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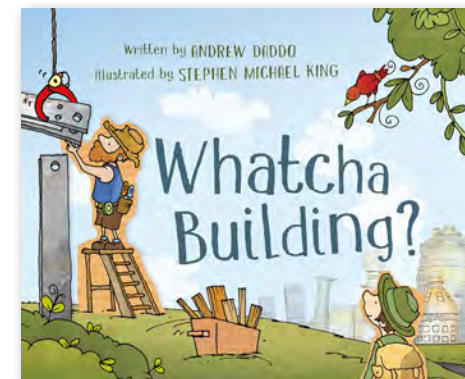
# PICTURE BOOKS

Bestselling author Andrew Daddo teams up with award-winning illustrator Stephen Michael King to bring you a very special new picture book.

Andrew Daddo &  
Stephen Michael King

## Whatcha Building?

Ages 3+



The old milk bar on the corner is coming down to make way for something new. Little Davey Durak is gathering scrap – a short piece of wood here, a long piece there.

But what's Davey building? Bruce the Builder wants to know, but Davey won't tell...

A charming story with an important and relevant message at its heart.



Andrew Daddo is an author, columnist, broadcaster and TV presenter. He has written 25 books (including the bestselling *Goodnight, Me*) has a regular column in Australian Golf Digest and podcasts with Mamamia Women's Network. Andrew lives on Sydney's northern beaches with his wife and three children.

Stephen Michael King is one of Australia's most sought-after and admired illustrators for children. His gentle, whimsical drawings have brought to life many picture books and novels. He lives in Newcastle, NSW.

**Manuscript Available**

June 2017 | 32pp | 230 x 280 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733334153

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**



From the talented duo who created *The Hairy-Nosed Wombats Find a New Home*.

Jackie French &  
Sue deGennaro

## Millie Loves Ants

Ages 4+

*'My friend Millie just loves ants.'*

Emily is intrigued to know why Millie the echidna loves ants so much. And so Emily carefully observes Millie until she discovers her secret.

Millie is collecting food for her baby puggles!

Created by talented duo Jackie French and Sue deGennaro, this delightful book explores the fascinating behaviour of these mammals.



Jackie French is an award-winning writer, wombat negotiator and was the Australian Children's Laureate for 2014-2015 and the 2015 Senior Australian of the Year. In 2016 Jackie became a Member of the Order of Australia for her contribution to children's literature and her advocacy for youth literacy.

Sue deGennaro studied film at university, and after focussing on drawing at art school she became an aerialist and performance artist. Sue is the illustrator of *The Tomorrow Book* and *The Hairy Nosed Wombats Find a New Home*. Sue lives in Melbourne.

**Manuscript Available**

April 2017 | 32pp | 250 x 210 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460751787

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**

For too long koalas have been called 'bears'. Jackie French and Matt Shanks are out to right this wrong.

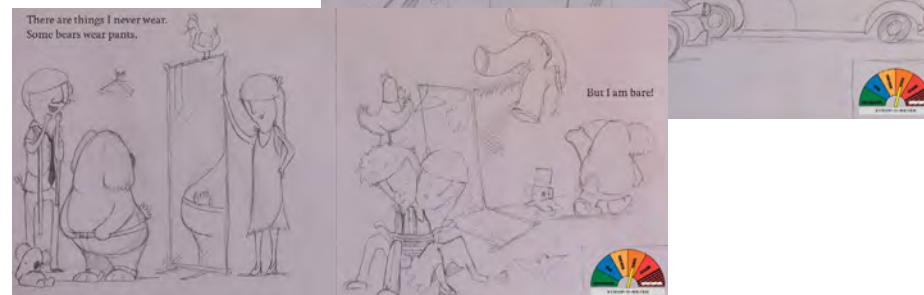
Jackie French & Matt Shanks

## Koala Bare

Ages 4+

Laurie the koala is stropky and annoyed. He has been examined by Dr Crestoffersen and doesn't agree with the diagnosis. And so Laurie very rightly and firmly decides to prove to the doctor – and everyone else – that he is not a bear.

Let the rampage begin!



Jackie French is an award-winning writer, wombat negotiator and was the Australian Children's Laureate for 2014-2015 and the 2015 Senior Australian of the Year. In 2016 Jackie became a Member of the Order of Australia for her contribution to children's literature and her advocacy for youth literacy.

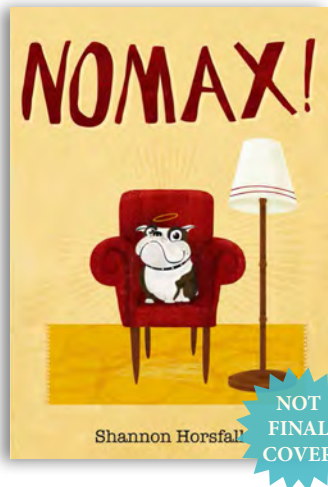
Matt was born in Sydney, Australia and now resides in Melbourne. Sandwiched between the bush and beach, the inspiration for his short stories comes from a love of his unique country.

**Manuscript Available July 2017**

October 2017 | 32pp | 244 x 244 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460751619

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**





If this dog is always called 'NoMax!' by Dad, why does his bowl have a different name on it?

Shannon Horsfall

**NoMax!**

Ages 3+

Max is a dog who lives life to the full, which is why his master is so often calling out to him - 'No Max!'

From the author of *Was Not Me*, comes another very funny book about life - as Max the dog sees it.



Shannon Horsfall is a graphic designer and illustrator whose illustration work for many corporate, not for profit and arts organization has won AGDA and BAD awards.

Shannon lives in Bongaree, Queensland.

**Manuscript Available**

June 2017 | 32pp | 297x210 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460753927

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**



From the bestselling author of *Kissed by the Moon*, *Noni the Pony* and *Are We There Yet?* comes a book to be cherished by children and parents everywhere.

Alison Lester

**Hello Little Babies**

Ages 0–2



From the precious early days of a baby's life to those first tentative steps, so much changes over a year...

The perfect book for new bubs and new parents, Alison Lester's *Hello Little Babies* rejoices in all those wonderful moments in the first year of a baby's life.

A warm and tender picture book for families everywhere.



Alison Lester is one of Australia's most popular author illustrators. She has written and illustrated many picture books for children, including the multi-award-winning, bestselling *Are We There Yet?*

Alison grew up on a farm overlooking the sea and first rode a horse as a baby in her father's arms. She still lives in country Victoria and rides her horse, Woollyfoot, whenever she can.

**Manuscript Available**

December 2016 | 24pp | 235 x 275 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733330414

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**

From the bestselling creators of *The ABC Book of Seasons* comes a delightful introduction to the world around us.

Helen Martin, Judith Simpson  
& Cheryl Orsini

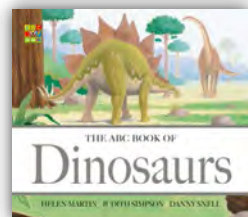
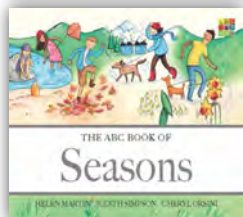
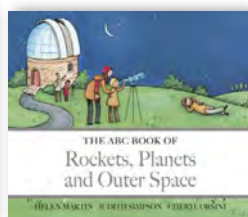
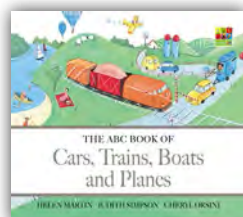
## The ABC Book of Places to Go

Ages 2–6

*So many different places – special things to do...*

This charming picture book celebrates the fun and excitement of places we can visit, both close to home and far away. The simple, engaging text explores fascinating places such as the library, the zoo, the lighthouse and many more.

An adventurous book that is a delightful introduction to the world beyond our backyard.



Helen Martin is an award winning writer and director. She has been an early childhood producer on TV programs such as *Play School* and *HI 5*.

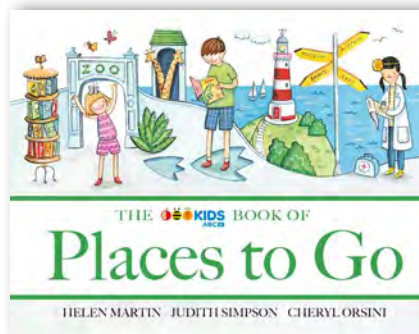
Judith Simpson is an experienced and award winning author for very young children.

Cheryl Orsini is a Sydney-based illustrator of more than twenty children's books.

**Manuscript Available**

February 2017 | 32pp | 225x285mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733334283

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**



The cheekiest book of the year!

Kate Mayes & Andrew Joyner

## The Bum Book

Ages 2+

Wobbly bum. Cute bum. Thunder bum. Skinny bum. Can't get through the door bum. Hairy bum. Potty bum. Flat bum. Runaway bum. Tickety-boo, princess bum. Horsey bum. Saddle bum. Mum's bum. Dad's bum. Grandpa's bum. Granny's bum. Naughty little boy's bum...

A hilarious picture book which celebrates bottoms of all types, shapes and sizes!

Kate Mayes is the author of the picture book *Count my Kisses, Little One* (illustrated by Tamsin Ainslie) and *Stew a Cockatoo: My Aussie Cookbook* (illustrated by Leigh Hobbs). She lives in Sydney.

Andrew Joyner is an illustrator, author and cartoonist. Andrew has illustrated many picture books, including *Too Many Elephants in this House* and *The Swap*. He has also written and illustrated the Boris series of early-reader chapter books, all about a win-some and adventurous warthog.

**Manuscript available July 2017**

November 2017 | 32pp | 224x224mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733332197

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**



From the co-creators of *There Is a Monster Under My Bed Who Farts*.

Tim Miller & Matt Stanton

## Don't Spew in Your Spacesuit!

Ages 2–5

Tim Miller and Matt Stanton are back with a hilarious new bestseller: it's astro gastro in *Don't Spew in Your Spacesuit*.

Tim Miller and Matt Stanton are the bestselling co-creators of the picture books *There Is a Monster Under My Bed Who Farts*, *The Pirate Who Had To Pee*, *There Is a Monster Under My Christmas Tree Who Farts* and *Dinosaur Dump*.

With his wife, primary school teacher Beck Stanton, Matt also publishes the critically acclaimed *This Is a Ball* and *Did You Take the B from My \_ook?*

Also by Tim Miller and Matt Stanton:



Manuscript Available July 2017

November 2017 | 32pp | 244x244 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733334658

Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages

From the creators of *The Fairy Dancers* and *The Tales of Mrs Mancini*.

Natalie Jane Prior & Cheryl Orsini

## The Fairy Dancers 2: Dancing Days



Ages 4+

The second volume of Fairy Dancers stories will reunite readers with the lives of Mia, Emma and Grace. The stories will once again appeal to every ballet-loving little girl.

Also by Natalie Jane Prior and Cheryl Orsini:  
*The Tales of Mrs Mancini*



Natalie Jane Prior is the award-winning author of numerous books for children and young adults. Her work includes the classic picture book *The Paw* (illustrated by Terry Denton) and the internationally successful fantasy series *Lily Quench*. She lives in Brisbane with her husband, daughter and two Dachshunds.

Cheryl Orsini has illustrated more than twenty children's books, including the much-loved *ABC Book of Cars, Trains, Boats and Planes*. Her work also regularly appears in magazines and exhibitions.

Manuscript Available July 2017

September 2017 | 48pp | 230x163 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733335648

Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages





New from the brilliant brains behind *This Is A Ball* and *Did You Take the B From My \_ook?*

Beck Stanton & Matt Stanton

## The Red Book

Ages 4+

For the Grown-Ups:

Okay, Big Wig.

We have a challenge for you.

It's your job to convince the nearest kid that everything in this book is actually red.

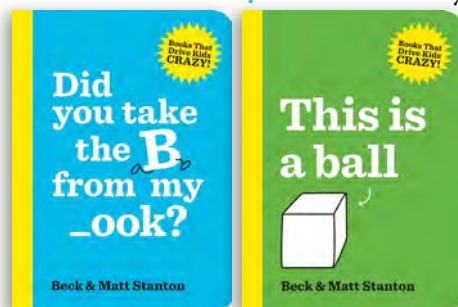
And we mean everything.

It will not be easy!

They will try to persuade you that things are not as red as you say, but you will stay strong!

And the kids will love it!

Also in the Books that Drive Kids Crazy Series:



Beck Stanton is a mother, primary school teacher and the creative director/owner of mybabymoments.com.au. She has worked extensively with children throughout her teaching career and in roles that include before-and-after school care centre director, a nanny and youth and children's worker.

Matt Stanton is the co-creator of the bestselling Fart Monster picture book series and has sold more than 125,000 copies of his books.

They live by the beach in Sydney with their daughter Bonnie and son Boston.

### Manuscript Available

April 2017 | 32pp | 265x192 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733334856

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**

**Rights Licensed: Little, Brown Books for Young Readers (US and UK English language)**

Two very different peas in one small peapod... no wonder Pip and Pop have to find a way to live together happily.

Gabrielle Tozer & Sue deGennaro

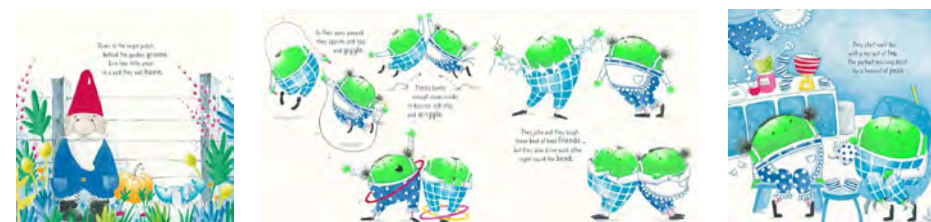
## Peas and Quiet



Ages 4+

Meet Pip and Pop, two little peas who live in a pod ... that sometimes gets a little cosy for the pair of them, especially since they are so different. But fortunately the two 'P's manage to work out their differences and find a way of living happily in their own little peapod.

A delightful debut picture book from talented YA author Gabrielle Tozer.



Gabrielle Tozer is a senior editor, journalist and copywriter who has edited, sub-edited and written for several magazines, newspapers and anthologies throughout the past decade. Gabrielle also writes YA fiction and her debut novel, *THE INTERN*, won the 2015 Gold Inky Award. The sequel, *FAKING IT*, was published in the same year. Gabrielle lives in Sydney, NSW.

Sue deGennaro studied film at university, and after focussing on drawing at art school she became an aerialist and performance artist. Sue is the illustrator of *The Tomorrow Book*.

### Manuscript Available April 2017

July 2017 | 32pp | 265x192 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460752395

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**





The only Christmas quacker you'll need this holiday season!

Frances Watts & Ann James

## A Very Quacky Christmas

**Ages 2-5**

Samantha Duck is getting ready for Christmas and her friend Sebastian thinks she's silly. After all, he says, Christmas isn't for animals.

But Samantha knows that Christmas is for everyone and sets out to make sure that all the animals have a very quacky Christmas (and a tortoise new year).

Frances Watts was born in Switzerland and grew up in Australia. Her bestselling picture books include *Goodnight Mice!* (illustrated by Judy Watson), the winner of the 2012 Prime Minister's Award for Children's Fiction; 2006 CBC Honour Book *Kisses for Daddy* (ill. David Legge); and 2008 Children's Book Council of Australia award-winner *Parsley Rabbit's Book about Books* (ill. David Legge).

Manuscript Available July 2017

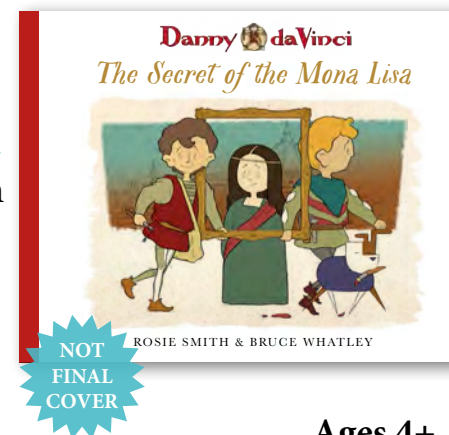
October 2017 | 32pp | 290x215 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733329623

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**

An artistic adventure from talented duo Rosie Smith and Bruce Whatley.

Bruce Whatley & Rosie Smith

## Danny da Vinci and the Secret of the Mona Lisa



**Ages 4+**

Danny da Vinci and his best friend Mick Angelo are adventurers – artistic adventurers – who share a passion for painting and sculpture.

Every year the Duke of Milan holds an art exhibition, and this year the Duke has asked Danny's Uncle Leo to paint his portrait. Danny and Mick want to enter something in the exhibition too, something special. Danny's sister Lisa has an idea, but why should they listen to her? She's such a moaner!

From talented duo Rosie Smith and Bruce Whatley comes a fresh and funny book that celebrates the extraordinary artistic genius of Leonardo da Vinci.



Husband and wife team Bruce and Rosie have co-authored many titles, including *The Ugliest Dog in the World* and *Looking for Crabs*. Both award-winning titles are still in print. Many of Bruce and Rosie's early books were based on their family and often featured their children, Ben and Ellyn – and their unusually ugly dogs! *The Secret of the Mona Lisa* was inspired by a love for Italy and the genius of Leonardo da Vinci.

Manuscript Available May 2017

August 2017 | 32pp | 200x256 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733326059

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**

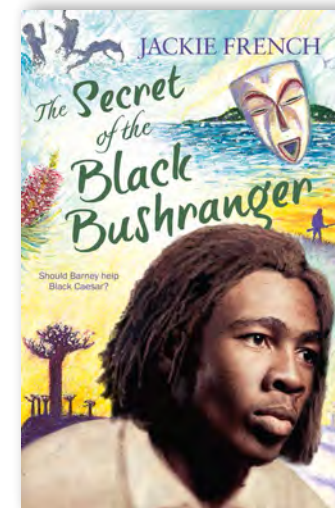
# MIDDLE GRADE & JUNIOR

The third in a series that explores  
Australia's secret history.

Jackie French

## The Secret of the Black Bushranger

Ages 7–10

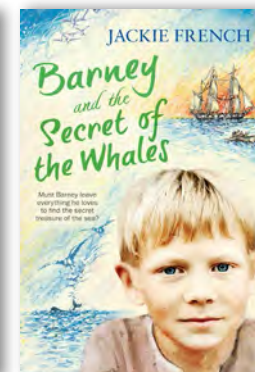


By the 1790s orphaned Barney Bean finally has his own farm in the early NSW colony. All his dreams are coming true! But now we are to learn of Barney's biggest secret yet: how he helped Australia's first bushranger escape.

Was Black Caesar a wronged man, an ex-slave who vowed to be free? Or was he a laughing villain, a trickster who planned to terrorise the colony?

And in helping him, did Barney do right or wrong?

You decide.



Also in the  
Secret Histories Series

Manuscript Available

February 2017 | 160pp | 198x128 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780732299453

Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages



Third title following on from the award-winning and best-selling *Hitler's Daughter* and *Pennies for Hitler*.

Jackie French

## Goodbye, Mr Hitler

Ages 10+

This is the story of Johannes, and Frau Timmins, and the strange girl now known as 'Helga'.

It is also the story of how they survived the death camps, the vast wilderness faced by refugees in World War Two, and how they eventually found happiness in Australia.

The final title in the multi award-winning Hitler series, this compelling story follows on from Heidi's story in *Hitler's Daughter* and Georg's in *Pennies for Hitler*, and shows us that evil must be fought and won. But once you've won, the hardest and most necessary battle is to understand and forgive.

And to learn how to love and live again.



Also in the series:

Manuscript Available

June 2017 | 208pp | Paperback | 198x128 mm | ISBN 9781460751299

Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages

A searing story of passion, betrayal, battles and love, this is Shakespeare's 'Macbeth' stripped of superstition, and its power and beauty refined into fewer words where good balances the evil and there is a happy ending – for some.

Jackie French

## Third Witch



Ages 10+

*'I didn't mean to do it'.*

Annie is not a witch, but when her mistress Lady Macbeth calls for a potion to 'stiffen Macbeth's sinews', Annie is caught up in plots that lead to murder, kingship and betrayal. Annie must also not only choose between Rab the Blacksmith and Murdoch, Thane of Greymouth, but discover where her loyalty lies.



Also in the series

Jackie French AM is an award-winning writer, wombat negotiator and was the Australian Children's Laureate for 2014-2015 and the 2015 Senior Australian of the Year. In 2016 Jackie became a Member of the Order of Australia for her contribution to children's literature and her advocacy for youth literacy. She is regarded as one of Australia's most popular children's authors, and writes across all genres.

Manuscript Available April 2017

July 2017 | 256pp | Paperback | 198x128 mm | ISBN 9780732298531

Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages





The fourth and final book in the Zombiefied series!

C. M. Gray

## Zombiefied! Apocalypse

Ages 8+

Trick or treat?!

It's Benjamin Roy's first Halloween as a zombie and he's keen to see if being a real ghoul gets him more candy. But it doesn't take long before the tricks become dangerous and the treats turn deadly.

Then when the only bridge out of town is destroyed, and corpses start creeping from their caskets, he realises there's something rotten in his town, and it's not just the zombies...

But how will Ben save anyone else, when he's barely alive himself?

Carmen Gray graduated from Edith Cowan University (WAAPA) with a diploma in Production and Design. She moved to Rockhampton in Central Queensland with her partner.

Between theatre design contracts in Central Queensland, Brisbane and Darwin, she began to write fiction, including short stories. One of them, 'Solomon's Song', was shortlisted for the Young Queensland Writer of the Year Award (1998).

**Manuscript Available**

January 2017 | 192 pp | 170x128 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733334245

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**

**Rights Licensed: Nemesis Yayincilik (Turkish)**

A collection of grotty and snotty raps, rhymes and riddles from the master of bodily functions, Andy Jones. Wash your hands and get ready for...

Andy Jones

## The Awesome Book of Rap, Rhyme & Putrid Poetry

Ages 6+



From the bestselling author of *The Fartionary*, *The Burptionary* and *The Enormous Book of Hot Jokes for Kool Kids* comes a hilarious new collection of radical rap, rockin' rhyme and vile verse!

Also by Andy Jones:



Andy Jones is an in-demand children's entertainer. He constantly tours schools Australia-wide with his music and humour-based shows. Andy is also the bestselling author of *The Enormous Book of Hot Jokes for Kool Kids*, *The Fartionary* and *The Burptionary*.

**Manuscript Available**

December 2016 | 272pp | Paperback | ISBN 9780733335662

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**



For fans of *Withering-By-Sea* comes a story from talented debut author Rebecca McRitchie about two curiously named children.

Rebecca McRitchie & Sonia Kretschmar

## Whimsy and Woe

**Ages 8+**

After being abandoned by their thespian parents one afternoon while playing their weekly family game of hide-and-seek, Whimsy and Woe Mordaunt are left in the care of their austere Aunt Apoline.

Forced to work in her boarding house, looking after the guests, sharpening the thorns of every plant in the poisonous plant garden and listening to off-key renditions of *Fish Are Friends Too* - an aria made famous by the legendary Magnus Montgomery - Whimsy and Woe lose all hope that their parents will someday return. Until one day, quite by accident, the siblings stumble upon a half-charred letter that sets them on a course to freedom and finding their parents.

Dark, funny, darkly funny and funnily dark, *Whimsy & Woe* takes readers on an adventure with two intrepid siblings in a tale of mummery, monocles, mice and mist.

Rebecca McRitchie is an editor (at Scholastic) by day, and writer by night. Rebecca lives in Sydney.

**Manuscript Available July 2017**

September 2017 | 304 pp | 198x128 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460753040

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**

He's the world's vaguest novelist. She's a shy and unusual child. Together, they're travelling the world, one book a time.

Katrina Nannestad

## The Girl and the Writer in Rome

**Ages 8–12**

For the first ten years of Freya's life, she and her mother Clementine have roamed the planet in search of zoological wonders. Happy, content, together. Freya and Clem. Clem and Freya.

But now, everything is changing, and Clementine must send Freya away to live with her old friend Tobias, a bestselling crime writer, and the vaguest man Freya has ever encountered.

Toby isn't used to life with a small child, and Freya isn't used to life with people at all, but together they'll stumble into an Italian adventure so big that it will change things forever. And Toby might just discover that life's what's been happening while he was busy writing books.



**Also by Katrina Nannestad:**  
**the Olive of Groves series**

Katrina Nannestad grew up in country NSW in a neighbourhood stuffed full of happy children. Her adult years have been spent teaching, raising boys, perfecting her recipe for chocolate chip bikkies and pursuing her love of stories.

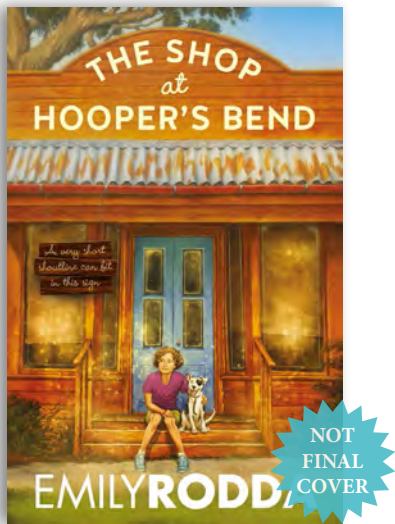
Katrina now lives near Bendigo with her family and an exuberant black whippet called Olive. She dreams of one day owning a spotted pig called Harold.

**Manuscript Available August 2017**

November 2017 | 352pp | 185x135 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733338175

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**





From one of Australia's most renowned children's authors, this is a story about coming home when you didn't even know that was where you belonged.

Emily Rodda

## The Shop at Hoopers Bend

Ages 8+

Eleven-year-old Jonquil (known as Quil) Medway is a girl with more than an unusual name. Quil's parents died in a car accident when she was a baby and she now goes to boarding school, but spends her holidays with an aunt - or at camp, which is where Quil is heading when she decides to get off early at a train stop called Hooper's Bend.

It is there that Quil meets Pirate, a chunky little white dog with black spots who immediately adopts her and Bailey, a crabby older lady who has gone to Hooper's Bend to check out the shop that has been left to her by an uncle.

There is something magical about the shop at Hooper's Bend though, and once it casts its spell on Quil and Bailey they are drawn together in an unlikely friendship and their fight to save the shop from developers.

From one of Australia's most renowned children's authors, this is a story about coming home when you didn't even know that was where you belonged.

Emily Rodda is one of the most successful children's authors in Australia and around the world. Her books include the phenomenally successful Deltora Quest series, which has sold nearly 15 million copies worldwide, across 25 different languages, and is one of the most popular children's fantasy series ever written. She has won the Children's Book Council of Australia's Book of the Year (Younger Readers) Award a record five times.

Manuscript Available May 2017

August 2017 | 256pp | 198x128 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460753668

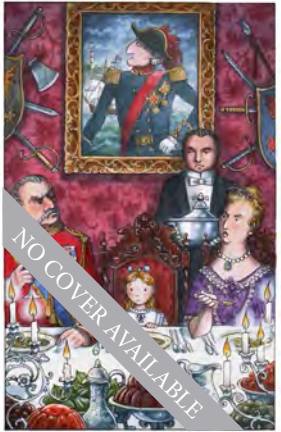
Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages

From the world of Stella Montgomery: a collection of stories about children who do wrong and meet with a tragic end ...

Judith Rossell

## A Garden of Lilies: Improving Tales for Young Minds

Ages 9–12



In Judith Rossell's best-selling *Wormwood Mire*, Stella's aunts give her a parting gift — *A Garden of Lilies*, an Edward Gorey-esque book intended to teach lessons to wicked children.



Now the book comes alive as the perfect gift for any Stella Montgomery fan.



Also by Judith Rossell

Judith has been an illustrator and writer of children's books for more than 12 years. Before that, she worked as a government scientist (not a mad scientist, a normal kind of scientist) and also for a cotton spinning company (that made threads for T-shirts and denim jeans and mops and teabag strings). She has written 11 books and illustrated more than 80. Her books have been published in the UK and the USA and have been translated into more than 10 languages. Judith lives in Melbourne with a cat the size of a Walrus.

Manuscript Available August 2017

December 2017 | 64pp | 198x128 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733338229

Rights Held: World English ex. North America; Translation – all languages





For fans of *Diary of Wimpy Kid*, *Tom Gates* and *Big Nate*, *Funny Kid* is the hilarious new series from bestselling children's author Matt Stanton.

Matt Stanton

## Funny Kid for President

Ages 8–12

Every kid wants to laugh, but Max is the boy who can make it happen.

He's the class clown, the punch line and he's even volunteered his bottom to be the butt of the joke.

Max is the funny kid... and he's running for class president.

Poop scandals, stalker ducks, surprise debates, psycho sports teachers, tell-all-interviews and the great library vomit-a-geddon are just some of the things in store for Max and his friends at Redhill Middle School this election season.

Matt Stanton is a bestselling children's author and illustrator, with over a quarter of a million books in print. He is the co-creator of seven bestselling picture books, including the mega hits, *There is a Monster Under My Bed Who Farts* and *This Is a Ball*. He is launching his much-anticipated middle grade series, *Funny Kid*, around the world in 2017.

### Manuscript Available

July 2017 | 256pp | 198 x 128 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733335976

**Rights Held: World English; Translation – all languages**

**Rights Licensed: US (HarperCollins US), UK (HarperCollins UK)**

The next adventure in the best-selling Truly Tan series.

Jen Storer

## Truly Tan: Trapped!

Ages 8 – 12

Way out in the country, Mrs Topple is Tan's closest neighbour. But Mrs Topple has gone on a cruise and Tan is in charge of security at the Topple cottage.

Tan is also looking after the garden and watering the plants. But mostly she's in charge of security. Which is just as well because something suspicious is going on.

A strange car has been coming and going and a shadowy figure has been spotted snooping around. And now Tan has noticed items moving around in the garden - on their own!

As tensions mount, Tan decides a stake out is in order. Little does she know she is walking straight into a trap.

### Also in the Truly Tan Series:



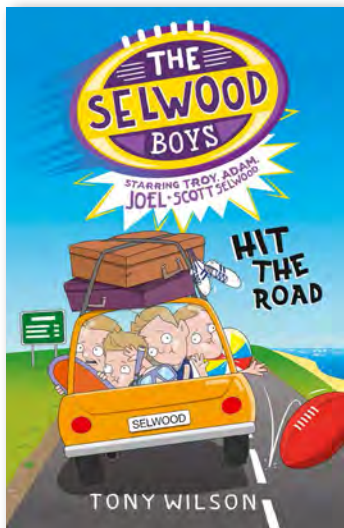
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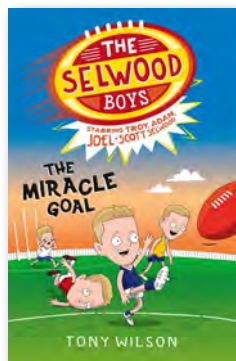
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## The Selwood Boys

Ages 7+

In the Selwood house, someone's always up to no good!

One minute it's the twins, Troy and Adam, pulling pranks and making mischief... Next second it's Joel and his sneaky, cheeky antics.



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The edge-of-your seat powerful conclusion to *Ghost House*.

Alexandra Adornetto

## Haunted

Ages 12+

In the sequel to the page-turning *Ghost House*, Alexander Reade turns up at Sycamore High not remembering how he got there. But worse, he doesn't remember Chloe Kennedy and

believes he has come back to search for his lost love Isobel.

Chloe soon realizes that Alex needs her help surviving in the modern world. With his looks and the way he speaks, it's as though he's from another century. Which he is. In fact Alex has been dead for 157 years, but that doesn't change how Chloe feels about him.

Chloe begins to experience dreams that take her to a past life and realizes they are linked to Isobel. But when Isobel appears, Alex and Chloe must accept that the past and the present have collided. Chloe is being hunted by ghosts led by Isobel, who is just as vengeful as ever and out to sever any bond between Alex and Chloe.

And she will do so - no matter the cost.



## The first book in the series: Ghost House

Alexandra Adornetto was born in Melbourne in 1992 and now lives in Los Angeles with her mini Yorkie, Boo Radley. Her first series, *The Strangest Adventures*, was published when Alexandra was fifteen. The YA series *Halo* marked her international debut with publication in over 25 countries and the first title appearing at No. 4 on the New York Times Bestseller List.

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Harnessing the power of the #LoveOzYA social media movement, this new anthology will feature short stories from ten beloved Australian YA authors.

Danielle Binks

## Begin, End, Begin: A #LoveOzYA Anthology



Ages 14+

Bestsellers. Award-winners. Superstars.

This anthology has them all.

With brilliantly entertaining short stories from beloved young adult authors Amie Kaufman, Melissa Keil, Will Kostakis, Ellie Marney, Jaclyn Moriarty, Michael Pryor, Alice Pung, Gabrielle Tozer, Lili Wilkinson and Danielle Binks, this all-new collection will show the world exactly how much there is to love about Aussie YA.

Danielle Binks is a writer and reviewer, and youth literature advocate. She is currently editing and contributing to *Begin, End, Begin: A #LoveOzYA Anthology*.

Also contributing to the anthology are Australian authors Amie Kaufman, Melissa Keil, Will Kostakis, Ellie Marney, Jaclyn Moriarty, Michael Pryor, Alice Pung, Gabrielle Tozer and Lili Wilkinson. Between them they've written books that have been recognised in the Inky Awards, CBCA Awards, Prime Minister's Awards, Aurealis Awards, Indie Book Awards and many more.

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Two best friends crushing on one very cute guy... someone's going to get their heart broken.

Tara Eglington

## My Best Friend is a Goddess

Ages 12+

Emily has been best friends with Adriana since Year One.

At the beginning of Year Ten Adriana's mother dies suddenly, and everything changes. Adriana's father accepts a job in Borneo. When they return at the end of the year, Adriana has gone from awkward to AMAZING and turned into a goddess!

Luckily Adriana is no different on the inside. She's still the same best friend Emily knows and loves. Emily just wishes that someone would show interest in her for any other reason besides being Adriana's best friend. In the meantime, she's committed to helping Adriana manage the throngs of potential suitors that are texting and emailing in the hope of an introduction to 'the goddess'.

That is, until she sees the brand new guy in art class. The one who's called Theo James and makes Emily laugh. The one who doesn't seem all that affected by Adriana's appearance.

Two best friends crushing on one very cute guy... someone's about to get their heart broken.

Tara Eglington grew up in Byron Bay, NSW, where she was brought up by her NAD (New Age Dad). Surrounded by crystals, chakras and sound-based healing, Tara's only option for teen rebellion was to complete a non-arts degree and move to Sydney for a 'normal' career. She ended up following a creative pursuit anyway. Tara's previous YA titles *How to Keep a Boy from Kissing You* and *How to Convince a Boy to Kiss You* have been published in various territories including Brazil and the US. She lives in Sydney.

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It's 1972 in Gibber's Creek, and across the nation, the catchcry is, 'It's time'.

Jackie French

## If Blood Should Stain the Wattle



In 1972 in Gibber's Creek, and across the nation, the catchcry is, 'It's time'. Time for old folk, time for young folk, time for everyone to welcome a renewed Australia with a new, idealistic Labor Government.

The 1970s was a time of extraordinary idealism, when anything seemed possible. A nation filled with dreams of a better world, but deep conflicts about exactly what that better world might be. Jackie French, author of the best-selling *To Love a Sunburnt Country*, has drawn on her personal experiences and memories of that time and created a sweeping story of a small rural community which, like all of Australia, was affected by the tumultuous political events of 1972 to 1975 – events still being debated today.

**Also in the Matilda Series:**



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There have been droughts before, but not like this. And in 1978, Gibber's Creek will burn.

Jackie French

## A Land of Love and Flame

**Ages 12+**

As grass dries and the hot wind howls, Gibber's Creek will burn.

But if you love your country, you will fight for it. Lu Borgina has been recently blinded, but she battles flames to save a racehorse, even though her dreams of being Australia's first professional female jockey have been destroyed.

Scarlett O'Hara risks her hard-won life at medical school, and the new love of Alex Romanov, to save a child. And Flinty McAlpine draws on the local knowledge of tens of thousands of years to protect her valley.

And Jed Kelly must escape not just bushfire, but the man who plots to kill her with its power.

Heartbreaking and powerful, *A Land of Love and Flame* is a story of the triumph of courage and community, and a love for the land so deep that not even bushfire can erode it.

Jackie French AM is an award-winning writer, wombat negotiator and was the Australian Children's Laureate for 2014-2015 and the 2015 Senior Australian of the Year. In 2016 Jackie became a Member of the Order of Australia for her contribution to children's literature and her advocacy for youth literacy. She is regarded as one of Australia's most popular children's authors, and writes across all genres - from picture books, history, fantasy, ecology and sci-fi to her much loved historical fiction. 'Share a Story' was the primary philosophy behind Jackie's two-year term as Laureate.

**Manuscript Available September 2017**

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A boy-meets-girl-again story from the award-winning author of *The Intern* and *Faking It*.

Gabrielle Tozer

## Remind Me How This Ends

**Ages 12+**



It's the summer after high school ends and everyone is moving on. Winning scholarships. Heading to uni. Travelling the world.

Everyone except Milo Dark.

Milo's life is stuck on pause. His girlfriend is 200km away, his mates have bailed for bigger things and he's convinced he missed the memo reminding him to plan out the rest of his life.

Then Layla Montgomery barrels back into his world.

As kids, Milo and Layla were family friends who shared everything – hiding in her tree house, secrets made at midnight and afternoons at the river. But they haven't spoken since her mum's funeral.

Layla's fallen apart since then. She pushed away her dad, dropped out of school and recently followed her on-again-off-again boyfriend back to town because she has nowhere else to go. What begins as innocent banter between Milo and Layla soon draws them into a tangled mess with a guarantee that someone will get hurt.

While it's a summer they'll never forget, is it one they want to remember?

Gabrielle Tozer is a senior editor, journalist and copywriter who has edited and written for several magazines, newspapers and anthologies throughout the past decade. Gabrielle also writes YA fiction and her debut novel, *THE INTERN*, won the 2015 Gold Inky Award. The sequel, *FAKING IT*, was published in the same year.

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