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PICTURE BOOKS

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LEONARD DOESN'T DANCE

FRANCES WATTS
&
JUDY WATSON

AGES: 3+

A toe-tapping story about finding your own rhythm from the award-winning creators of *Goodnight, Mice!*

June 2019 | 32pp |
287x210mm | Hardback |
ISBN 9780733333040

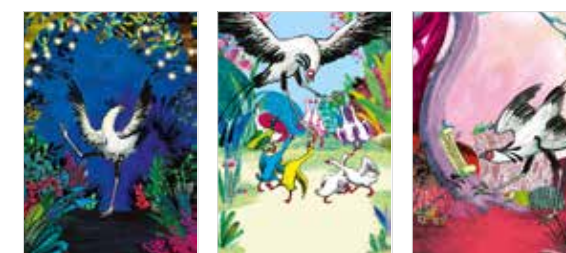
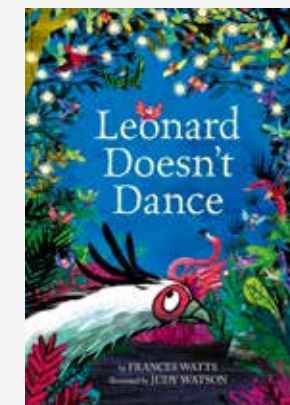
All the birds are excited about the Big Beaky Bird Ball – except Leonard. His warble-warble waltz with the magpies is more wobble-wobble, and his caw-caw can-can with the crows is a can't-can't. The puffins are prancing, the rosellas are rocking and you should see the flamingo go-go-go! Everyone is jumping and jiving, but not Leonard.

Leonard doesn't dance.

Then an unexpected encounter changes everything ...

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MY REAL FRIEND

DAVID HUNT &
LUCIA MASCIULLO

AGES: 3+

It's not easy being imaginary ...

May 2019 | 32pp |
250x220mm | Hardback |
ISBN 9780733334894

Rupert isn't real, but he has a real friend, William. They both love sport, painting and music and have amazing adventures together in William's imagination.

But why can't they have the adventures that Rupert wants? And what will happen if William no longer wants an imaginary friend?

A heartwarming story of friendship, identity and the power of imagination from bestselling author David Hunt and award-winning illustrator Lucia Masciullo.



David Hunt is the bestselling author of *Girt* (Black Inc), which won the 2014 Indie Award for NonFiction and was shortlisted for the NSW Premier's Literary Awards and the ABIA's. His first book for children, *The Nose Pixies*, was released in 2016.

Lucia Masciullo grew up in Livorno, Tuscany and she moved to Queensland in 2006. Since then she has become a much-loved, award-winning Australian illustrator. Her books include *The Boy and the Toy*, *Come Down, Cat*, *The Wild One* (all with Sonya Hartnett), the Olive of Groves trilogy (with Katrina Nannestad), *The Hole* (with Kerry Brown) and *The Nose Pixies* (with David Hunt).

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OZZIE GOES TO SCHOOL

JOCELYN CRABB & DANNY SNELL

AGES: 3+

A book that will resonate with and reassure many young children going to school for the first time.

March 2019 | 32pp | 250x240mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781921504907

Ozzie lives with his dad in a shipping container by the sea in the Top End of Australia. Ozzie isn't afraid of much. Not the cool dark of the container when the door is closed at night. Not snakes. Not even of the crocodiles that he and his dad watch out for on the beach during the day.

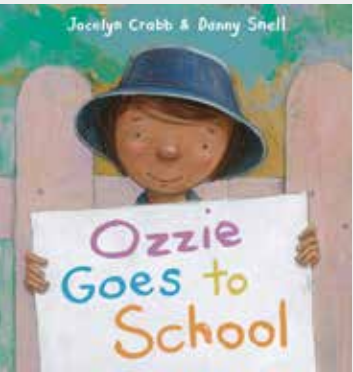
But there is something Ozzie is afraid of ...

In this delightful story about a boy starting school, Ozzie faces up to his fears of being without his dad in a strange place with new people - and comes up trumps!

PRAISE

‘Perfect for a readership aged five years and up, this picture book is the perfect gift for any child and family about to go through the experience.’ – Books+Publishing ★★★★★

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LAND OF THE ECHIDNA PEOPLE

PERCY TREZISE & MARY LAVIS

AGES: 4+

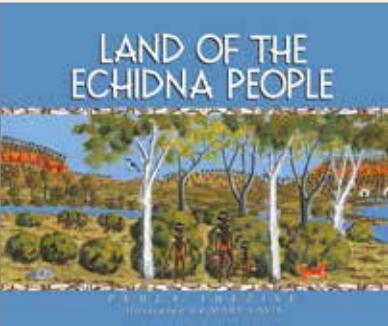
The final book in the Journey of the Great Lakes series.

June 2019 | 32pp | 210x255mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460756614

Jadiana, Lande and Jalmor, children of the Kadimakara People, are lost – swept away from their home by a fierce storm. The children are now in the land of the Flying-fox people, a place filled with many brave warriors who are friends of the Kadimakara People, and home to the children's aunt, Kylie. But when Lande is bitten by a snake, it is fortunate that the children are reunited with their aunt as she helps to heal Lande's snake bite and prepare the children for the rest of their adventurous journey.

This final story in the JOURNEY OF THE GREAT LAKES series by the late Percy Trezise is beautifully illustrated by Mary Lavis, and brings Jalmor, Lande and eventually, Jadiana, home following their long journey through the lands of the Kadimakara People, Dingo People, Magpie Goose People, Emu People, Snake People, Kangaroo People and Brolga People.

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WIBBLE WOBBLE

JEN STORER & LISA STEWART

AGES: 0–3

The perfect baby book for wiggly wobbly little ones. Guaranteed to become a family favourite!

August 2019 | 32pp | 230x252mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733339196

Wibble wobble, walking tall, Wibble wobble, tumble fall.

From talented creative duo Jen Storer and Lisa Stewart comes the perfect book for babies.

Filled with joyful rhyming text and irresistible illustrations, this is a book guaranteed to become a firm family favourite!

Jen Storer has written many acclaimed books for children, including the best-selling Truly Tan series, illustrated by Claire Robertson.

Lisa Stewart loves children's picture books and music. She spends her days sketching, writing in her notebooks and playing her violin. Lisa is thrilled that she gets to illustrate picture books and play in the Acacia Quartet.

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MAMIE

TANIA MCCARTNEY

AGES: 3+

To us she is May Gibbs, creator of Snugglypot & Cuddlepip. But to her family, she was known as 'Mamie'.

December 2018 | 32pp | 267x216mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460755860

In a land far away, where fairies, pixies and elves live deep in the woods, a baby girl is born. Her parents call her Mamie.

Mamie loves to sing and dance and paint with her magical woodland friends. Her days are like a fairy tale.

But when Mamie's family move to Australia, she misses green fields drenched with rain. The hot skies and dusty plains of her new home turn Mamie's world upside down. Will she ever find new fairy friends in this strange and beautiful land?

From the talented Tania McCartney comes an exquisite book that celebrates the life of renowned children's author and illustrator, May Gibbs.

Tania McCartney is an author, illustrator and editor with experience in magazines and book publishing, including layout, design and typography and currently has 31 books in print or in production. Tania's books have won awards and shortlistings, and have been released in Australia, NZ, the UK, the US, Canada and China.

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OLD FRIENDS, NEW FRIENDS

ANDREW DADDO & JONATHAN BENTLEY

AGES: 5+

A brand-new school year! I can't wait! Hang on ... None of my old friends are in my new class ...

December 2018 | 32pp | 244x244mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733338137

Most of us remember that moment of starting a new school year only to find that your best friend is no longer in your class ... Making new friends can be hard, but in this gorgeous new picture book, it can also be a whole lot of fun!

From the team who brought you *First Day* and *When I Grow Up* comes an empowering and relatable picture book about making friends and being yourself.

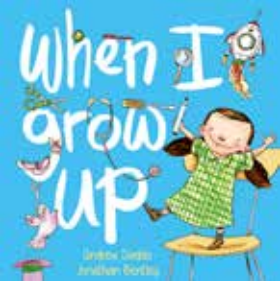
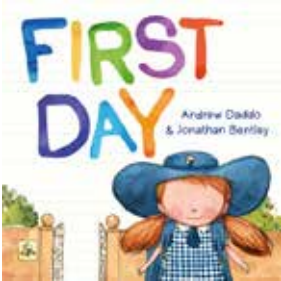
Andrew Daddo is an author, columnist, broadcaster and TV presenter. He has written 25 books (including the bestselling *Goodnight, Me*).

Jonathan has been an Editorial Illustrator at the *Courier Mail* newspaper for ten years, and has illustrated books for Margaret Wild, The Wiggles and Andrew Daddo.



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ALSO BY ANDREW DADDO & JONATHAN BENTLEY:



WHEN THE WAR IS OVER

JACKIE FRENCH & ANNE SPUDVILAS

AGES: 9+

A book about homecomings, and those who have been waiting for their loved ones to return from war.

March 2019 | 32pp | 300x230mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460753026

*Now the war is over
And they say the world is free,
Though somewhere guns are snarling,
You've come back to me.*

From two of Australia's most highly regarded children's book creators, Children's Laureate Jackie French and award-winning illustrator Anne Spudvilas, comes a powerful and moving book – not about war, but about its endings, and about the fragility of peace.

'Breathtaking in appearance, this stunning book reflects on the fragility of peace and freedom, the heartbreak at parting, the joy of reunions, and how love endures through all the horrors born of war... Exquisite in every way and deeply moving...' – *Kids-Book Review*

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LEARN WITH RUBY RED SHOES: COUNTING BOOK & ALPHABET BOOK

KATE KNAPP

AGES: 3+

The bestselling Ruby Red Shoes is back.

Manuscripts Available

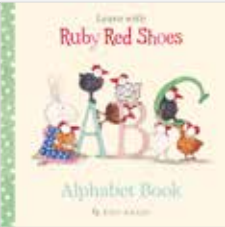
November 2018 | 32pp | 163x163mm | Hardback ISBN 9781460756911 & 9781460756911

Have fun learning how to count or learning the alphabet with Ruby Red Shoes – everyone's favourite hare!

ACCLAIM FOR THE RUBY RED SHOES SERIES
Ruby Red Shoes
Shortlisted – 2013 Children's Book Council of Australia
Crichton Award for Children's Book Illustration

Ruby Red Shoes Goes to Paris
Shortlisted – 2014 Australian Book Industry Award for Book of the Year for Younger Children
Shortlisted – 2014 Inaugural Readings Children's Book Prize

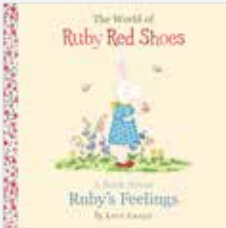
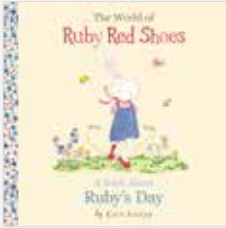
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Let Ruby welcome you into her world and see how she spends her days. A BOOK ABOUT RUBY'S FEELINGS
With so much awareness around mindfulness and mental health in young children, this is the perfect book to start gentle conversations about why we can feel the way we do, and how some of our more confronting feelings can be managed.

A BOOK ABOUT RUBY'S DAY
As Ruby shares the fun and busyness of her life, this book looks at key times in a day, and in a subtle way highlights the importance of routine and also balance in our lives, including time for meditation and reflection.

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RUBY RED SHOES GOES TO LONDON

KATE KNAPP
AGES: 4-8

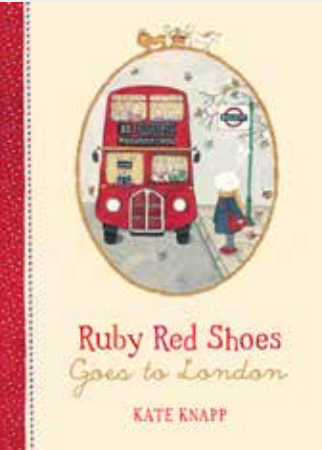
The third book in the best-selling Ruby Red Shoes series.

December 2016 | 48pp | 230 x 163mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780732297626

Ruby and her grandmother love to travel and now they are in London, the home of red buses, red telephone boxes and red letter boxes.

No wonder Ruby’s red shoes feel especially at home in this wonderful city!

Illustrator and artist Kate Knapp is a graduate of the Queensland College of Art. Her design studio Twigseeds, produces cards, prints, stationery and books. Kate’s first book, *Ruby Red Shoes*, was shortlisted for the 2013 CBC Crichton Award for Children’s Book Illustration and her second book, *Ruby Red Shoes Goes To Paris* was shortlisted for the 2014 ABIA award for Book of the Year for Younger Children for the 2014 Inaugural Readings Children’s Books Prize. Visit Ruby at www.rubyredshoes.com.au

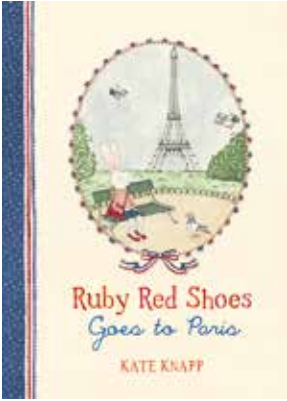
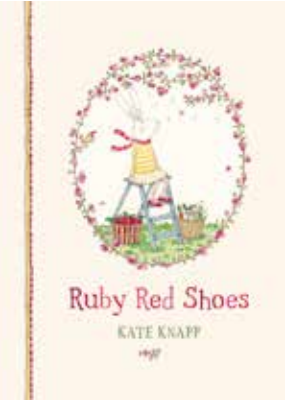


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ALSO IN THE RUBY RED SHOES SERIES:



HAPPY FARTER’S DAY

TIM MILLER & MATT STANTON

AGES: 3+

Father’s Day is once a year, but for these kids, *Farter’s Day* happens way too often ...

August 2019 | 24pp | 244x244mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733339035

In this celebration of farterhood (oops, *fatherhood*), ten friends swap tales of their dads’ best (and WORST) bottom eruptions.

How bad can these farts really be? Take a deep breath as you’re about to find out!

From the bestselling creators of the Fart Monster and *Dinosaur Dump* comes a unique celebration of fathers – and their close relationship with their kids. A great book to read with Dad!

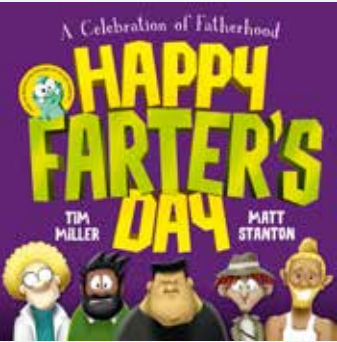
PRAISE FOR TIM & MATT’S PICTURE BOOKS

‘Sure to ignite laughter, especially with boys!’ – *Reading Time*

‘Gross but hilarious’ – *Better Reading*

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BURPZILLA

TIM MILLER & MATT STANTON

AGES: 3+

Frank’s not himself when he’s hangry ...

November 2018 | 32pp | 244x244mm | Hardback | ISBN 978073333902

In the middle of the ocean,
on an island big and green,
was a place called Behemoth Bay,
home to monsters who were mean ...

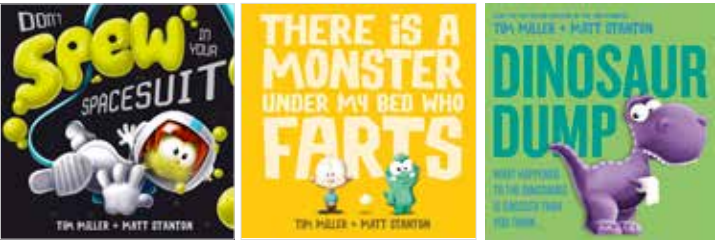
A hilarious new picture book from the bestselling creators of *There Is a Monster Under My Bed Who Farts* and *Dinosaur Dump*.

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*, *Dinosaur Dump*, *There Is a Monster on My Holiday Who Farts* and *Don’t Spew in Your Spacesuit*.

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ALSO BY
TIM MILLER
& MATT
STANTON:



THE PIRATE WHO HAD TO PEE

TIM MILLER & MATT STANTON

AGES: 2+

November 2013 | 32pp | 244x244mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733332944

THERE IS A MONSTER ON MY HOLIDAY WHO FARTS

TIM MILLER & MATT STANTON

AGES: 2–5

The Fart Monster is back! And he's gone global! Get your passports ready, we're about to go around the world in 80 farts.

October 2016 | 32pp | 244 x 244mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733334658

DINOSAUR DUMP

TIM MILLER & MATT STANTON

AGES: 2+

October 2015 | 32pp | 244 x 244mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733334634

Pirate Pete had to pee. As he sailed across the ocean...

The toilet is broken onboard Captain Bones' ship and Pirate Pete needs to pee!

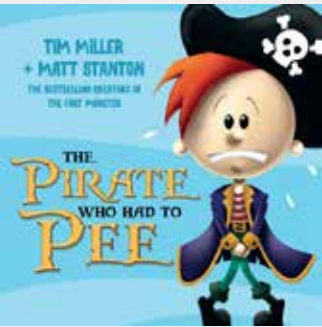
It's a race back to town across a vast amount of water.

But with all the splashing, dripping and swirling, will Pete be able to hang on?

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?*

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Ever wondered what could remove that smile from the Mona Lisa's face?

What could force the Buckingham Palace guards to run for their lives?

What mighty gust of wind could finally make the Leaning Tower of Pisa fall?

All will be revealed in *There is a Monster on my Holiday Who Farts...*

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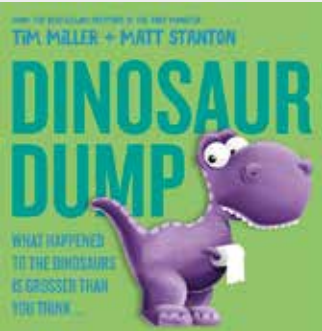


Straight from the prehistoric era comes an ex-STINK-tion story like no other!

Life's hard when there's only one toilet and all the dinos need to go! There's a dumping pterodactyl, a plopping stegosaurus and a T-rex who can't reach to wipe...

But when it's finally Mike's turn, could one tiny bowel movement end in disaster?

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DID YOU TAKE THE B FROM MY _OOK?

BECK & MATT STANTON

AGES: 4+

From the brilliant brains behind *This is a Ball* comes a new giggle inducing bestseller!

April 2016 | 32pp | 267x192mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733334832

For the Grown Ups:

OK. Two things you need to know.

Firstly, your favourite thing in the whole world is the letter B. And secondly, you're about to sneeze and all the Bs are going to be blown out of the book.

So until you can get your favourite letter back, you're about to sound really, really silly... And the kids will love it!

PRAISE FOR THE BOOKS THAT DRIVE KIDS CRAZY SERIES

'The kids are having a ball (whoops, having fun) and a discussion is born' – 4 stars, *Good Reading*

'Funny, clever, deliciously dry ... this book encourages kids to think outside the square, and hopefully, somewhere deep in that unlimited subconscious, understand that what we see is all about perception. What a powerful thought' – *Kids' Book Review*

'Witty, silly, and interactive ... A rollicking read for children and adults alike' – *Kirkus Reviews*

'An excellent read-aloud, funny, questioning and mind boggling' – *ReadPlus*

Beck Stanton is the acclaimed co-creator of the bestselling picture books *This Is a Ball*, *Did You Take the B from My _ook?*, *The Red Book* and *Wait!*. Before her career in children's books, Beck worked as a primary school teacher.

Matt Stanton is a bestselling children's author and illustrator, with over 930,000 books sold in Australia alone. He is the co-creator of the mega-hit picture books *There Is a Monster Under My Bed Who Farts* and *This Is a Ball*. He launched his much-anticipated middle-grade series, *Funny Kid*, in 2017. The first book in the series, *Funny Kid for President*, debuted as the #1 Australian kids' book, and *Funny Kid* is fast winning legions of fans around the world.

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ALSO IN THE SERIES:



KOALA BARE
JACKIE
FRENCH &
MATT SHANKS

AGES: 3+

For too long koalas have been called bears. But this koala is out to prove to the world that he is BARE! And that never, ever, ever can a koala be called a bear ...

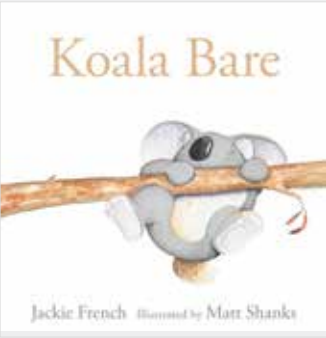
October 2017 | 32pp | 244x244 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460751619

For too long koalas have been called bears. But this koala is out to prove to the world that he is BARE! And that never, ever, ever can a koala be called a bear ...

Jackie French is an award-winning writer, wombat negotiator. Her books have been translated into many languages, and sold over 4 million copies internationally.

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.

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A VERY
QUACKY
CHRISTMAS
FRANCES
WATTS &
ANN JAMES

AGES: 2–5

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

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

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

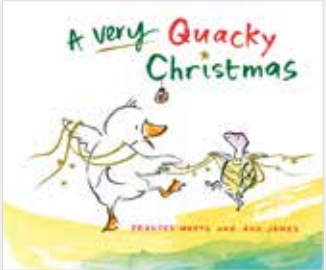
But Samantha knows that Christmas is for everyone and sets out to make sure that all the animals have a very quacky Christmas (and a tortoise new year). A joyous tale of giving and sharing from two award-winning Australian creators.

Frances Watts was born in Switzerland and grew up in Australia. Her bestselling picture books include *Goodnight Mice!*, *Kisses for Daddy*, and *Parsley Rabbit's Book about Books*.

Over 35 years, Ann James has collaborated with many authors, illustrating picture books that almost always feature animals! Ann's playful approach to illustrating is evident in her choice of media and techniques.

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DIPPY'S BIG
DAY OUT
JACKIE FRENCH
&
BRUCE WHATLEY
CONCEPT BY
BEN SMITH
WHATLEY

AGES: 3+

An 'Ice Age' meets *Diary of a Wombat* story.

February 2019 | 32pp | 210x285mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460754061

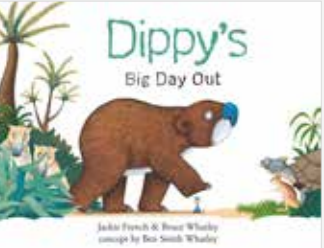
Dippy is a diprotodon, the BIGGEST, friendliest wombat who lived 100,000 years ago. All Dippy wants is happy friends, a place to sleep and lots to eat. Who knew that could be such an adventure.

Based on a concept by Ben Smith Whatley and brought to life by the creators of the international best-selling *Diary of a Wombat*, this is a hilarious story of prehistoric daring and chaos set in the fascinating world of ancient Australia megafauna.

Jackie French AM is an award-winning writer, wombat negotiator, Australian Children's Laureate and the 2015 Senior Australian of the Year. Her books have been translated into many languages, and sold over 4 million copies internationally.

Bruce Whatley is one of Australia's most highly regarded and talented authors and illustrators for children, both here and internationally. Since 1992 Bruce has written and/or illustrated over 70 picture books.

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HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
WOMBAT
JACKIE FRENCH
&
BRUCE WHATLEY
AGES: 3+

Bestselling Mothball is back – with birthday cake! (Carrot, of course.)

May 2019 | 32pp | 210x285mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460751596

She eats, she sleeps, she scratches. But today it's Mothball's birthday and it's time to celebrate!

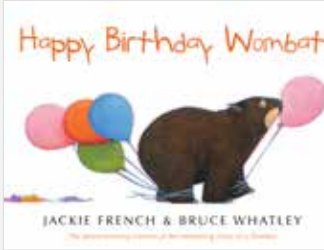
Created by author Jackie French and illustrator Bruce Whatley, *Happy Birthday Wombat* is a very funny picture book about enjoying a special day – as seen through the eyes of the world's most famous wombat.

PRAISE FOR *DIARY OF A WOMBAT* AND OTHER BOOKS STARRING MOTHBALL

'French and Whatley have conjured an affectionate, believable wombat self-portrait' – *The New York Times Book Review*

'I absolutely love the tone of Mothball's diary entries – the dry brevity and classic wombat behaviour that's made this gorgeous creature an Aussie literary treasure. Whatley's divinely funny illustrations yet again make for an all-rounder of a book that will loosen smiles on readers of any age' – *Kids' Book Review*

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DIARY OF A WOMBAT

JACKIE FRENCH & BRUCE WHATLEY

AGES: 3+

Honour Book 2003 CBCA Book of the Year Awards. Winner of the Booksellers Choice Award, Australian Booksellers Association.

October 2002 | 32pp | 293 x 217mm | Various

A delightful and entertaining peek into the life of one very busy wombat!

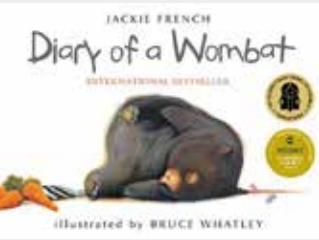
Monday Morning: Slept. Afternoon: Slept. Evening: Ate. Scratched. Night: Ate.

A typical day. Don't be fooled. This wombat leads a very busy and demanding life. She wrestles unknown creatures, runs her own digging business, and most difficult of all – trains her humans. She teaches them when she would like carrots, when she would like oats and when she would like both at the same time. But these humans are slow learners.

Find out how one wombat – between scratching, sleeping and eating – manages to fit the difficult job of training humans into her busy schedule.

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BABY WOMBAT'S WEEK

JACKIE FRENCH & BRUCE WHATLEY

AGES: 3+

Shortlisted in the 2013 YABBA Awards

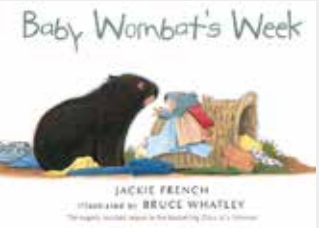
October 2009 | 32pp | 216 x 293mm | Various

He sleeps. He eats. He gets bored. He creates havoc wherever he goes!

He's Mothball's baby – and he's even cuter, naughtier and more determined than his mum. *Baby Wombat's Week* is an irresistible picture book by the award-winning duo behind the international bestseller *Diary of a Wombat*.

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CHRISTMAS WOMBAT

JACKIE FRENCH & BRUCE WHATLEY

AGES: 3+

It's Christmas – from a wombat's point of view.

October 2011 | 32pp | 293 x 217mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780732291716

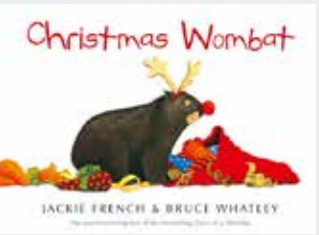


It's Christmas! And it's Christmas for Mothball the Wombat, too.

She eats, she sleeps, she scratches, but on Christmas Eve...

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WOMBAT GOES TO SCHOOL

JACKIE FRENCH & BRUCE WHATLEY

AGES: 3+

She eats. She sleeps. She scratches. She goes to school...

October 2013 | 32pp | 210 x 285 mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780732295493

She sleeps. She eats. She scratches – and finds a hole.

When Mothball discovers a new hole, it unexpectedly leads her to the local school. The children learn that wombats love carrots and grass, while Mothball learns that lunch boxes contain very few carrots, that sports sheds can be a good place to have a nap, and that when you're brown and round, it's not a good idea to get too close to a ball...



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WOMBAT WINS

JACKIE FRENCH & BRUCE WHATLEY

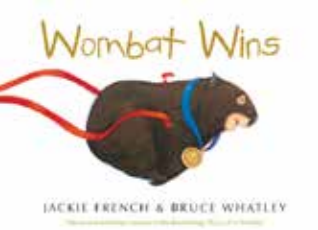
AGES: 3+

Forget Rio and the Olympic Games, for us it will be about Wombat... winning.

October 2015 | 32pp | 210 x 285mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780732299576

Yes, Mothball has become an athlete, albeit a little accidentally. In her never-ending quest for carrots Wombat stumbles upon the children at the local school competing in the school sports. And despite her somewhat limiting physique and lack of training, Mothball manages to go home with a gold medal.

Why puff and pant when you can eat, sleep and scratch?



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GRANDMA WOMBAT

JACKIE FRENCH & BRUCE WHATLEY

AGES: 3+

The latest in the Wombat series, this time about more senior members of the species...

April 2016 | 32pp | 210 x 285mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780732299590

She eats. She sleeps. She scratches.

And like all grandmas, she thinks her grandson is the best behaved baby ever.

But this baby wombat has other ideas...

Created by author Jackie French and illustrator Bruce Whatley, this delightfully funny book celebrates the love and joy that being a grandma can bring.



SEBASTIAN
AND THE
SPECIAL
STACK OF
STORIES

KELLY HIBBERT
& SUE
DEGENNARO

AGES: 4+

Storytime is always
special, but even more
so when Mum is reading
the stack of stories that
Sebastian has collected.

July 2018 | 32pp |
224x218mm | Hardback |
ISBN 9781460753460

Sebastian trots off
at a slow steady speed
with a bundle of books
he'd love someone to read

Where can you find the best spot to hear a story when you're the smallest and the slowest one in a big family? Sebastian knows.

From talented newcomer Kelly Hibbert and award-winning illustrator Sue deGennaro comes the perfect book that celebrates the joy of reading and family.

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THE BUM
BOOK

KATE MAYES &
ANDREW
JOYNER

AGES: 2+

The cheekiest book of the
year!

Shortlisted - 2018 Speech
Pathology Awards

November 2017 | 32pp |
244x244mm | Hardback |
ISBN 9780733332197

This is a book for anyone who has a bum or knows someone with a bum. It's a celebration of my bum and your bum and the whole world's bum.

From bestselling author Kate Mayes and award-winning illustrator Andrew Joyner comes *The Bum Book*, the only book about bums you'll ever need.

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

'Very young children will like all the different bums, older children will think it is hilarious and there is even humour targeted more towards adults. Andrew Joyner's illustrations provide fantastic visual humour as always. This unique dictionary of bums will provide a chuckle for readers of all ages.' - *ReadPlus*

'Toddlers and pre-schoolers will love this book. Actually the whole family will!' - *Amazon*

'One of the best 'little people' books I've seen in a while. Watching a 7 year old read this to his little sister, amid much hilarity, is a winner.' - *Booktopia*

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MUMMY
CUDDLE

KATE MAYES &
SARA ACTON

AGES: 0-2

The very awake bunny
is back ... A book to be
loved and treasured by
children, mothers and
families everywhere.

April 2019 | 32pp |
225x225mm | Hardback
| ISBN 9780733339431

Mummy play?

It's getting late but one little rabbit is wide awake ...

The bestselling creators of *Daddy Cuddle* return with a charming tale of a playful bunny who would rather snuggle than go to bed.

'*Mummy Cuddle* is a truly charming tale of a special bond between mother and child. No doubt this latest edition will be as adored as much as its predecessor. Text and pictures together are simply divine. ONE BIG CUDDLE ALL WRAPPED UP IN A LITTLE BOOK. Highly recommended.' - *CBCA Reading Time magazine*

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DADDY
CUDDLE

KATE MAYES
& SARA
ACTON

AGES: 0-2

An undeniably adorable
picture book for dads
everywhere, from
bestselling author Kate
Mayes and award-winning
illustrator Sara Acton.

August 2015 | 32pp |
225 x 225mm | Paperback |
ISBN 9780733334054

'Daddy up?'

It's early in the morning and one little rabbit is wide awake...

From bestselling author Kate Mayes and award-winning illustrator Sara Acton comes this gorgeous tale of an early riser who just wants to play! A book to be loved and treasured by children and fathers everywhere.

PRAISE

'A graceful dance of words and pictures, tenderly conveying the familiar mismatch between exhausted parents and their eager-eyed children.' - *Publishers Weekly*

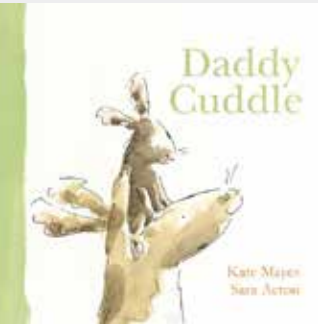
'Luscious artwork accompanies the delightful story.' - *The Washington Post*

'Acton's ink-and-watercolor illustrations are delightfully rough and sketchy, keeping the focus on expressions and body language.' - *Kirkus Review*

This book is such a gentle and joyful little gem.' - *The Little Big Book Club*

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ALSO BY
KATE MAYES:



BUMBLE BUNNIES:
THE POND

GRAEME BASE

AGES: 3+

Brand-new series from the creator of the internationally acclaimed picture book, *Animalia*.

October 2018 | 24pp | 220x220mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460753941

Once upon a time, there were three little white rabbits who were... Superheroes of the Garden. When disaster strikes, fur will fly!

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Graeme’s previous titles, including *Animalia*, *The Eleventh Hour*, *The Waterhole* and others, have been licensed in many territories and languages around the world.



ALSO IN
THE SERIES:



THE HOLE

KERRY BROWN
& LUCIA
MASCIULLO

AGES: 3+

Bestselling Australian picture book creators Kerry Brown and Lucia Masciullo join forces to bring us a brilliant new rhyming adventure, perfect for fans of *The Gruffalo*.

May 2018 | 32pp | 297x210mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733335235

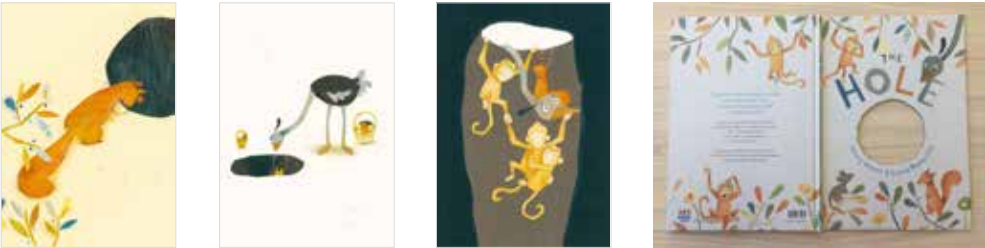
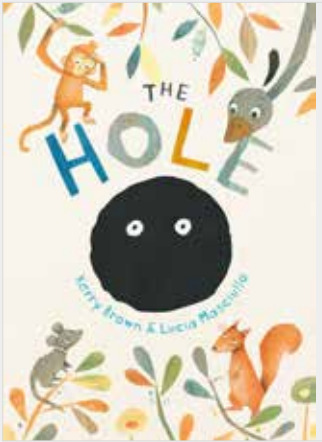
*If you were walking through the woods
and a hole you came upon,
would you stop and take a look?
Or simply carry on?*

One by one, a group of animals come upon a strange black hole in the middle of the woods. What is lurking down below? And is that its tummy rumbling? Read on to find out...

A mysterious, thrilling and funny new adventure.

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I DON'T
WANT TO
GO TO BED

DAVID
CORNISH

AGES: 3+

The perfect book to help bring humour to what can often be a real battleground.

September 2016 | 32pp | 250 x 250mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460750582

Every night when dinner was done, Rollo would cry, “I don’t want to go to bed!”

The sequel to the very funny picture book, *I Don’t Want to Eat My Dinner*, just when Rollo’s parents think they’ve got the food thing sorted, Rollo announces he doesn’t want to go to bed...

From talented author-illustrator David (D.M.) Cornish, comes the perfect bedtime story for sleep-deprived parents.

David wrote and illustrated the very funny *I Don’t Want to Eat My Dinner* and *I Don’t Want to Clean My Teeth* and illustrated *Emu’s Halloween* by Anne Mangan.

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I DON'T
WANT TO
CLEAN MY
TEETH

DAVID
CORNISH

AGES: 3+

The final title about Rollo, who didn’t want to eat his dinner or go to bed – and now he doesn’t want to clean his teeth.

June 2018 | 32pp | 250x250mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460754269

Every morning and every evening, Rollo would cry, ‘I don’t want to clean my teeth!’

Rollo’s family are on track with mealtimes and going to bed, but now Rollo doesn’t want to clean his teeth...

From talented author-illustrator David (D.M.) Cornish comes the perfect book for parents who might need to brush up on their children’s teeth cleaning.

PRAISE FOR *I DON’T WANT TO EAT MY DINNER*

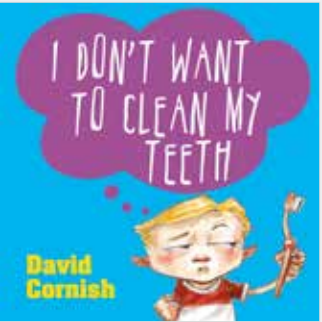
‘If someone had told me that a book could entice my child to eat her dinner, I would have told them they were crazy. However, it did and I owe it all to *I Don’t Want to Eat My Dinner* by David Cornish.’ - *themummyproject.com*

‘Simple text and brightly captivating illustrations will make this book a welcome addition ... It has the added advantage of inspiring the imagination of young children as they conjure alternatives for the food on their plates.’ - *Buzz Words Magazine*

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Rights Licensed (previous titles): David’s international best selling Monster Blood Tattoo series has been published in many territories and languages around the world.



ALSO IN
THE SERIES:



IF I WAS
PRIME
MINISTER

BECK FEINER &
ROBIN FEINER

AGES: 4+

What would you do if
you were the leader
of the country?

July 2018 | 32pp |
285x230mm | Hardback |
ISBN 9780733338953

The Prime Minister’s job is to make our country as good as it can be. But every Prime Minister Australia has ever had has been a grown-up!

What if the grown-ups weren’t in charge? What would kids do if they ran the country?

We could have submarines to scoop garbage out of the sea ... or teach koalas how to do karate... and hang giant rainbows in the sky to make everyone happy.

PRAISE

‘If the future of Australia is with the kids in this book ... we are going to be led by the best. Fun, fantastical, wild and selfless. Visionaries. Love it.’ - *Goodreads*

‘Encourages children to think about what’s important to them for their future and that they themselves can help shape their own world.’ - *Booktopia*

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COVER AND
CONTENT CAN
BE ADAPTED
TO SUIT
DIFFERENT
MARKETS:



MILLIE
LOVES ANTS

JACKIE
FRENCH &
SUE
DEGENNARO

AGES: 4+

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

April 2017 | 32pp |
250x210 mm | Hardback |
ISBN 9781460751787

‘Millie trundles through the trees,

Wildflowers bending in the breeze.

If there’s just a chance of ants,

Millie’s nose will do its dance.’

But just why does Millie the echidna adore ants? Find out in this glorious new picture book from award-winning author and Children’s Laureate Jackie French, and talented illustrator Sue deGennaro.

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.

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IT’S A STORY,
RORY!

FRANCES WATTS
&
DAVID LEGGE

AGES: 4+

It starts with a blank page ...

August 2018 | 48pp |
255x210mm | Hardback |
ISBN 9780733335938

‘Hey, Milly, why are we on this blank page?’

‘It won’t be blank for long. We’re going to be in a STORY, Rory!’

Rory has never been in a story before and he’s not even sure how one works. Luckily, he and his friend Milly have a helpful voice on the page (that’s me, the narrator) to guide them on an amazing adventure as they encounter an exciting plot, spectacular settings and some very funny characters.

So, open the cover and discover how stories are made with the award-winning creators of *Parsley Rabbit’s Book about Books*.

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ALSO BY
FRANCES WATTS
& DAVID LEGGE:



THE ABC
BOOK OF
PLACES TO
GO

HELEN
MARTIN,
JUDITH
SIMPSON &
CHERYL ORSINI

AGES: 2-6

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

February 2017 | 32pp |
225 x 285mm | Hardback |
ISBN 9780733334283

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.

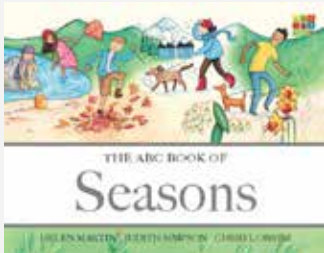
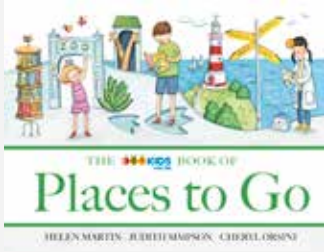
An adventurous book that is a delightful introduction to the world beyond our backyard.

PRAISE

‘Will delight and engage young children’ - *EssentialBaby.com.au* on The ABC Book of ... series

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ALSO IN THE SERIES:



MY FRIEND ERNEST

EMMA ALLEN & HANNAH SOMMERVILLE

AGES: 3+

It’s the first day of school and Oscar is trying hard to be brave. Oscar’s mum feels sure he will make lots of friends, but Oscar isn’t so sure, particularly when Ernest seems so mean and scary. But is he really?

February 2016 | 32pp | 244 x 244mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460750537

It’s the first day of school and Oscar is trying hard to be brave. Oscar’s mum feels sure he will make lots of friends, but Oscar isn’t so sure, particularly when Ernest seems so mean and scary.

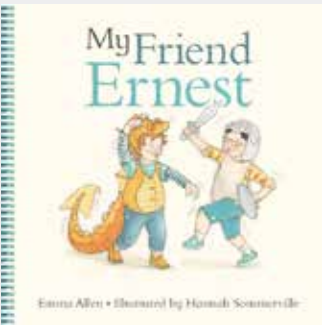
But is he really?

From talented picture book creators, award winning Emma Allen and talented new illustrator Hannah Sommerville, comes a book about the joy of making friends.

Emma Allen’s debut book The Terrible Suitcase (Scholastic) won the 2013 CBCA Book of the Year: Early Childhood and was shortlisted for the WA Premier’s Literary Awards. Emma worked as a paediatric speech language therapist for many years and is now studying for a PhD in Creative Writing. Emma lives in Canberra.

Hannah Sommerville is an emerging children’s book illustrator whose first book was Chasing Shadows by Corinne Fenton (Ford Street Publishing, 2013). Hannah lives in Milton, NSW.

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GWENDOLYN!

JULIETTE MACIVER & TERRI ROSE BAYNTON

AGES: 2–5

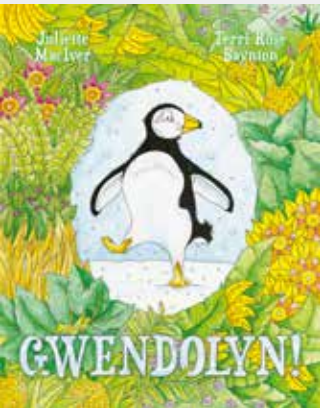
A PENGUIN in the JUNGLE?

November 2016 | 32pp | 280x220mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733335174

In the jungle there are jaguars, monkeys and parrots aplenty, but there are no penguins. None at all. Because penguins do not live in the jungle, except for... GWENDOLYN!

A story about friendship, adventure and finding your home. Juliette MacIver is a former musician who lives in Wellington, New Zealand. Her previous picture books include *Marmaduke Duck* and *the Marmalade Jam* (shortlisted for the NZ Post Children’s Book Awards) and *Queen Alice’s Palaces*.

Terri Rose Baynton lives in the beautiful seaside town of Waihi Beach, New Zealand, amongst good friends, warm waves and a menagerie of animals. She is a scriptwriter and storyliner for children’s television, working with Weta Productions on *Jane and the Dragon* and *The Wotwots*, alongside her father, *Wotwots* creator Martin Baynton.



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ALL MY KISSES

KERRY BROWN & JEDDA ROBAARD

AGES: 2+

A picture book that would melt even the hardest heart...

This irresistibly cute story is about a little pig who receives too many kisses – and what she decides to do with the overflow!

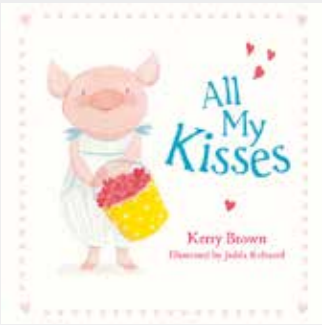
June 2014 | 32pp | 244 x 244mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733330711

Abby was very kissable. Every night she would be kissed. Once on the end of her nose. Twice on her forehead. And countless times all over the bottom of her feet...

Abby adores her kisses so much that she keeps them all safe in a special bucket. They’re too precious to pass around at Show and Tell. And too fragile to send to Grandma for her birthday. But what happens to kisses when they’re not shared

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WHATCHA BUILDING?

ANDREW DADDO & STEPHEN MICHAEL KING

AGES: 3+

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

June 2017 | 32pp | 230x280mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733334153

The old café 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...

Stephen Michael King’s wonderful use of collage with the illustration, beautifully reflects the environmental and sustainable themes in the book. A charming story with an important message at its heart.

‘A fantastic new offering from two remarkable talents in the world of picture books, Andrew Daddo and Stephen Michael King. Kids have a natural fascination with how things are made. They love seeing tools and machines digging, cutting, banging and creating. And most of all, they dream about using those tools themselves to build something amazing.’ – Sarah Wallace, Kid’s Book Review

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WHEN I GROW UP

ANDREW DADDO & JONATHAN BENTLEY

AGES: 4+

What do you want to be when you grow up?

The answers are sure to entertain and amuse parents and kids alike!

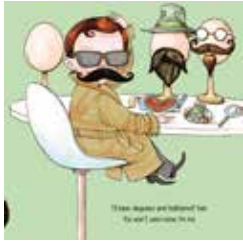
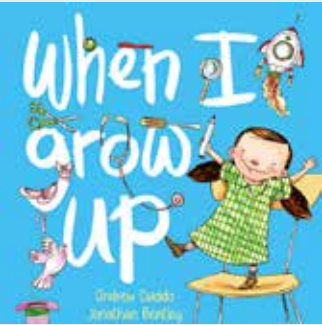
December 2015 | 32pp | 244 x 244mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733333415

‘Alright class, today’s question is, when I grow up I want to be a – what?’

When the teacher asks her class what they want to be the answers range from the hilarious to the baffling to the beautiful. But what’s the best thing to be?

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FIRST DAY

ANDREW DADDO & JONATHAN BENTLEY

AGES: 4+

A delightful picture book about starting school, with a clever twist all parents will relate to!

December 2013 | 32pp | 244 x 244mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733331206

Are you ready?

It'll be fun. You'll meet new friends. New BFFs!

You might have to be a bit brave...

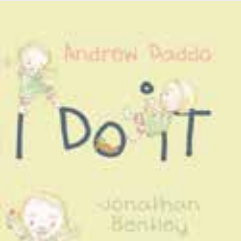
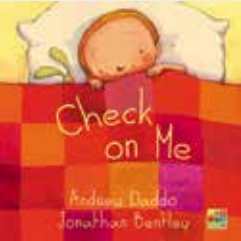
It’s the first day at school. But who is the most nervous about the big day?

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ALSO IN THE SERIES:



CHEEKY MONKEY

EMMA QUAY

AGES: 3-5

Re-release of the bestselling, award-winning children’s picture book.

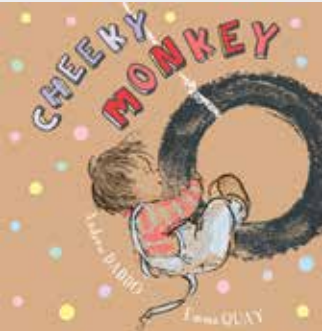
December 2010 | 32pp | 244x244 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733328398

From the team who created the award-winning *Good Night, Me* comes this captivating picture book. Emma Quay’s delightful and warm illustrations of a family moving through their day bring to life all the funny and silly names we call our children: cheeky monkey, lucky duck, sweet pea, silly billy and more.

Simply delightful.

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SCARLETT, STARLET

EMMA QUAY

AGES: 2+

May 2015 | 32pp | 244 x 244mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733331589

Scarlett loved to dance, and her house was always filled with rhythm.

Her parents would clap along, and Little Jazzy Jo-Jo’s paws would tap-tap-tap in time.

But when Scarlett’s dreams of dancing on a real stage finally come true, will she find her own rhythm?

Will she shine like a star?

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SHRIEKING VIOLET

EMMA QUAY

AGES: 2+

June 2016 | 32pp | 230x252 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733335075

You know, the smallest person can make the most noise. Meet my sister, Violet! Violet shouts the loudest, but that doesn’t make her the star.

A warm and funny peek at family life from award-winning author-illustrator Emma Quay.

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NOT A CLOUD IN THE SKY

EMMA QUAY

AGES: 3+

June 2014 | 32pp | 297x210 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733332678

Bird had been flying for such a long time. Sometimes everything looked the same all over. Nothing different. Nothing at all. Apart from the odd cloud... A beautiful picture book about how finding a friend can change the shape of a day.

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RUDIE NUDIE

EMMA QUAY

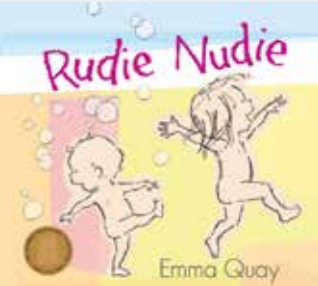
AGES: 2+

July 2014 | 24pp | 230x252 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733331732

One, two Rudie Nudie, Rudie Nudie in the bath...’ Emma Quay captures all the joy and energy of childhood in this irresistible rhyming tale. With its charming illustrations and lively text, *Rudie Nudie* is destined to become an instant family favourite! Winner of the Australian Book Industry Awards 2012.

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WHERE DOES
A GIRAFFE
GO TO BED?

CRAIG
MACLEAN

AGES:2+

The bedtime book sequel
to the delightful *What
Noise Comes from a
Giraffe?*

May 2018 | 32pp |
244x244mm | Hardback |
ISBN 9781460752272

When it needs to rest a bird naps in a nest.

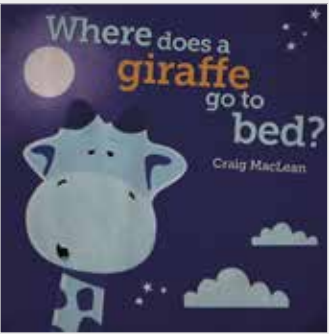
But where does a giraffe go to bed?

Author-illustrator Craig MacLean follows up his delightful debut *What Noise Comes from a Giraffe?* with a book that is sure to become a favourite at bedtime.

Perfect for the curious preschooler – now that we know what kind of noise giraffes make, let’s find out where they go to sleep.

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WHAT NOISE
COMES
FROM A
GIRAFFE?

CRAIG
MACLEAN

AGES: 2+

May 2016 | 32pp |
244x244mm | Hardback |
ISBN 9781460752234

‘We all know it’s true, that a cow says, ‘Moo!’

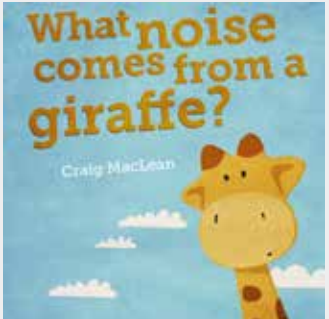
But what noise comes from a giraffe?’

From talented debut author illustrator Craig MacLean comes a fresh and funny picture book that is sure to delight young children as they discover just what noise a giraffe makes...

Craig MacLean is a graphic designer/art director turned filmmaker. He owns a production company called Mr Smith that specializes in TV commercials and online content. Craig lives in Melbourne.

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ARMISTICE
RUTH STARKE
& DAVID
KENNETT

AGES: 10+

An original book on a
tumultuous time in
world history.

March 2018 | 44pp |
260x270mm | Hardback |
ISBN 9781921504914

On 11 November 1918, after four years of fighting, the Allied powers signed an agreement with Germany to end the Great War and to begin peace negotiations. The armistice, as it was known, took effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. But it would take more than seven months before peace would finally be declared at Versailles on 28 June 1919. The Great War was over. But the world as it had been known was changed forever.

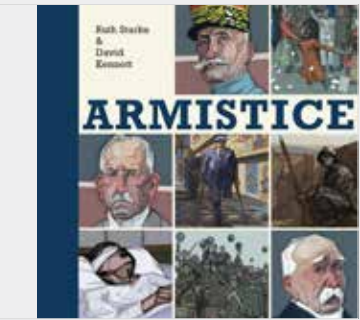
In this companion to the award-winning My Gallipoli, many voices will recall the day the Great War ended and the months that followed before peace rang out around the world.

Armistice will bring these stories to life and is published to commemorate the 100th anniversary since the fighting stopped.

Ruth Starke is one of South Australia’s most successful children’s writers, with over 20 titles published since she began writing in 1992. Many of them have won or been shortlisted for national awards.

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CLARRIE’S
PIG DAY OUT
JEN STORER
& SUE
DEGENNARO

AGES: 3+

A very funny picture book
about farmer Clarrie who
gets his worms – no, his
words! – mixed up.

March 2016 | 32pp |
297 x 210mm | Hardback |
ISBN 9780733334443

Clarrie is a farmer who loves his chickens and his dog, Bert. Clarrie also gets his worms, no! he means his words, mixed up.

So when Clarrie and Bert head out in his jar, whoops, he means car, it turns out to be a day filled with fun and surprises.

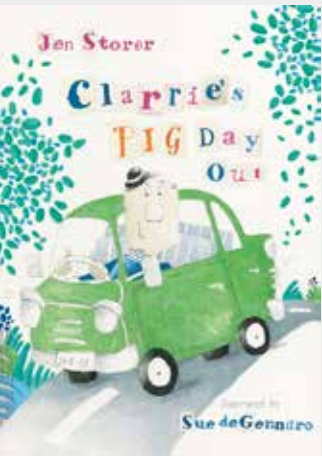
Young children will love seeing how Clarrie mixes up his words – and will enjoy correcting them, as well!

Jen Storer is the author of the bestselling and very popular *Truly Tan* series. Her fantasy novel *Tensy Farlow and the Home for Mislaid Children* was shortlisted for the 2011 CBCA Book of the Year. Jen is also the author of *The Fourteenth Summer of Angus Jack*, and she lives in Melbourne.

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*.

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HELLO
LITTLE
BABIES

ALISON LESTER

AGES: 0-2

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.

December 2016 | 24pp | 235x275mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733330414

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

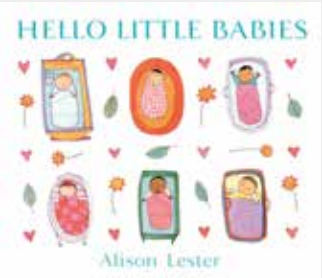
The perfect book for new bubs and new parents, Alison Lester’s *Hello Little Babies* rejoices in all those wonderful moments in the first year of a baby’s life.

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?* She 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.

Alison’s work has been published in many languages, and sold in many territories internationally.

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NOMAX!
SHANNON
HORSFALL

AGES: 3+

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

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

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

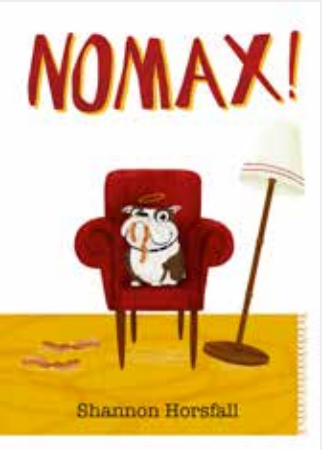
From the author of *Was Not Me*, comes another very funny book about life – as Max the dog sees it.

PRAISE

‘Great fun for parents to share with pre-school kids.’ - *Reading Time*

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.

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MY BROTHER
DEE, TIFFANY &
OLIVER HUXLEY

AGES: 8+

A metaphorical picture book story for older children that looks at loss and grief from a sibling’s perspective.

Shortlisted for the CBCA Picture Book of the Year 2017

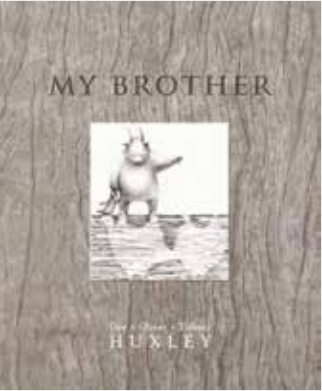
April 2016 | 32pp | 280x230mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781921504853

When a gentle creature sets out to find a lost brother, the quest follows an ethereal journey across lands and seas to strange, beautiful and faraway places.

Dee Huxley has been illustrating picture books for many years and is now one of the most popular and well-known illustrators in Australia. Dee studied design and craft at the National Art School, East Sydney. After graduating she taught visual arts in secondary schools in Australia and London, and later worked as a graphic designer for television. A freelance illustrator since 1976, her work is displayed in galleries nationally and internationally. Three of her books, *Mr. Nick’s Knitting* (1989), *Rain Dance* (2001), and *You and Me Our Place* (2008) were short-listed for the Children’s Book Council of Australia Picture Book of the Year Award.

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WAS NOT
ME!
SHANNON
HORSFALL

AGES: 3+

A very funny book about a cheeky twin brother, ‘Not Me’. Sure to delight pre-schoolers – and their exasperated parents!

July 2016 | 32pp | 297x210mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460752463

‘I have a naughty twin brother who only I see, A cheeky twin brother. His name is Not Me.’

From talented debut author illustrator Shannon Horsfall, comes a playful, funny and charming book about a young boy who escapes getting into trouble with his mother by declaring, ‘No, was Not Me.’

PRAISE

‘A delightful, funny story that children will love.’ - *Kidtown*

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THE MAGIC BOOKSHOP

NATALIE JANE PRIOR & CHERYL ORSINI

AGES: 4+

Anything can happen at the magic bookshop ...

October 2018 | 48pp | 265x190mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733338328

On rainy afternoons, when it’s too wet to play outside after school, Ben goes to his grandfather’s bookshop. But with secret doors and passages, and tigers under the floorboards, there’s much more going on at the magic bookshop than Ben bargains for.

A wonderful collection of new stories from the bestselling creators of *The Fairy Dancers* and *The Tales of Mrs Mancini*.

Natalie Jane Prior has won an array of awards for her wonderful books, many of which have been published around the world. Natalie lives in Brisbane with her husband and daughter, where she works as a full-time writer.

Cheryl Orsini is the much-loved illustrator of *The Fairy Dancers* and *The Tales of Mrs Mancini*. She has illustrated more than 30 children’s books, and her work regularly appears in magazines and exhibitions.

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THE TALES OF MRS MANCINI

NATALIE JANE PRIOR & CHERYL ORSINI

AGES: 4+

A gorgeous new illustrated storybook from the bestselling creators of *The Fairy Dancers*.

November 2016 | 48pp | 265x190 mm | ISBN 9780733335655

The Tales of Mrs Mancini tells the story of a cat who, together with her human friend, Filippina, runs a cake shop full of delectable treats. Alongside her flair for flan, Mrs Mancini also has a special ability to bring lonely children together.

A collection of three fully-illustrated stories celebrating friands and friendship.

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THE FAIRY DANCERS 2: DANCING DAYS

NATALIE JANE PRIOR & CHERYL ORSINI

AGES: 4+

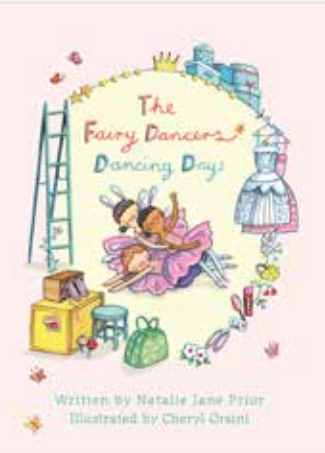
Join Mia, Emma and Grace in their most magical dancing adventures ever!

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

There’s a fairy ring at the bottom of the garden, and the fairy dancers are wishing hard for dancing days. Join Mia, Emma and Grace in their most magical dancing adventures ever! The stories will once again appeal to every ballet-loving little girl.

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THE FAIRY DANCERS

NATALIE JANE PRIOR & CHERYL ORSINI

AGES: 4+

For every little girl who loves to dance, comes this lavishly illustrated storybook from award winning author Natalie Jane Prior and much-loved illustrator Cheryl Orsini.

October 2015 | 48pp | 230 x 163mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733333576

Every Saturday, with a hop, a skip and a magical twirl, Mia, Emma and Grace turn into... fairy dancers! Enter their enchanted world of fun, friendship, fairy wings and dancing.

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STANLEY
COLIN
THOMPSON

AGES: 2-5

From the creator of
Fearless comes a new
canine tale.

March 2016 | 32pp |
270x240mm | Hardback |
ISBN 9780733332852

‘It was very quiet in Stanley’s house. There were no brothers or sisters, no dads or grannies, not even a cat, a budgie or a goldfish.’

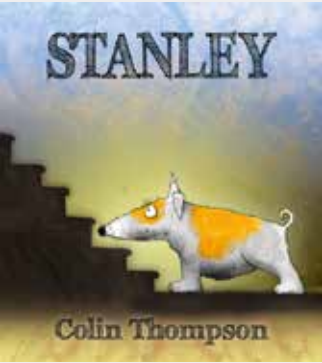
Stanley lives with his human, Gerald, and Gerald’s mum. Life is peaceful, but sometimes Stanley feels quite lonely...

But then one day another dog steals his favourite red rubber ball at his park, and sets in motion a chain of events that will change Stanley’s life forever.

Colin Thompson is an internationally renowned author and illustrator who has won many awards for his words and pictures. In 2007, his book DUST was awarded Honour Book in the Children’s Book Council Awards, and his 2009 picture book FEARLESS was a CBCA shortlisted title and a kids’ choice award winner.

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FEARLESS
SONS AND
DAUGHTER

COLIN
THOMPSON
& SARAH
DAVIS

AGES: 4+

Awards for Fearless:
Winner, CBCA Junior
Judges Children’s Choice
Award, Picture Book,
2010; Winner, KOALA
Award, Picture Book,
2010; Winner, YABBA
Award, Picture Book,
2010; Winner, COOL
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2010; Winner, KROC
Award, Picture Book, 2010

February 2015 | 32pp |
210 x 297mm | Hardback |
ISBN 9780733330872

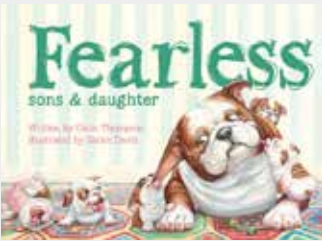
In *Fearless in Love*, Fearless met Primrose, and it was love at first sight...

Now Fearless and Primrose have puppies. While most of the litter go to good families, Fearless Jnr stays home with Mum and Dad.

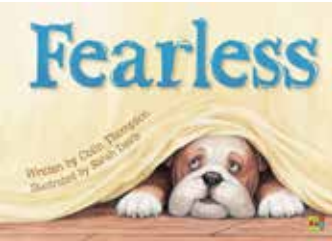
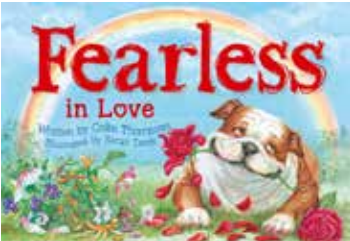
But unlike his dad, Fearless Jnr isn’t afraid of anything... until he gets in over his head. It’s Fearless to the rescue! But can a bulldog who’s scared of everything save his son?

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ALSO IN
THE SERIES:



PEAS AND
QUIET

GABRIELLE
TOZER & SUE
DEGENNARO

AGES: 4+

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

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

Pip loves to sing, while Pop won’t stop snoring. How are they ever going to work out how to live together?

From award-winning author Gabrielle Tozer and illustrator Sue deGennaro comes the perfect book about friendship and learning how to get along.

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*.

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DANNY DA
VINCI AND
THE SECRET
OF THE
MONA LISA

BRUCE
WHATLEY &
ROSIE SMITH

AGES: 4+

An artistic adventure
that celebrates the
extraordinary life of
Leonardo da Vinci from
talented duo Rosie Smith
and Bruce Whatley.

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

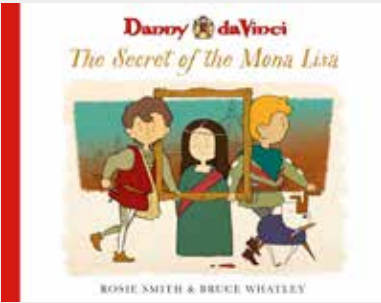
Danny da Vinci and his best friend Mick Angelo are adventurers – artistic adventurers – who share a passion for painting and sculpture.

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!

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.

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FLUKE

LESLEY GIBBES &
MICHELLE
DAWSON

AGES: 3+

Beautifully captures the excitement, joy and awe of a historical event.

Shortlisted - 2018 Environment Award for Children’s Literature

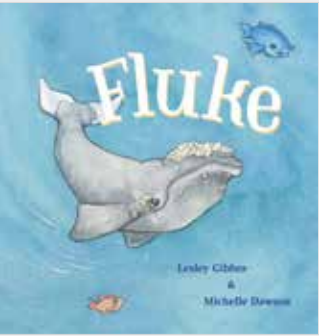
August 2017 | 32pp | 250x240mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781921504891

In 2012, a southern right whale gave birth to a calf in Sydney Harbour. It was only the third time in recorded history that a southern right whale had been born in the harbour, and the people of Sydney were entranced.

The story of *Fluke* is based on these events.

Lesley Gibbes is the author of CBCA Early Childhood Book Of The Year Honour Book, *Scary Night*, CBCA Notable Book, *Little Bear’s First Sleep*, *Bring a Duck*, *Quick as a Wink* *Fairy Pink*, *Bouncing, Bouncing Little Joeys* and the hilarious CBCA Notable Book series *Fizz*, illustrated by Stephen Michael King.

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NANNIE LOVES

KYLIE
DUNSTAN

AGES: 3+

Shortlisted for the 2017 CBCA Picture Book of the Year.

April 2016 | 32pp | 290x220mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781921504839

Nannie lives on a farm with rolling hills, a muddy creek, and lots of animals. Nannie loves her farm. But what Nannie loves most is when her family comes to stay. Kylie Dunstan’s simple, warm text and colourful collage illustrations make *Nannie Loves* a delightful picture book to read and explore.

Kylie Dunstan is an award-winning author and illustrator of children’s picture books. Her first book *Collecting Colour* won the CBCA Picture Book of the Year in 2009. She has since written and illustrated six more books.

Kylie now lives in Chicago with her partner and two girls.

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THE NOSE PIXIES

DAVID HUNT
& LUCIA
MASCIULLO

AGES: 4-8

The hilarious debut picture book from the award-winning author of *Girt*. This is a book with a grossness that kids will love, and a message parents will adore.

August 2016 | 32pp | 275x225mm | Hardback | ISBN 97807333334870

The wickedly funny, deliciously clever picture book debut from David Hunt with illustrations by award-winning artist Lucia Masciullo.

Oliver has a bad habit. A very bad habit.

He just can’t keep his fingers out of his nose, which is a big problem for the tiny pixies who mine his ‘nose gold’ to keep their cities running.

The Nose Pixies return to their kingdom with empty handkerchiefs night after night. And unless their luck changes, they’ll be out of a job... or worse!

David Hunt is the bestselling author of *Girt*, which won the 2014 Indie Award for Non-Fiction and was shortlisted for the NSW Premier’s Literary Awards and the ABIAs.

Lucia Masciullo grew up in Livorno, Tuscany. In 2006 she moved to Queensland and since then has become a much loved, award winning Australian illustrator. Her books include *The Boy and the Toy*, *Come Down, Cat* and *The Wild One* and *Olive of Groves*.

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THE AMAZING TRUE STORY OF HOW BABIES ARE MADE

FIONA
KATAUSKAS

AGES: 4+

The go-to book for parents wanting help with THAT talk...

August 2015 | 32pp | 244x244mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733333880

It’s one of the most amazing stories ever told and it’s true!

Funny, frank and embarrassment free, *The Amazing Story of How Babies are Made* gives a fresh take on the incredible tale of where we all come from.

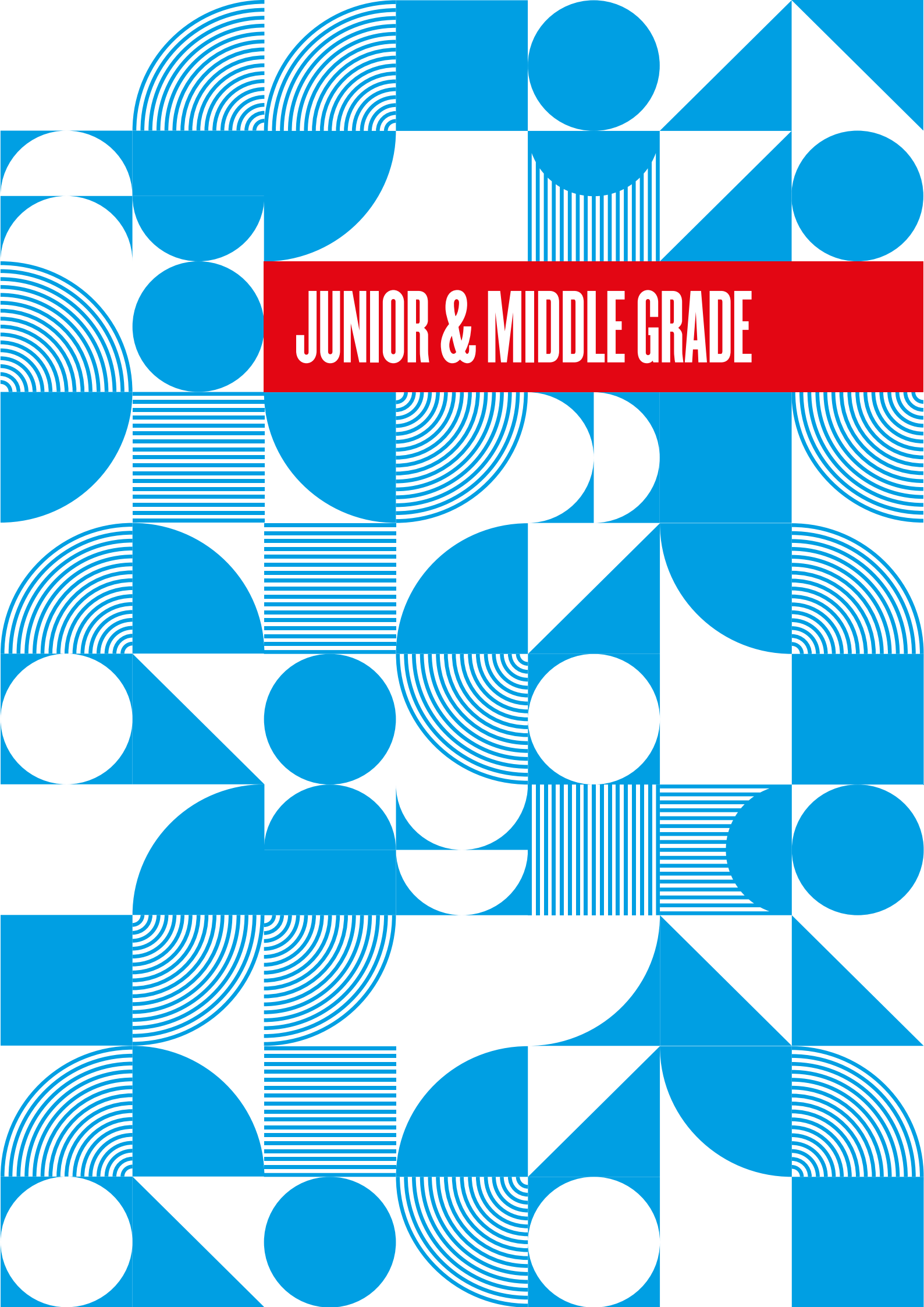
Fiona Katauskas is a cartoonist and illustrator based in Sydney. Her work has appeared in a wide range of publications, including the *Sydney Morning Herald*, *The Australian*, *The Age*. She has also designed cards for the Ink Group and T shirts for Mambo.

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COMING SOON - AMAZING ANIMATION!
PRODUCED BY THE CORDELL JIGSAW ZAPRUDER,
TO BE RELEASED WORLDWIDE



JUNIOR & MIDDLE GRADE

JUNIOR & MIDDLE

HIS NAME WAS WALTER

EMILY RODDA

AGES: 9+

From Australia’s favourite storyteller comes a story, within a story, that shows us the extraordinary power of true love and solves a decades-old mystery.

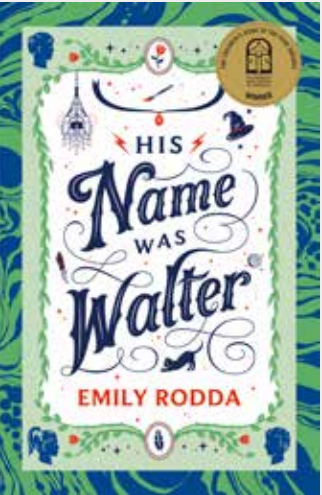
August 2018 | 288pp | 198x128mm | Hardback | ISBN 9781460756188

Once upon a time, in a dark city far away, there lived a boy called Walter, who had nothing but his name to call his own ...

The handwritten book, with its strangely vivid illustrations, has been hidden in the old house for a long, long time. Tonight, four kids and their teacher will find it. Tonight, at last, the haunting story of Walter and the mysterious, tragic girl called Sparrow will be read – right to the very end ...

From one of Australia’s most renowned children’s authors comes an extraordinary story within a story – a mystery, a prophecy, a long-buried secret. And five people who will remember this night for the rest of their lives.

‘Another magnificent book from Emily Rodda’ – *Readings*
‘Imaginative and creative readers will be entranced’ – *Junior Books+Publishing* ★★★★★



AWARDS

- Winner - 2019 Australian Book Design Awards (Children’s Fiction Book)
- Winner - 2019 CBCA Book of the Year Awards (Younger Readers)
- Shortlisted - 2019 Davitt Awards (Children’s)
- Shortlisted - 2018 Aurealis Awards (Best Young Adult Novel)
- Shortlisted - 2019 Prime Minister’s Literary Awards

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THE SHOP AT HOOPERS BEND

EMILY RODDA

AGES: 8+

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.

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

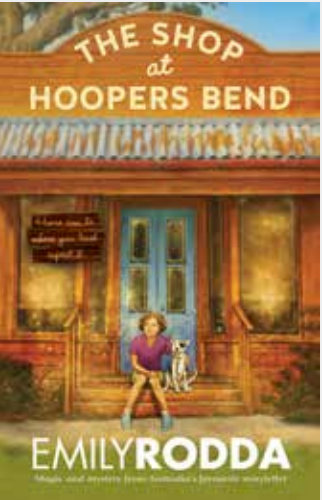
When Quil Medway gets on the train, she thinks she knows where and how her journey will end. At camp. With another school holiday spent surrounded by people, but feeling alone.

Quil doesn’t know how wrong she is. She doesn’t know anything about the shop at Hoopers Bend. Or a bitter, prickly woman called Bailey Or a little black and white dog who at this very moment is chewing through a rope so he’ll be free to answer a call that only he can hear.

She doesn’t know about the magic.

‘Rodda is a master Storyteller... this is a beautiful, compelling story’ – Books+Publishing ★★★★★

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.



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Rights Licensed (previous titles): Bestselling author, Emily Rodda’s work has sold in the millions globally, with over 15 million copies sold of her *Deltora Quest* series. It has been published in Australia, New Zealand, the USA, Canada, Japan, Italy, Brazil, China, the Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Indonesia, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Serbia, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey and the UK

MELODY TRUMPET

GABRIELLE TOZER

AGES: 8+

For Melody Trumpet, it’s about finding the extraordinary in ‘ordinary’.

February 2019 | 256pp | 198x128mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460754979

As the daughter of global music superstars, Melody Trumpet was supposed to be extraordinary – a melodic genius to carry on the Trumpet legacy.

But, as was discovered when Melody screamed her first out-of-tune note as a baby, this wasn’t to be.

Ten years on, Melody is still kept away from the world in Trumpet Manor.

If only secrets could stay hidden ...

PRAISE

‘Sassy and fun, *Melody Trumpet* is filled with friendship, heart and humour.’ – Deb Abela, award-winning author of *The Most Marvellous Spelling Bee Mystery*

‘This is a fun, well-written story about finding your voice for readers aged seven to 10 years old’ – *Books+Publishing* ★★★★★

‘Talented Australian author Gabrielle Tozer has delivered an action packed read that 10+ readers will love.’ – *Better Reading*

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THE GIRL, THE DOG AND THE WRITER IN ROME

KATRINA NANNESTAD

AGES: 8–12

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

‘An absolute delight to read, with lots of charming and quirky characters ... The mini world that author Katrina Nannestad has created is every child’s dream’ - *Better Reading*

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

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.

Katrina Nannestad is an award-winning Australian author. Her books include *The Girl Who Brought Mischief*, the Girl, the Dog and the Writer series, the Olive of Groves series, the Red Dirt Diaries series, the Lottie Perkins series and Bungalow Creek. She celebrates family, friendship and belonging in her books. She also loves writing stories that make children laugh.

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ALSO IN THE SERIES:



FUNNY KID FOR PRESIDENT

MATT STANTON

AGES: 8-12

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.

‘Humour is injected into every page’ - *Children’s Book Council of Australia’s Reading Time*

‘Absolutely hilarious’ - *Tim Harris, author of the Exploding Endings series*

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



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 930,000 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 launched his much-anticipated middle grade series, *Funny Kid*, around the world in 2017.

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SWEET ADVERSITY

SHERYL GWYTHYR

AGES: 10+

Pippi Longstockings meets Anne of Green Gables.

July 2018 | 304pp | 198x128mm |Paperback | ISBN 9781460755105

In 1928, the McAllisters leave their daughter Addie at the Emu Swamp Children’s Home, fully intending to return and collect her.

Coming from a family theatrical background, Addie is a talented actor and singer, but unbeknownst to her the villainous theatrical agent Scrimshaw has heard Addie sing. Scrimshaw now wants to add her to his next money-making venture, but when he turns up at Emu Swamp to collect his prize, Scrimshaw finds she’s run away. Together with Macbeth, her Shakespeare-quoting cockatiel, Addie is about to embark on an adventure of a lifetime.

‘Adversity McAllister is theatrical, kind, smart as a whip and oh so brave. I want her to be my best friend.’ – Katrina Nannestad

Sheryl Gwyther is an award-winning author from Brisbane, Australia. Her first children’s novel, *Secrets of Eromanga* was published in 2006. Sheryl’s awards include two Australian Society of Authors’ Mentorships, two May Gibbs Children’s Literature Trust Fellowship Residencies; and a 2015 Work-of-Outstanding-Progress Grant from SCBWI International (the first non-American to win) for her manuscript, *Sweet Adversity*.

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FART
MONSTER
AND ME:
THE CRASH
LANDING

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MATT STANTON

AGES: 5-7

The chapter books your
reluctant reader will actually
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May 2018 | 64pp |
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Is it a bird?

Is it a plane?

Are those clouds shaped like bottoms?!

Nothing exciting has ever happened in Ben Dugan’s
backyard. That is, until something crash-lands from the
biggest and smelliest storm cloud in the sky!

In one split second, Ben’s life changes forever...

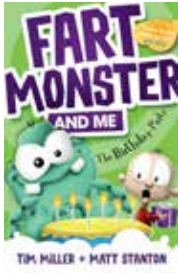
Fart Monster and Me is the hilarious new series from
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ALSO IN
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LOTTIE
PERKINS,
FASHION
DESIGNER

KATRINA
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MAKOTO KOJI

AGES: 5+

‘So Much to Love!’ –
Total Girl

December 2018 | 64pp |
198x128mm | Paperback |
ISBN 9780733339080

Our class is learning the three times table.

But I’m not listening. I’m designing a dress.

A fabulous dress for Mrs Dawson.

*My name’s Charlotte, but you can call me Lottie. I’m a fashion
designer. At least, that’s my thing this week.*

Charlotte Perkins is seven years old and can’t wait to grow up
– if only she could decide what she wanted to be! Luckily, no
dream is too big for little Lottie Perkins!

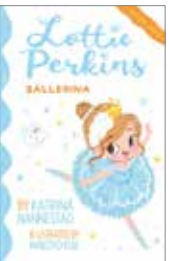
Emerging readers will fall in love with this adorable and
collectable new series from award-winning Australian
author Katrina Nannestad. Includes super-cute illustrations
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ALSO IN
THE SERIES:



WITHERING-
BY-SEA

JUDITH
ROSSELL

AGES: 8-12

A Victorian fantasy
adventure, perfect for
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Winner - 2015 Indie
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November 2014 | 304pp |
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High on a cliff above the gloomy coastal town of Withering-
by-Sea stands the Hotel Majestic. Inside the walls of the
damp, dull hotel, eleven-year-old orphan Stella Montgomery
leads a miserable life with her three dreadful Aunts.

But one night, Stella sees something she shouldn’t have...
Something that will set in motion an adventure more terrifying
and more wonderful than she could ever have hoped for...

From hugely talented Judith Rossell comes a thrilling
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WORMWOOD
MIRE

JUDITH
ROSSELL

AGES: 8-12

The much-anticipated
sequel to the most talked
about Australian children’s
novel of 2015!

Winner - 2017 Davitt
Awards

Notable Book - 2017
Children’s Book Council of
Australia Awards

November 2016 | 304pp |
198 x 128mm | Hardback |
ISBN 9780733333019

When Stella Montgomery returned to the Hotel Majestic
cold and wet but exhilarated by adventure, the Aunts were
furious.

Now they are sending Stella away to the old family home
at Wormwood Mire, where she must live with two strange
cousins and their governess.

But within the overgrown grounds of the mouldering house,
dark secrets slither and skulk, and soon Stella must be brave
once more if she’s to find out who – or what – she really is...

From bestselling writer illustrator Judith Rossell comes the
thrilling and magical sequel to her multi-award-winning
novel, *Withering-by-Sea*.

PRAISE

A gratifying continuation of Stella’s story’ - *Kirkus Reviews*

Judith has written 11 books and illustrated more than 80.
Her have been published in the UK, the USA and have
been translated into more than 10 languages. Judith lives
in Melbourne with a cat the size of a Walrus.

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WAKESTONE HALL

JUDITH ROSSELL

AGES: 9+

The magical conclusion to Stella’s award-winning story.

November 2018 | 280pp | 198x128mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733338205

Stella Montgomery is in disgrace. The Aunts have sent her to Wakestone Hall, a grim boarding school where the disobedient are tamed and the wilful are made meek. But when a friend disappears, Stella is determined to find her – no matter the danger ...

Soon Stella is thrown deeper into the mysteries of Wakestone ... and her own past. Will Stella save her friend in time? And will she discover – at long last – where she truly belongs?

Bestselling author-illustrator Judith Rossell returns with the breathtaking final adventure in this award-winning and beloved series.

Withering-by-Sea won the 2015 Indie Awards Book of the Year (Children’s & YA); the ABIA Book of the Year (Older Children) and the 2015 Davitt Award. It was also a CBCA 2015 Honour Book.

Wormwood Mire won the 2017 Davitt Award and was a CBCA 2017 Notable Book.

Wakestone Hall won the 2019 Davitt Award for Best Children’s Crime Novel.

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A GARDEN OF LILIES

JUDITH ROSSELL

AGES: 9+

An Illustrated alphabet of startling cautionary tales for the discerning young reader.

December 2017 | 64pp | 198x128mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733338229

Children, listen and take heed,
As this little book you read.
All your evil ways amend,
Or you will meet a dreadful end.

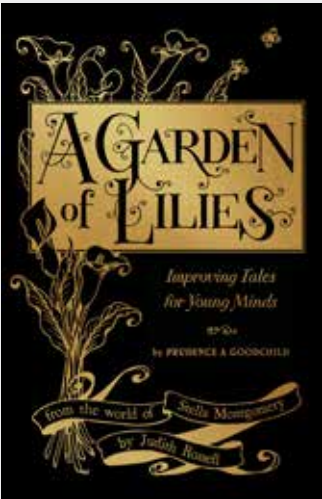
From the bestselling world of Stella Montgomery comes an illustrated alphabet of startling cautionary tales for the discerning young reader.

Filled with uncommon facts for the novice conversationalist, prudent advice for house and garden, and rigorous lessons in etiquette and manners, *A Garden of Lilies* will transform any wayward child into the very picture of Victorian decorum and grace.

PRAISE

‘From the black hardcover with the title debossed in gold, surrounded by a bouquet of lilies to the marbled endpapers and detailed sketches of Victorian life, this is a visual delight’ - *ReadPlus.com*

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TRULY TAN: BAFFLED

JEN STORER

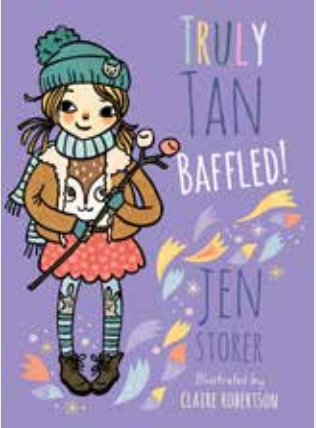
AGES 8+

‘*Truly Tan: Baffled!* was like going into a lolly shop for three hours – that’s how good this book was’ – Ellie, age 11

‘Utterly blooming with possibility and adventure’ - *Junior Books+Publishing, four-star review*

‘This is great reading for children from early to middle primary school. We need more of Tan.’ - *CBCA Reading Time*

October 2018 | 288pp | 185x135mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733334139



It is winter in Peppercorn Valley and Tan and her very best friend Gloria go to a bonfire. At school. At night. They also go on a lantern walk and spy on Journeys End.

Journeys End is the creepiest house in Peppercorn Valley. And the old ladies who live there have painted weird symbols all over the outside walls.

What could the symbols mean? And is the house haunted and if so, are the old ladies in danger?

Tan has a hunch they are, but this mystery is complicated and she is baffled!

Jen Storer is the author of the bestselling Truly Tan series. *Truly Tan: Jinxed* was named CBCA Notable Book in 2014, and the series has been shortlisted and awarded for several children’s choice and book awards.

Her novel *Tensy Farlow and the Home for Mislaid Children* was shortlisted for the Prime Minister’s Literary Awards and the 2011 CBCA Book of the Year. Jen is also the author of *The Fourteenth Summer of Angus Jack* and *Danny Best: Full On*.

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ALSO IN THE SERIES:



DANNY BEST: ME FIRST!

JEN STORER

AGES: 7+

The third book in a hilarious series about a LEGEND named Danny Best. Best by name, Best by reputation.

‘If there’s a message in this book it’s this: kids like having fun when they read. Let them. A daft, diverting new series for kids 7 and up.’ - *Readings on Danny Best: Full On!*

February 2018 | 320pp | 190x153 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733333354

Danny Best is always first.
First to wrestle a wild pig.
First to swim with crocodiles.
First to eat the eyeballs of a dead yak.

If the challenge is EPIC, Danny will be first. Read this book. It’s filled with four AWESOME stories, each one about Danny Best. So you’ll be impressed.

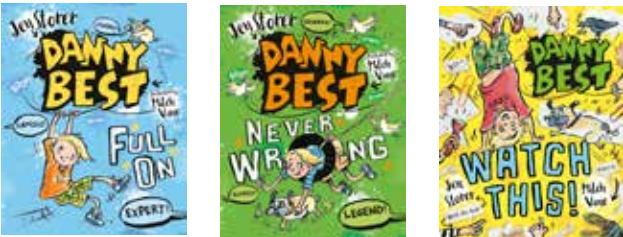
‘*Danny Best: Me First!* is a high octane and wild adventure ride that rolls along at a relentless pace.’ – Mrs B’s Book Reviews

‘Mitch Vane’s magnificent illustrations spice up every page. Fans of Danny Best will love this one too, and long for the next instalment of chaos and laughs.’ – Kid’s Book Review

Jen Storer has written many acclaimed books for children, including the best-selling Truly Tan series, illustrated by Claire Robertson. Jen is the author of the children’s fantasy novels, *Tensy Farlow and the Home for Mislaid Children*, *The Accidental Princess* and *The Fourteenth Summer of Angus Jack*, illustrated by Lucinda Gifford. Jen is also a picture book creator, whose titles include *Clarrie’s Pig Day Out* with illustrator Sue deGennaro.

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ALSO IN THE SERIES:



DEXTER: THE
COURAGEOUS
KOALA

JESSE
BLACKADDER

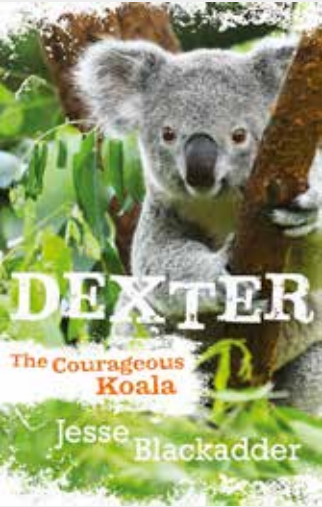
AGES: 9-12

January 2015 | 208pp |
198 x 128mm | Paperback |
ISBN 9780733331787

Twelve-year-old Ashley is going to stay with her Aunt Micky who lives near Byron Bay. Micky has spent many years looking after rescued wildlife, but when a freak storm hits and they discover a baby koala and his mother, Ashley is drawn into the reality of what caring for wildlife, such as koalas, really involves.

From the author of *Stay: The Last Dog in Antarctica* and *Paruku: The Desert Brumby* comes a heart-warming and moving story about one of Australia’s best-loved animals.

Jesse Blackadder is an award-winning author and freelance journalist and is fascinated by landscapes and belonging. Her historical fiction novels *The Raven’s Heart* and *Chasing the Light* were published in 2011 and 2013. Jesse lives near Byron Bay, NSW.



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ALSO BY
JESSE
BLACKADDER:



TURNING
POINTES

EMMA
FREEDMAN

AGES: 9-12

A coming of age story that draws on *Dancing with the Stars* contestant Emma Freedman’s childhood dance experience.

April 2016 | 240pp |
198 x 128mm | Paperback |
ISBN 9781460751633

April Franklin is 13 years of age and has just started high school. April has also been dancing half her life and while she loves ballet, she’s not sure if classical is right for her, particularly since she doesn’t have the perfect ballet body – and of course all of the mean girls at her ballet school do...

There are, however, many ways to dance, and when April has the opportunity to explore them she leaps at the chance, even though she is very aware that her mother has high hopes for her as a classical dancer.

New school, mean girls, stage mothers, big dreams... sometimes finding your feet can be hard.

Emma Freedman worked for the Nine Network for seven years and now co hosts a nightly radio show *Scoopla* with Jules Lund. Emma spent 10 years studying jazz, tap, contemporary and hip hop dance. In 2015 she won the 15th season of *Dancing With the Stars* and was named the best contestant the show had ever had. Emma lives in Sydney.



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JUST A GIRL

JACKIE
FRENCH

AGES: 10+

Mary, the mother of Jesus, was a truly extraordinary woman. And after 2000 years, the story of her brave and remarkable life continues to inspire and enthrall us, as that young woman from Nazareth was never 'just a girl'.

September 2018 | 240pp |
198x128mm | Paperback |
ISBN 9781460753095

REFUGE

JACKIE
FRENCH

AGES: 10+

Brilliant in construct, compelling and extraordinarily moving, this is a book that reminds us we are all newcomers to this country and everyone has a story worth hearing.

August 2013 | 272pp |
198 x 128mm | Paperback |
ISBN 9780732296179

THIRD WITCH

JACKIE
FRENCH

AGES: 10+

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.

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

In 72 AD, as the Roman army pillages Judea and destroys their village, fourteen-year-old Judith hides her younger sister, her great-grandmother Rabba, a Roman slave called Caius and an unwilling goat in a cave used to store food.

Judith's skills will save them as wolves – and humans – threaten the group during that long, icy winter. There are feasts to enjoy as they listen to Rabba tell stories of her youth; of her wealthy marriage in Jerusalem and her life in Nazareth as a child.

But there is one story Rabba will not tell, no matter how much they coax her. It is the story of Maryiam, her beloved friend who faced the scandal and shame of an unwed pregnancy and the anguish of watching the crucifixion.

And it is Maryiam's example that will give Judith, her sister and Caius the courage to step beyond their refuge. Because like Judith, Maryiam of Nazareth was never 'just a girl'.

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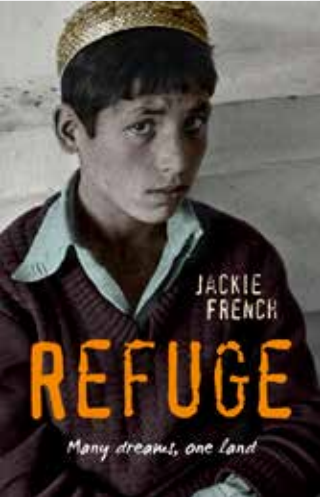


When a boat carrying a group of asylum seekers is sunk by a freak wave, Faris wakes from the shipwreck in an Australia he’s always dreamed of. There are kangaroos grazing under orange trees and the sky is always blue. On a nearby beach, Faris meets a group of young people who have come from far different times and places.

They are also seeking refuge, and each has their own story of why they had to leave their country to make a new life for themselves. It is only when Faris chooses to return to ‘real life’ and find his father in Australia that he learns the extraordinary truth about the friends he made on the golden beach.

From one of Australia’s best-loved authors comes a remarkable story about Australia’s long history of migration and the people who make up our country.

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‘I didn’t mean to do it’.

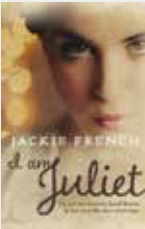
Annie is not a witch, but when her mistress Lady Macbeth calls for a potion to ‘stiffen Macbeth’s sinews’, Annie is caught up in plots that lead to murder, kingship and betrayal. Annie must also not only choose between Rab the Blacksmith and Murdoch, Thane of Greymouth, but discover where her loyalty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

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ALSO IN
THE SERIES:



GOODBYE,
MR HITLER

JACKIE
FRENCH

AGES: 10+

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

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

PENNIES
FOR HITLER

JACKIE
FRENCH

AGES: 10+

Winner of the Young People's History Prize 2013 NSW Premier's History Awards.

June 2012 | 336pp | 198x128mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780732292096

HITLER'S
DAUGHTER

JACKIE
FRENCH

AGES: 10+

October 1999 | 144pp | 198x128mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780207198014

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

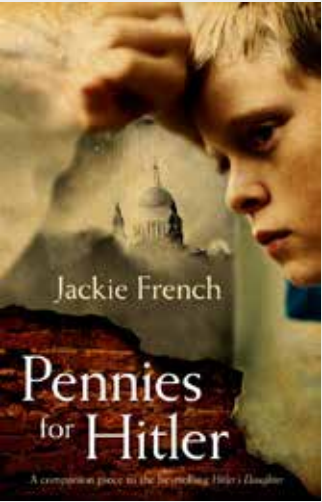
It is also the story of how they survived the death camps, the vast wilderness faced by refugees in WWII, and eventually found happiness in Australia.

This moving and compelling book 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 live and love again.

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It's 1939, and for Georg, son of an English academic living in Germany, life is full of cream cakes and loving parents. It is also a time when his teacher measures the pupils' heads to see which of them have the most 'Aryan'-shaped heads. But when a university graduation ceremony turns into a pro-Nazi demonstration, Georg is smuggled out of Germany to war-torn London and then across enemy seas to Australia where he must forget his past and who he is in order to survive.

Hatred is contagious, but Georg finds that kindness can be, too.

A companion piece to the best-selling *Hitler's Daughter*, this is a story of war-torn Europe during WWII, as seen through the eyes of Georg.

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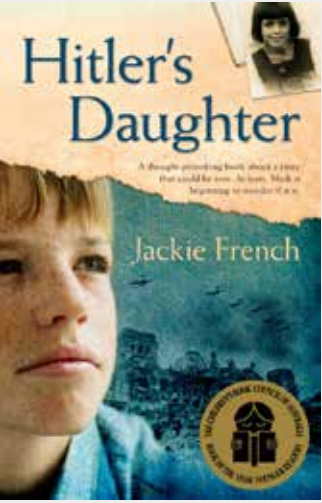
Did Hitler's daughter, Heidi, really exist? What if she did?

The bombs were falling and the smoke rising from the concentration camps, but all Hitler's daughter knew was the world of lessons with Fraulein Gelber and the hedgehogs she rescued from the cold. Was it just a story or did Hitler's daughter really exist? And if you were Hitler's daughter, would all the horror that occurred be your fault, too? Do things that happened a long time ago still matter?

First published in 1999, *Hitler's Daughter* has sold over 100,000 copies in Australia alone and has received great critical acclaim, both in Australia and in the12 countries where it has been published.

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BIRRUNG:
THE SECRET
FRIEND

JACKIE
FRENCH

AGES: 7+

February 2015 | 160pp | 200 x 130mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780732299439

BARNEY AND
THE SECRET
OF THE
WHALES

JACKIE
FRENCH

AGES: 7+

February 2016 | 320pp | 198 x 128mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780732299446

THE SECRET
OF THE
BLACK
BUSHRANGER

JACKIE
FRENCH

AGES: 7+

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

This first book in the series tells the story of a young indigenous girl, Birrung, who befriends orphaned Barney and his friend Elsie. Birrung is living with Mr Johnson, chaplain to the Australian colony in 1790, and his family. Generous in spirit, the Johnson family also take in Barney and Elsie who have only just been surviving on their meagre daily rations. Despite living with the Johnsons, Birrung's connection to her people remains strong, and when Mr and Mrs Johnson see how Barney's feeling for Birrung are growing, they gently explain that his friendship with a 'native' girl and all that she taught him about her language and lore must remain a secret – forever.

Perfect for readers who loved the best-selling and award-winning *Nanberry: Black Brother White*, The Secret Histories series will be welcomed by all who love the power of Jackie French's storytelling.

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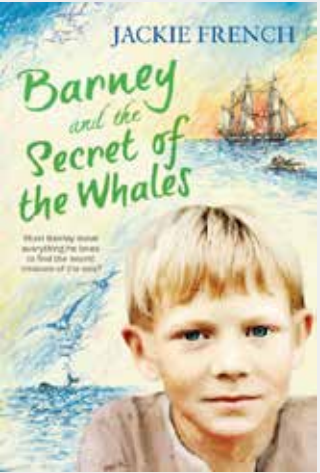


Barney Bean is keen to make his fortune and he hears a secret; a sailor's secret about the treasure of the colony.

But how can chasing whales make you rich? Is adventure at sea worth leaving everything he loves?

Written by award winning author Jackie French and superbly illustrated by Mark Wilson, this second book in The Secret Histories series explores how the early colony survived with the wealth from whaling, a little known secret from Australia's past.

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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.

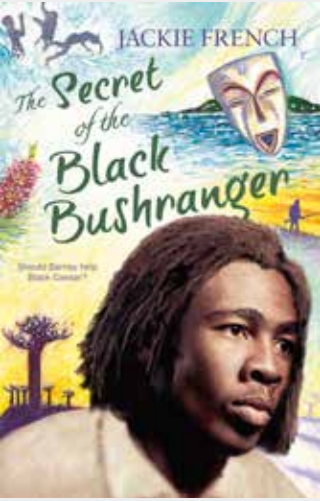
Was Black Caesar a wronged man, an ex-slave who vowed to be free? Or was he a laughing villain, a trickster who planned to terrorise the colony?

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

You decide.

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BARNEY AND THE SECRET OF THE FRENCH SPIES

JACKIE FRENCH

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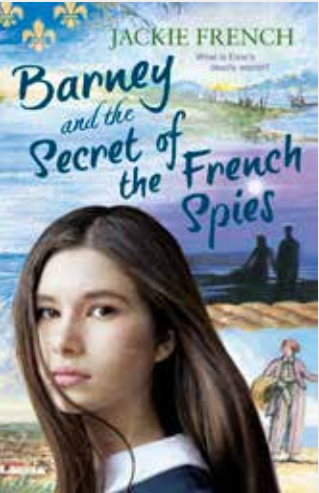
The new title in the critically acclaimed series that explores Australia’s early-Colonial secret history.

February 2018 | 144pp | 198x128 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460751305

In 1798, orphaned Barney Bean now has a flourishing farm in the New South Wales colony and everything he ever dreamed of... except his childhood friend Elsie. But when Elsie falls ill and Barney rushes to be by her side, he finally learns the deadly secret she has been hiding. Who is this strange and beautiful girl who will not sxpeak? And could France ever attack the isolated colony?

This fourth book in The Secret Histories series explores extraordinary and untold stories from Australia’s past, including the female French botanist who could only work disguised as a man, French and English spies, and wars between two empires that threatened even a far-off colony.

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NELL’S FESTIVAL OF CRISP WINTER GLORIES

GLENDA MILLARD & STEPHEN MICHAEL KING

AGES: 7+

The final book in the highly acclaimed, multi-award-winning Kingdom of Silk series is a heart-warming story about the power of love and family.

April 2013 | 144pp | 196 x 130mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733329845

Two of Perry Angel’s favourite people are Grandma Nell and his good friend Jenkins. One night, while listening to Nell play the beautiful Tennessee Waltz, Perry thinks of the perfect way to bring his two favourite people together: he wants to put on a dance – a proper one with petticoats and posies and a real band.

Perry shares his idea with his sisters, and before long the dance turns into a wonderful winter festival. But when something happens to Nell, will Perry’s wish come true?

Glenda has been shortlisted for and won many awards, including for the Kingdom of Silk series - a full list is available at glendamillard.com/awards

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ALSO IN THE SERIES:



THE SECRET OF THE YOUNGEST REBEL

JACKIE FRENCH

AGES: 7+

Based on eyewitness accounts, this fifth title in The Secret Histories series uncovers the secrets that the colonial government hid for over 200 years.

February 2019 | 128pp | 198x128mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460754801

Frog is an orphan, a pickpocket, starving on the streets of Parramatta in 1804.

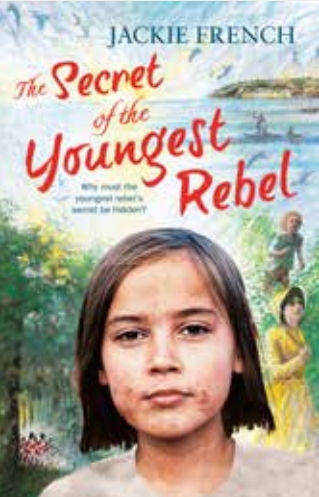
But when the tall, commanding Irish rebel Mr Cunningham talks of freedom from tyranny and the lash, Frog creeps out to join the rebels, the 10,000 convicts who will take over the colony and proclaim the Republic of New Ireland.

Will farmers like Barney and Elsie Bean join the battle against the corrupt New South Wales Corps? For the fate of the colony – and Australia – will be decided at Castle Hill.

PRAISE FOR THE SERIES

‘Highly recommended for all readers’ – *ReadPlus*

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THE GIRL WHO BROUGHT MISCHIEF

KATRINA NANNESTAD

AGES: 8-12

In the tradition of *Anne of Green Gables* and *Heidi* comes a heart-warming novel set in Denmark in 1911 about love, family, grief and joy.

June 2013 | 224pp | 198 x 128mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733332005

When Inge Maria arrives on the tiny island of Bornholm in Denmark to live with her grandmother, she’s not sure what to expect. Her grandmother is stern, the people on the island are strange, and children are not allowed to run wild or express themselves the way they did back in Copenhagen – especially if you are a girl.

Inge Maria tries not to feel sorry for herself, but she misses her mama. And on top of everything else, mischief seems to have a way of finding her no matter how hard she tries to be good... But could it be that a bit of mischief is exactly what Grandmother and the people of Bornholm need?

PRAISE

‘Readers can only hope for more of [Inge Maria Jensen’s] happy mischief and genuine heart.’ - *Publishers Weekly STARRED review*

‘This heartwarming and richly engaging tale explores grief and the sustaining support of humor with an abundance of love.’ - *Kirkus STARRED review*

‘A yarn too good to pass up.’ - *Booklist STARRED review*

‘A truly touching story.’ - *School Library Journal*

‘Fans of Pippi Longstocking will devour this hilarious debut novel, featuring an energetic 10-year-old who invigorates an isolated Danish town.’ *Shelf Awareness*

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OLIVE OF GROVES

KATRINA NANNESTAD & LUCIA MASCIULLO

AGES: 8-12

From award-winning author Katrina Nannestad comes an unforgettable series...

November 2015 | 272pp | 185 x 135mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733333682

OLIVE OF GROVES AND THE GREAT SLURP OF TIME

KATRINA NANNESTAD & LUCIA MASCIULLO

AGES: 8-12

May 2016 | 288pp | 185 x 135mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733333705

OLIVE OF GROVES AND THE RIGHT ROYAL ROMP

KATRINA NANNESTAD & LUCIA MASCIULLO

AGES: 8-12

The third in this incomparably witty and charming series.

October 2016 | 288pp | 185 x 135mm | Hardback | ISBN 9780733333712

Olive has always dreamed of attending boarding school, but Mrs Groves’ Boarding School for Naughty Boys, Talking Animals and Circus Performers is not what she expected. To tell the truth, dear reader, it is not what anyone expected!

The headmistress is completely bonkers and Pig McKenzie, school bully and all round nasty swine, is determined to make Olive’s life unbearable.

Olive, however, is clever, sweet and kind, and soon gains the loyalty and devotion of three rats, a short sighted moose, a compulsive liar and a goose who faints at the sight of cherries.

But will friendship and wits be enough when Pig McKenzie puts his Truly Wicked Plan into gear? Or will Olive be cast out of Groves forever?

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It’s a... a... What is it? Not a naughty boy. Not a talking animal. Not even a circus performer. Oh me, oh my! It’s a time traveller!’

When last we met Olive, she had defeated school bully and all round nasty swine, Pig McKenzie, and proved her acrobatic skills, earning herself a place at Groves.

But when a twelve year old time traveller lands on the doorstep, trouble is just a minute away, and soon Olive is off on an adventure as big as time itself...

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The Queen is coming to Mrs Groves’ Boarding School for Naughty Boys, Talking Animals and Circus Performers for tea! Nothing, absolutely nothing, could possibly spoil this right royal moment.

Except for the return of scheming villain, Pig McKenzie... and the arrival of a strange, harsh woman called Thistlebloom... and the fact that the Inspector of Schools has promised to close the doors of Groves forever if the Queen’s visit does not run smoothly...

Oh deary, deary me! Nothing ever runs smoothly at Groves!

PRAISE

‘Exciting, imaginative, charming and very, very funny’ - Judith Rossell, award-winning author of *Withering-by-Sea*

Olive of Groves was shortlisted for the 2016 Indie Awards



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ZOMBIEFIED! APOCALYPSE

C. M. GRAY

AGES: 8+

The fourth and final book in the Zombiefied series!

June 2016 | 192pp | 170x130mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780733334238

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?

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ALSO IN THE SERIES:



THE AWESOME BOOK OF RAP, RHYME AND PUTRID POETRY

ANDY JONES

AGES: 6+

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...

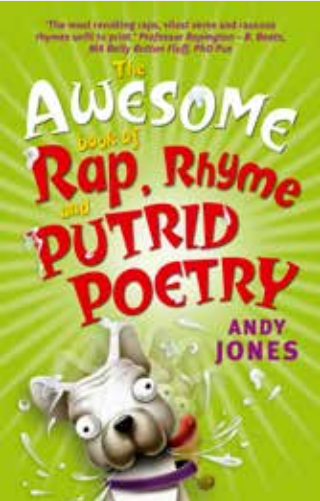
December 2016 | 272pp | 210x135 mm / Paperback | ISBN 9780733335662

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!

Andy Jones is an in-demand children’s entertainer. He constantly tours schools with his music and humour-based shows.

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ALSO BY ANDY JONES:



THE
FOURTEENTH
SUMMER OF
ANGUS JACK

JEN STORER
& LUCINDA
GIFFORD

AGES: 8-12

Funny, exhilarating and a little bit scary; a bewitching blend of Norse mythology and urban fantasy.

September 2015 | 336pp |
198 x 128mm | Paperback |
ISBN 9780733334436

Since moving to Australia with their father, Angus Jack and his sister, Martha, have moved house constantly. They end up living next door to a peculiar old lady called Reafen, who is a second hand dealer. To Angus and Martha, Reafen seems harmless enough. But who is she really and where did she get all the weird stuff in her shop?

Without his knowledge, Reafen draws Angus into her world; into ancient feuds, Wild Magick and bitter rivalries – into the secret dealings of Vikings and goblins and all those who have lived in the Old Realm. Funny, exhilarating and a little bit scary; a bewitching blend of Norse mythology and urban fantasy from the award winning author of *Tensy Farlow* and the *Home for Mislaidd Children*.

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SELECTED
ADVENTURES
OF
BOTTERSNIKES
AND GUMBLES

S. A. WAKEFIELD
& DESMOND
DIGBY

AGES: 8+

A new edition containing selected stories of these favourite Australian characters, now released in an animated TV series through Netflix worldwide.

January 2016 | 244pp |
198 x 128mm | Paperback |
ISBN 9781460751923

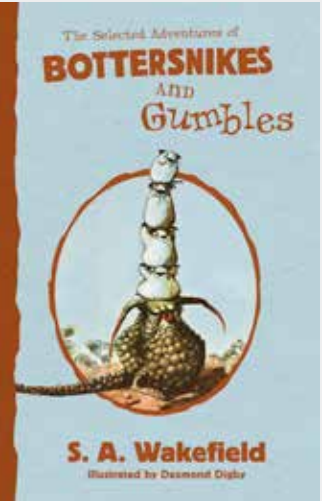
Deep in the bush live some very strange creatures...

Bottersnikes live in rubbish heaps along dusty roadsides in the lonely Australian bush. They have green wrinkly skin, cheese grater noses and long, pointed ears that go red when they are angry. Which is most of the time.

Giggling Gumbles live in the bush, too. They are cheerful little creatures who can be squashed into all sorts of shapes, but cannot pop back into their proper shape unless helped. This makes the friendly Gumbles useful to the lazy Bottersnikes, who have some very nasty plans... The Bottersnikes may have some tricks up their sleeves, but so do the resourceful Gumbles. The battle has begun!

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THE LOVE THAT I HAVE

JAMES MOLONEY

AGES: 14+
(MATURE READERS)

For fans of *The Book Thief*, a powerful and heartbreaking story set during WWII that stays with you long after the final page is read.

June 2018 | 304pp | 234x153mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460754634

Margot Baumann has left school to take up her sister’s job in the mailroom of a large prison. But this is Germany in 1944, and the prison is Sachsenhausen concentration camp near Berlin.

Margot is shielded from the camp’s brutality as she has no contact with prisoners. But she does handle their mail and, when given a cigarette lighter and told to burn the letters, she is horrified by the callous act she must carry out with her own hands. This is especially painful since her brother was taken prisoner at Stalingrad and her family have had no letters from him. So Margot steals a few letters, intending to send them in secret, only to find herself drawn to their heartrending words of hope, of despair, and of love.

This is how Margot comes to know Dieter Kleinschmidt – through the beauty and the passion of his letters to his girlfriend.

And since his girlfriend is also named Margot, it is like reading love letters written for her.

PRaise

‘Winter calls for a good book, and we’ve found one to rival *The Book Thief* – *The Australian Women’s Weekly*

‘This is historical fiction at its best – thoughtfully written, relevant today, throwing new light on well-worn themes of love, loyalty and friendship. It is also a gut-wrenching read that is up there with Anne Frank’s diary for immediacy and impact. Recommended.’ – *CBCA Reading Time*

‘A heartbreaking, harrowing and deeply hopeful story ... for readers of *The Book Thief* and *The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas*’ – *Books+Publishing*

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TILLY MAGUIRE AND THE ROYAL WEDDING MESS

EMMA GREY

AGES: 12+

Royal wedding; royal mess! What has 18-year-old PR intern Tilly Maguire landed herself in?

January 2019 | 304pp | 210x135mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460755051

Aspiring writer, 18-year-old Tilly Maguire, is a totally reformed ex-superfan of British boyband singer, Reuben Vaughan. Yeah, she was going to marry him when she was thirteen, but that fangirl phase is way in her past now, along with an unfortunate side ponytail and a weird obsession with galaxy leggings – ugh.

Cringe! When her writing wins Tilly a six-week internship at a top London PR firm, she doesn’t expect to stumble from a long-haul flight straight into an A-list debacle of her own making, but these things happen. She proves to the entire world that jet lag and social media definitely don’t mix.

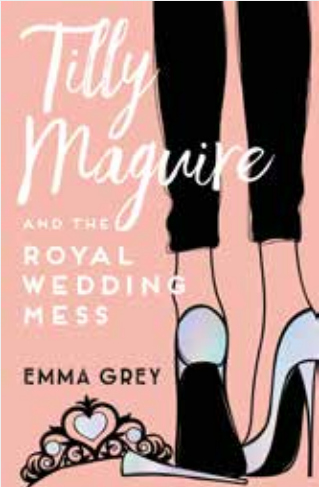
Obviously, Tilly didn’t intend to get tangled in a ridiculous scandal involving the British royal family. She’s not the attention-seeking type! She’s just a socially awkward introvert, with a galloping case of anxiety made even worse after a high-profile run-in with the very last person she ever imagined she’d meet for real.

Not on her gap year, anyway.

And not like this!

Emma Grey is the author of *Wits’ End Before Breakfast! Confessions of a Working Mum* (2005) and the award-winning *I Don’t Have Time*, co-authored with Audrey Thomas (2017). *Unrequited* was Emma’s debut YA novel, and the story has inspired the development of a full-length musical, created in collaboration with dual ARIA-winning composer, Sally Whitwell. Emma lives in Jerrabomberra, NSW with her daughters, Hannah and Sophie and her son, Sebastian.

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P IS FOR PEARL

ELIZA HENRY-JONES

AGES: 14+

A poignant and moving book that explores the stories we tell ourselves about our families, and what it means to belong.

Notable Book - 2019 Book of the Year: Older Readers - Children’s Book Council of Australia

March 2018 | 304pp | 210x135 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460754931

Seventeen-year-old Gwen lives in an isolated town in the wilderness of Tasmania.

Gwen becomes very good at not thinking about the awful things that have happened to her family. Instead, she focuses on her best friend Loretta, and the beach, which Gwen runs along every day. She is also trying to accept and fit into her new stepfamily, but also avoid her stepbrother Tyrone, whose sole purpose in life seems to be to annoy Gwen. A lot.

When two new kids arrive in this very quiet town things change. Could Handsome Ben really be interested in Gwen, while his sister turns out to be a classic mean girl whom Gwen and Loretta have to learn how to side step at school? As she deals with her deep sense of grief and loss, Gwen slowly comes to realise that people aren’t as they first appear and that like her, everyone has a story to tell.

‘*P is for Pearl* is a complex, authentic exploration of grief, friendship, mental illness, family and love, sensitively written by a writer whose voice will resonate with teen readers.’ – Books+Publishing

Eliza Henry-Jones is the talented author of the celebrated novels *In the Quiet* and *Ache*. She has qualifications in English, psychology and grief, loss and trauma counselling. She is currently completing honours in creative writing – exploring bushfire trauma – and works in community services. She lives in the Dandenong Ranges with her husband and too many animals. Eliza’s adult fiction was shortlisted for the Readings Prize for New Australian Fiction, the NSW Premier’s Literary Awards and was longlisted in the Indie Awards and ABIA Awards.

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MERCY POINT

ANNA SNOEKSTRA

AGES: 14+

From the author of the acclaimed debut novel *Only Daughter* comes a book about how much you’d be willing to risk to find out who you really are.

July 2018 | 304pp | 210x135mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460755754

In real life, they are enemies. Emma the know-it-all, Michael the bully, Fabian the coward, Tessie the weirdo and Sam the mystery. Online they are best friends, with one big thing in common: they are all sure they are adopted.

When they finally meet, they are horrified to find that the people they have been sharing their souls with are the people they hate. They decide to never speak again.

But avoiding each other is difficult in a small mountain town with only one high school.

It’s also tough to ignore one another when they each begin to realise that what their parents are hiding is much more sinister than just adoption.

The five teenagers have a choice to make. Continue to live a lie, or come together to hunt down the truth, no matter how dangerous that may be. Because the real story of their parentage is much more terrifying than they ever could have imagined. It is a secret that goes to the very heart of the town itself.

‘This is a fantastically gripping YA thriller, cleverly plotted and with believable teenaged protagonists... a great YA read for fans of the ‘Illuminae’ or ‘Virals’ series.’ – Books+Publishing ★★★★★

Anna Snoekstra lives in Melbourne, Australia. She recently wrote about writing for *The Guardian*. She studied creative writing and cinema at Melbourne University, followed by screenwriting at RMIT University. She has made short films and music videos that have been screened internationally and worked as an arts reviewer for the *Melbourne Review*.

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UNREQUITED
EMMA GREY

AGES: 12+

An addictive reality
fairytale... think Kate
Middleton or Princess Mary.

October 2017 | 288pp |
210x135 mm | Paperback |
ISBN 9781460755044

Seventeen-year-old Kat Hartland loathes Unrequited, the world’s biggest boy band. She’s 100 per cent immune to ‘perfect’ singer Angus Marsden and his unfailingly predictable lyrics. Show her the anti-fan club... she wants to be its president! Just give her a proper musician. Or maybe the seriously hot med student who rescued her on the train. Ideal formal partner, right? Ideal everything...

But when Kat comes face to face with Angus Marsden himself, things start to get complicated. Throw in a deranged female singer, an enraged fandom, final exams, a part in a musical and a mum who just doesn’t get it.

‘It’s the literary equivalent of eating Tim Tams in your PJs on a Sunday afternoon. I loved this book.’ – Rebecca Sparrow, author of *The Year Nick McGowan Came to Stay*

Emma Grey is the Canberra-based author of *Wits’ End Before Breakfast! Confessions of a Working Mum* and the award-winning *I Don’t Have Time*, co-authored with Audrey Thomas. Unrequited is her first novel, and the story has inspired the development of a full-length musical, created in collaboration with dual ARIA-winning composer, Sally Whitwell. Emma lives with her daughters, Hannah and Sophie and her son, Sebastian.

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ALSO
BY
EMMA
GREY:



PARIS
SYNDROME

LISA WALKER

AGES: 14+

Can romance only be found
in Paris, the city of love?

‘One of those remarkable
books that sneak up on you.
Surprising and beautiful.’ -
Eliza Henry Jones, author of
In the Quiet, Ache and *P is
for Pearl*

April 2018 | 320pp |
210x135 mm | Paperback |
ISBN 9781460755242

Happiness (Happy) Glass has been a loner since moving to Brisbane and yet still dreams about living in Paris with her best friend Rosie after they finish highschool. But Rosie hasn’t been terribly reliable lately.

When Happy wins a French essay competition, her social life starts looking up. She meets the eccentric Professor Tanaka and her girl-gardener Alex who recruit Happy in their fight against Paris Syndrome – an ailment that afflicts some visitors to Paris. Their quest for a cure gives Happy an excellent excuse to pursue a good-looking French tourism intern, also called Alex. To save confusion she names the boy Alex One and the girl Alex Two.

As Happy pursues her love of all things French, Alex Two introduces Happy to her xylophone-playing chickens whose languishing Facebook page Happy sponsors.

But then sex messes things up when, confusingly, Happy ends up kissing both of the Alex’s. Soon neither of them is speaking to her and she has gone from two Alex’s to none...

For fans of John Green, this funny and poignant coming-of-age story is about that crazy thing called love. And how it can be found anywhere.

Lisa has had a radio play produced for ABC RN and was the winner of the Byron Bay Writers Festival short story award. She was a finalist in the ABC Short Story Award and won second placed in the Henry Savery and Port Stephens Literature Awards. Lisa is the author of *Liar Bird* and *Sex, Lies and Bonsai*.

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THE LILY IN
THE SNOW
JACKIE FRENCH

AGES: 14+

1929: Jazz, parties and an
endlessly rising stockmarket.
But an insignificant
politician called Adolf Hitler
plans blackmail – and even
murder – to snare Miss Lily,
her espionage network – and
the British Royal Family.

April 2019 | 400pp |
234x153mm | Paperback |
ISBN 9781460753842

Unimaginable danger creeps ever closer to Miss Lily and her loved ones ...

Amid the decadence and instability of Berlin in the 1920s, a band of women must unite to save all that is precious to them.

With her dangerous past behind her, Australian heiress Sophie Higgs lives in quiet comfort as the Countess of Shillings, until Hannelore, Princess of Arneburg, charms the Prince of Wales. He orders Sophie, Nigel – and Miss Lily – to investigate the mysterious politician Hannelore believes is the only man who can save Europe from another devastating war.

His name is Adolf Hitler.

As unimaginable peril threatens to destroy countries and tear families apart, Sophie must face Goering’s Brownshirt Nazi thugs, blackmail, and the many possible faces of love.

And then the man she once adored and thought was lost reappears, and Sophie will be confronted by the girl intent on killing the mother who betrayed her family in the war: Miss Lily.

The third book in the Miss Lily series, *The Lily in the Snow* is a story filled with secrets that also explores the strength of friendship and the changing face of women in this new Europe.

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ALSO IN
THE SERIES:



A body has been found in the burned-out wreckage of the church at Gibbers Creek – with older skeletons lying beneath it.

The corpse is identified as that of Merv Ignatius, the man who attempted to kill Jed Kelly and her unborn child.

Newcomer Fish Johnstone is drawn into the murder investigation, convinced that the local police are on the wrong track with their enquiries. But as she digs beneath the warm and welcoming surface of the Gibber’s Creek community, more secrets emerge.

And Fish must also face her own mystery – the sudden appearance and then disappearance of her father, a Vietnamese refugee she never know.

Set during the indigenous rights and ‘boat people’ controversies of the late 1970s, this haunting story shows how love and kindness can create the courage to face the past.

PRAISE

‘Gripping, emotional and moving’ – *New Idea* on *Facing the Flame* (The Matilda Saga, Book 7)

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ALSO IN THE MATILDA SAGA:



MY NAME IS NOT PEASE-BLOSSOM

JACKIE FRENCH

AGES: 12+

A fresh reinterpretation of *A Midsummer Night’s Dream*.

July 2019 | 256pp | 198x128mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460754788

Titania rose to her feet. ‘What is going on here, Peaseblossom?’ she demanded.

I bowed to her. ‘I apologise, Your Majesty. But I’d rather be known as Pete.’

‘Pete?’ She frowned. ‘That’s no name for a fairy.’

‘No, it isn’t,’ I said, meeting her eyes.

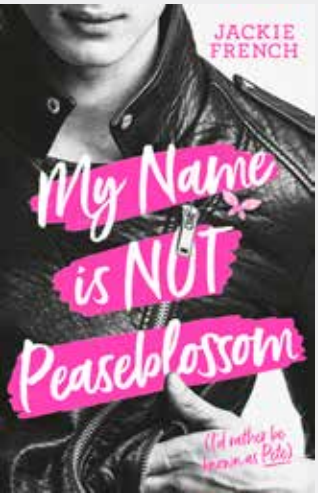
At Court, he’s known as Fairy Peaseblossom, a servant to the Queen.

But as Pete, he prefers pizza to sugar plums and denim to daffodils. He wants to choose his own life too. But how can he when a fairy’s sole duty is to obey the all-powerful Queen Titania?

This is Shakespeare’s popular and delightful comedy *A Midsummer Night’s Dream* with an added army of Amazons, a sea serpent and a selkie called Gaela, who luckily for Pete makes the best pizza in the world.

It is also a story of the intrigues of the Fairy Court, of vampire plots to dominate the world and of impossible loves that might just come true. Not with enchantment, but when two hearts thread together making a magic of their own.

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THE DIARY OF WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE, GENTLEMAN

JACKIE FRENCH

AGES: 12+

Part comedy, part love story; the threads of Shakespeare’s life as drawn from his plays.

August 2016 | 272pp | 198x128mm | Paperback | ISBN 9781460750575

Could the world’s greatest writer truly put down his pen forever to become a gentleman?

He was a boy who escaped small town life to be the most acclaimed playwright of the land. A lover whose sonnets still sing 400 years later; a glover’s apprentice who became a gentleman.

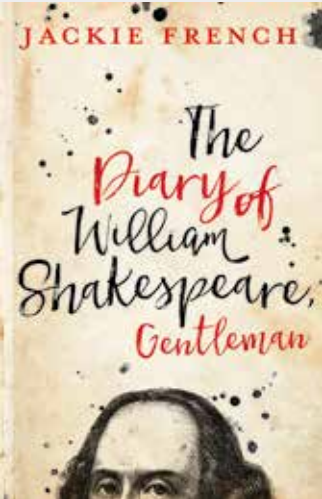
But was he happy with his new riches? Who was the woman he truly loved?

The world knows the name of William Shakespeare. This book reveals the man — lover, son and poet. Based on new documentary evidence, as well as textual examination of his plays, this fascinating book gives a tantalising glimpse at what might have been: the other hands that helped craft those plays, the secrets that must ever be hidden but – just possibly – may now be told.

Jackie French AM is an award-winning writer, wombat negotiator, the 2014–2015 Australian Children’s Laureate and the 2015 Senior Australian of the Year. Her books have been translated into many languages and sold over 4 million copies internationally.

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HAUNTED

ALEXANDRA ADORNETTO

AGES: 12+

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

June 2017 | 432pp | 210x135 mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780732299347

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 experiences dreams that take her to a past life and realises 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.

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GHOST HOUSE

ALEXANDRA ADORNETTO

AGES: 13+

Following her internationally best-selling *Halo* trilogy — licensed in 20 territories — comes a new series from Alexandra Adornetto, a talented young author who understands her audience like no other.

September 2014 | 320pp | 210 x 135mm | Paperback | ISBN 9780732299330

‘Alex is more real than anyone I’ve ever known. And him being dead... really doesn’t change a thing.’

After the death of her mother, Chloe Kennedy starts seeing ghosts again. Spending time at her grandmother’s country estate in the south of England helps Chloe deal with her grief and the spirits that haunt her.

Until she meets a mysterious stranger.

Alexander Reade is 157 years dead, with a secretive past and an alluring force that draws Chloe more strongly than any ghost she’s encountered before. But the bond between them infuriates the vengeful spirit of Alexander’s past love, Isobel. And she will stop at nothing to destroy anyone who threatens to take him from her.

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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THE
YEARBOOK
COMMITTEE

SARAH
AYOUB

AGES: 14+

Five teenagers. Five lives.
One final year.

March 2016 | 336pp |
210 x 135mm | Paperback |
ISBN 9780732296858

The school captain: Ryan has it all – or at least he did, until an accident snatched his dreams away. How will he rebuild his life and what does the future hold for him now?

The newcomer: Charlie’s just moved interstate and she’s determined not to fit in. She’s just biding her time until Year 12 is over and she can head back to her real life and her real friends.

The loner: At school, nobody really notices Matty. But at home, Matty is everything. He’s been single handedly holding things together since his mum’s breakdown, and he’s never felt so alone.

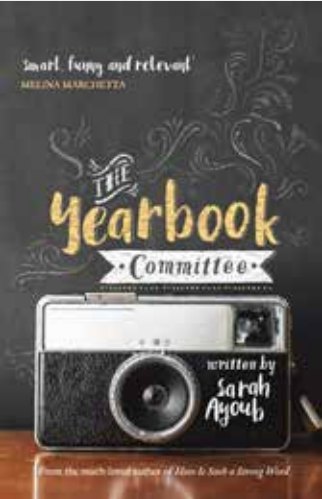
The popular girl: Well, the popular girl’s best friend... cool by association. Tammi’s always bowed to peer pressure, but when the expectations become too much to handle, will she finally stand up for herself?

The politician’s daughter: Gillian’s dad is one of the most recognisable people in the state and she’s learning the hard way that life in the spotlight comes at a very heavy price.

Five unlikely teammates thrust together against their will. Can they find a way to make their final year a memorable one, or will their differences tear their world apart?

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HATE IS
SUCH A
STRONG
WORD

SARAH
AYOUB

AGES: 12+

The story of a seventeen-
year-old girl caught
between two cultures.

September 2015 | 256pp |
210 x 135mm | Paperback |
ISBN 9780732296841

Seventeen-year-old Sophie hates Monday mornings, socks worn with sandals, and having to strategise like she’s a battle sergeant every time she asks her parents if she can go out. But she especially hates being stereotyped because she’s Lebanese.

When New Guy, Shehadie Goldsmith, is alienated at her Lebanese school because his dad’s Australian, she hates the way it makes her feel. Like she’s just as prejudiced as everyone else. Like she could make a difference if she stopped pretending she’s invisible. Like the attraction between them might be too strong to fight... But hate is such a strong word...

Can Sophie find the strength to speak out – even if it means going against everything she’s been brought up to believe?

A brilliant debut novel about identity, love, culture and finding your place. Sarah Ayoub is a freelance journalist, commentator and postgraduate research student based in Sydney, Australia.

PRAISE

‘Finally a book that tackles the big issues - and the ones all girls face (frizzy hair, formal dates, and what to do about that boy).’ - *Sarah Tarca, Editor of Girlfriend*

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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.

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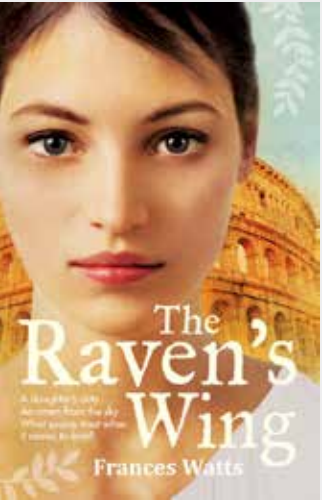
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On the eve of her fifteenth birthday, Claudia is unexpectedly summoned to Rome by the father she hasn’t seen in ten years, a wealthy and powerful senator. She finds herself with both a new family and a luxurious new home in the capital of the world’s greatest empire.

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When Kasumi leaves her remote village for the teeming city of Edo, her life is transformed. As a lady in waiting in a samurai mansion she discovers a rare talent for art and falls in love with a young samurai. How could she ever return to the life of a simple mountain girl?

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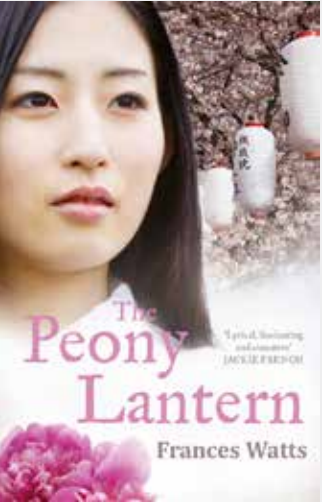
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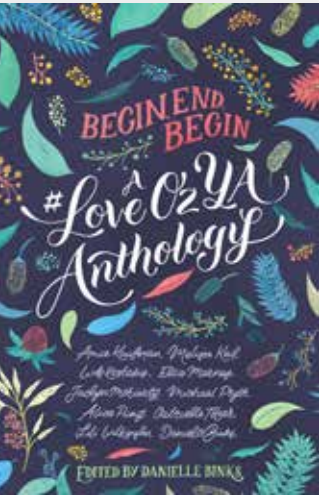
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‘It’s a celebration of Australian YA and its diversity! It’s an emotional rollercoaster and it’s beautiful. It is sure to sit on your bedside table to be cherished and savoured over and over again. With brilliantly entertaining short stories from sci-fi, to magical realism, to fantasy, to contemporary, this all-new collection will show the world exactly how much there is to love about Aussie YA.’ - Mischa, Better Read Kids bookseller and YA Specialist

‘Begin, End, Begin traverses the rough terrain of adolescence, pausing to wonder at some of the many beginnings and endings that young adults will encounter during their high-school years. This anthology, taking its title and heart from the recent #LoveOzYA movement, showcases the talent of some #LoveOzYA heavyweights.’ - Four Stars, Books+Publishing Magazine review

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We are the eye of the storm. We are the darkness behind the stars. We are the glare of the sun, and nothing touches us unless we let it.

Some people knit socks by the fire at night. Gyssha Blackbone made monsters.

But the old witch is dead now, and somehow it’s Elodie’s job to clean up the mess.

When she was hired at Black Oak Cottage, Elodie had no idea she’d find herself working for a witch; and her acid-tongued new mistress, Aleida, was not expecting a housemaid to turn up on her doorstep.

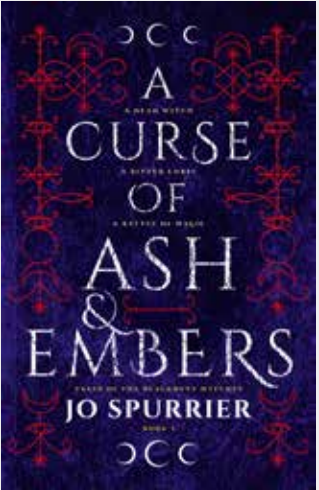
Gyssha’s final curse left Aleida practically dead on her feet, and now, with huge monsters roaming the woods, a demonic tree lurking in the orchard and an angry warlock demanding repayment of a debt, Aleida needs Elodie’s help, whether she likes it or not.

And no matter what the old witch throws at her, to Elodie it’s still better than going back home.

Jo Spurrier was born in 1980 and has a Bachelor of Science, but turned to writing because people tend to get upset when scientists make things up. Jo has previously been shortlisted for the Aurealis Award for Best Fantasy novel.

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