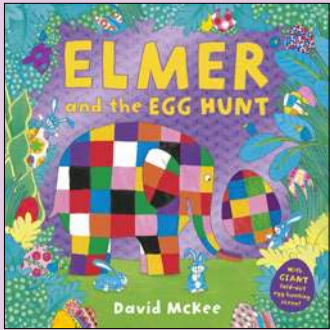


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David McKee



ELMER AND THE EGG HUNT

Come on an egg hunt with Elmer this Easter! Featuring a holofoil cover and a giant, laser-cut egg hunting fold-out scene that will delight little and big readers alike.

When Elmer finds a patchwork egg in the jungle, he wonders who put the egg there, and why? Perhaps the rabbits know... Learn which animals lay eggs as you find out who the mysterious patchwork egg belongs to, then spot all the colourful eggs with Elmer and his friends.

FEB 2027 | 24pp | PB 2+
9781839137884 | 250 x 250mm | £7.99

Fold-out
egg-hunting scene



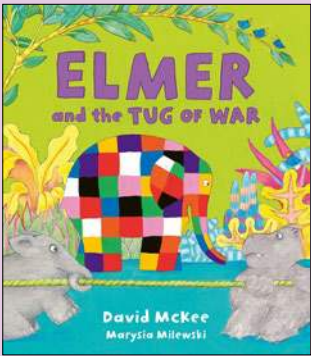
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ELMER AND THE TUG OF WAR

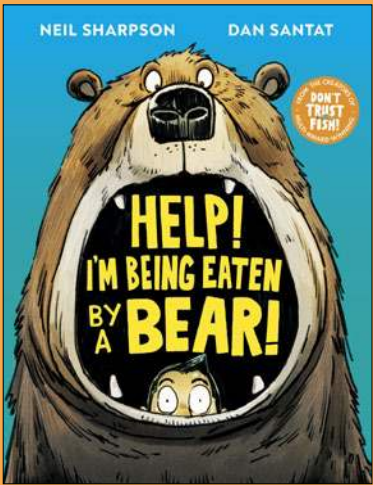
It's elephants vs hippos in the jungle tug of war! All the animals have come to watch, but when the teams start to pull, no one moves. Days later, they are still competing and the others have lost interest, but luckily Elmer has a plan...

The final Elmer story written by master storyteller David McKee (1935-2022), illustrated by his dear friend Marysia Milewski, reminds us that winning isn't everything.

MAY 2027 | 32pp | PB 3+
9781839136399 | 275 x 240mm | £7.99



Neil Sharpson Dan Santat



HELP! I'M BEING EATEN BY A BEAR!

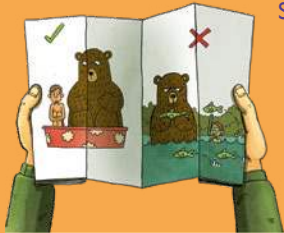
An absurdly hilarious picture book all about how *not* to get eaten by a bear from the multi-award-winning team behind the *New York Times* bestseller *Don't Trust Fish*.

You never know where you might meet a bear. In the woods? At the supermarket? On a bouncy castle?

Luckily for you, the author of this book is an expert on bears. Because he got eaten by one. And he wrote this book so YOU don't have to be eaten by one too. (You're welcome!)

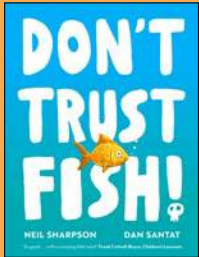
FEB 2027 | 48pp | PB 4+
9781839138652 | 280 x 216mm | £8.99

Praise for **Don't Trust Fish**:
Winner of the **KPMG Children's Books Ireland Award**
Peters Books Children's Book of the Year
Shortlisted for the **An Post Irish Book Awards**
Shortlisted for **The Week Junior Book Award**



'Wonderfully funny ... a quirky gem, highly recommended' **IRISH INDEPENDENT**

'So good ... with a cracking little twist!'
FRANK COTTRELL-BOYCE

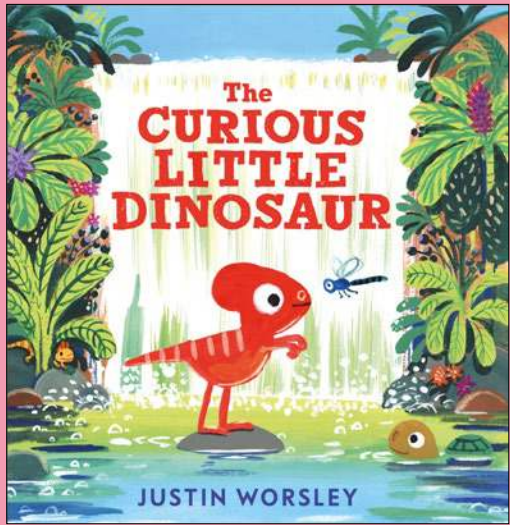


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NEIL SHARPSON is an Irish author and playwright, who has written for theatre since his teens. He was shortlisted for the **Maguire International Playwriting Award** and his novel *When the Sparrow Falls* was named one of the *Times*' best science-fiction novels of 2021. Neil lives in Dublin with his wife and their two children.

DAN SANTAT is a New York Times bestselling and award-winning author and illustrator. His picture book *The Adventures of Beekle* won the **Caldecott Medal**. He lives in Southern California with his wife, two children and various pets.

Justin Worsley



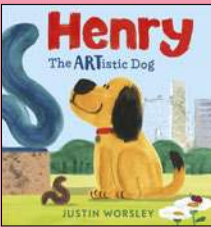
MAR 2027 | 32pp | HB 3+
9781839135088 | 260 x 250mm | £12.99

THE CURIOUS LITTLE DINOSAUR

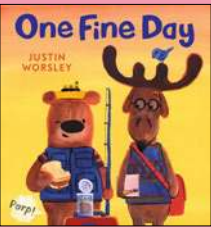
Join a curious baby dinosaur as he discovers the magic of nature, with a few unwelcome surprises!

At the edge of a prehistoric woodland, a newly hatched baby dinosaur sets off to explore all the wonderful things the world has to offer. Everything is new and amazing, except sometimes there are also less welcome surprises and unexpected explosive eruptions! But the biggest surprise of all comes when the little dinosaur discovers he can fly!

A hilarious tale from the **Batsford Prize**, **CA Award of Excellence**, **Sebastian Walker Prize** winning and **Klaus Flugge Prize** shortlisted, creator of *Henry, The Artistic Dog*, Justin Worsley.



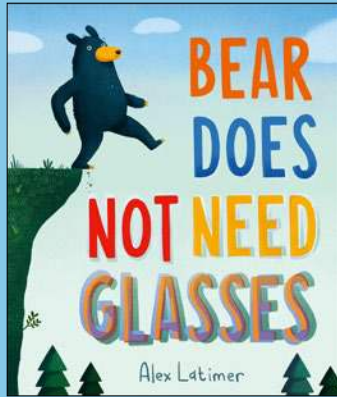
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Alex Latimer



BEAR DOES NOT NEED GLASSES

When Bear tries to put Rabbit on his feet instead of his slippers, and mistakes Squirrel for his toothbrush, his friends insist that he needs to wear glasses ... but can they persuade him before it's too late?

A wonderfully funny book that will persuade children and adults alike that wearing glasses is cool, especially before going for a cliff-top walk!

APR 2027 | 32pp | HB 3+
9781839137778 | 270 x 230mm | £12.99



THE DAY EARTH GOT LEFT BEHIND

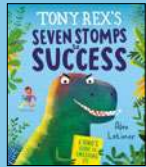
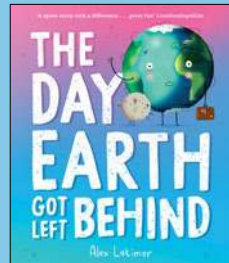
It's time for the planets' annual holiday and all are welcome – except for Earth. Everyone thinks she's contagious, but they soon discover that Earth holds a truly breathtaking secret ...

Award-winning Alex Latimer's *The Day Earth Got Left Behind* is the perfect story to teach us to be kind and less quick to judge others.

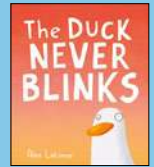
Praise for **The Day Earth Got Left Behind**:

'A space story with a difference ... great fun'
LOVEREADING4KIDS

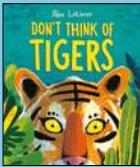
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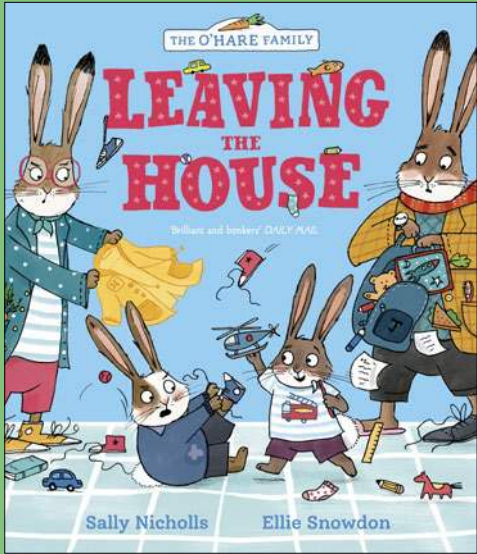


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JUSTIN WORSLEY has been a toy designer for over 25 years, and has now turned his hand to picture book making. He has won the **Batsford Prize**, the **CA Award of Excellence** and the **Sebastian Walker Prize**. Justin is originally from Windermere, now living in Lewes.

ALEX LATIMER is an award-winning 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. Alex's picture books are quirky and fun and full of humour that appeals to both children and adults.

Sally Nicholls Ellie Snowdon



LEAVING THE HOUSE

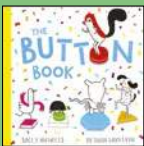
The first in a brand new series, from the multi-award-winning Sally Nicholls. Join the loveable O'Hare family as they navigate the hilarious hurdles of leaving the house! Brothers Jackson and Harley love to create chaos and fun in the mornings, from superhero playtimes and breakfast mishaps, to wardrobe dilemmas and toothpaste trouble . . . and not a lot of listening to Mum and Dad. No wonder they are always late to leave the house! Will today be any different?

MAR 2027 | 32pp | PB 3+
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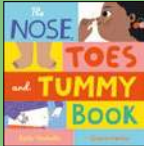
'Brilliant and bonkers'
DAILY MAIL



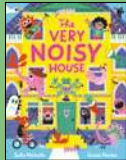
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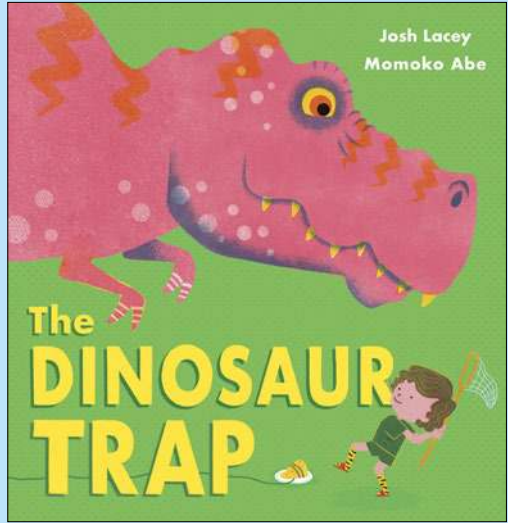
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SALLY NICHOLLS grew up in Stockton-on-Tees, and after school, travelled the world. Her first novel, *Ways to Live Forever*, won the **Waterstones Children's Book Prize** and she has been shortlisted for the **Guardian Children's Fiction Prize**, the **Costa Children's Book Award**, and the **Carnegie Medal**, twice. She lives in Liverpool with her husband and two sons.

ELLIE SNOWDON is a children's book illustrator living by the sea in South Wales, UK. After completing her Drawing & Applied Arts degree at Bristol, Ellie moved to Cambridge to study an MA in Children's Book Illustration. Ellie now works on both fiction and picture books and has been twice highly commended by the **Macmillan Prize**.

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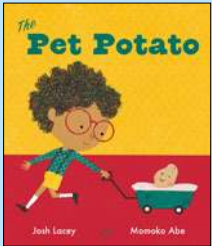
THE DINOSAUR TRAP

Find out how to catch a dinosaur – and what to do next – in this funny and heartwarming picture book from the creators of *The Pet Potato*, with compassion and community at its heart.

Felix has a big dream: he wants to catch a dinosaur! Armed with determination and a bit of creativity, he sets up a trap at the bottom of his garden. But what do dinosaurs eat? Cold sausages? Chocolate cake? Nothing seems to work, but just when Felix is about to give up, his dream comes true. And yet, maybe it wasn't such a great idea after all?

JUN 2027 | 32pp | PB 3+
9781839134647 | 260 x 250mm | £7.99

Praise for *The Dinosaur Trap*:
'Funny and heartwarming . . . with compassion and community at its heart' **THE BOOKSELLER**

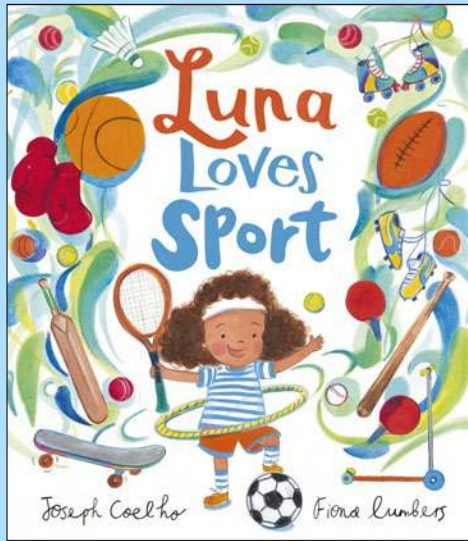


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JOSH LACEY is the author of many books for children including *The Dragonsitter* series, the *Hope Jones* series and the *Grk* series. His first book for children, *A Dog Called Grk*, was shortlisted for the **Branford Boase Award**. Josh lives in London with his wife and daughters.

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 **AOI World Illustration Award** in 2019.

Joseph Coelho Fiona Lumbers



LUNA LOVES SPORT

Luna discovers the joy of playing sport with her friend in this sixth *Luna Loves* adventure!

With her lucky trainers, headband, and water bottle, Luna is ready for her school sports day. Luna doesn't think she's very good at sports, but she decides to give everything a go. From football and basketball to swimming and hurdles, Luna and her friend Abiola discover that you don't need to be the best to enjoy trying new sports ... can they overcome their doubts together, and even have fun along the way?

MAY 2027 | 32pp | PB 3+
9781839138973 | 280 x 240mm | £7.99



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JOSEPH COELHO OBE is a fellow of the Royal Society of Literature and former Children's Laureate, a performance poet and award-winning children's author; winner of the **Yoto Carnegie Medal** in 2024, an **Indie Book Award** and a **Centre for Literacy in Primary Education Poetry Award**. Joseph has written plays for the Polka Theatre, Soho Theatre and the Unicorn Theatre that have toured nationally.

FIONA LUMBERS has drawn on anything and everything from an early age and always insisted she would be an artist when she grew up. Fiona moved to London in 2000 to study for an MA in Painting at the Royal College of Art. A combination of her obsession with picture books and the arrival of her first son led her down the path of illustration and she hasn't looked back since.



Lilian Rutherford Nancy Leschnikoff

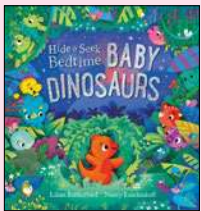


HIDE AND SEEK BEDTIME: BABY UNICORNS

Spot ten mischievous baby unicorns hiding before bed, in the second in this cosy series inspired by bedtime zoomies, with a sparkling, holofoil cover!

When Dad says it's time for bed, the baby unicorns decide they'd rather stay up and play instead! Can you spot the unicorns hiding on each page as they slide down rainbows, hide in a tiny fairy town, and even get locked inside an enchanted secret garden? One by one, the baby unicorns fall asleep and leave the adventure until there is only one left to spot in the game ... maybe it's time for bed after all.

APR 2027 | 32pp | PB 2+
9781839136689 | 260 x 250mm | £7.99

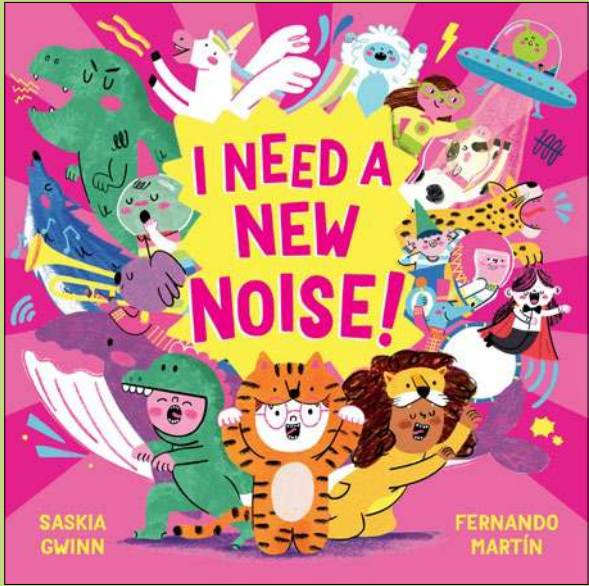


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LILIAN RUTHERFORD is an author and editor who had worked in the publishing industry for 15 years before turning her hand to writing picture books. *The Hide & Seek Bedtime* series was inspired by her experience with the games children play before they go to bed. She lives and works in London, UK.

NANCY LESCHNIKOFF is a children's book illustrator and designer with a first class degree in Graphic Design from Nottingham Trent University. She worked in children's book design for 20 years before taking the leap to go freelance and turning her hand to illustration. Nancy lives and works in Kent with her husband and children.

Saskia Gwinn Fernando Martín



I NEED A NEW NOISE!

Lions roar. Tigers roar. Dinosaurs roar. SNORE. It's time for a NEW noise, one you've not heard before! Will you find a new noise, too?

You are invited to join one little girl as she goes on an exciting adventure in the search for a brand new sound, visiting a busy farm (too rowdy!), a spooky dark wood (too scary!) and Superhero Land (too *fighty*!). But nothing seems quite right ... Could it be that ROARING with your friends is the most fun noise you can make, after all? A jam-packed noisy tale with fluorescent pink throughout.

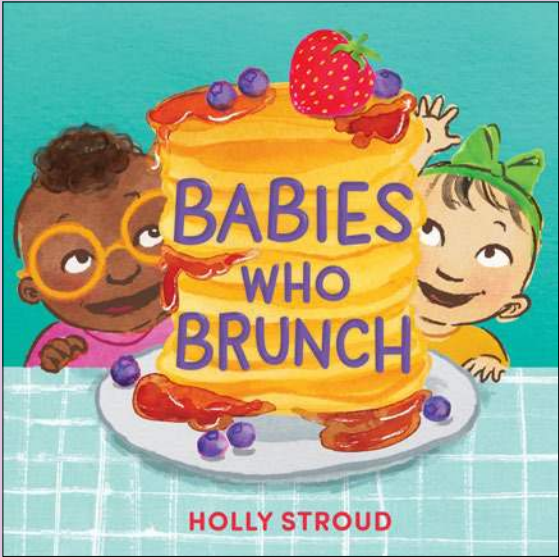
MAY 2027 | 32pp | PB 2+
9781839134661 | 250 x 250mm | £7.99



SASKIA GWINN has worked in children's publishing for nearly 20 years, crafting bestselling, award-winning non-fiction books to inspire children on almost everything from how time began to the silliest things in the world today. She lives in Hertfordshire with her two boys.

FERNANDO MARTÍN is a freelance illustrator from Valencia, Spain. He graduated in Media and Audiovisual Communication, but drawing is what he enjoys the most. He works mainly digitally and he likes using limited but colourful palettes. His illustrations are inspired from infancy memories, travelling experiences, 80's cartoons, and music.

Holly Stroud



BABIES WHO BRUNCH

Six food-loving babies discover the delights of a delicious breakfast menu in this hilarious picture book from debut talent Holly Stroud.

The babies are having brunch, and each of them has seen a dish that takes their fancy: Florence has her eye on the fruit salad, while Claude can't wait to try a croissant, and Horatio has spotted a huge stack of delicious pancakes. They can't wait to tuck into their tasty treats. But, oh dear, they're in for a horrible surprise!

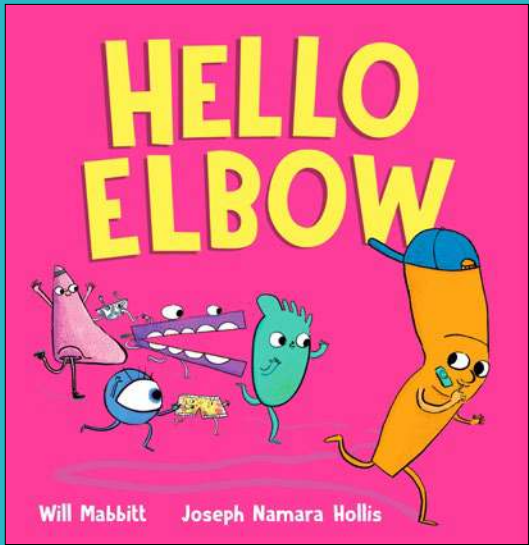
A humorous tale that will be funny and relatable for parents and children alike.

JUN 2027 | 32pp | HB 2+
9781839138034 | 250 x 250mm | £12.99



HOLLY STROUD is a Bournemouth based author and illustrator. Holly graduated from the Cambridge School of Art with a Masters in Children's Book Illustration in 2024. She loves crafting silly stories and spooky tales and when she isn't working she can be found singing classical music, reading detective fiction or working as a library assistant.

Will Mabbitt Joseph Namara Hollis



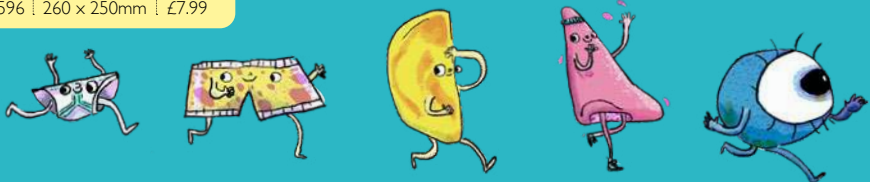
HELLO ELBOW

A one-of-a-kind, off the wall game of hide and seek ... with body parts!

Foot can't find Elbow – can you help him? As he travels through the town, Foot meets Nose, who is out for his daily run, Knee, who is an artist, of course, and Other Foot, who has just trodden on a sandwich.

From underpants at the art gallery to stinky armpits riding skateboards, laugh along as Foot searches for his friend in a surreal game of hide and seek.

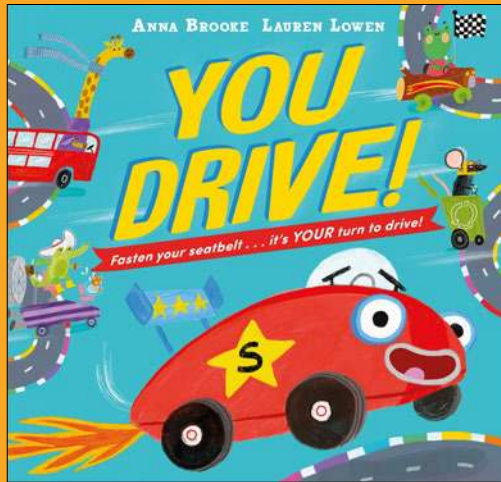
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9781839133596 | 260 x 250mm | £7.99



WILL MABBITT likes to write. He writes on the train, in the corner of cafés, and sometimes, when his laptop runs out of power, he writes in his head. Creator of the hugely popular *I Can Only Draw Worms* and the Mabel Jones series among others, Will has a background in children's media, producing digital content for Disney, Nickelodeon and Cartoon Network. He lives with his family, cats and a woodlouse infestation in Lewes on the south coast of England.

JOSEPH NAMARA HOLLIS graduated from Cambridge School of Art in 2018 with an MA in Children's Book Illustration. He has gone on to win the **Klaus Flugge Prize** in 2022, **V&A Student Illustrator of the Year**, and has been highly commended in the **Macmillan Prize for Children's Picture Book Illustration**. He is based in Nottingham.

Anna Brooke Lauren Lowen



JAN 2027 | 32pp | PB 2+
9781839135859 | 250 x 260mm | £7.99

YOU DRIVE!

Fasten your seatbelt and take the wheel in this interactive picture book where YOU are the driver! Do you have what it takes to win the race?

It's your turn to drive! Which racing outfit will you choose? Will you be brave enough to face the spooky shortcut? Will you think fast enough to melt the ice off the slippery road ahead? Navigate through a scorching desert, over a bubbling lava pit, and through a scary cave using imagination and play to steer, shake, flap and shout your way to victory.



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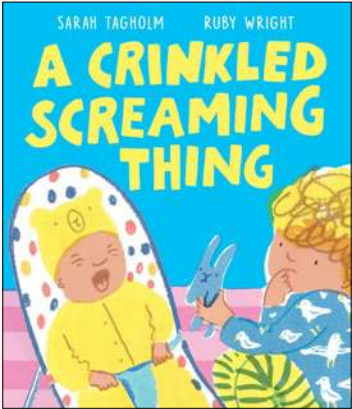


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ANNA BROOKE has been a Paris-based travel journalist for seventeen years, writing for the *Sunday Times* Travel magazine and *The Times*, and has also authored seven guidebooks on France for Frommer's. Her debut novel was a **SCBWI Undiscovered Voices** winner and longlisted for the **Bath Children's Novel Award**. Raised in Birmingham and Yorkshire, she now lives in Paris with her French-Canadian husband and son.

LAUREN LOWEN graduated from the Illustration Department at The Rhode Island School of Design before she started illustrating for magazines and books, and she now teaches at the Watkins College of Art and Design. Lauren lives and works in Nashville, Tennessee.

Sarah Tagholm Ruby Wright



A CRINKLED SCREAMING THING

When a crinkled screaming baby is born, everything is new and overwhelming, and he does NOT like it. Luckily Small Big One – a young sibling – knows exactly how to turn tears into laughter, and fear into fun. But what will happen when a new crinkled screaming baby arrives?

A heartfelt and funny story told by the newborn baby who does NOT like a lot of things, but who does love his older sibling.

JAN 2027 | 32pp | PB 2+
9781839133695 | 280 x 240mm | £7.99

'A funny, lovely, beautiful thing. I love Sarah and Ruby's book. I DO!'
REBECCA COBB



Sarah Tagholm Alice Courtley

DADDY DOESN'T BELIEVE IN DRAGONS!

Learn to live in the moment in this fantasy adventure that shows us how to leave behind the mundane and delight in imagination and play!

When Daddy finally agrees to go for a walk with his daughter, it soon turns into an epic journey across enchanting landscapes. They encounter creatures like trolls and pixies, yetis and giants, but Daddy doesn't believe in any of them! Will she convince her dad to put away the distraction and finally see the magic all around them?



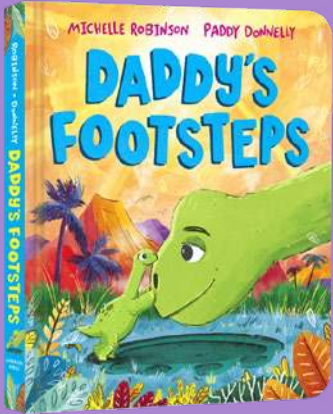
JUN 2027 | 32pp | PB 3+
9781839133671 | 280 x 240mm | £7.99

'A reminder to parents to put away their devices'
THE BOOKSELLER

'A charming, enchanted adventure in a magical mystery land' ARMADILLO MAGAZINE



Michelle Robinson Paddy Donnelly



DADDY'S FOOTSTEPS

Following in their dads' gigantic footsteps, will the baby dinosaurs find their own feet? The perfect board book to read with Dad this Father's Day.

Baby Dinosaur wishes he could follow in his dad's giant footsteps, and grow up to be big, brave and strong, just like Dad. But when he and his friends get lost while on an adventure, will the baby dinosaur remember the advice his daddy gave him?

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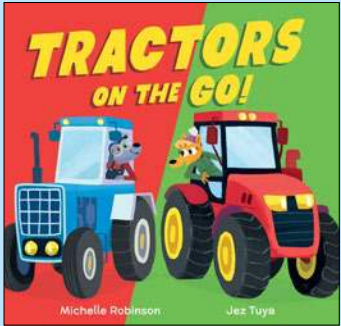
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Michelle Robinson Jez Tuya

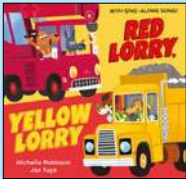
TRACTORS ON THE GO!

In the third story in the popular Busy Vehicles series, join two hard-working tractors on their very busy day!

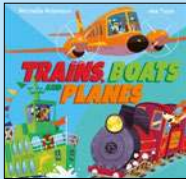
From muck-spreading to harvesting, the work never stops for two busy tractors. But with a naughty sheep on the loose causing chaos on the farm, can the tractors save the day?



MAY 2027 | 32pp | PB 2+
9781839135705 | 250 x 260mm | £7.99



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Clare Fennell



TEN ON THE BUS

A counting board book with a difference – follow ten busy friends as they travel around town on Bunny's Bus. Count down as each one gets off at their stop, then count up again as they climb back on board when it's time to go home!

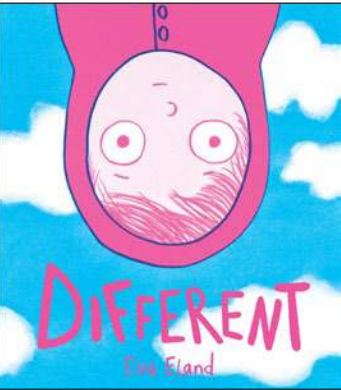
'Engaging counting book'
THE BOOKSELLER

'This bright and bouncy book is great fun to read aloud.'
BOOKTRUST



MAR 2027 | 26pp | BB 2+
9781808510045 | 180 x 180mm | £7.99

Eva Eland



DIFFERENT

Celebrate difference in a world of conformity, from the **Waterstones Prize** shortlisted and multi-award-winning author and illustrator of *When Sadness Comes to Call*.

One morning, Mia wakes up feeling different, but no one else seems to have noticed ... until one day, someone finally sees her. Someone who feels different too! Together, they discover that being different is exactly the thing that makes them feel most like themselves.

'A soft but steady reminder that being yourself – bright pink and all – is more than enough' **BOOKS FOR KEEPS**



MAR 2027 | 32pp | PB 4+
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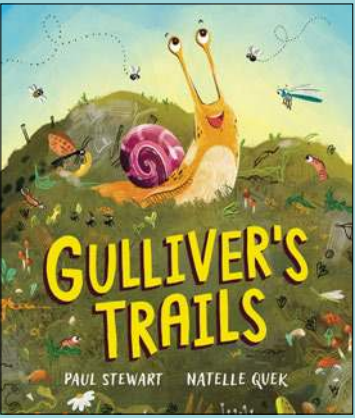
Paul Stewart Natelle Quek

GULLIVER'S TRAILS

A charming reimagining of *Gulliver's Travels* for the very youngest of children that will encourage little ones to follow their dreams, even if they are very small!

Gulliver loves his simple life on Mouldy Mountain with his best friend Sid the Slug. But when he climbs the silver pole one day and catches sight of the dazzling Crystal Castle far, far away, Gulliver sets off on an epic journey that will change everything ... or so he thinks!

'A playful reimagining of Gulliver's Travels starring an adventurous snail.'
THE BOOKSELLER



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9781839135811 | 280 x 240mm | £7.99

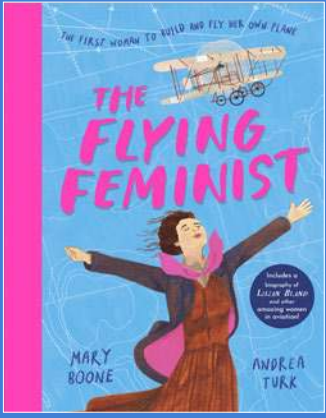
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THE FLYING FEMINIST

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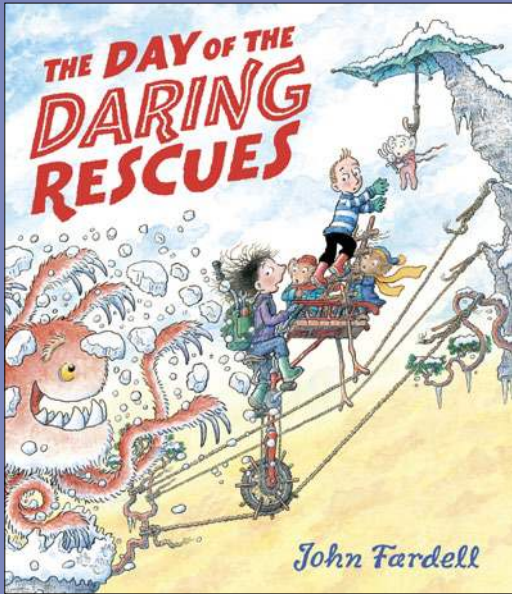
In Northern Ireland in 1910, Lilian Bland became the first woman to design, build and fly her own aeroplane, earning her the accolade in the press: *The Flying Feminist*! The inspirational true story is followed by a factual section featuring amazing women pioneers of aviation, making this the perfect picture book for future innovators.

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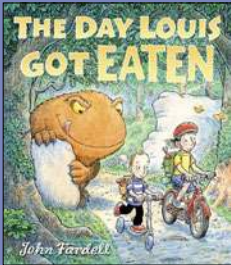
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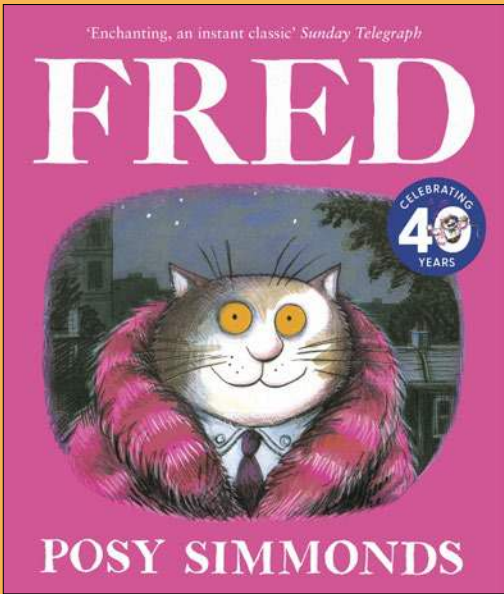
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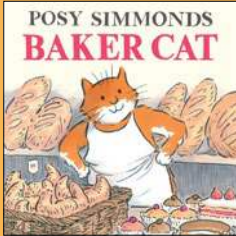
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POSY SIMMONDS MBE is an acclaimed author, illustrator, and newspaper cartoonist, best known for her work with *The Guardian*. Her graphic novels *Gemma Boverly* and *Tamara Drewe* were first serialised in the newspaper before being adapted into feature films, while her third graphic novel, *Cassandra Darke*, was published in 2018. Her work has been celebrated in major exhibitions in London and Paris, and she has received prestigious honours including the **Grand Prix Töpffer** (2022) and the **Grand Prix d'Angoulême** (2024).

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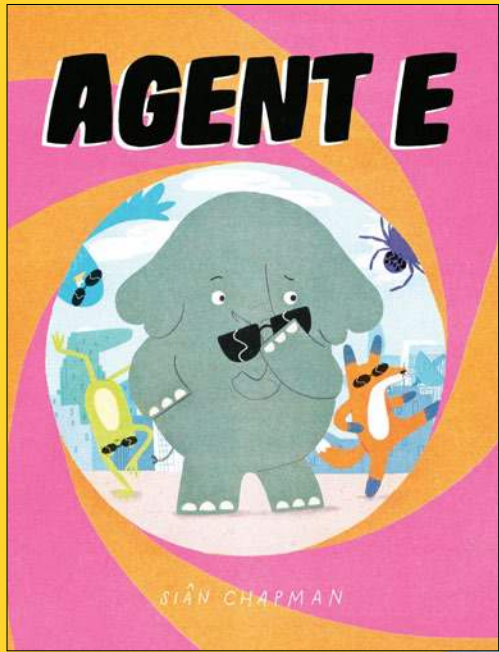
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SIÂN CHAPMAN is a debut author and illustrator from West Yorkshire. When she was younger she wanted to be a spy/astronaut/vet/pop star, and has instead settled for being an illustrator. She graduated from the prestigious Cambridge MA in Children's Book Illustration in 2025. Siân's main goal is to make people laugh and she hopes that her stories make you smile!

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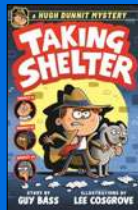
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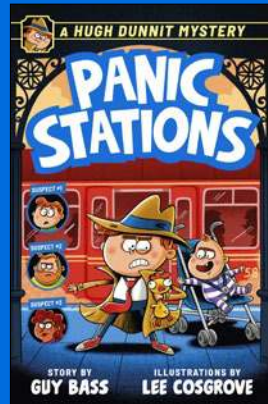


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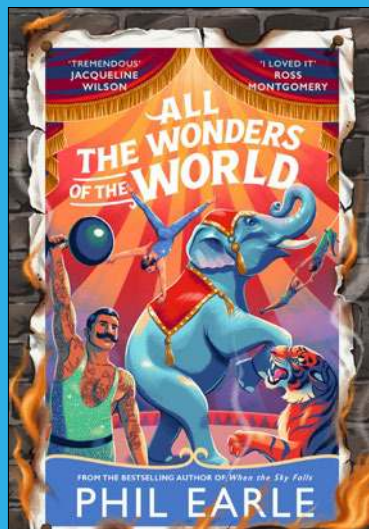
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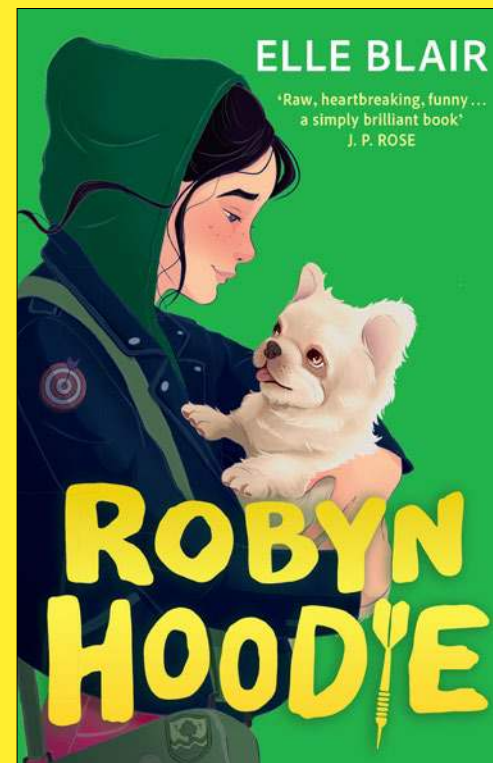
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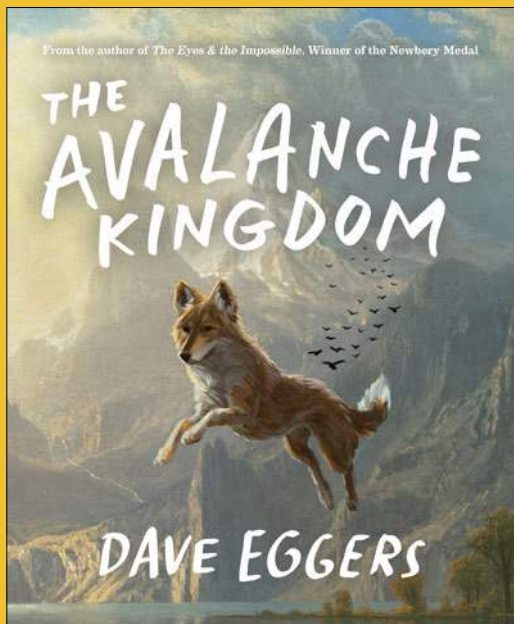
Now Robyn is caught between school, criminals and a dad she loves but is a magnet for trouble. With danger mounting and puppies to protect, can Robyn work out where her loyalties lie?

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ELLE BLAIR has just finished her Crime Fiction MA at UEA with distinction. Before that she studied film and television at Warwick University and is now a secondary English teacher in Newcastle for teenagers who have been excluded from education. *Robyn Hoodie* is Blair's debut children's novel.

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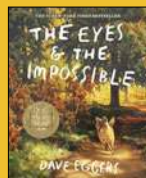
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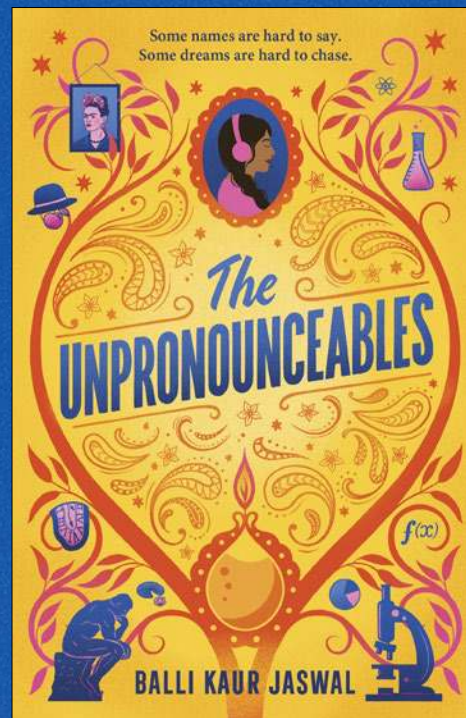
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DAVE EGGERS is the author of many acclaimed books, including *The Circle*, *A Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius*, and *The Every*, as well as numerous books for young readers. He is the founder of the independent publishing company McSweeney's and winner of the **Muhammad Ali Humanitarian Award for Education** and the **Dayton Literary Peace Prize**.

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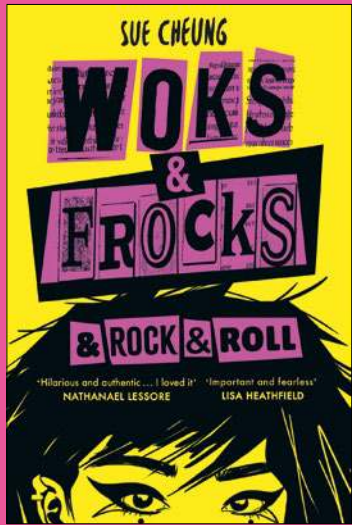
Navkiranjhot feels invisible: at home her life has already been mapped out by her ambitious, loving Indian parents, while at school she's often mistaken for one of her two best friends – also from immigrant 'brown' families. As the exams for the local selective school approach and tensions start to arise in her friendships, Navy discovers a new passion for art history, leading her to question her identity, where she belongs and everything she once thought was important.

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BALLI KAUR JASWAL was born in Singapore and grew up in Japan, Russia and the Philippines. She studied Creative Writing at Hollins University in the US and was awarded the **David TK Wong Creative Writing Fellowship** at the University of East Anglia. She is the author of five novels for adult readers and has been published in over 20 languages. Balli recently moved from Singapore to Australia, though she regularly travels around the world to promote her fiction and meet her readers.

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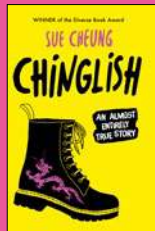
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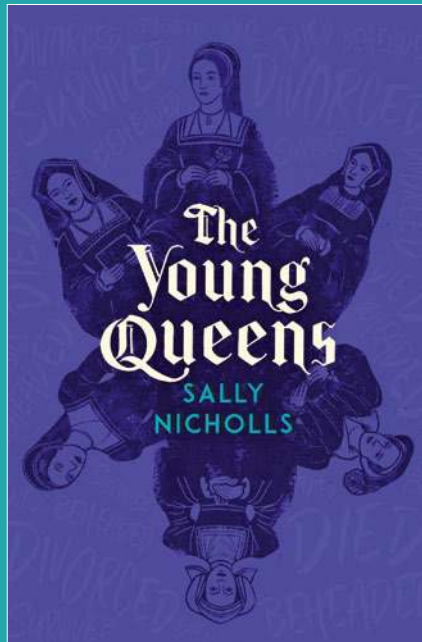
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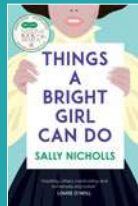
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