka Moor

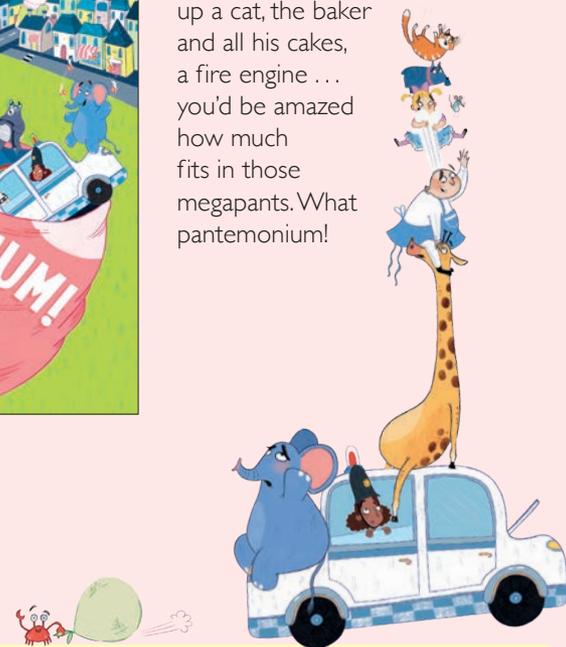


PANTEMONIUM!

Fred the Giant's off fishing today. But look! His GIANT PANTS are caught on the end of his hook!

Follow Fred as he drags his giant pants all around town, scooping up a cat, the baker and all his cakes, a fire engine . . . you'd be amazed how much fits in those megapants. What pantemonium!

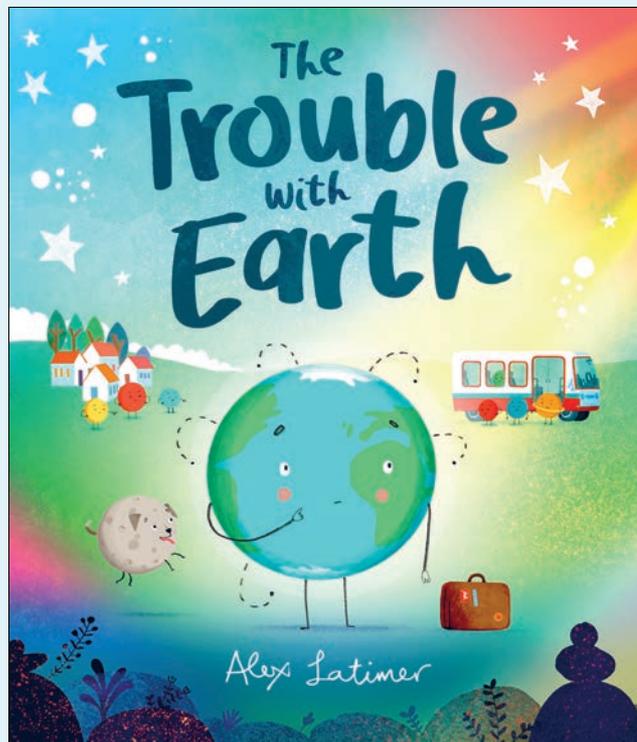
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PETER BENTLY is the author of more than sixty books, including the hilarious and bestselling *The Great Dog Bottom Swap!* He won the **Roald Dahl Funny Prize** with *Cats Ahoy!*, and *King Jack and the Dragon*, illustrated by Helen Oxenbury, was shortlisted for the **Kate Greenaway Medal**.

BECKA MOOR studied illustration in the North of Wales at Glyndwr University. Since then, she has worked on a variety of young fiction, non-fiction and picture books. Becka lives and works in Manchester.

Alex Latimer



THE TROUBLE WITH EARTH

Why didn't the other planets invite Earth to their holiday? Soon they'll find out the wonderful truth about Earth and change their minds . . .

When Earth turns up on the holiday she wasn't invited to and finds all the other planets in the solar system in the hot tub – even Pluto! – she discovers exactly why: it looks like she has FLEAS! Yuck. But when Earth asks everyone to take a closer look inside her atmosphere, they're amazed by what they see . . .

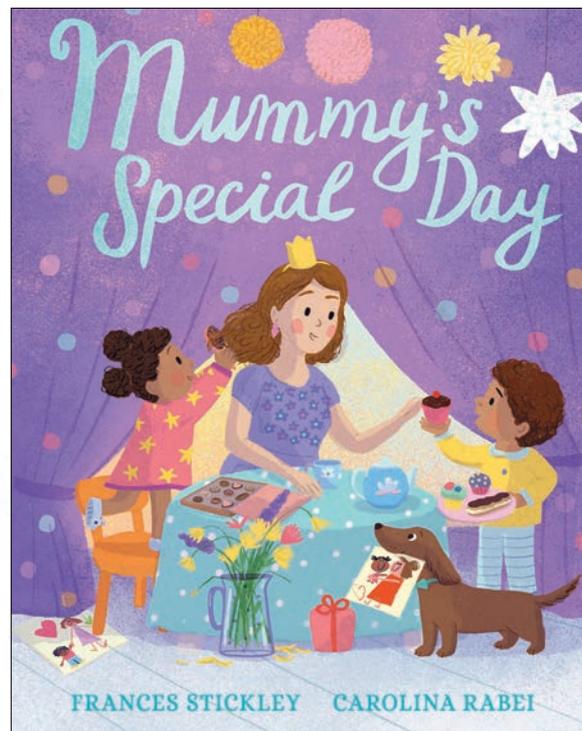
The perfect story to teach us to be kind and less quick to judge others.



APR 2022 | 32pp | HB 3+
9781839130816 | 270 x 230mm | £12.99

ALEX LATIMER is a South African writer and illustrator living in Cape Town. He has a degree in English and Philosophy and has written and illustrated for many major brands across the globe. His books have won the **Hampshire Picture Book Award**, the **CELI Read Aloud Book Award** and been shortlisted for the **Commonwealth Short Story Prize**.

Frances Stickley Carolina Rabei



MUMMY'S SPECIAL DAY

Mummy makes every day special, so it's about time she had her own perfect day full of all her favourite things.

This brother and sister know exactly what Mum loves: her favourite foods, flowers, and pictures painted by them. They arrange it all for Mummy's special day, but nothing seems to go to plan. Luckily, the thing Mummy enjoys best is spending time with her little ones.

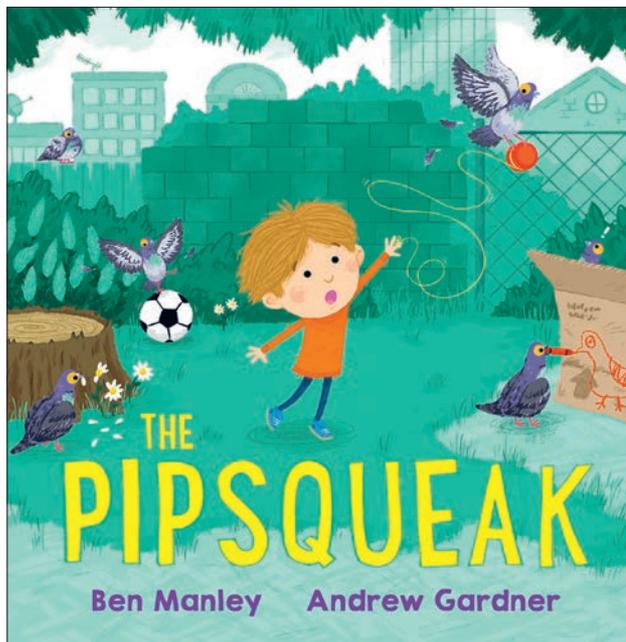
A heart-warming story, perfect to snuggle up with on Mothers Day, a birthday, or any special day at all!

FEB 2022 | 32pp | HB 3+
9781839131349 | 280 x 220mm | £12.99

FRANCES STICKLEY is a trained children's literacy specialist, and winner of the **Bloomsbury and National Literacy Trust Short Story Prize 2017**. She lives with her family in Derbyshire. And when she is not writing, you'll find her in the forest pretending to be a dragon with her daughters.

CAROLINA RABEI was born in Moldova, and moved to Cambridge to study illustration at the Cambridge School of Art. Her books have been nominated for the **Kate Greenaway Medal** and shortlisted for the **Read It Again! Award**.

Ben Manley Andrew Gardner

**THE PIPSQUEAK**

You don't need super powers to be a hero . . . or to make enemies into friends.

In Hero's gang, everyone has a special skill. Well, everybody but Pip. Pip isn't strong, he can't run fast or make himself invisible. He might not have any amazing talents, but when bully Solo invades their spot, Pip shows the gang that you just need guts to be a hero.

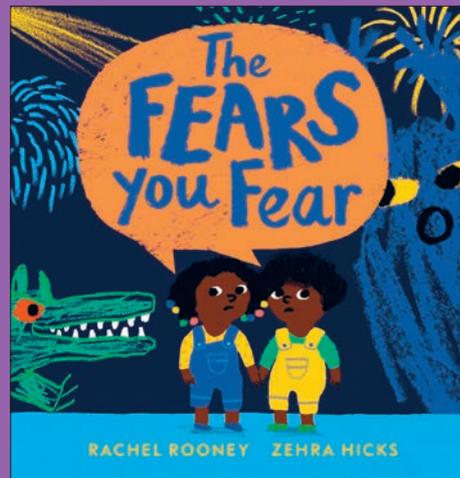


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9781839130991 | 260 x 250mm | £12.99

BEN MANLEY is a picture book author, digital copywriter and web designer. He lives in Norwich with his wife and children.

ANDREW GARDNER worked as a designer and art director for over a decade before he decided to pursue his passion for illustration and storytelling. He works digitally, but almost everything still begins life as a pencil sketch on paper.

Rachel Rooney Zehra Hicks

**THE FEARS YOU FEAR**

A Fear is a frightening thing. Some are helpful and keep us safe, others cannot be explained. You can fight them and tame them, but sometimes, you might find you were mistaken, and the Fear was really excitement all along! Often the things you fear are more afraid of you, but one thing's for sure . . . there are so many ways to send them away.

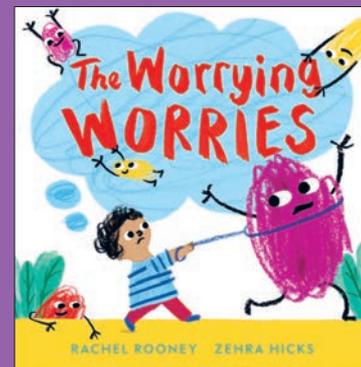
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**THE WORRYING WORRIES**

What happens when you get a Worry? They can get so big, it can be hard to get anything done! Luckily, the Worry Expert knows exactly what to do.

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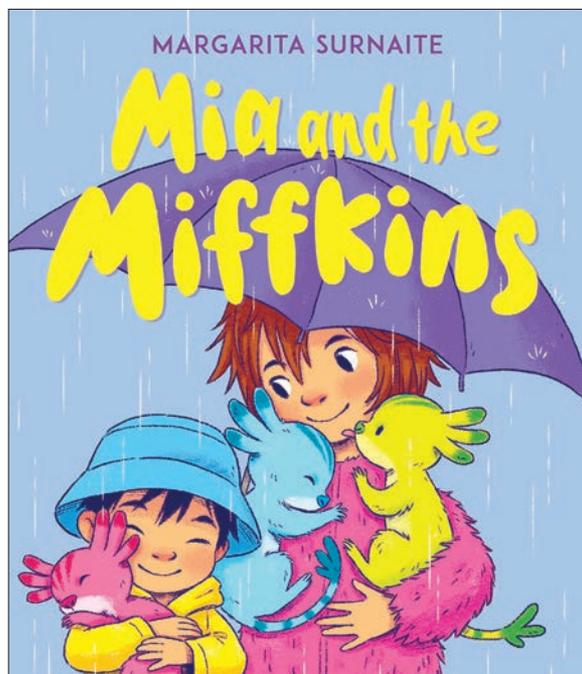
'A powerful addition to school and home bookshelves and a great tool to open conversations, encourage empathy and offer reassurance' THE LITTLE LITERACY SOCIETY



RACHEL ROONEY is an award-winning children's poet. Her first poetry collection won the CLiPPA poetry award and was longlisted for the **Carnegie Medal**. She lives in Brighton.

ZEHRA HICKS is a tutor at Chelsea College of Arts. She has been highly commended for the **Macmillan Prize for Illustration**, nominated for the **Kate Greenaway Medal**, and shortlisted for the **Read It Again! Award**. She lives in Epsom, Surrey.

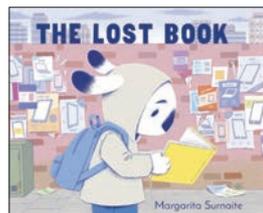
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**MIA AND THE MIFFKINS**

Can the Miffkins help this quarrelsome brother and sister find common ground?

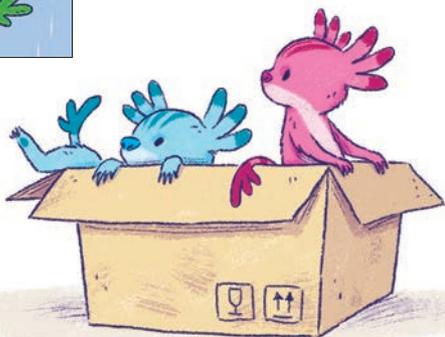
When Mia and her little brother Jim fall out, they both feel terrible ... until the Miffkins turn up. They're small, cute and very mischievous! Can looking after these curious little creatures bring Mia and Jim back together?

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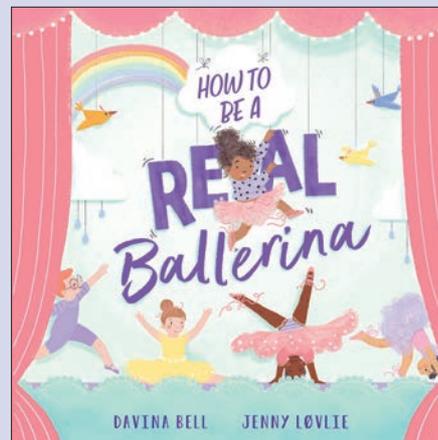


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MARGARITA SURNAITE was born and raised in Lithuania. She graduated from the MA Children's Book Illustration course at Cambridge School of Art with a Distinction in 2015. She works mainly digitally, however, she likes to explore different media and techniques. Margarita lives and works in Cambridge.



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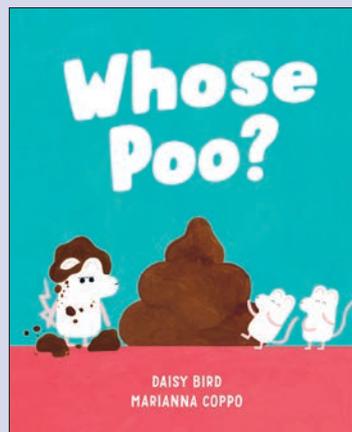
**HOW TO BE A REAL BALLERINA**

A beautifully empowering and inclusive picture book, illustrated by the **Waterstones Children's Book Prize**-winning illustrator of *The Girls*.

There is a lot to learn about being a ballerina. If you fall over, don't panic. You don't have to be perfect! But when you walk out on the stage, it will feel like magic and fireworks and Christmas-tree lights in your tummy, and you'll know that no matter what, you're a real ballerina.

JAN 2022 | 32pp | PB 3+
9781839132124 | 244 x 244mm | £7.99

Daisy Bird Marianna Coppo

**WHOSE POO?**

The baby mice love to imagine all the different kinds of poo! Would a penguin do a sparkly, frosty poo? Would an astronaut do a rocket-powered weightless poo? Now Dad has forbidden it: **NO TALKING ABOUT POO!** But how can the baby mice resist?

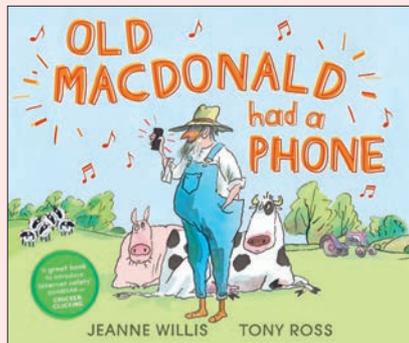
From *New York Times* bestselling author Daisy Bird and **Kate Greenaway Medal** shortlisted illustrator Marianna Coppo.

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'A manure manifesto for poo-ficionados' **KIRKUS**



Jeanne Willis Tony Ross



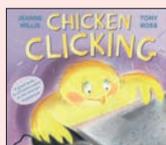
OLD MACDONALD HAD A PHONE

Sing along to the tune of Old Macdonald had a Farm, and learn to put down your phone in this hilarious cautionary tale for a new generation of phone-users. From the award-winning partnership of Jeanne Willis and Tony Ross, the fourth in their series of picture books exploring online issues.

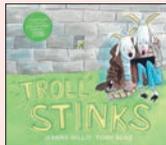
Free teaching resources:
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'Funny, clever and we can all learn from it'
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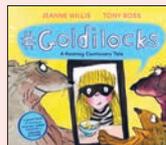
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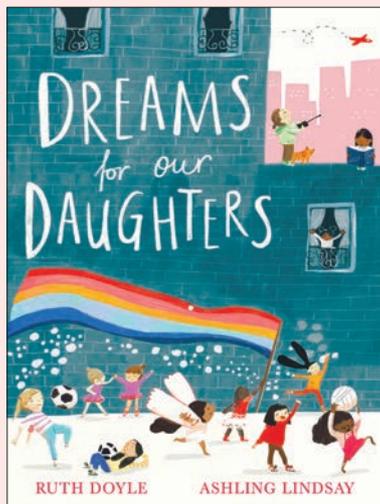


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Ruth Doyle Ashling Lindsay



DREAMS FOR OUR DAUGHTERS

An uplifting and inspirational picture book about the unique experiences and opportunities that children will encounter in this challenging world.

The companion book to *Songs for our Sons*, this is a truly stunning gift for children and parents at any key life moment, from birth to graduation.

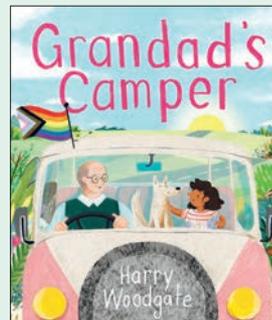
'Striking to look at and exhilarating to read aloud'
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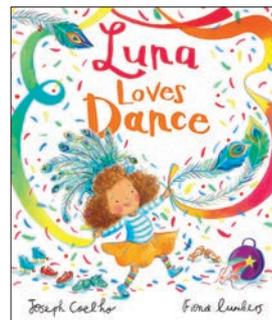
GRANDAD'S CAMPER

Years ago, Grandad and Gramps travelled the world together in their camper van. Gramps isn't around any more, but his granddaughter has an idea to get Grandad back to having adventures again.

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'A glowingly colourful journey of remembered joy, managed grief and renewed delight in living'
 TIMES LITERARY SUPPLEMENT

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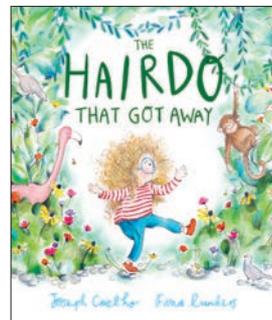


LUNA LOVES DANCE

Celebrate the joy of dancing and the importance of family with Luna!

When Luna dances, she feels like the world's volume turns up, like all colours brighten, like sunlight sparkles behind every cloud.

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THE HAIRDO THAT GOT AWAY

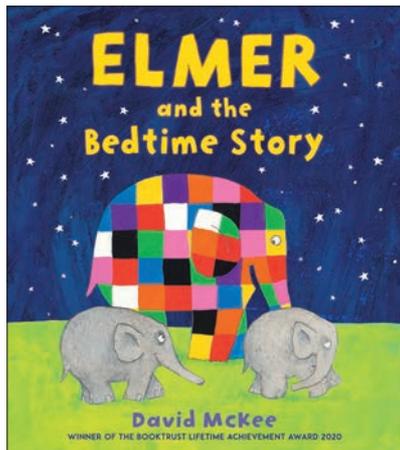
Once a month, Dad takes his son to the barbers, come rain or shine. But when Dad disappears, this little boy's hair grows big, ginormous, out of control – and so do his feelings.

JAN 2022 | 32pp | PB 3+
 9781783449064 | 280 x 240mm | £7.99



ELMER

David McKee



ELMER AND THE BEDTIME STORY

It's bedtime, and Elmer's looking after two baby elephants. Which story will Elmer tell the baby elephants at bedtime tonight?

The latest Elmer story from master picture book maker, David McKee – winner of the **BookTrust Lifetime Achievement Award**, and the **2020 British Book Awards Illustrator of the Year**.

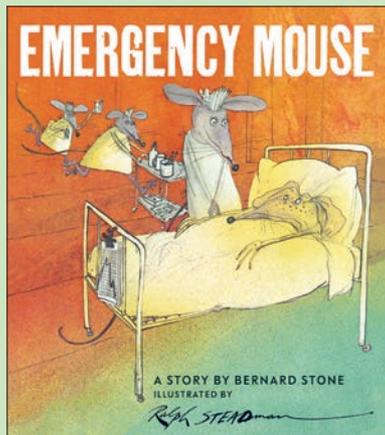
MAY 2022 | 32pp | PB 3+
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ELMER DAY

Bernard Stone

Ralph Steadman



EMERGENCY MOUSE

A classic story celebrating our hospitals, illustrated by renowned artist Ralph Steadman.

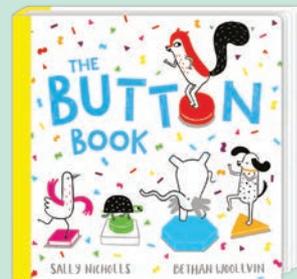
Midnight in the hospital ward and everyone is asleep except Henry. Before he knows what's happening, tiny doors open in the skirting boards and mice dressed as doctors and nurses start setting up their own emergency ward.

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Sally Nicholls

Bethan Woollvin



THE BUTTON BOOK

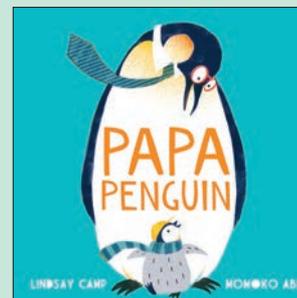
Here's a button. I wonder what happens when you press it? Come along on a magical journey, powered only by imagination and play. Now in a chunky board book format.

MAR 2022 | 32pp | PB 1+
9781839131875 | 280 x 240mm | £6.99

'The best sort of interactive, read-aloud fun' **GUARDIAN**,
CHILDREN'S BOOKS OF THE YEAR

Lindsay Camp

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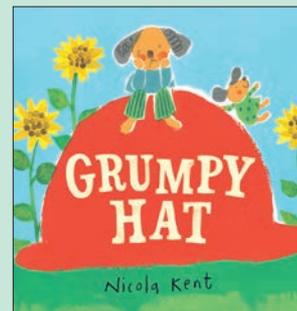


PAPA PENGUIN

Luckily for Sam, Dad's home just in time for a bedtime story. But tonight there'll be no aliens or super heroes, instead he'll tell the tale of Papa Penguin, who loves his beautiful boy-chick very much, even when he's not always around.

MAY 2022 | 32pp | PB 3+
9781783449774 | 280 x 240mm | £7.99

Nicola Kent



GRUMPY HAT

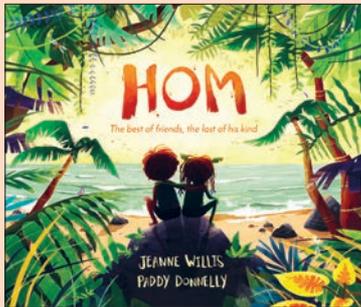
Ravi learns how to swap his grumpy hat for happy socks in this uplifting story about siblings, family life and controlling bad moods.

APR 2022 | 32pp | PB 3+
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'A must-have picture book'
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Jeanne Willis Paddy Donnelly



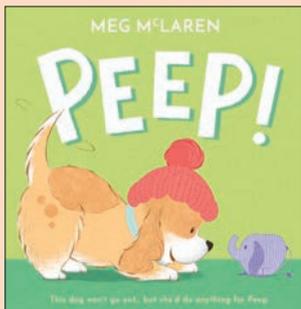
HOM

When a boy washes up on a desert island after a shipwreck, he is sure he's all alone in the world. But there's someone else living there: Hom, a peace-loving creature who has lost his family, too . . .

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9781783449965 | 230 x 270mm | £7.99

'A gorgeously thoughtful tale of high adventure'
BOOKS FOR KEEPS

Meg McLaren



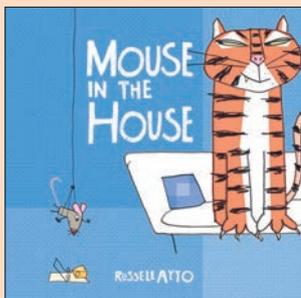
PEEP!

The story of a dog who doesn't like venturing outside of her comfort zone. Her favourite thing is staying at home with her favourite toy, Peep. But when Peep goes missing under the garden fence. Dot might have to venture out into the world . . .

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'This charming story delivers a reassuring, important message'
LOVEREADING4KIDS

Russell Ayto

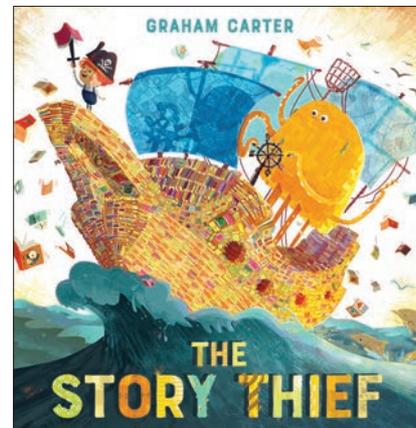


MOUSE IN THE HOUSE

Mr and Mrs Homeowner have a mouse in their house, and they want it gone. Mr Bosh and Mr Bumble arrive on the scene. They try all the old tricks: setting a trap, bringing in a (big!) cat, inviting an elephant round . . . but the mouse is always one step ahead.

MAY 2022 | 32pp | PB 3+
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Graham Carter



THE STORY THIEF

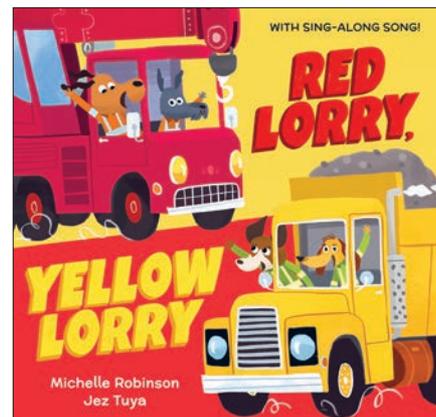
From **Waterstones Children's Book Prize** shortlisted Graham Carter comes this fantastical tale about the magic of reading.

All of Olive's adventures happen inside books, until the Story Thief steals every book in town. Now it's up to Olive to become the sort of fearless hero she is always reading about and solve the crime.

MAR 2022 | 40pp | PB 3+
9781783448937 | 260 x 250mm | £7.99

'Graham Carter's vivid, colourful illustrations glow with energy and are full of wonderful, intriguing details'
LOVEREADING4KIDS

Michelle Robinson Jez Tuya



RED LORRY, YELLOW LORRY

Lollies Award-winning Michelle Robinson's busy story is jam-packed with colourful trucks, cars, motorbikes and all kinds of vehicles!

Red Lorry and Yellow Lorry must get to the construction site, but they have a snow-drift, a breakdown and a speeding tractor to contend with along the way . . .

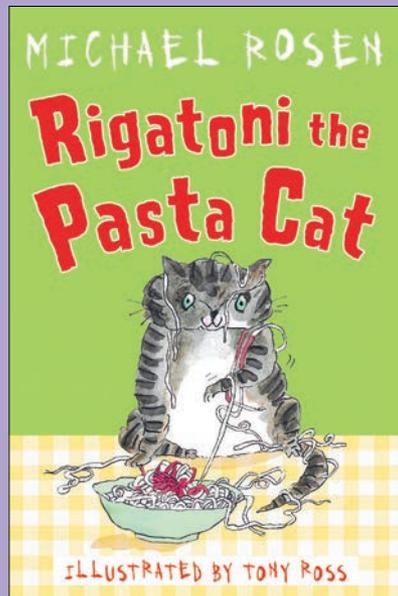
Includes a sing-along song from David Gibb!

JUN 2022 | 32pp | PB 3+
9781783449422 | 250 x 260mm | £7.99

'A delight for the youngest of truck aficionados' **KIRKUS**



Michael Rosen Illustrated by Tony Ross



RIGATONI THE PASTA CAT

Rigatoni is a pasta cat. He loves pasta, any kind of pasta: spaghetti, penne, fusilli, with pesto, in soup, in lasagne, any whichever way his owners, Ruth and Tina, will serve it.

Then one day Ruth and Tina go away and leave George in charge. And the pasta is replaced with yucky cat food. Can Rigatoni find someone who understands what he really wants to eat?

Another wonderfully bonkers and laugh-out-loud funny story from two of the best-known figures in the children's book world.

APR 2022 | 80pp | PB 6+
9781783448432 | 198 x 129mm | £5.99



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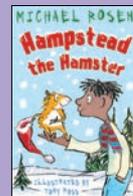
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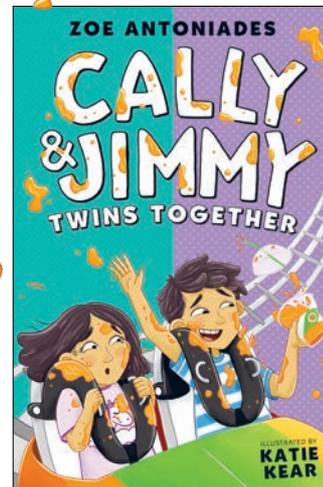


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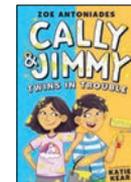


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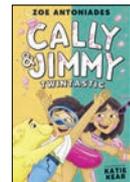
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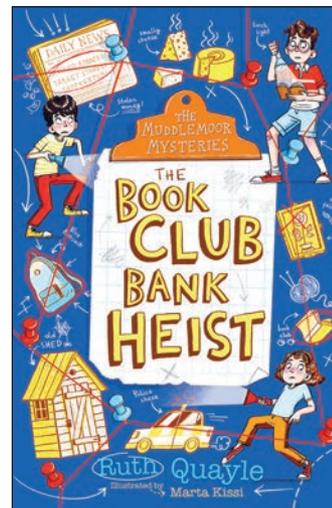


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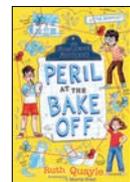


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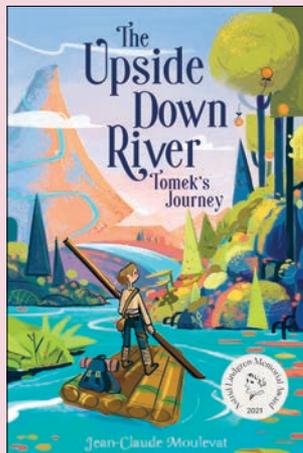
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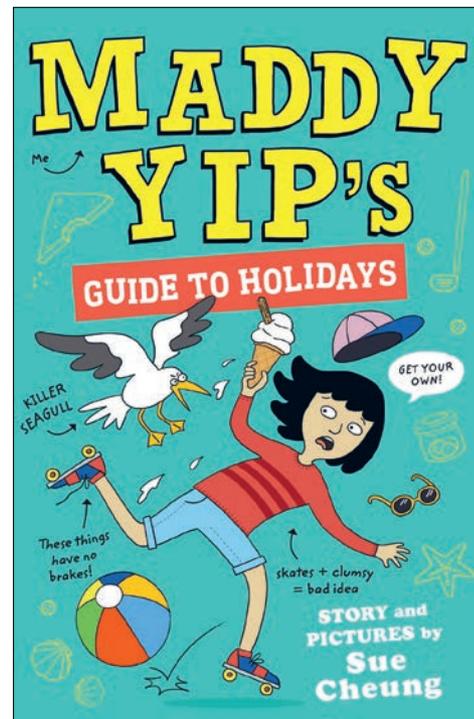
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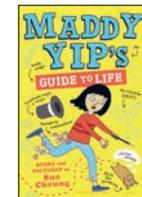
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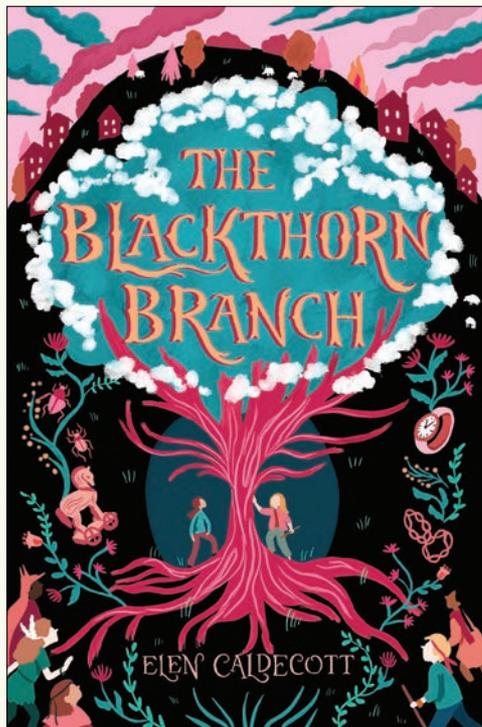


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Elen Caldecott



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'A distinctive and engrossing tale' DAVID ALMOND

'Relevant and important' THE TIMES



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ELEN CALDECOTT grew up in North Wales. After her Welsh language education she studied archaeology and then creative writing, graduating with an MA in Writing for Young People from Bath Spa University. Her debut novel, *How Kirsty Jenkins Stole the Elephant*, was shortlisted for the *Waterstone's Children's Book Prize* and longlisted for the *Carnegie Medal*.

THE BLACKTHORN BRANCH

Cassie's older brother Byron has fallen in with the wrong crowd – it's soon clear these boys are wild, reckless and not human at all. They are tylwyth teg – Fair Folk, who tempt humans down into the dark places of the world. And Byron is tempted.

When he goes missing, Cassie and her cousin, Siân, follow his trail to an old abandoned railway tunnel which goes down and down into Annwn, the underworld. Here they find that the tylwyth teg are restless – and angry. Their leader, Gwenhidw, wants to protect Annwn from the damage humans are doing to the world. Byron is part of her plan. Cassie won't let her big brother be part of anyone's plan. But can rescuing him really be that easy?

Phil Earle



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So begins the most thrilling of adventures, involving a stolen ark, a motley crew of animals and a crashed Spitfire.

Praise for **When the Sky Falls:**

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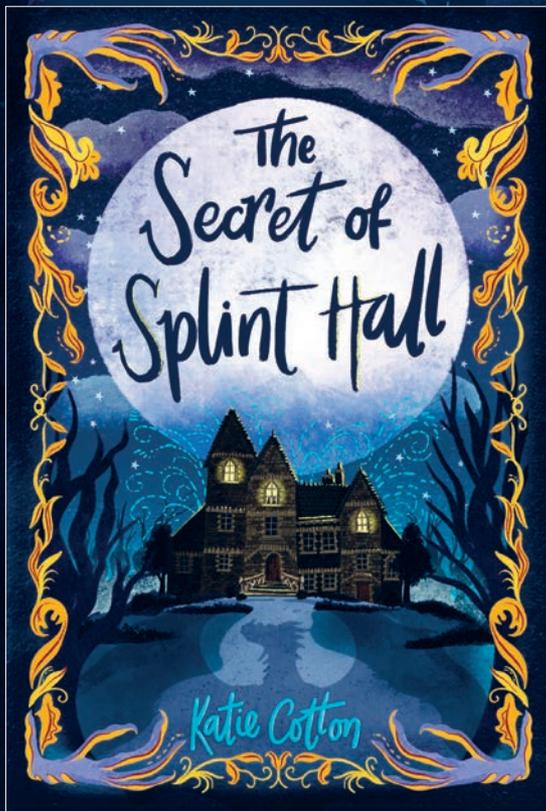
'A magnificent story ... it deserves every prize going' PHILIP PULLMAN



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PHIL EARLE was born and raised in the north of England. He is the author of over twenty acclaimed, award-winning books for children and teenagers. He has worked as a carer, a dramatherapist, a bookseller and a publisher, and loves talking at schools and festivals around the world. He lives on the side of a very steep hill with his partner, their five children and two dogs.

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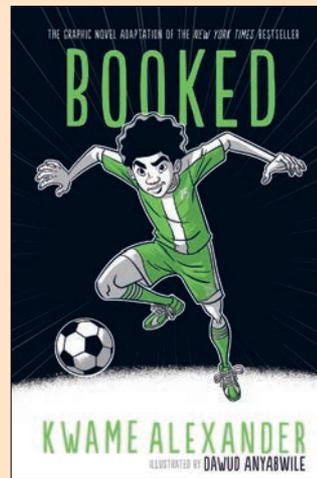
KATIE COTTON studied English Literature at Oxford University before becoming an author and editor of children's books. Her books *Counting Lions* and *The Road Home* were both published internationally and received starred reviews in the US. When she's not writing, you'll find her hiking up a hill or eating cake.

THE SECRET OF SPLINT HALL

Isobel knew they weren't the kind of sparks that came from a fire. She just didn't know what kind of sparks they were. Like the locked door, the men coming in the night and the hidden staircase, it was a secret that Splint Hall was hugging close to its chest.

1945. The War has ended, but for sisters Isobel and Flora, the struggles continue. Their house has been destroyed in a bombing raid and they've been sent to live with their aunt and her awful husband Mr Godfrey in their ancestral home, Splint Hall. But when they arrive, they find it shrouded in mysteries. As the girls begin to unearth an ancient myth and family secret, the adventure of a lifetime begins.

Kwame Alexander Illustrated by Dawud Anyabwile



BOOKED: The Graphic Novel

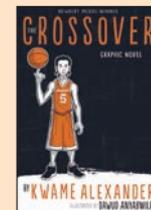
*Like lightning/you strike/fast and free/legs zoom/
down field/eyes fixed/on the checkered ball/on the
goal/ten yards to go/can't nobody stop you/can't
nobody cop you ...*



In this graphic novel adaptation of the acclaimed verse novel, football, family, love, and friendship take centre stage as twelve-year-old Nick tries to figure out how to navigate his parents' break-up, stand up to bullies, and impress the girl of his dreams.

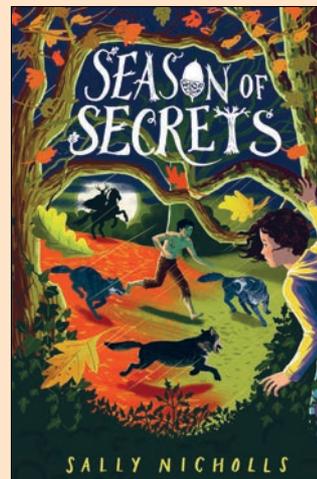
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On a wild and stormy night Molly runs away from her grandparents' house. Her dad has sent her to live there until he Sorts Things Out at home now her mother has passed away. In the howling darkness, Molly sees a desperate figure running for his life from a terrifying midnight hunt. But who is he? Why has he come? And can he heal her heartbreak?

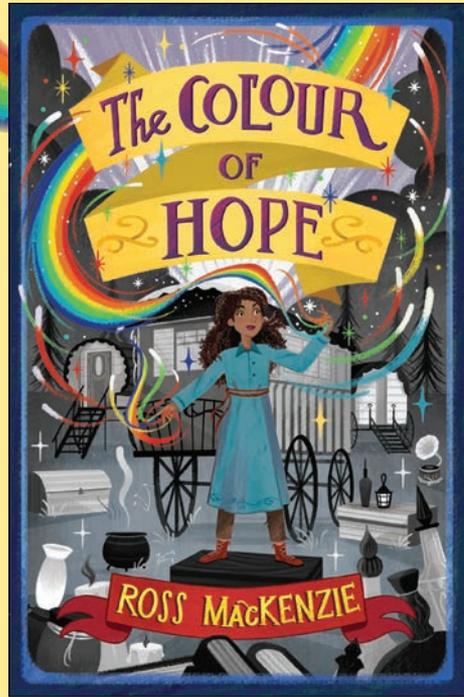
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Years ago, the Emperor and his Necromancer stole all the colour from the world. Now they keep it for themselves, enjoying its life-giving power while everyone else must exist in cold shades of grey.

That is until a miracle baby is born – a little girl who lives in brilliant colour. But the child's life is in danger from her first breath. Soon the Emperor's murderous ripper dogs and black coats come hunting. Can the girl and her adopted father survive in the forest – and what will it take to return colour and hope to the world?

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Praise for Evernight:

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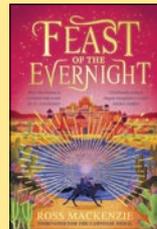
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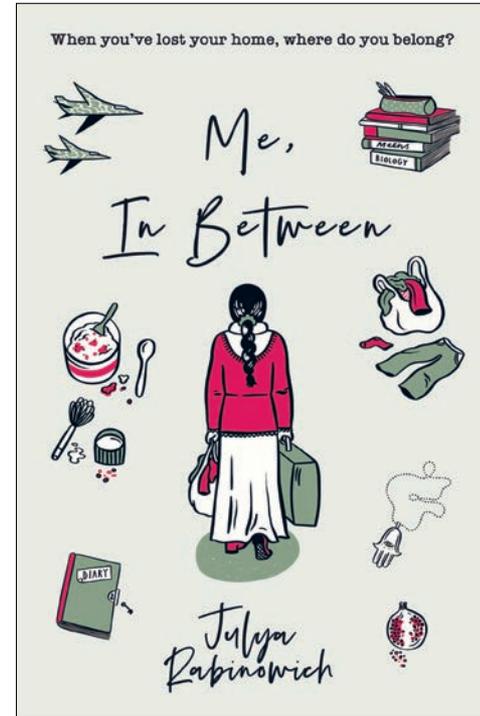


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ROSS MACKENZIE has been writing stories since he was seven years old. His novel *The Nowhere Emporium* won the **Blue Peter Best Story Award** and the **Scottish Children's Book Award**. He now splits his time between writing and his day job as a graphic designer. He lives near Glasgow.

Julya Rabinowich

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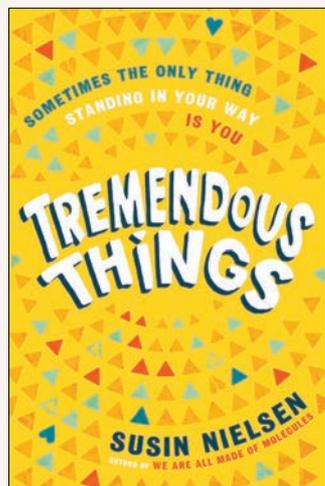
Madina and her family have fled war and unimaginable horror to seek asylum in Europe. Every day, she fills her diary with the truth about her new life – fitting into a new school, learning the language, her best friend Laura, and her own traumatic memories. But though this new country promises hope and security, Madina and her family struggle to find their way, facing deprivation and humiliation in their crowded accommodation and enduring an endless wait for settled status. With her anxious father growing ever more controlling, Madina is torn between two lives. Can she build a bridge between her past and her future?

Winner of the **Friedrich Gerstäcker Prize** and the **Austrian Children's and Young People's Prize**.



JULYA RABINOWICH was born in St Petersburg in 1970. Her family emigrated to Vienna in 1977. She works as a writer, columnist and painter, as well as an interpreter. For many years she also worked with refugees and survivors of war and torture. Her adult and YA novels have won numerous awards.

Susin Nielsen



TREMENDOUS THINGS

Wilbur is sure he's a loser: he spends his life being bullied, his best friend is 85 years old, and his only talent is playing the triangle in the school band. But things start to look up when there's a mix-up with the French exchange programme, which results in Wilbur being assigned a girl to look after: an amazing, sophisticated, French girl who Wilbur instantly falls in love with.

Keen to win her heart, Wilbur agrees to a total life makeover. But the course of true amour never did run smooth ...

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THE TAKING OF JAKE LIVINGSTON

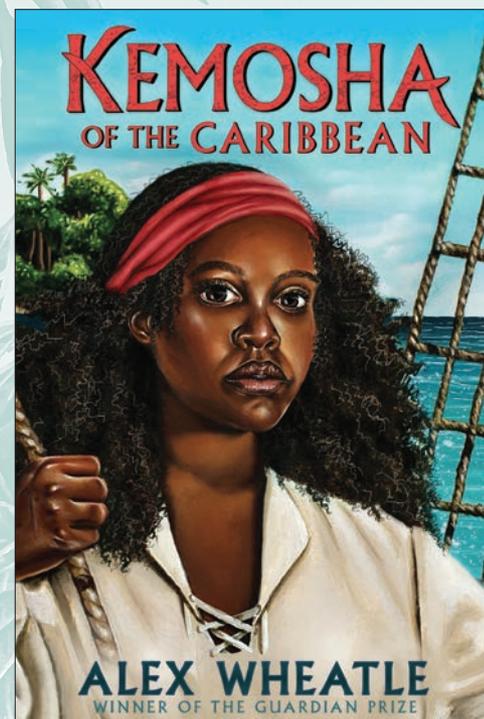
Jake can't decide what's worse: being a medium, forced to watch the dead play out their last living moments on a loop, or being at the mercy of racist teachers as one of the few Black students at St Clair Prep. Both are a living nightmare. The only good thing in Jake's life is the arrival of another Black student at St Clair, the handsome Allister. Unfortunately life as a medium is getting worse as a powerful, vengeful ghost targets Jake. High school has become a different kind of survival game – one Jake is not sure he can win ...

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KEMOSHA OF THE CARIBBEAN

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'A vivid and powerful story... Another tour de force'
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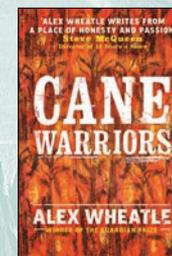
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