

# MACMILLAN CHILDREN'S BOOKS RIGHTS GUIDE SPRING 2023



PREPARE TO ENTER  
GREENWILD: THE WORLD BEHIND THE DOOR

## Dear friends

Welcome to our new Spring Rights Guide. As always, we are looking forward to the energising buzz of our conversations about books, our markets and the global publishing industry. I am very pleased to be able to tell you about the exciting acquisitions we have made, bringing powerful new voices and creative talent to our MCB list for all ages of readers.

Our #1 highlight is Pari Thomson's middle-grade novel, *Greenwild: The World Behind the Door*, which is gathering enthusiastic fans and is already positioned to deliver a top ranking in the bestseller lists. Her story is reminiscent of Katherine Rundell and Eva Ibbotson, and a classic in the making. We are delighted to be hosting Pari at the Fair, where we hope she will be able to meet with many of you.

In YA news, we couldn't be more pleased that after a hard won auction, bestselling author Elle McNicoll is joining us at MCB for her new move into writing YA fiction. Well-known for her highly acclaimed novel, *A Kind of Spark*, Elle brings her passion for neurodivergent inclusivity to her first YA novel in a warm and funny story, that centres on an unforgettable protagonist and an unexpected small-town romance.

Alex T. Smith is expanding his publishing with us, following his highly successful Winston Christmas stories that have now sold 250k copies globally in all formats, across 13 languages. His latest festive story, *The Grampus*, is already translated into 6 languages. We are pleased to be launching his new and exciting illustrated fiction series for younger readers, *Astrid and the Space Cadets* in 2024. As ever, it is full of Alex's humour and his clever approach to storytelling.

The Marcus Rashford Book Club continues to support disadvantaged children across the UK, with 325k books donated to date. Marcus' third non-fiction

title, *Marcus Rashford Heroes*, written with Carl Anka, is another important book for our list, bringing inspiring stories together from his own role models. There is also powerful messaging in a debut title by Leah Williamson, captain of the Euro-winning England women's football team. We fought off stiff competition to conclude a multi-book deal, which begins with *You Have The Power: Find Your Strength and Believe You Can* and is written with Suzanne Wrack.

In just as exciting news, we have concluded a major deal with Sylvanian Families, the first publishing outside of Japan for many years. This is just the start of a brilliant journey for this classic evergreen collectable world.

We often have a key anniversary to tell you about and this year is no exception. We are celebrating 30 years of the incredible partnership between Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler, whose books together have sold more than 75 million copies around the world. We have landmark editions of their classic picture books, as well as new publishing for children to pore over and for families to treasure. And to top this off, we have a brand new Tales from Acorn Wood title, *Dormouse Has a Cold*, to enjoy too!

We look forward to catching up with you and hearing your news at the Fair.

With all best wishes



Belinda Ioni Rasmussen





At the heart of our Campbell list are books curated by experts that offer everything a baby needs to discover the world around them. A new series *Babies Laugh* by Dr Caspar Addyman, is based on scientific research about why babies laugh and is excellent in supporting a baby's social and emotional development. You will also find the very unique new Peekaboo! format with grab-and-pull pages, easy for little hands to use.

Fun and colourful books help new parents and carers to offer soft early learning with their very young children: sensory skills are developed in Axel Scheffler's successful Felt Flap books and daily life becomes joyful and familiar with our new Little Families series. *Breakfast for Little Bunnies* and *Bedtime for Little Bears* are ideal to start and end each day in a positive way for all the family.

There are more first experiences in our evergreen Busy Books series, which has now been enjoyed by millions of families around the world, and little ones can also learn about the natural world with *My First Journey Around Planet Earth* and our *Why Do Animals Have?* series.

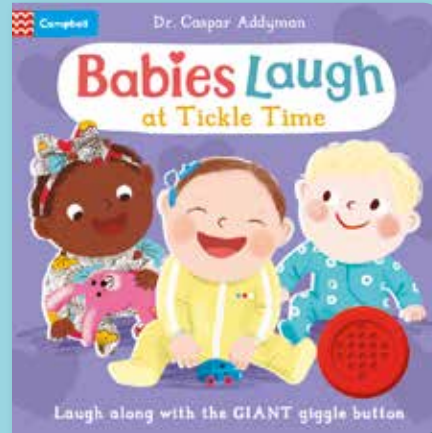
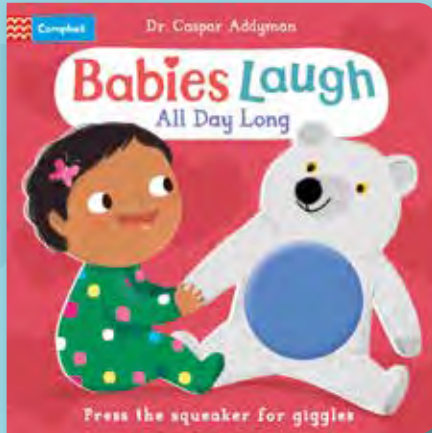


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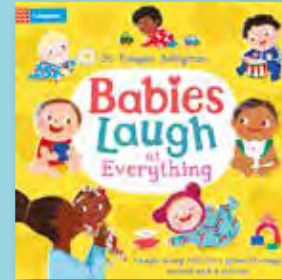
# Babies Laugh

Best for babies

Written by Dr. Caspar Addyman  
Illustrated by Ania Simeone



Also available:



- Designed to make babies laugh, by developmental psychologist Dr. Caspar Addyman
- Makes playful parenting easy, with a single sound book and a book that squeaks
- Noises stimulate babies' senses and are proven to get them giggling

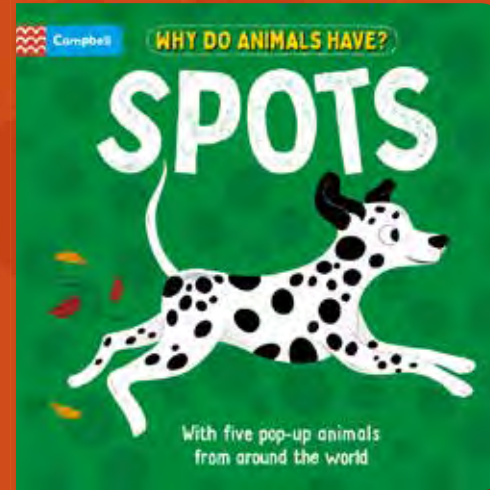
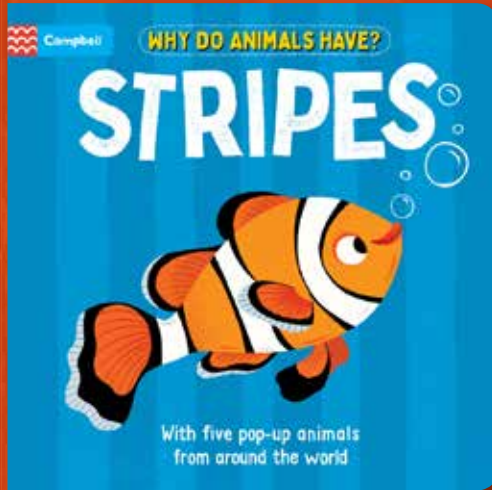


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# WHY DO Animals HAVE?

Illustrated by Malgorzata Detner

Best for preschool



- A new series of immersive pop-up books that teaches children about amazing animals
- Each title is centred around an animal pattern or attribute, offering a fun twist on traditional habitat-themed non-fiction
- Features simple first facts for additional early learning

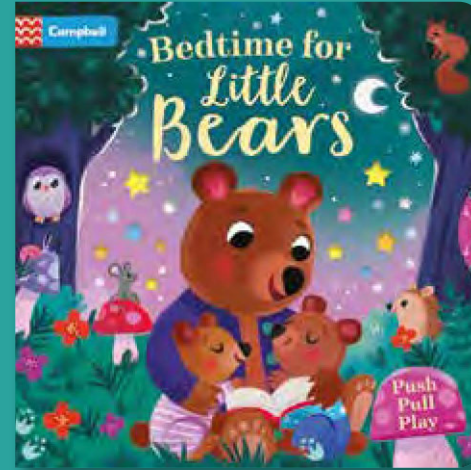
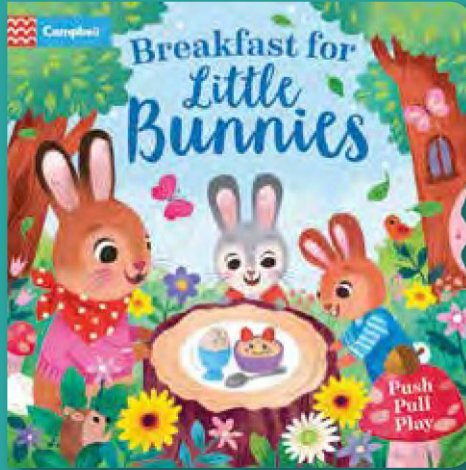


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# Little Families

Illustrated by Kathryn Selbert

Best for toddlers



- Get little ones excited about breakfast and bedtime with this sweet new series inspiring togetherness and calmness
- Bestselling push, pull and slide format to get little hands involved in the action
- A fun rhyming text and giggle-worthy illustrations to encourage conversations about working together





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My First

JOURNEY AROUND

# PLANET EARTH

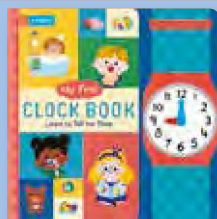
Illustrated by Yujin Shin

Best for preschool

COMING  
SOON  
Space



Also available:



- A lively introduction to Planet Earth, with flaps and giant fold-out pages
- Peep through the holes to discover mountains, oceans, deserts and much more!
- Supports early S.T.E.A.M learning with incredible facts to discover



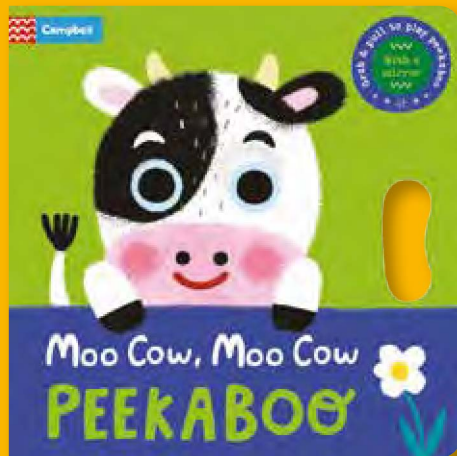
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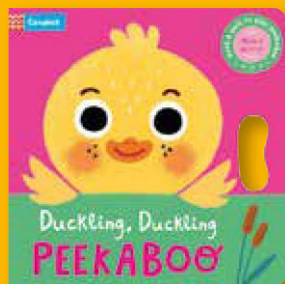
# PEEKABOO!

Illustrated by Grace Habib

Best for babies



Also available:



- Play a game of peekaboo with grab-and-pull pages and adorable animal characters
- Develops early social skills and lays the foundations for language learning
- Engages baby senses with a handle to hold, friendly faces and a mirror

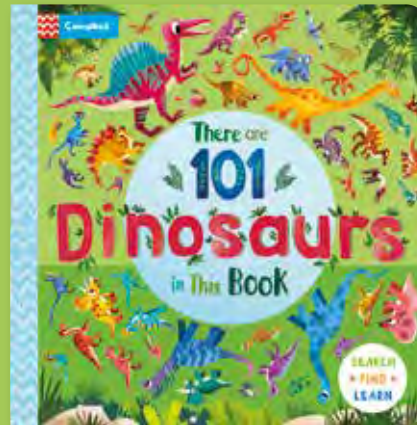
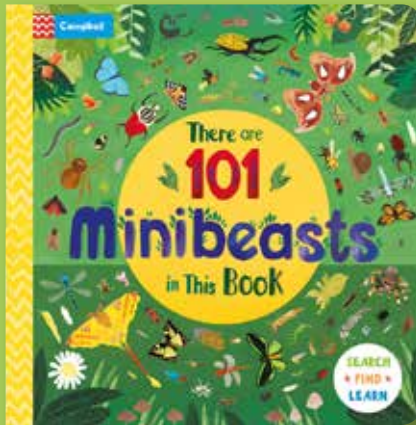


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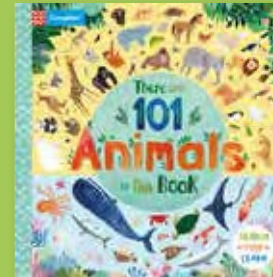
# There are 101

Best for preschool

Illustrated by Darcie Olley, Chorkung,  
and Rebecca Jones



Also available:



- Visually striking non-fiction series for curious preschoolers
- Make 101 exciting discoveries within wonderfully busy scenes
- Extra early learning activities including colours, counting, numbers, naming and more!

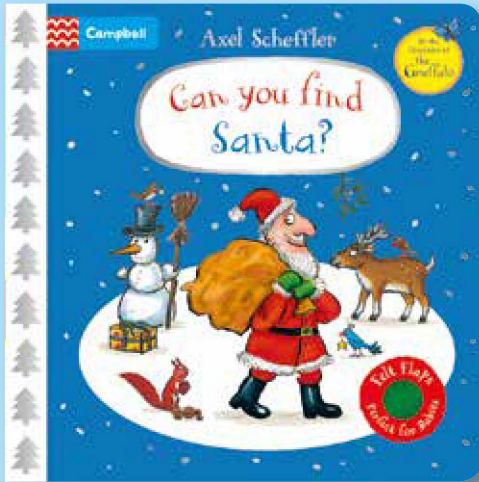
**COMING  
SOON**  
Space

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# Axel Scheffler

Best for babies

## Felt-Flaps



- Chunky board books with soft felt flaps
- By the award-winning illustrator of *The Gruffalo*
- Perfect gift for a first Christmas



Also available:



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# HELLO DINOSAUR

Best for toddlers

Illustrated by David Partington



- Entertaining series introducing dinosaurs – a perennially popular topic
- Push, pull and slide mechanisms to develop fine motor skills
- Gentle learning and fun first facts
- Perfect for dinosaur-mad toddlers!



Also available:

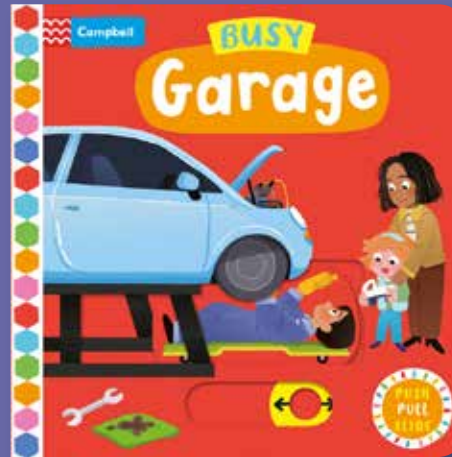
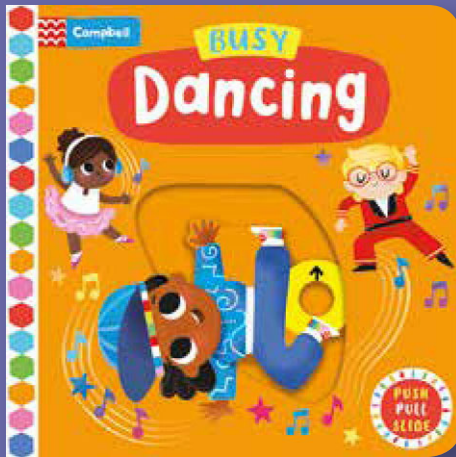


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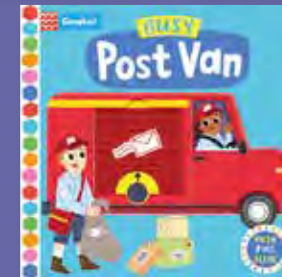
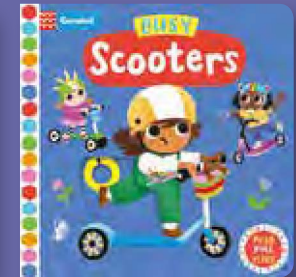
# BUSY Books

Best for toddlers

Illustrated by Jana Curll, Leesh Li, Jayri Gómez and Louise Forshaw



Also available:



- Bestselling push, pull and slide series introducing toddlers to the busy world around them
- Over 4 million copies sold in 27 languages
- Large backlist available, with over 50 titles in the series

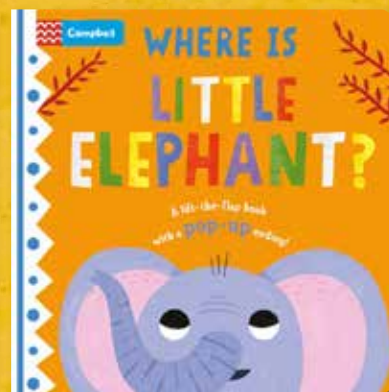
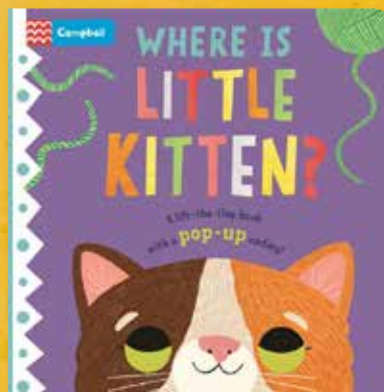


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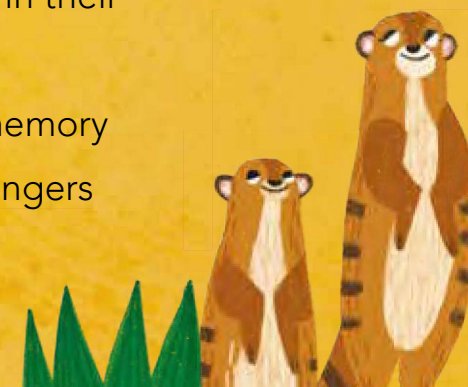
# WHERE IS ...

Illustrated by Hannah Abbo

Best for toddlers



- Playful first non-fiction series introducing toddlers to animals in their natural environments
- Fun guessing game helps to build vocabulary and working memory
- Large sturdy flaps and peep-through clues, perfect for little fingers
- Satisfying surprise pop-up ending with labelled animals





# Preschool

We are delighted to be showcasing a brand new story from preschool favourite, Tim Hopgood. His books have sold over 1.3 million copies worldwide and his charming owl character returns after a five year break in the beautiful and atmospheric *Wow! It's Snowing*, which this time presents a weather theme for preschoolers.

The list is full of fun stories that really engage toddlers in their very first reading experience and we have some brilliant new titles to share with you here. *Ten Green Bottoms* combines silly fun 'sums with bums' that is all about counting and adds in aliens for good measure.

*Would You Rather? Creatures* by the brilliant Donna David and showcasing rising star illustrator Eamonn O'Neill gives young children the chance to choose what they would like to be and empowers them to take the lead in their storytimes.

Talented illustrator Ben Newman is creating magic with *Flip Flap Build: Racing Rockets*. The first in a new series of fun flip-flap storybooks that get children building incredible machines. Perfect for supporting early S.T.E.A.M learning, with lots of hands-on fun.



# COLOURS OF THINGS!

The first in a new series of stylish preschool picture books focusing on choosing, categorizing and spotting.

- Simple rhyme and beautiful illustrations with a different colour on every spread and a stunning gatefold ending
- From Pippa Goodhart, bestselling author of the *You Choose!* series (over a million copies sold worldwide) and award-winning illustrator Emily Rand
- First in a pair – *Numbers of Things!* coming in 2025

Barry Timms & Mike Byrne

# TEN GREEN BOTTOMS

A cheeky twist on number learning – do your sums with bums!

- The first title in a new laugh-out-loud rhyming picture book series that helps develop essential number skills
- A hilariously funny countdown story to share, with a surprise gatefold ending
- Bright and bold illustrations packed full of silly humour, featuring a comical cast of alien characters



Donna David & Eamonn O'Neill

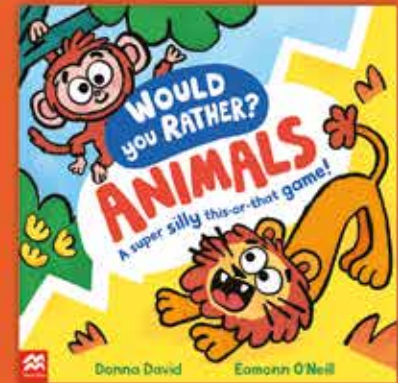
WOULD  
you RATHER?

# CREATURES

A riotous read-aloud picture book bringing  
you the 'Would You Rather?' game as  
you've never played it before!

- The first in an innovative new preschool series which offers readers a fun choice on every page
- A laugh-out-loud rhyming picture book with bright, colourful illustrations and lots of things to spot
- Packed full of super-silly-spooky fun, plus an amazing fold-out game at the end and reading tips for grown-ups

Coming soon: *Dinosaurs* (2024)  
and *Animals* (2025)



## FLIP FLAP BUILD

### RACING ROCKETS



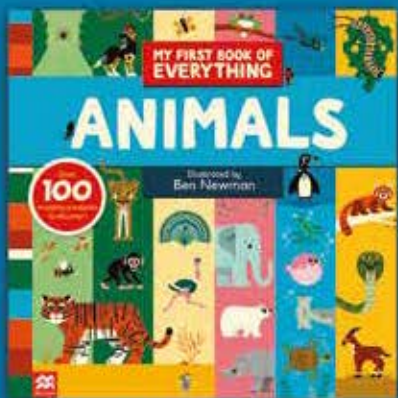
In a fun  
split-page  
format!

The first in a series of fun flip-flap storybooks that get children building incredible machines.

- Perfect for supporting early S.T.E.A.M learning, with lots of hands-on fun
- With more than 250 machines to build, little ones can enjoy this book again and again
- With art from top children's illustrator, Ben Newman



# BEN NEWMAN



MY FIRST BOOK OF  
EVERYTHING

# ANIMALS

A stylish preschool non-fiction book that introduces amazing, weird and wonderful animals to little ones!

- The second in a series, following 2022's *My First Book of Everything*
- Strengthens vocabulary and encourages word recognition, with big flaps to lift and lots of early learning features and benefits
- A super stylish grid layout and striking, colourful illustrations give preschoolers an amazing intro to over 100 incredible creatures from around the world

Also available:



# WOW!

## IT'S SNOWING

Discover the magic of the seasons in this brand new preschool adventure from Tim Hopgood.

- Join your favourite little owl to discover the wonders of the weather, from the twinkling icicles to the first snowflake of the season
- Includes a simple early-learning activity at the back of the book, encouraging preschoolers to think about different types of weather
- A fun, relatable story of friendship and nature, perfect for sharing with preschoolers at storytime

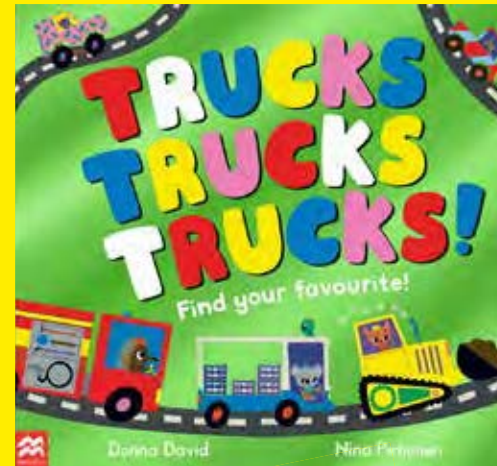
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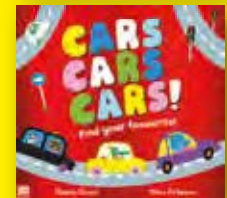
# TRUCKS TRUCKS TRUCKS!

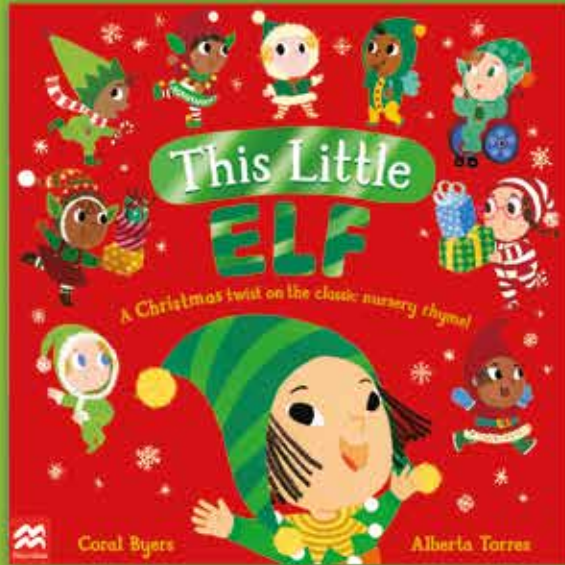
Start your engines! Rev up for a high-octane preschool adventure, with 50 colourful trucks to count.

- Busy, bright illustrations packed with things to spot, plus a special fold-out page at the end with all 50 trucks!
- Specially developed to aid pre-reading skills, with bouncing, rhyming text perfect for reading aloud
- With reading tips for grown-ups and a 'Did You Spot?' game for little ones at the back of the book



Also available:





## This Little ELF

Merry Christmas to one and all! Count along with ten little elves as they embark on a brand new festive adventure!

- Ten children dress up as elves and conjure a whimsical winter wonderland through the power of their imaginations
- Bright artwork bursting with personality and packed with things to search and find, reading tips for parents and carers – plus a gatefold surprise at the end!
- The fourth title in the series based on the hugely popular, widely-known nursery rhyme, *This Little Piggy*



Also available:



# Marvyn Harrison & Rochelle Falconer



Also available:



An empowering book of affirmations that introduces preschoolers to self-care, from personal hygiene to mindfulness.

- Packed with early learning, with a giant fold-out spread of self-care actions to try at home!
- Includes parenting tips on how to use affirmations
- The second book from Marvyn Harrison, founder of Dope Black Dads and winner of Influencer of the Year at the Black British Business Awards 2021



# Brands and Classics

We are welcoming the Sylvanian Families to the Macmillan Family! Delighted to have won the rights to publish books about these beloved characters, we are launching the first titles towards the end of 2023. This will be the start of a publishing programme that includes picture books, activity books and gift titles and will be the first significant range of publishing outside of Japan in many years..

Our licensing programme continues to grow and we will be launching publishing from new preschool TV brand Vegesaur, as well as books that tie in to Aardman's *Chicken Run: Dawn of the Nugget*, the sequel to the highest grossing stop-motion animation film of all time.

Classic book brands are core to our list and we are always thinking of new ways to celebrate these much-loved worlds, while also welcoming new readers. We have an innovative new format for Moomins, with *Moomin Mail*, with real envelopes and letters; we can all celebrate *The Gruffalo* by learning how to draw him and our other favourite Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler characters. There is a new pop-up format from Rod Campbell with *My Stand-Up Farm Animals* and we are also celebrating forty years of his classic *Oh Dear!*. *Winnie-the-Pooh at the Palace* is the second of our gift picture books inspired by the poetry of A.A. Milne and with illustrations in the style of E.H. Shepard and is a charming adventure starring Winnie-the-Pooh and his friends in London in the snow.

With treasures from our own archive, *The Macmillan Collection of Greek Myths* is the latest in our Macmillan Collection series, which have been translated into five languages. This beautiful new gift book is filled with favourite stories and characters, showcasing incredible artwork from across the last two centuries. Myths are perennially popular and this is the perfect book for every family bookshelf.





# Sylvanian Families®

A wide-reaching publishing programme celebrating this iconic and internationally-beloved toy brand.

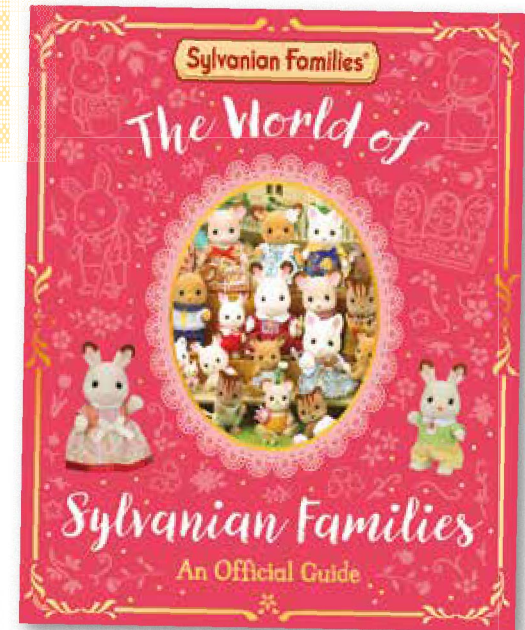
- ✿ Sylvanian Families toys are available worldwide, spanning more than 35 years and selling more than 200 million figures
- ✿ Beautifully designed picture books, sticker books and gift titles will tie into the Sylvanian Families ethos of Nature, Family and Love
- ✿ True cross-generational appeal - instantly recognisable and perennially popular

More titles  
coming in  
**2024!**

Print rights  
only



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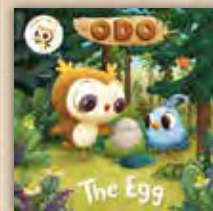




**An exciting new preschool picture book series following a little owl with big ideas!**



- Based on the preschool TV series broadcasting on Milkshake in the UK and sold in over 150 territories
- The number one rated show every day in its slot among all UK commercial children's channels
- Strong themes of building self-confidence and empathy, tackling the rise in anxiety and depression among preschoolers
- Picture books adapt top-performing episodes, and include reading tips for parents and carers



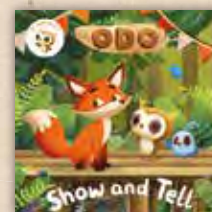
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**Books  
5 + 6  
coming in  
2024!**

ODO © Sixteen South and Letko 2023

A new preschool comedy series about the juiciest and crunchiest creatures ever to rule the planet – the mighty ...

# VEGESAURS



- TV series launching on CBeebies in the UK in 2023. Also sold to France, Sweden, Finland, Australia and Hungary, with more international broadcasters and brand partnerships to be confirmed
- Relatable themes of mealtimes, sharing, friendship and play
- Picture books, board books and novelty all based on episodes from the fun and hilarious series



\*DRAFT COVERS



More titles coming in 2024

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Picture books: Format: 250mm x 250mm HB • Extent: 32pp • Pub Date: July 2023 • UK Retail Price: £11.99  
Board books: Format: 180mm x 180mm • Extent: 18pp • Pub Date: September 2023 • UK Retail Price: £6.99  
PPS: Format: 180mm x 180mm • Extent: 8pp • Pub Date: November 2023 • UK Retail Price: £6.99

★ AARDMAN

NETFLIX

# ***CHICKEN RUN***

## ***DAWN OF THE NUGGET***

**The eagerly anticipated sequel to the highest-grossing stop-motion film of all time.**

- ★ Ginger, Rocky and the gang are back in an incredible new action adventure for all the family!
- ★ A picture book retelling, junior novelisation and sticker activity book will all feature the instantly recognisable characters and style of *Chicken Run: Dawn of the Nugget*
- ★ Titles publishing alongside the global release of the film on Netflix in Autumn 2023
- ★ Netflix have over 200 million members and 475 million viewers across 190 countries

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\*Title design to be finalised

Junior Novelisation: Format: 197mm x 130mm PB • Extent: 196pp • Pub Date: October 2023 • UK Retail Price: £7.99

Sticker Book : Format: 297mm x 210mm PB • Extent: 24pp • Pub Date: October 2023 • UK Retail Price: £6.99

Picture Book: Format: 250mm x 280mm PB • Extent: 32pp • Pub Date: October 2023 • UK Retail Price: £7.99

# MOOMIN



## MOOMIN Mail

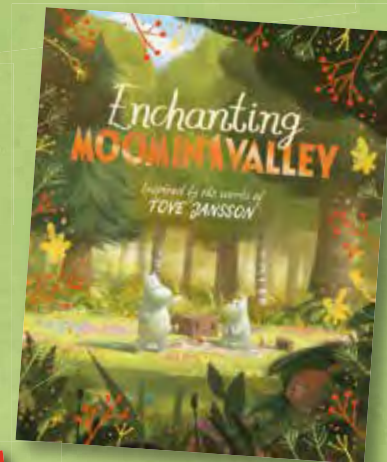
*A beautiful Moomin novelty book with real envelopes and letters to open*

- Brand new Moomin story in an exciting gift format
- With newly-commissioned artwork by celebrated Swedish illustrator Filippa Widlund, sensitively interpreting Tove Jansson's classic style
- Join Moomintroll on a treasure hunt around Moominvalley. Read the story and open the envelopes to discover clues left behind by Snufkin in letters, postcards, mini books and more!
- Part of Moomin ABC, a new long-running global initiative from Moomin Characters to promote literacy and love of language



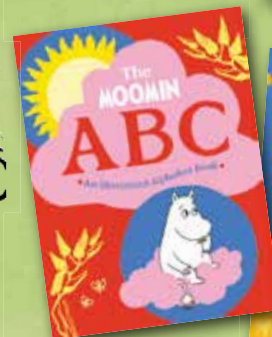
## Enchanting MOOMIN VALLEY

- Book 5 of the collectable and hugely successful *Adventures in Moominvalley* series
- Gift hardback with special cover finishes, introducing new episodes and characters from season 3 of the animated series *Moominvalley*



Draft Cover

ABC



- Stunning alphabet, counting and quote gift books with strong crossover appeal
- Using Tove Jansson's classic artwork along with specially-created lettering based on her original handwriting, all presented in hardback with special cover finishes

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Moomin Mail: Format: 203mm x 268mm HB • Extent: 32pp • Pub Date: September 2023 • UK Retail Price: £12.99  
Enchanting Moominvalley: Format: 270mm x 216mm HB • Extent: 112pp • Pub Date: October 2023 • UK Retail Price: £12.99  
Moomin ABC / Moomin 123: Format: 260mm x 195mm HB • Extent: 40pp • Pub Date: March / May 2022 • UK Retail Price: £12.99  
The World According to Moominmamma: Format: 185 x 140mm • Extent: 48pp • Pub Date: February 2023 • UK Retail Price: £7.99

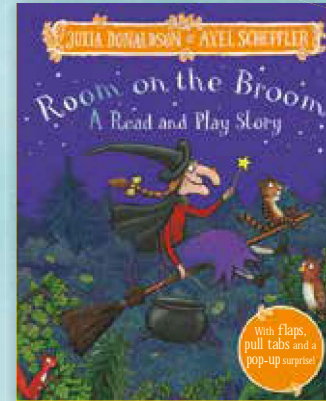


# JULIA DONALDSON AXEL SCHEFFLER



## The Amazing World of Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler

- Celebrating 30 years of the bestselling picture book partnership, with over 75 million books sold worldwide!
- Everything you ever wanted to know about the much-loved picture book creators and their bestselling stories
- Richly illustrated, highly decorative and in full colour throughout, with fun facts, photos and never-before-seen illustrations – the perfect gift
- A comprehensive non-fiction gift book created in collaboration with Alison Green Books, an imprint of Scholastic



### Room on the Broom: A Read and Play Story

- The full, original story of *Room on the Broom* in a fun multi-novelty gift edition
- Told over six spreads with flaps, pop-ups and other interactive elements on every page

### Whoosh! Went the Witch

- A chunky, single sound board book based on the bestselling picture book – the perfect introduction to the story for younger children
- Includes a chunky, satisfying sound button with *whoosh!* sound effect



Amazing World: Format: 280mm x 224mm HB • Extent: 176pp • Pub Date: October 2023 • UK Retail Price: £25

Room on the Broom: A Read and Play Story: Format: 270mm x 216mm HB • Extent: 12pp • Pub Date: September 2023 • UK Retail Price: £14.99

Whoosh! Went the Witch: Format: 180mm x 180mm BB • Extent: 12pp • Pub Date: February 2023 • UK Retail Price: £7.99

# Tales from Acorn Wood



JULIA DONALDSON  AXEL SCHEFFLER

## Dormouse Has a Cold

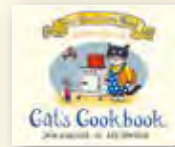
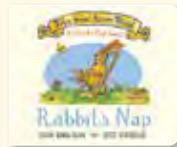


From the  
creators of  
*THE GRUFFALO*



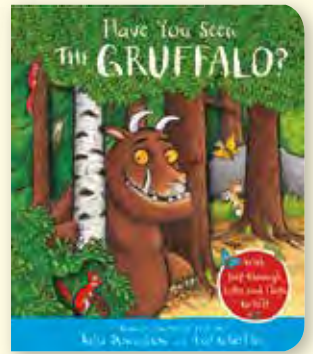
- A brand new story in the bestselling Tales from Acorn Wood series – over 6 million copies sold worldwide
- The latest four stories have all hit #1 in the UK Preschool and Picture Books Chart for a total of 28 weeks
- A fun rhyming story that is a joy to read aloud, with warm and witty illustrations and a flap to lift on every spread
- Coming soon: *Frog's Day Out*

Also available:



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## THE GRUFFALO



### The Gruffalo: A Noisy Storybook

- An interactive sound book that is the ideal gift for fans of the picture book
- Includes the full story, brought to life with eight amazing sounds



### Have You Seen the Gruffalo?

- A chunky peep-inside novelty book with diecut holes, flaps to lift and a surprise gatefold ending
- With a simple text based on the bestselling picture book, *The Gruffalo* – the perfect introduction to the deep dark wood

### Gruffalo Grow!

- Introduce preschool children to the Gruffalo with this single sound book, adapted from the bestselling picture book
- With a chunky, satisfying sound button – perfect for little paws!



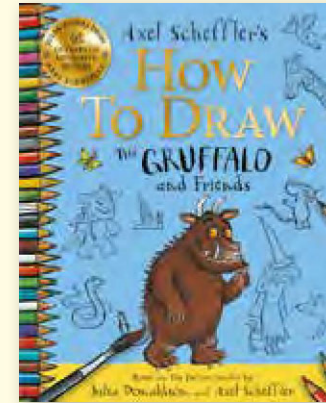


# JULIA DONALDSON \* AXEL SCHEFFLER



## The Gruffalo and Friends Advent Calendar Book Collection

- Count down to Christmas with 24 mini books, presented in a beautiful hardback gift case with tie ribbon
- This bestselling format includes activity books based on eight favourite picture books, plus songs and rhymes to enjoy together



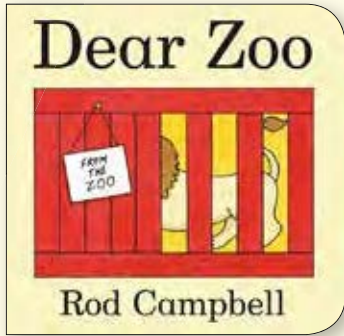
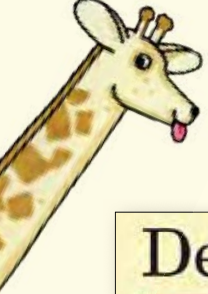
Over 18 million  
Gruffalo books  
sold in 107  
languages



## How to Draw the Gruffalo and Friends

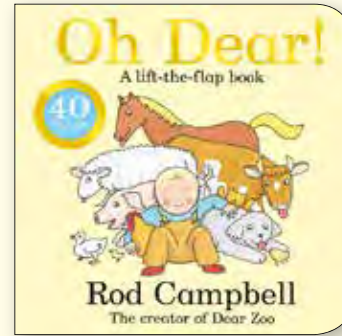
- Learn how to draw ten of your favourite characters from the bestselling picture books by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler
- With never-before-seen character sketches and step-by-step guides, plus top tips from Axel Scheffler – perfect for any budding artist!

# Rod Campbell



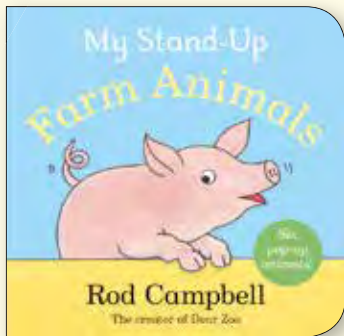
## DEAR ZOO

- The lift-the-flap preschool classic, loved by children around the world
- Over 13 million copies sold in 32 languages
- *Dear Zoo* celebrated its 40th anniversary in 2022



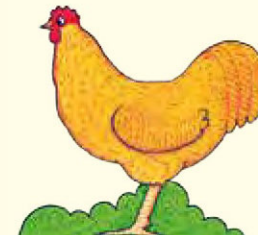
## OH DEAR!

- A lift-the-flap farm story with bold, bright artwork and a repeating text that is perfect for joining in
- Over 1 million copies sold worldwide
- *Oh Dear!* celebrates its 40th anniversary in 2023



## MY STAND-UP FARM ANIMALS

- An exciting new pop-up format that is perfect for preschoolers: turn the page to see the animals stand up on their own!
- Includes simple facts about favourite farm animals
- Coming soon: *My Stand-Up Baby Animals*



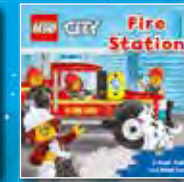
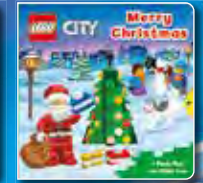
Dear Zoo: Format: 170mm x 170mm BB • Extent: 16pp • UK Retail Price: £6.99

Oh Dear!: Format: 170mm x 170mm BB • Extent: 18pp • Pub Date: January 2023 • UK Retail Price: £6.99

My Stand-Up Farm Animals: Format: 180mm x 180mm BB • Extent: 12pp • Pub Date: June 2023 • UK Retail Price: £7.99



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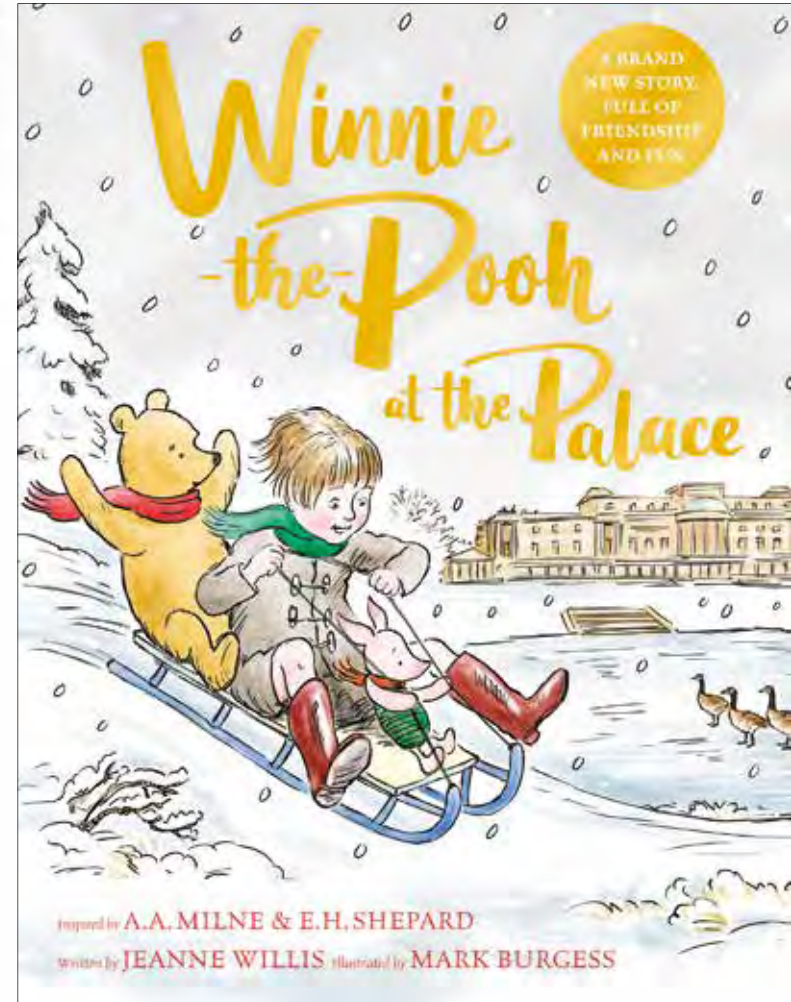


- Based on real LEGO® City building sets!
- With fun, rhyming text and mechanisms to push, pull and slide on every spread – perfect for the youngest fans
- The LEGO City. *Push, Pull and Slide Books* have sold in 13 languages



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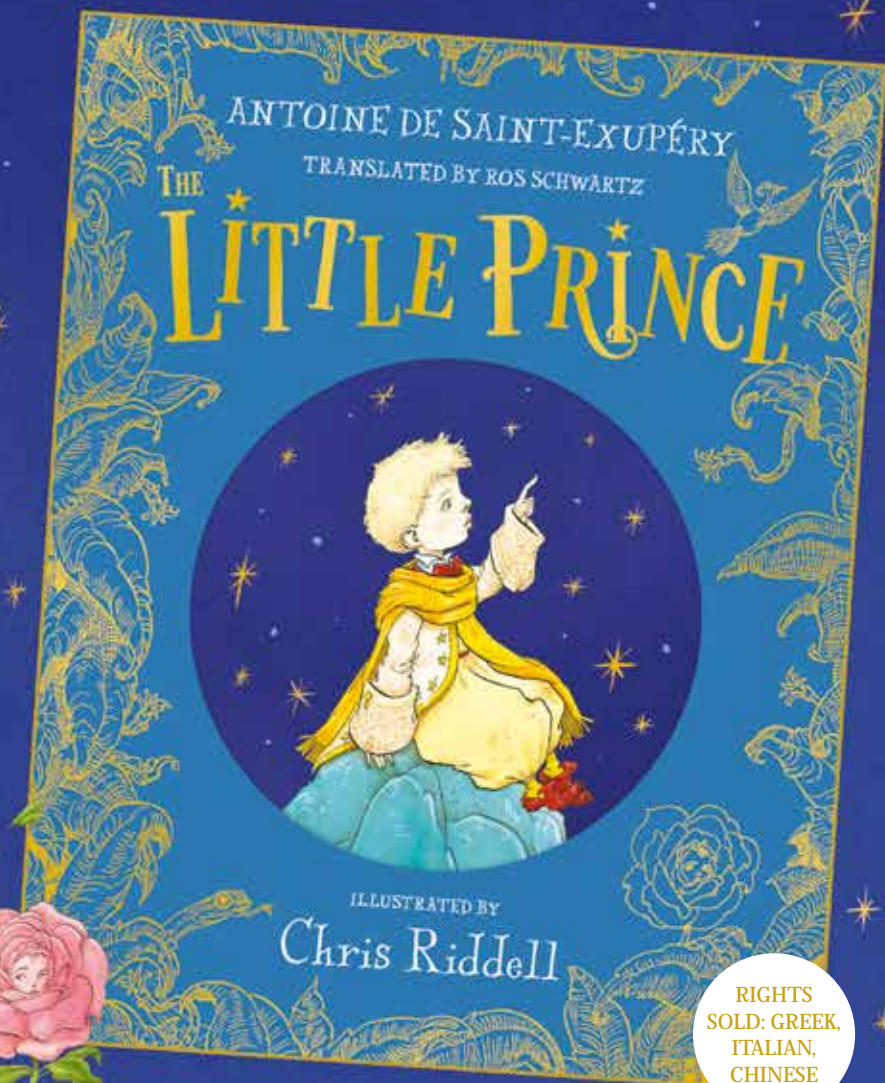
- Four authorised sequels written by prize-winning author Jeanne Willis, and inspired by A.A. Milne's classic poems, with all the charm of the original much-loved stories
- Artwork by official Pooh illustrator, Mark Burgess
- Winnie-the-Pooh and key favourite friends feature in every book
- Story gift books with foiled covers, perfect for fans of all ages

# THE LITTLE PRINCE

Celebrating 80 years in 2023,  
this beloved story is reimagined by  
a modern icon of illustration





- Must-have heirloom gift edition – contains the complete text, fully illustrated throughout, with a foiled jacket, die-cut cover and ribbon marker
- Over 140 million copies of *The Little Prince* sold across 300 languages and dialects
- Chris Riddell OBE has won multiple awards, including three Kate Greenaway Medals

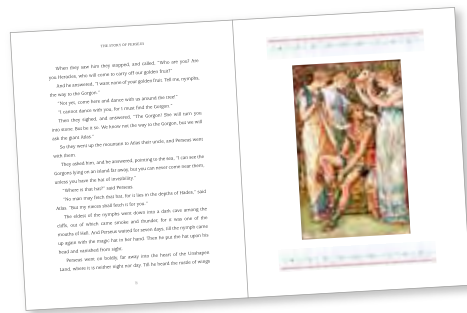
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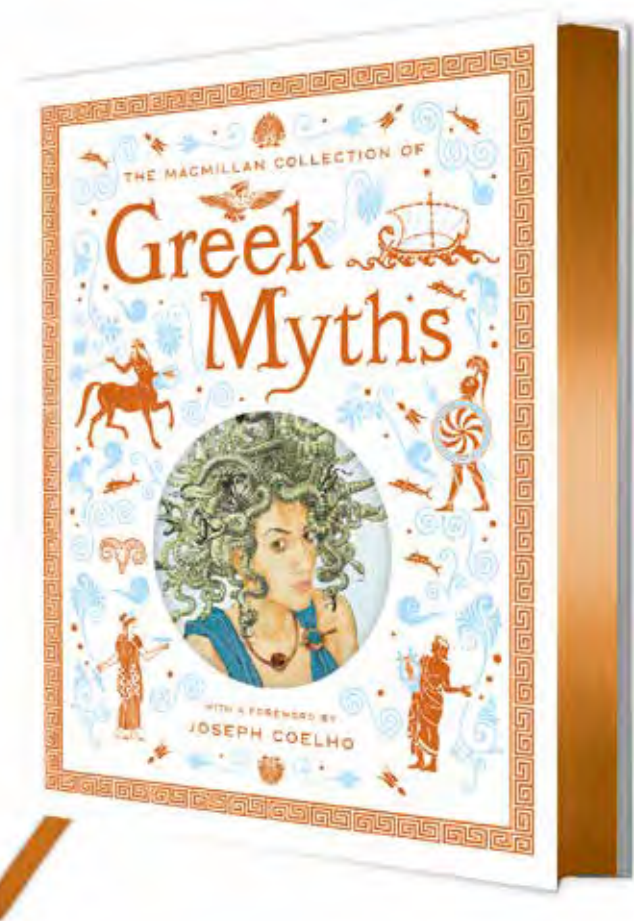
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SOLD: GREEK,  
ITALIAN,  
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# THE MACMILLAN COLLECTION OF GREEK MYTHS

-  A beautifully produced treasury, drawing on Macmillan's rich historical archive
-  Contains a wide selection of stories, including *Theseus and the Minotaur*, *Persephone* and *The Golden Fleece*; fully illustrated with colour and line-work from iconic artists, such as Arthur Rackham and Walter Crane
-  Gift hardback format, with a foiled die-cut cover, sprayed edges and ribbon marker
-  Foreword from Joseph Coelho, the UK Children's Laureate 2022–24



ALSO AVAILABLE





# Picture Books

The multi-talented Lenny Henry has written a fantastic new picture-book story in which young Tyrone and his inspirational grandad consider that anything is possible with a bit of imagination and determination - and you really can follow your dreams. Illustrated by newcomer Salomey Doku, *You Can Do Anything, Tyrone!* is a warm and fun adventure story, and is sure to become a classic storytime read.

Julia Donaldson and Rebecca Cobb, the creators of *The Paper Dolls* and *The Everywhere Bear*, are back with *Who Lives Here?*. Their charming new book tells the story of a little boy who meets lots of exciting characters on the way to see his friend. Designed for younger readers, it's full of lift-the-flap fun and fold-out pages, and is printed on toddler-proof thick paper.

*A Treasury of Ballet Stories*, written by Caryl Hart and illustrated by Briony May Smith, is the most beautiful gift book. It celebrates favourite tales from the ballet with engaging retellings and stunning art, and features information about the history of ballet too.

In the following pages, we also have brilliant new titles from many of our award-winning Macmillan authors and illustrators, from Catherine Rayner to Diane Ewen, Lily Murray and Jenny Løvlie, and Garry Parsons. There is plenty to discover!



CARYL HART



BRIONY MAY SMITH

# A Treasury OF Ballet Stories

*Step into a magical world . . .*

A richly illustrated collection featuring four classic tales:  
*Swan Lake – Sleeping Beauty – The Firebird – The Nutcracker*

A celebration of story, dance and theatre for ages 5+

From award-winning Caryl Hart  
and bestselling Briony May Smith

With additional non-fiction material,  
including a brief history of ballet

A beautiful gift edition hardback with foil cover design





# DAISY JONES *and the* DINOSAUR BONES

*Follow your dreams  
and you'll find a way . . .*

- Funny, feminist and inclusive – an action-packed story empowering young children to follow their dreams
- From the Waterstones Prize-winning illustrator Jenny Løvlie and bestselling author Lily Murray
- Inspired by the real-life story of paleontologist Mary Anning – with a non-fiction spread at the back



6  
languages  
sold!

# JULIA DONALDSON

# REBECCA COBB



# WHO LIVES HERE?



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A charming new  
story from the  
World-Record  
breaking partnership  
of Julia Donaldson  
and Rebecca Cobb.

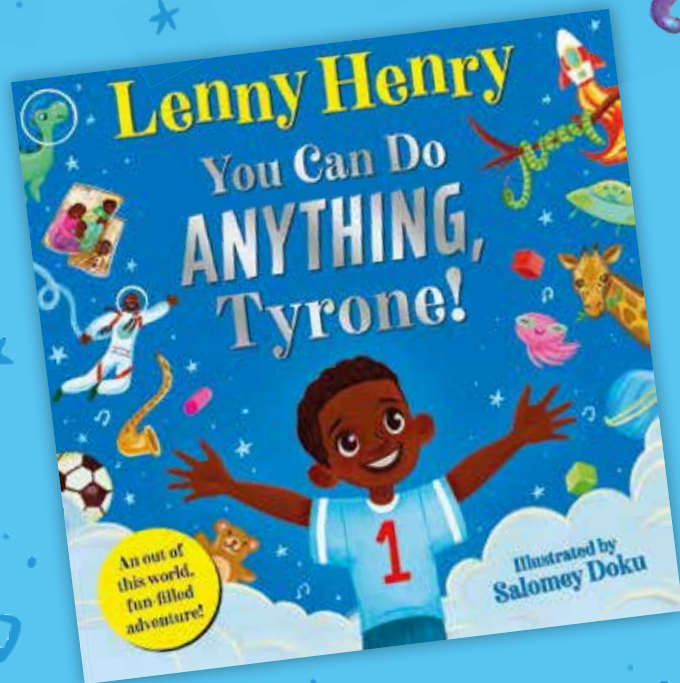
★  
Printed on  
extra-thick paper  
that's perfect for  
little hands.

★  
With fun lift-the-  
flaps and fold-out  
pages throughout.

*A little boy meets lots of exciting characters on the way to play at his friend's house!*

# Lenny Henry

# You Can Do **ANYTHING**, Tyrone!



*Why stop at the moon when you can go anywhere and be anything!*

- A fun-packed story full of imagination and adventure written by comedian and actor Sir Lenny Henry and with bright, bold illustrations from newcomer Salomey Doku
- With an uplifting, empowering message for all children, everywhere!
- Featuring a loving relationship between a boy and his grandfather at its heart



© Jack Lawson



# The Penguin Who Lost His Way

JOHN HAY  
GARRY PARSONS

- ★ The second title in an exciting new series of amazing animal tales - inspired by remarkable but true stories!
- ★ Uplifting, positive and humorous stories, with universal and international appeal
- ★ Presented in a commercial picture book package, with warm, engaging illustrations from the bestselling Garry Parsons
- ★ Includes a non-fiction spread at the end with more information about the animal and the real events behind the story

Also available:



# THERE WAS A YOUNG REINDEER WHO SWALLOWED A PRESENT

- ★ A surefire festive hit - packed with elves, reindeer, Christmas trees, presents and Santa!
- ★ From up-and-coming author Kaye Baillie and award-winning illustrator Diane Ewen, co-winner of Illustrated Book of the Year at the British Book Awards
- ★ Watch out for *There Was a Young Bunny Who Swallowed an Egg* (Easter 2024)



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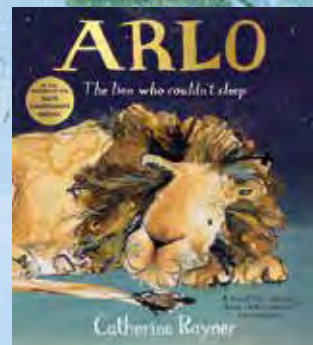
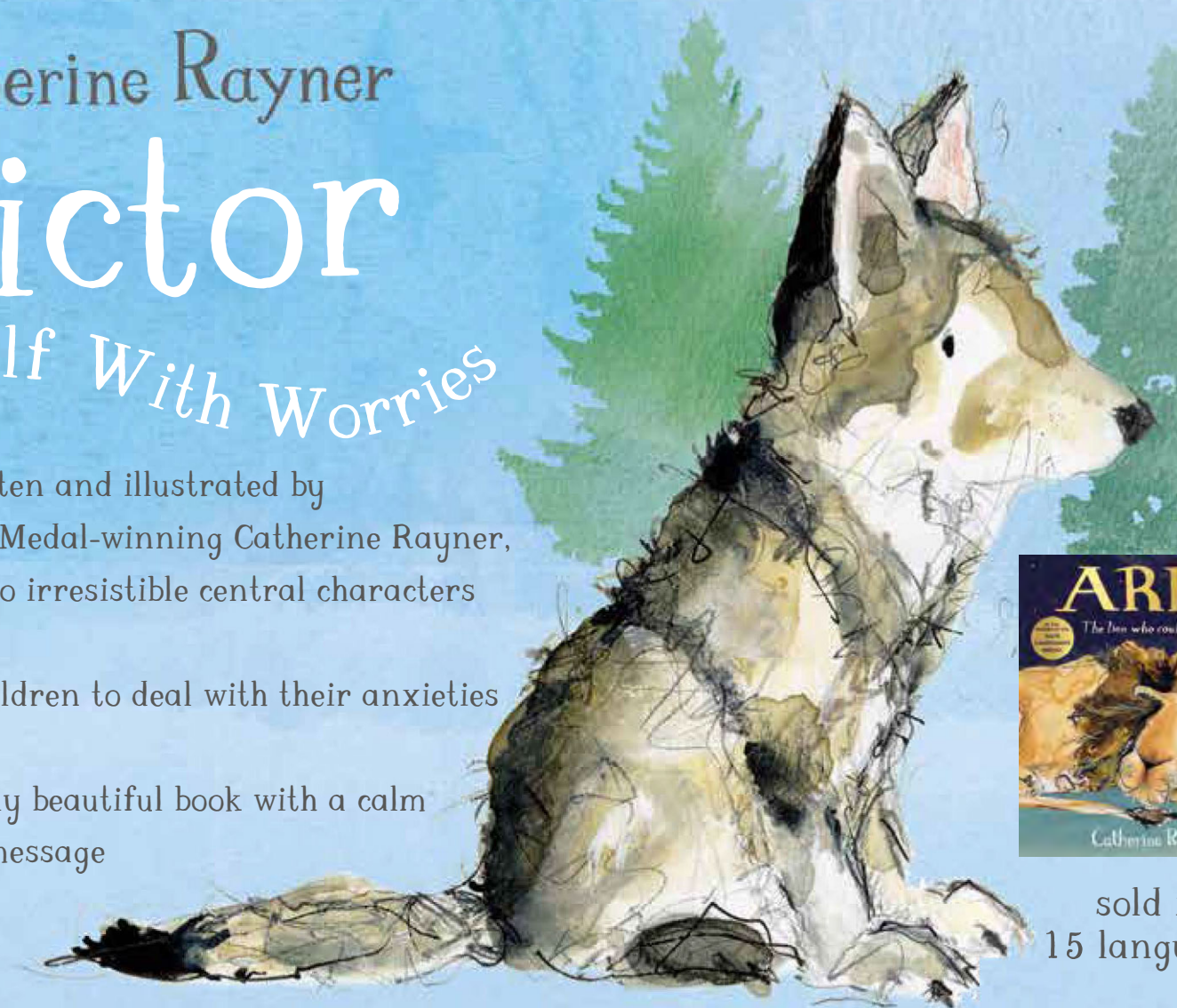


Catherine Rayner

# Victor

*- the Wolf With Worries*

- \* Fabulously written and illustrated by Kate Greenaway Medal-winning Catherine Rayner, and featuring two irresistible central characters
- \* Gently helps children to deal with their anxieties
- \* A breathtakingly beautiful book with a calm and reassuring message



sold in  
15 languages

# TWO HOOTS



At Two Hoots we encourage our talented authors and illustrators to try exciting new things, and this year is no exception.

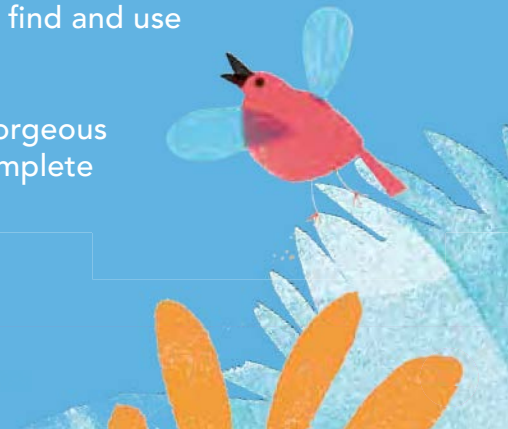
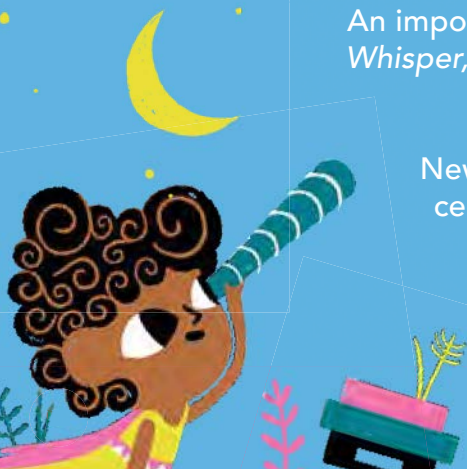
In these pages you will find our first fiction title, and from none other than the award-winning Frances Hardinge, who has written an extraordinary fantasy thriller about death, magic, and the power of staying true to oneself. In a first for Frances, this story is illustrated by Emily Gravett in compelling black and white, enhanced with an atmospheric blue ink.

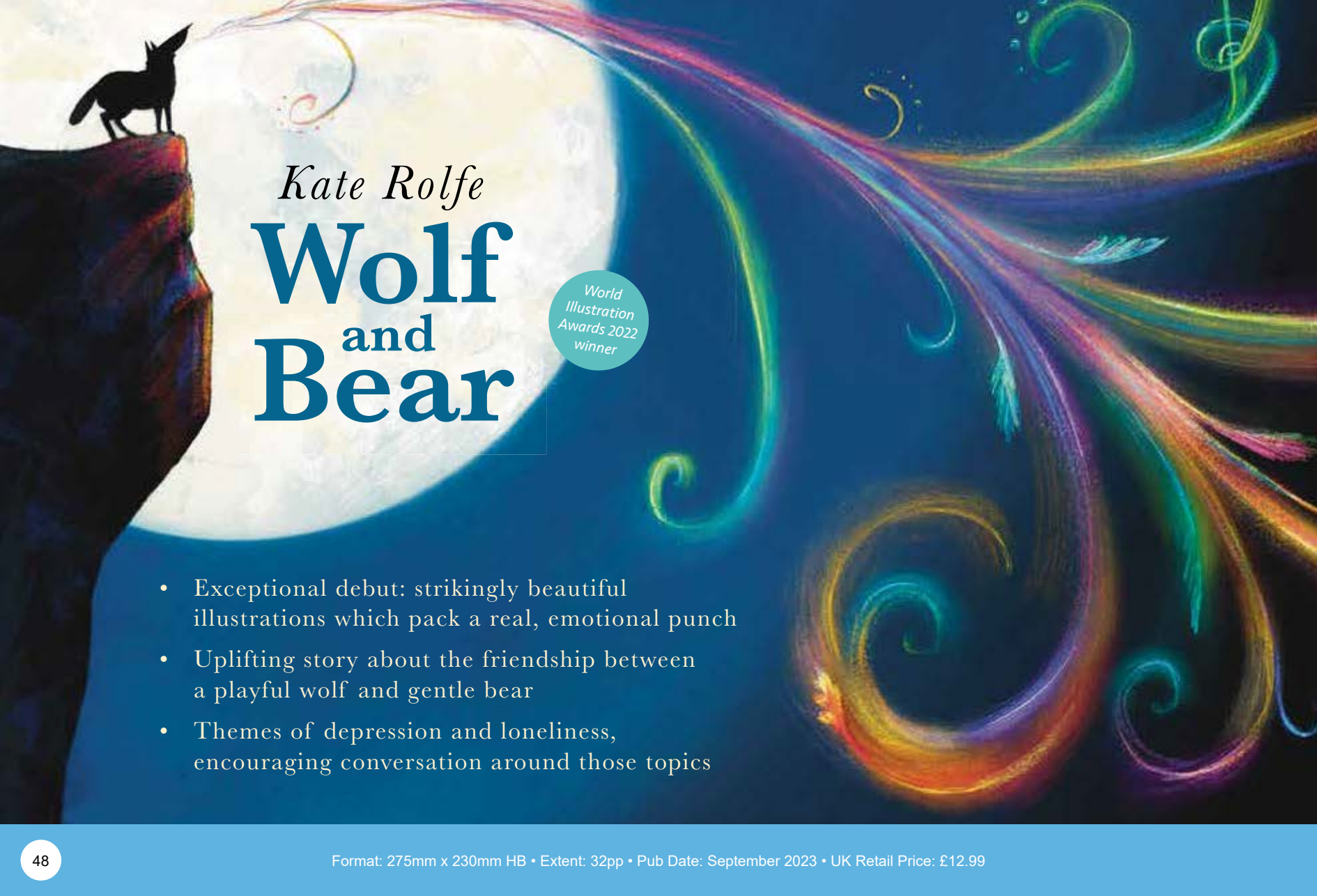
In another power pairing, we have reunited Emily with Michael Morpurgo, the creators of *A Song of Gladness* (sold in 10 languages). Their new picture book, *The Ogre Who Wasn't*, is a playful modern fairytale with kindness and a celebration of nature at its heart.

Alongside these superstars we are proud to introduce a brilliant new talent in Kate Rolfe. Her first picture book, *Wolf and Bear*, is a strikingly beautiful story of friendship and empathy and has already been attracting the attention of award judges, including those of the 2022 Macmillan Prize for Illustration. The winner of that prize in 2021, Cara Rooney, presents her debut, *A Little World of Ants* – a colourful lift-the-flap non-fiction picture book for younger readers.

An important book for children in these times is Madhvi Ramani and Anuska Allepuz's *Whisper, Shout: Let It Out!* Their interactive story encourages children to find and use their voice, empowering them to live their lives to the full.

New picture books from Bethan Woollvin and Morag Hood and a gorgeous celebration of trees from Michael Morpurgo and Yuval Zommer complete this latest collection of exceptional books from Two Hoots.





*Kate Rolfe*

# Wolf and Bear

World  
Illustration  
Awards 2022  
winner

- Exceptional debut: strikingly beautiful illustrations which pack a real, emotional punch
- Uplifting story about the friendship between a playful wolf and gentle bear
- Themes of depression and loneliness, encouraging conversation around those topics



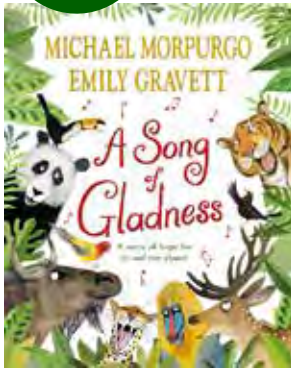
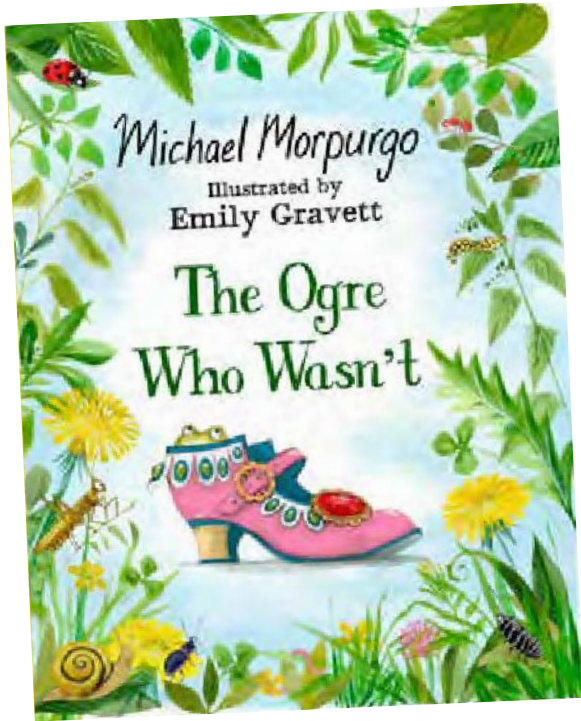
Michael Morpurgo Emily Gravett

# The Ogre Who Wasn't



- A modern fairytale that celebrates nature and the power of kindness
- Written by Children's Laureate and bestselling author Sir Michael Morpurgo (over 35 million books sold worldwide)
- Illustrated by twice CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal winner Emily Gravett

A Song of Gladness  
- sold in 10 languages



Frances Hardinge Emily Gravett

# The Ferryman

- First fully-illustrated storybook by Frances Hardinge, young adult Costa Award-winning author
- Thrilling fantasy adventure about life, death, grief and hope and what it means to stay true to yourself in the face of danger
- Illustrated in two colours by twice CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal winner Emily Gravett

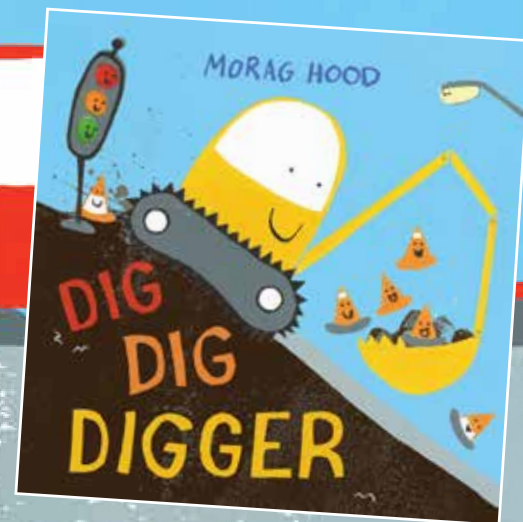
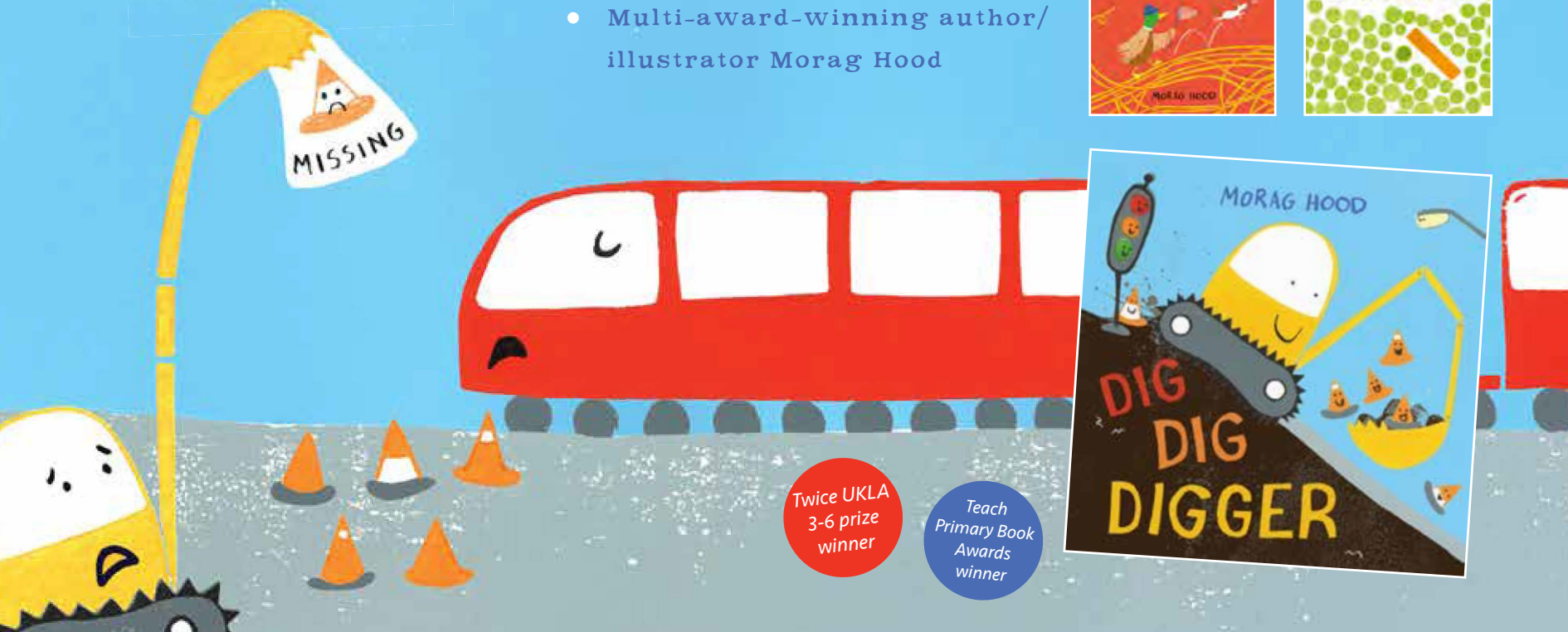
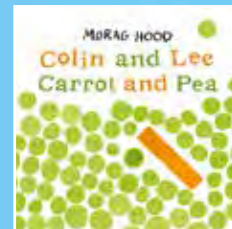
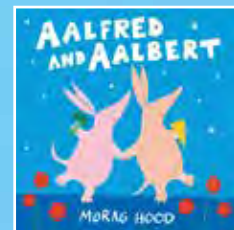


*Sold in  
30+  
languages*



# MORAG HOOD RUNAWAY CONE

- Follow up to *Dig, Dig, Digger*
- Perfect for children who love construction machines and outdoor adventures
- Comical story about a hunt for a missing traffic cone, with a surprise twist
- Multi-award-winning author/illustrator Morag Hood



Twice UKLA  
3-6 prize  
winner

Teach  
Primary Book  
Awards  
winner

ANUSKA ALLEPUZ MADHVI RAMANI

# Whisper, Shout: Let It Out!

- Engaging text helps children build confidence and encourage self-expression by using their voice
  - The perfect interactive storytime for shy or anxious children
  - Rising star illustrator whose books have sold in over 11 languages



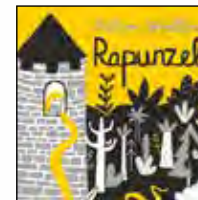
Bethan Woollvin

# LUNA and the SKY DRAGON

- From the *New York Times* - bestselling, award-winning Bethan Woollvin
- A STEM-friendly, feminist picture book featuring a stargazing heroine and a favourite mythical beast in an Ancient Greek setting
- All about the power of myth, the love of science and how to achieve harmony between the two



Macmillan  
Prize for  
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winner 2014

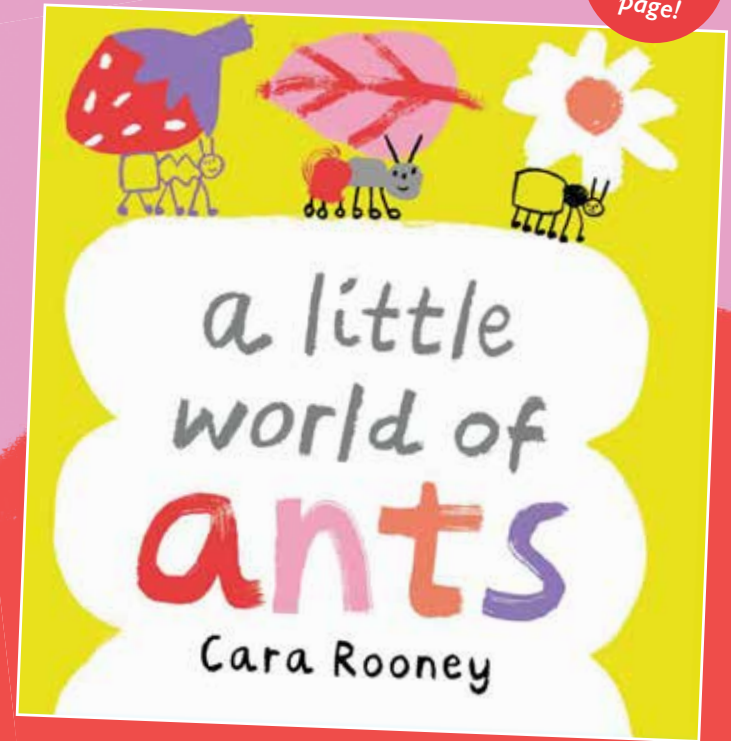


# Cara Rooney

# a little world of ants

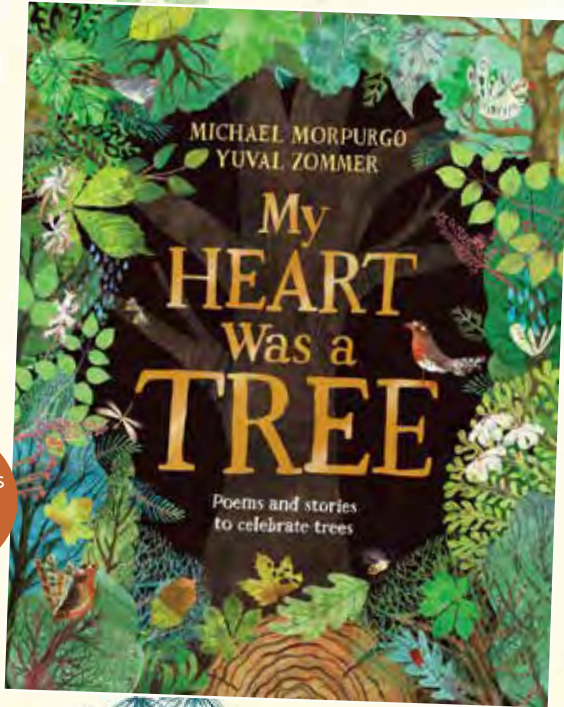
- Winner of the Macmillan Prize for Illustration 2021
- Young non-fiction full of shaped flaps to lift, perfectly pitched for all minibeast loving, young children
- Original, contemporary illustration style using a beautiful, vibrant colour palette
- Heartwarming message about the importance of friends and family

Flaps on every page!



MICHAEL MORPURGO  
YUVAL ZOMMER

# My HEART Was a TREE



Over 30  
million books  
sold world-  
wide

- A glorious celebration of the wonder of trees, in a beautiful large format gift book
- Stories and poems from Sir Michael Morpurgo, one of the world's best-loved children's authors, with sales of over 8 million in the UK alone
- Illustrated by the award-winning Yuval Zommer, whose books have sold in over 25 languages
- Drawing on Morpurgo and Zommer's love of nature, this very special book will inspire readers to appreciate and care for trees



# Kingfisher



On our specialist non-fiction list, we publish the best books for enquiring minds with titles and themes that are relevant to children and young people in their daily lives.

The first title in a new flip-book series, *Up and Down* is two brilliant reference books in one. One side of the book looks up through the skies out into deep space, while the other takes the reader right down to the Earth's fiery core, with plenty of mind-boggling things to discover on the journey.

In *The Stories* and *Secrets of Colours*, award-winning author Susie Brooks reveals how colours have shaped our world throughout history. Sirjana Kaur's vibrant, kaleidoscopic illustrations bring this fascinating topic to life in a wonderfully informative gift book.

*Adventures on Trains* author Sam Sedgman takes us on another global adventure in *Epic Cities*. It's a celebration of human ingenuity, a sweeping tour of the world's most fascinating cultures, and is perfect for readers who enjoy travel, learning secret and surprising facts about the world, and how everything fits together.

There is plenty more for you to discover from Kingfisher in the following pages.





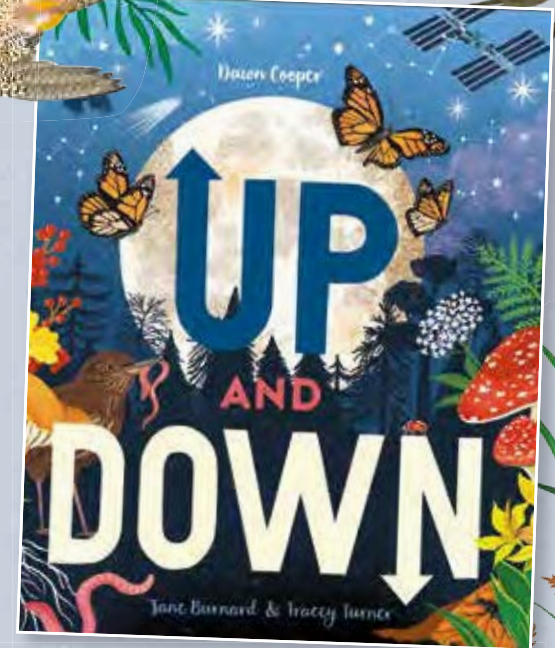
# UP

and DOWN

Tracey Turner and Jane Burnard

Illustrated by Dawn Cooper

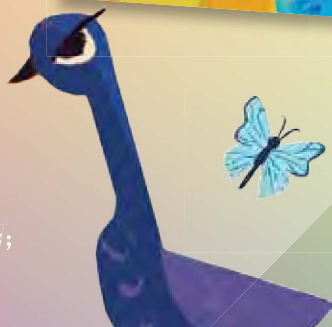
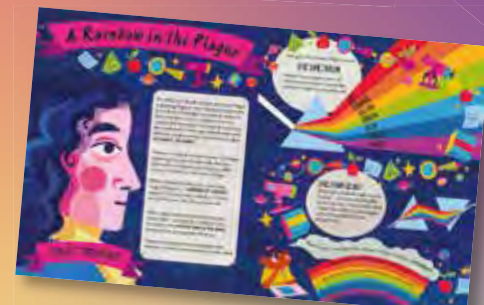
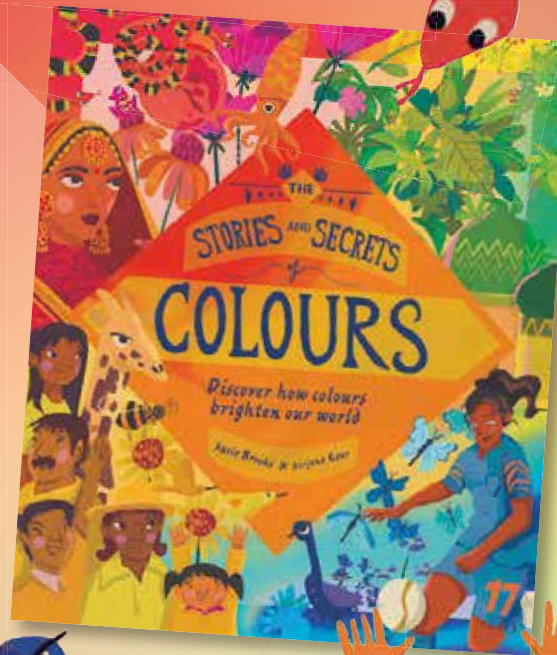
- The first title in a beautifully illustrated new reference series, each book divided into halves to give two books in one
- Discover fascinating facts about the Moon, stars and things that fly before flipping the book over to learn about cave-dwelling creatures and the Earth's core
- One high-interest topic per spread makes this a brilliant book for reluctant readers
- Covers a wide range of topics: animals and nature, geology and astronomy, vehicles and machines, and much more – there's something to hook every reader



Coming soon:  
Night and Day,  
Land and Sea

# THE STORIES AND SECRETS of COLOURS

- Unlock the mysteries of one of life's most beautiful phenomena – colour – in this vibrantly illustrated and captivating book from award-winning author Susie Brooks
- From a very young age, children are fascinated by colour and the role it plays in our world
- Both a beautiful gift book and an essential reference resource for home and school
- The first title in a lavish new gift series. Future titles will include: *Dragons*; *The Night Sky*; *Maps*; *Trees*; *The Ocean*; *Awesome Buildings*

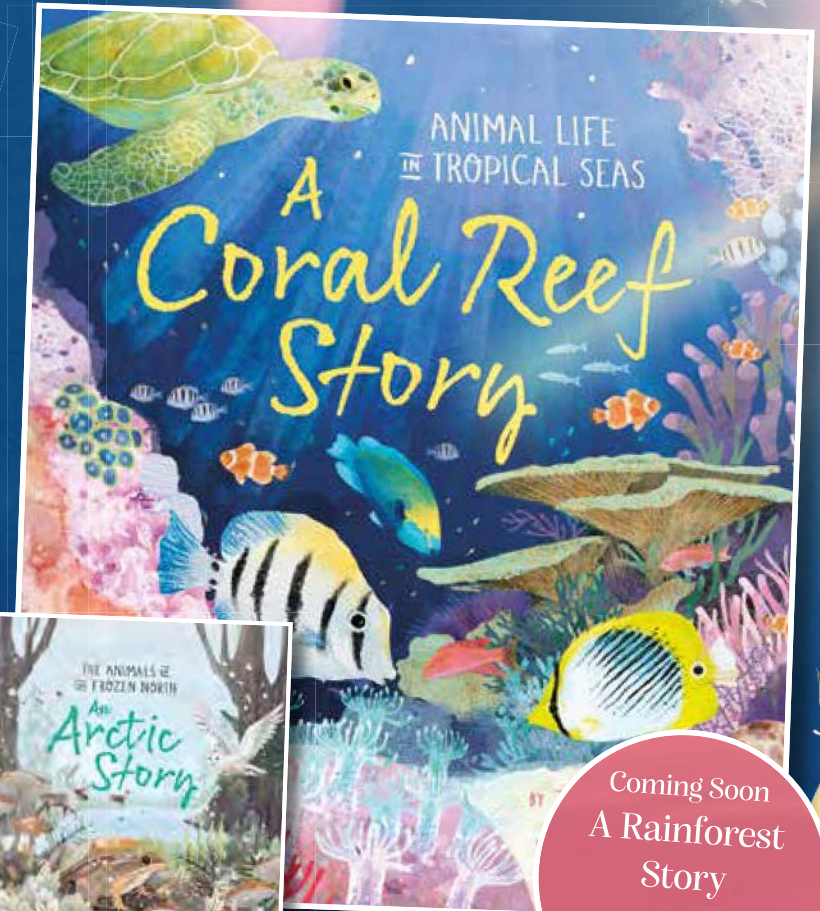


# A Coral Reef Story

Jane Burnard

Illustrated by Kendra Binney

- The second title in a timely new environmental series that will build to 6-8 titles
- A fascinating exploration of the coral reef through the seasons, introducing the unique sea creatures that call it home
- Lyrical text and gorgeous illustrations showcase this fragile ecosystem, highlighting the effects of climate change and inspiring young readers to become nature lovers
- A stunningly packaged picture book-style home reference title that appeals to children, parents, schools and libraries alike

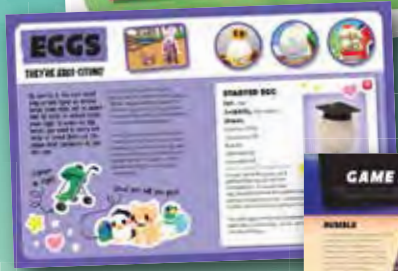
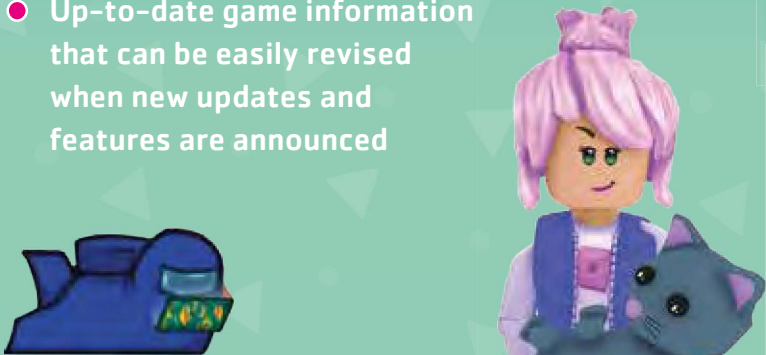


Coming Soon  
A Rainforest  
Story  
A Savannah  
Story

100% unofficial

# KINGFISHER GAME GUIDES

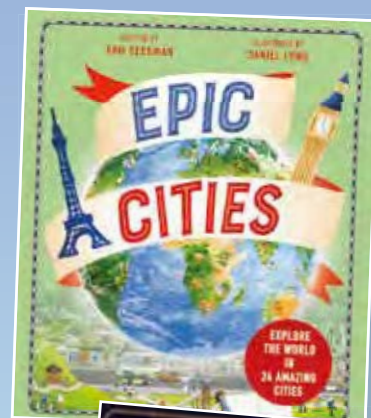
- Quickly become an expert player at all your favourite games with Kingfisher's game strategy guides
- Comprehensive guides for players of all skill levels that cover everything from basic game mechanics and handy tips to winning strategies
- Up-to-date game information that can be easily revised when new updates and features are announced



# EPIC CITIES

SAM SEDGMAN • ILLUSTRATED BY DANIEL LONG

- Journey across six continents and 24 of the world's most incredible cities and discover the amazing people, infrastructure, history, culture and customs that makes each city unique
- A follow-up to *Epic Adventures*, award-winning author Sam Sedgman takes readers on a spectacular global tour. Go cycling in Copenhagen, join a festival in Rio, barter in a Marrakesh market, try punting the canals in Venice and much more!
- *Epic Cities* captures a sense of playful curiosity about the world, the joy of travel, a sense of wonder at human engineering, and helps readers to uncover the beautiful and surprising ways the manmade and natural worlds fit together

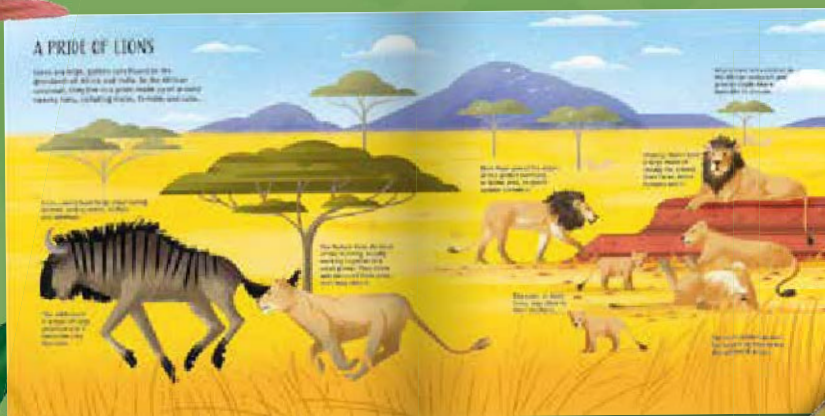
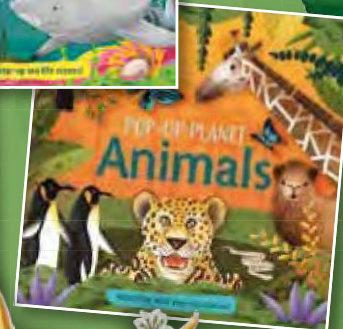
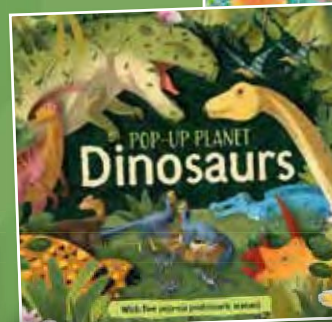


# POP-UP PLANET

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DRAGAN KORDIC

Dinosaurs   Oceans   Animals

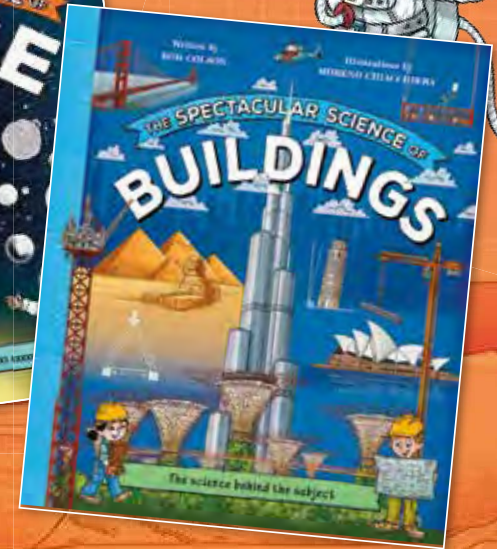
- A lavish new gift series, with 5 pop-up diorama scenes in each book
- Each pop-up is accompanied by a spotter's guide and a follow-up spread containing further information
- High-interest topics and eye-catching pop-ups are perfect for reluctant readers



# THE SPECTACULAR SCIENCE OF SPACE • BUILDINGS

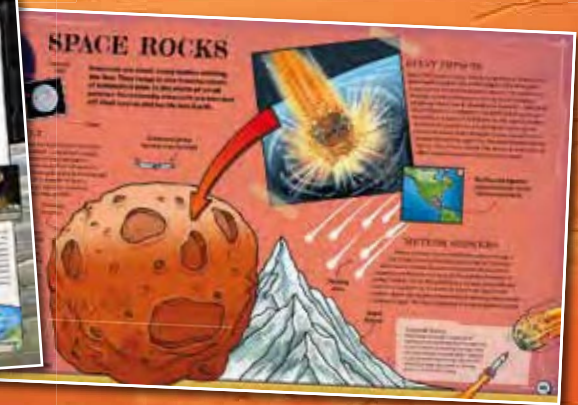
Rob Colson  
Illustrated by Moreno Chiacchiera

- A new series that will build to 8 titles
- An essential reference resource that makes science truly exciting, and at the same time provides an authoritative grounding in fundamental STEM principles - equipping and inspiring children to begin considering a future career in STEM
- Information is delivered on multiple levels, allowing readers to dip in and out at speed, or take a deep dive into their favourite subjects: core information is delivered in short, easy-to-understand paragraphs, supported by fact panels, single-line annotations, and key numerical facts picked out as standalone labels
- Will provide the answers to all those tricky science questions that children ask about the world around them - and that parents often struggle to answer



Future titles:

Art • Human Body  
Inventions • Planet  
Earth • The Living  
World • Vehicles



# Fiction and Non-Fiction

In our Autumn guide we introduced you to *Greenwild: The World Behind the Door*, the brilliant debut novel by Pari Thomson. In the first novel in this exceptional new series, Pari cleverly weaves together an exciting magical adventure and a message of environmental hope in a ground-breaking story not to be missed. We were delighted that many of you also fell in love with this book; we have sold it in four languages ahead of publication in June, with more to be announced soon.

As well as our very exciting announcement about our new YA deal with Elle McNicoll, who has turned her award-winning pen to a heart-warming romance for older readers, we are also delighted to be presenting a stand-alone novel by M.G.Leonard, whose new story is based on the popular tale of *The Snow Queen*, and is packed with mystery and adventure, and also addresses the pressures that climate change is bringing to our planet.

Our award-winning non-fiction list has many expert voices informing and guiding young people in their lives. Leah Williamson joins MCB with a guide to owning your dreams and feeling empowered to follow them; David Olusoga, with his siblings Yinka and Kemi, introduces us to *Black History for Every Day of the Year* and Marcus Rashford is back with *Marcus Rashford Heroes*, a book packed full of great people who inspire us all.







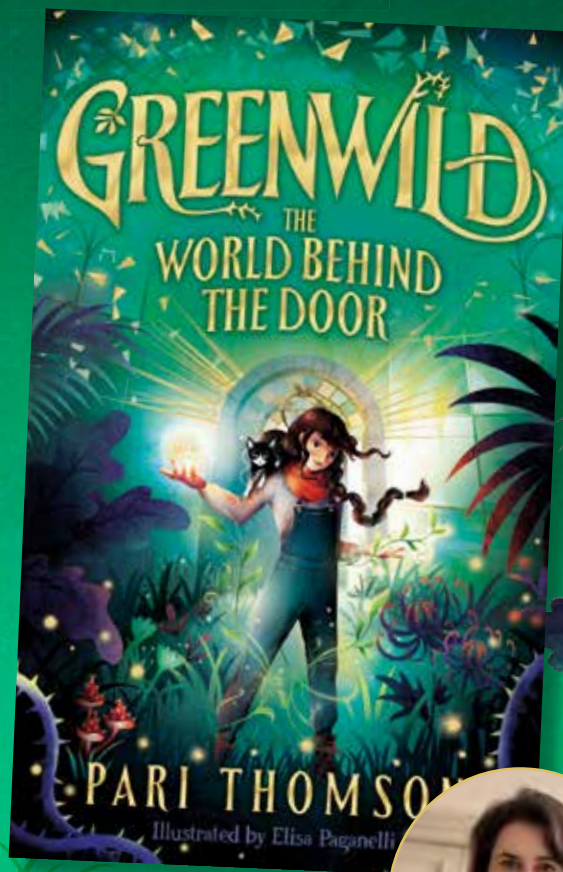
MACMILLAN PROUDLY WELCOMES  
**ELLE McNICOLL**  
BESTSELLING AND AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR  
WITH HER DEBUT YA NOVEL  
GLOBAL RELEASE SEPTEMBER 2024

A small-town homecoming.  
A life-changing decision.  
A romance to remember.

# GREENWILD

THE  
WORLD BEHIND  
THE DOOR

PARI  
THOMSON  
Illustrated by Elisa Paganelli



The magic of Nevermoor meets the eco message of *The Last Bear* in this stunning debut fantasy adventure.

Young Daisy Thistledown is thrown into a magical botanical adventure when trying to get to the bottom of her mother's sudden disappearance. Following a cat through a door in Kew Gardens, Daisy ends up in a fantasy world full of incredible magical plants: from deadly dangerous flowers to the mythical-sounding ghost orchid. In this world Daisy will meet new friends and learn of an old magic, and hear murmurs of a conspiracy reaching across the globe that threatens not only Daisy and her family, but the fate of the Greenwild too . . .

- Pari Thomson's debut is a stunning fantasy adventure with immersive world-building and characters to fall in love with, cementing her as a classic in the making
- Breathes new life into comforting children's fantasy tropes: boarding school, hidden doorways, magical lands and a distinctive gang of magical friends
- Includes interior black-and-white illustrations and an eye-catching package indicative of the rich fantastical world within
- Major global launch in June 2023 with simultaneous US publication



# HOMEBODY

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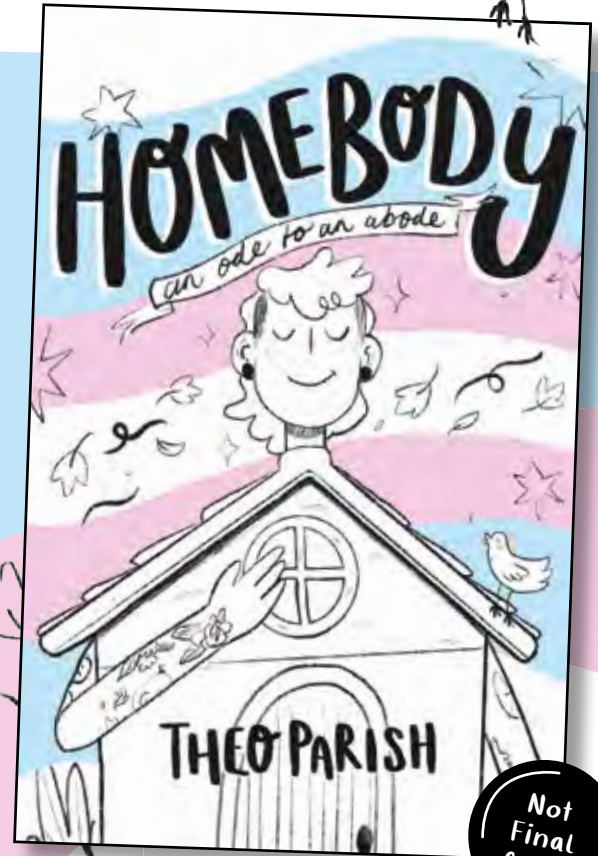
They say that “your body is a temple”.  
Well, mine feels more like a rental.

*Heartstopper* meets Juno Dawson’s *What’s the T?* in this beautifully narrative non-fiction graphic novel exploring what it means to feel at home in your body.

*Homebody* is an inclusive story based on the creator’s own exploration of gender identity.

Interweaving between past and present and punctuated by hilarious comic panels and poetic prose, this is the perfect book exploring what it means to feel at home in one’s identity.

- Perfect for fans of *Heartstopper*
- Powerful, honest, humorous text and commercial illustrations allow this title to have a wide market reach
- High spec package featuring 2 colour illustrations



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# THE MAGICIAN'S DAUGHTER



Written by  
**Caryl Lewis** ★ Illustrated by  
**George Ermos**

*The Magician's Daughter* is a miraculous story about the power of community and giving everyone a chance to shine, by the award-winning Caryl Lewis.

After one disastrous magic show too many, Abby's dad decides to give up showbiz. Abby's mum was the dazzling magician. Now she's gone, it doesn't feel the same.

But when Abby finds her mum's dusty old book, they decide to put on a show for some care home residents. The book's spells inspire new joy. An old lady feels young again and two children learn that anything is possible when they fly.

Ron and Abby are determined to share their magic and stage one last spectacle in London.

'Some books are about magic. Some books ARE magic'

- Frank Cottrell-Boyce on *Seed*

★ Exceptional middle-grade standalone title from an award-winning Welsh screenwriter and novelist



# THE BREAKFAST CLUB ADVENTURES

## THE GHOUL IN THE SCHOOL

# MARCUS RASHFORD

WRITTEN WITH ALEX FALASE-KOYA • ILLUSTRATED BY MARTA KISSI

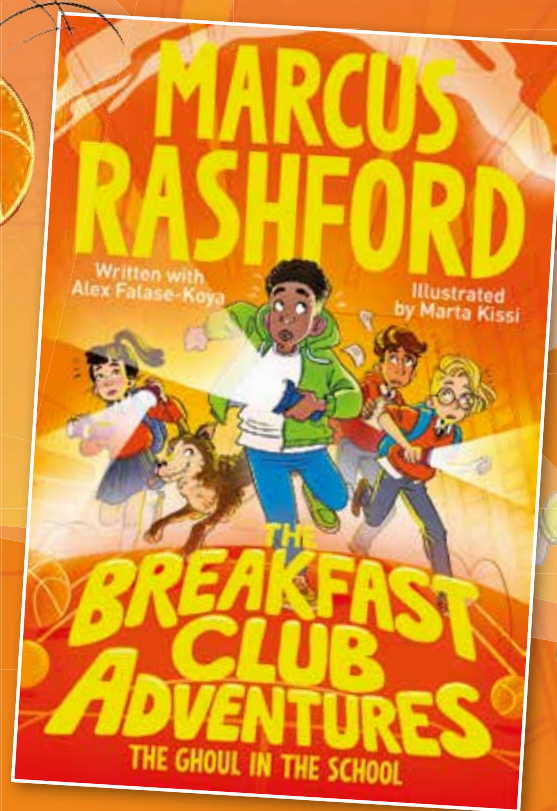
### THERE'S SOMETHING STRANGE GOING ON AT SCHOOL ...

When the basketball club has a streak of bad luck, The Breakfast Club Investigators are sure there's more to the mystery than meets the eye. And as they uncover one surprising clue after another, they realise that there might just be a curse on the team, and a mysterious creature lurking just out of sight! Can Marcus and his friends solve the mystery in time?

- 100k copies of *The Breakfast Club Adventures: The Beast Beyond the Fence* sold through UK TCM since publication in May 2022
- Dynamic setting and illustrations to make the book as visually engaging as possible – perfect for reluctant readers
- Marcus's inspirational children's book *You Are a Champion* debuted in the UK at number 1 in the children's charts and number 3 in the overall chart. The Breakfast Club Adventures keeps building Marcus as the authentic voice looking to inspire real and positive change in children through books

The Breakfast Club Investigators are back! Join Marcus, Stacey, Lise and Asim on another exciting adventure full of fantastic friendships, high-stakes mysteries and strange goings-on, from #1 bestselling author Marcus Rashford!

BOOK 3  
COMING  
SEPTEMBER  
2023





# FRANK COTTRELL-BOYCE



**'Whoever you are, whatever you are, get ready to be astonished because we are the Wonder Brothers ...'**

Introducing sensational duo, cousins Middy and Nathan, the most magical act to wow the stage since top hats were invented.

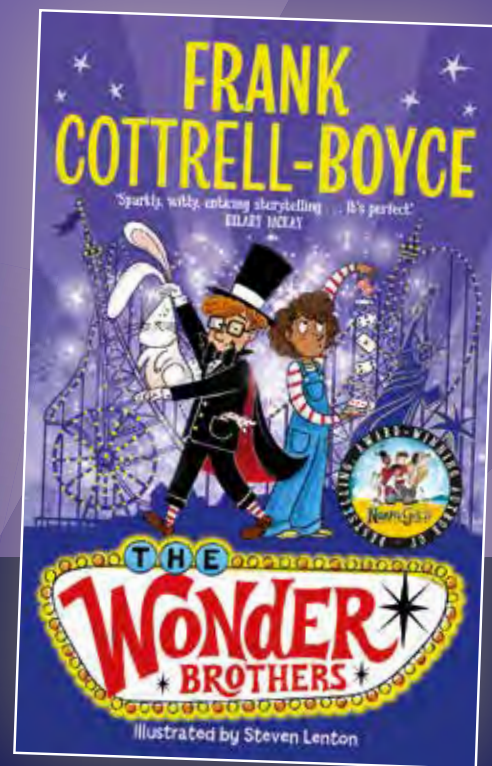
When the famous Blackpool Tower dramatically vanishes the night of the Grand Lights Switch-On, showman Nathan, announces live on TV that they will magic it back home.

With a stick of rock, a spangly cape, and a bit of misdirection, they end up lost in Las Vegas - home to the grand master of illusion, Perplexion, 'Legend of Magic'.

Be warned – things aren't always what they seem.



- **An exceptionally funny and warm rabbit-out-of-the-hat adventure for readers of 9+ from national treasure Frank Cottrell-Boyce**
- **Big book, author brand, hardback package, fully illustrated in black-and-white throughout by top illustrator Steven Lenton. *Noah's Gold* was Waterstones Book of the Month in May 2022**
- **Frank Cottrell-Boyce is a star author who has sold well over 1.5 million copies and won numerous top prizes including The Guardian Children's Fiction Prize and the Carnegie Medal**



# The Ice Children

M.G.LEONARD

Inspired by Hans Christian Andersen's *The Snow Queen*, *The Ice Children* follows eleven-year-old Bianca Albedo as she embarks on an adventure to save her younger brother Finn, and the other children who are found frozen across the city. In order to uncover the truth, Bianca must track down a mysterious figure and travel to a fantastical world, full of wonder and magical adventure, where winter reigns supreme. If Bianca is to save her brother and all the other children, she must find a way to save winter itself.

*The Ice Children* is an exciting, magical mystery about the power of love and friendship, the beauty of the natural world and the dangers of climate change.

- \* M. G. Leonard is the award-winning bestselling author of the Adventures on Trains series, which has sold in 20 languages, and *Twitch*
- \* Perfect for boys and girls aged 8-12
- \* Illustrated throughout in black and white



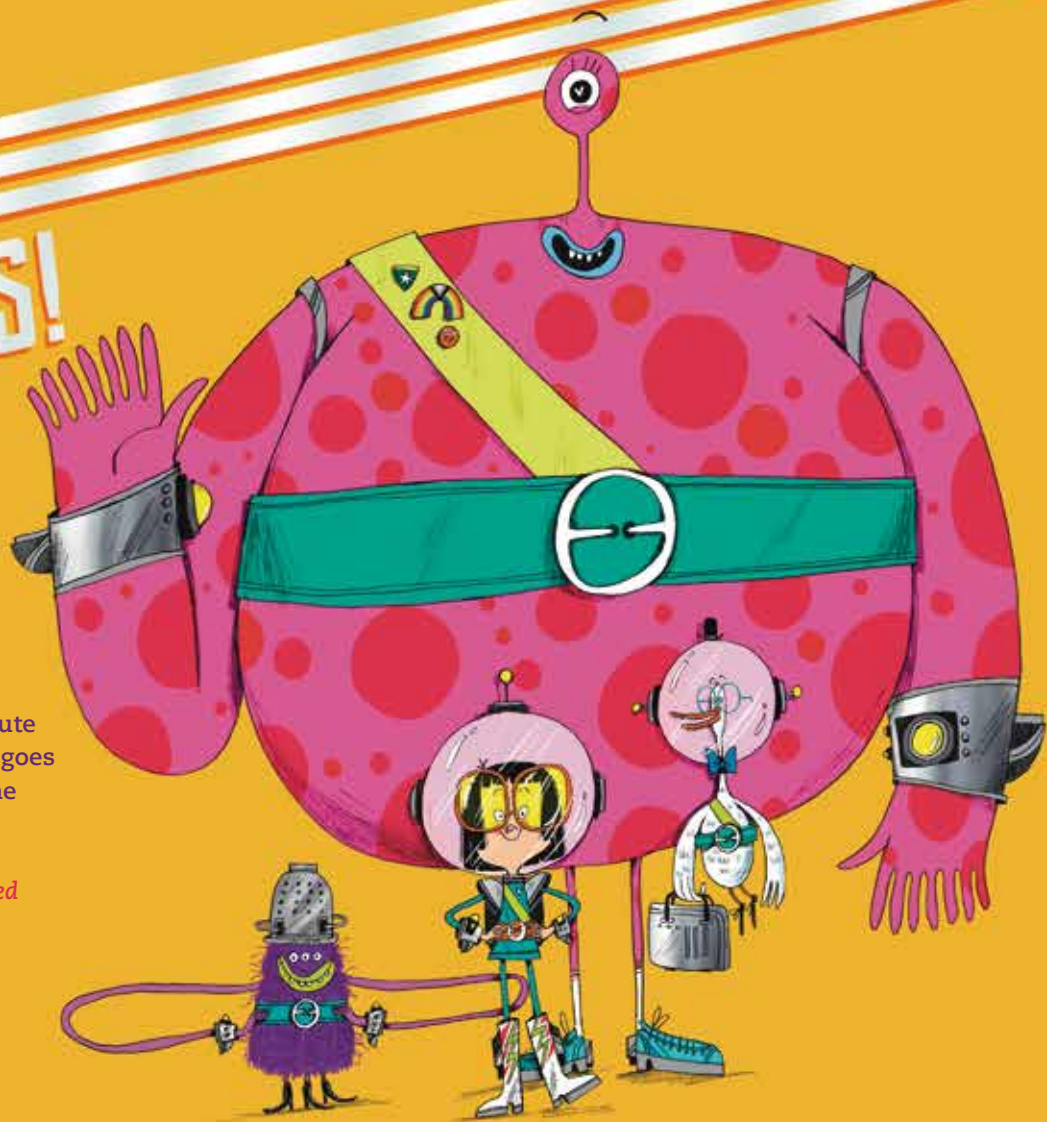
Alex T. Smith

# ASTRID AND THE SPACE CADETS!

From Alex T. Smith, the bestselling author of *How Winston Delivered Christmas*, *The Grumpus* and *Claude* comes a brand new, highly illustrated OUT OF THIS WORLD adventure series for readers aged 5+!

Astrid Atomic isn't like other children . . . Each night, the minute the lights are off and the coast is clear, the Space Cadet siren goes off! Her uniform goes on and – 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, **WHOOSH!** – she blasts off for an exciting adventure in outer space!

- Alex T. Smith is the bestselling author of *How Winston Delivered Christmas*, *The Grumpus*, *Claude* and *Mr Penguin*
- With a short extent and highly illustrated package, the series is perfect for newly confident readers and fans of *Claude*
- Four books acquired in the series, publishing at 6 month intervals to gain the momentum which is so important for this age group





# THE GRUMPUS

AND HIS  
DASTARDLY, DREADFUL  
CHRISTMAS PLAN

Alex T. Smith

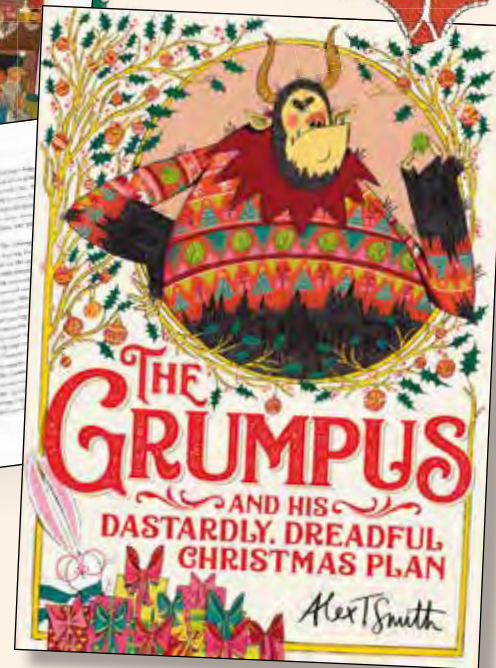


## DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE GRUMPUS? AND HIS DASTARDLY, DREADFUL CHRISTMAS PLAN?

No, I don't suppose you have heard of him, until now, because there is only one Grampus in the whole world.

The Grampus is a big, grumbly, huffy-puffy, grumpy grump of a creature who doesn't like anybody. Or anything. AT ALL.

And the one thing he REALLY doesn't like, above all else, is Christmas. So let me tell you about The Grampus's wicked plan, and how his adventure to the North Pole didn't turn out to be at all as he planned . . .



- Alex T. Smith is the bestselling author of festive-favourites *How Winston Delivered Christmas* and *How Winston Came Home for Christmas*. Winston has sold over 250k copies worldwide, across all editions and formats. It is a modern Christmas classic that families and teachers return to year after year
- *The Grampus* builds on Alex's festive brand, with another heart-warming story about friendship, family, kindness, and the true meaning of Christmas. The perfect Christmas gift for families to enjoy together

Coming Soon  
The  
Nutmcracker

# MARCUS RASHFORD HEROES

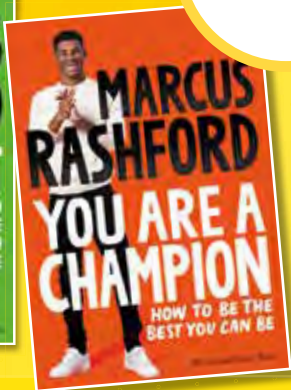
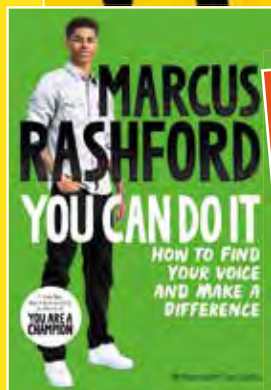
WRITTEN WITH CARL ANKA

**The third non-fiction book from #1 bestselling authors, Marcus Rashford and Carl Anka, shining a light on inspiring people throughout the world!**

Marcus Rashford has inspired kids all over the world through his books *You Are a Champion* and *You Can Do It*. Now he shows YOU the people in his life who have been role models to him! From well-known figures to unsung community heroes, join Marcus as he shows you how each person's story can inspire positive change in your own life.

RIGHTS SOLD  
IN 10 LANGUAGES

- *You Are a Champion* debuted in the UK at #1 in the children's chart and #3 in the overall chart. It has sold over 290k through UK TCM in just over a year of sales
- *You Are a Champion* was WHS Book of the Year 2021, shortlisted for the Waterstones Book of the Year 2021, winner of the Sainsbury's prize, and Marcus himself was Future Book person of the year and the Books Are My Bag Breakthrough Author of the year
- Dynamic setting, illustrations and infographics to make the book as visually engaging as possible - perfect for reluctant readers



# CLICKS

HOW TO BE YOUR  
BEST SELF ONLINE

NATASHA  
DEVON

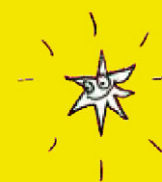
This essential handbook is written by Natasha Devon, a writer and activist for making the world a fairer place.

There are three billion people online. Each of those people has their own biases, agendas and issues. It's little wonder when young people step into the digital world and are bombarded with 'hot takes', calls to cancel 'problematic' individuals, trolls, fake news and celebrity sales pitches they're likely to find it overwhelming and confusing. This book will teach young people how to:

- See and evaluate all sides of an argument
- Spot fake news
- Explain their 'take' persuasively
- Use the internet to campaign for a fairer world
- Get the most out of their online role models
- Show allyship to marginalised groups



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# AMAZING ACTIVITIES

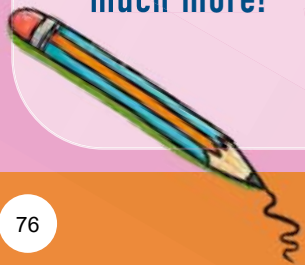
ILLUSTRATED BY PRANITA KOCHAREKAR

Packed full of awesome activities, jokes, and much more!

These entertaining, inclusive books will occupy busy hands and curious minds, designed to dip in and out of!

Filled with an incredible range of targeted activities, puzzles and prompts that will help every child to engage with themselves and their world's surroundings.

Activities include: write your own poem, draw your lunch, crosswords and word searches, solve this riddle, draw your mood, join the dots, and much, much more!



# BLACK HISTORY for EVERY DAY of the YEAR



With an entry for each day of the year, this is an inclusive, accessible and empowering celebration of Black history by bestselling author and award-winning historian David Olusoga.



**DAVID OLUSOGA**  
and **YINKA OLUSOGA** illustrated by **KEMI OLUSOGA**

Meet well known figures and unsung heroes, read about famous and lesser known key cultural moments and discover brilliant information about Black people throughout history, from the Ancient times to the modern day. With accessible pieces of history broken down by date, this gorgeous hardback is perfect for all ages, revealing a rich history that is relevant to us all; a unique and vital celebration that sweeps across the world and through the ages.

- David is a bestselling author and his books on Black British history have sold over 125k through UK TCM
- A unique celebration of Black history - international and inclusive, focusing on well known figures and unsung heroes
- The perennially popular 'Every Day of the Year' format is the perfect way to bring history to life, an accessible and easily digestible format
- Cross-market appeal, with an opportunity to broaden it out to an older adult market. This is everyone's history and there would be something for everyone





*Isabella Tree & Angela Harding*

## *Wilding: An Illustrated Guide to Letting Nature Back In*

*Isabella Tree and Angela Harding bring you an inspiring book full of hope for the future, showcasing the wonder of nature*

A full colour younger reimagining of *Wilding* which tells the story of a remarkable experiment: the rewilding of the Knepp Estate, the restoration of natural ecological processes, and the stunning recovery of flora and fauna. Includes a description of the concept of rewilding, beautiful spreads featuring butterflies, bats, owls and beetles, timelines and accessible in-garden activities to 're-Wild' your own spaces. It a great way to start teaching kids about their responsibility for the world around us.

- Isabella Tree is an award-winning writer and lives in the middle of a pioneering rewilding project in West Sussex
- Illustrated in glorious full-colour by bestselling author, illustrator and naturalist Angela Harding
- *Wilding: The Return of Nature to a British Farm*, also published by Macmillan, has sold over 250,000 copies

**LEAH  
WILLIAMSON**  
Captain of the England Women's Football Team

**YOU  
HAVE  
THE  
POWER**

Find Your  
**STRENGTH and  
Believe You Can**

Written with Suzanne Wrack

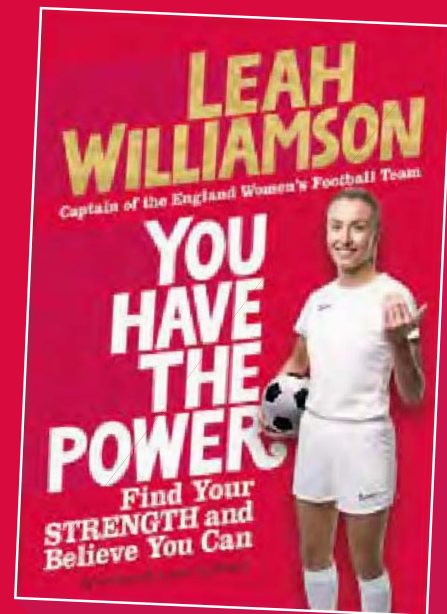


Join **LEAH WILLIAMSON**, captain of the England women's football team, as she shows you that you can be a leader at any age, and that huge things can happen when you believe in yourself!

In the summer of 2022, Leah led the Lionesses to victory in the European Championships – now she wants to show you that you can achieve anything you put your mind to, both on and off the pitch, no matter what other people say. This positive guide for life will inspire you to lead like a pro, and motivate you to do what you love.

Written with journalist Suzanne Wrack, *You Have the Power* is filled with stories from Leah's own life and tons of brilliant advice, to show young girls how to find their strength and empower them to follow their dreams.

- 🏆 Leah is the captain of the Lionesses – winners of the UEFA Women's Euro Championship 2022. She is uniquely positioned to motivate and inspire younger generations
- 🏆 Leah will be promoting the book around publication, and will use her social channels (707k followers on Instagram, 177k followers on twitter)
- 🏆 Perfect pub date for the Women's World Cup, which will be held in the summer of 2023
- 🏆 Kicking off a hugely exciting partnership between MCB and Leah Williamson – *You Have the Power* will be followed by her first fiction in Summer 2023, and a second book in Spring 2024





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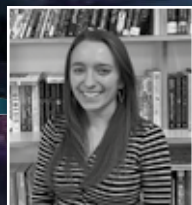
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