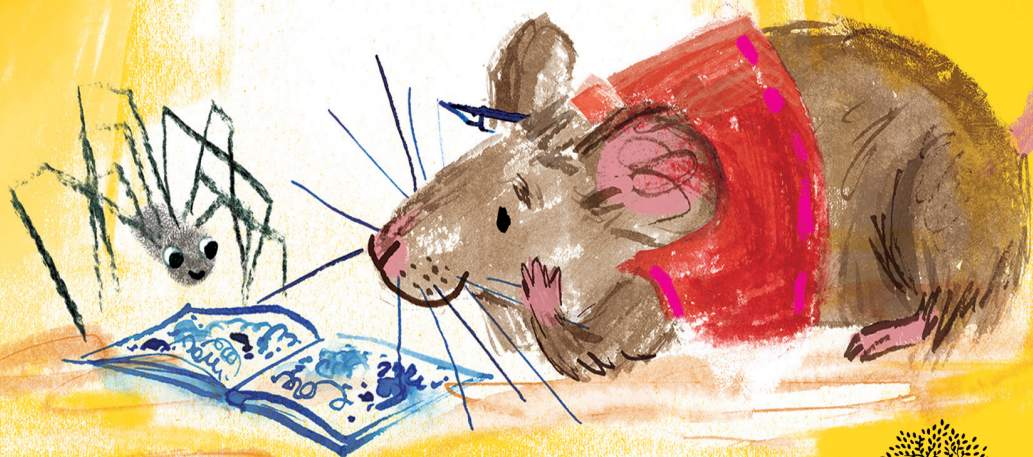
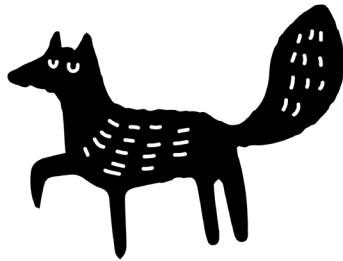


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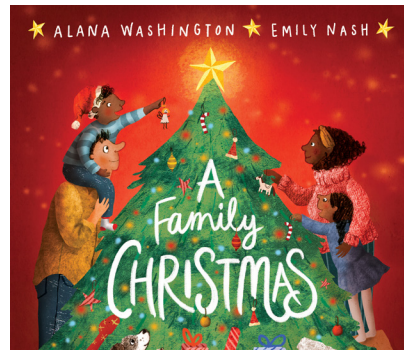


PICTURE BOOKS

A FAMILY CHRISTMAS

Alana Washington,
illustrated by Emily Nash

A heart warming Christmas tale that invites every child to see themselves and their family within its pages.



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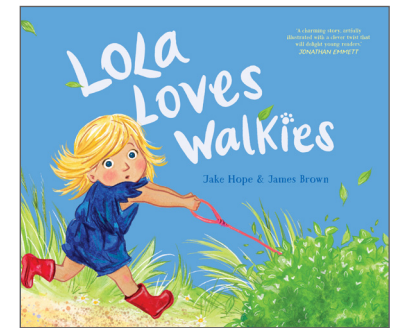


A Family Christmas is a deceptively simple rhyming story that carries us along as Christmas Day unfolds. With family, festivities and fun at its heart, and all the magical ingredients needed to make the perfect Christmas Day.

LOLA LOVES WALKIES

Jake Hope,
illustrated by James Brown

“A charming story, artfully illustrated with a clever twist that will delight young readers.”
JONATHAN EMMETT



02/05/2024
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Ready or not, Lola loves kisses and cuddles, friends and fun, but what she loves most of all is walkies!

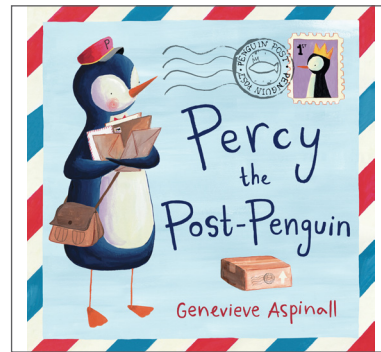
Join Lola as she plays hide and seek, leaps in and out of the long grasses and watches her poochy pals fetching sticks on an adventure that's a walk in the park!

“A wonderfully warm story of friendship and fun, with the most brilliant twist!”
A. M. DASSU

PERCY THE POST PENGUIN

Genevieve Aspinall

Cheesed Off, Genevieve's first illustrated picture book, written by Jake Hope, has been longlisted for the Klaus Flugge Prize.



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In the chilly South Pole, a hardworking little penguin named Percy lives next to his post office. But not many residents of the South Pole seem to know it is there. With determination and confidence Percy sets off on a mission to make himself known...

Will he be able to make his dream come true and create a successful business?

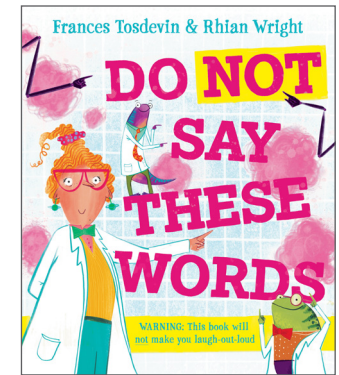
COMING SOON
Tiger's Don't Eat Jelly



DO NOT SAY THESE WORDS

Frances Tosdevin,
illustrated by Rhian Wright

Certain words are making children giggle. Giggling produces giggle-gas. And giggle-gas is bad for the planet.



06/03/2025
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The Professor needs YOUR help to save the world. Gigglesome words are BANNED, and are being replaced with boring, totally unfunny words.

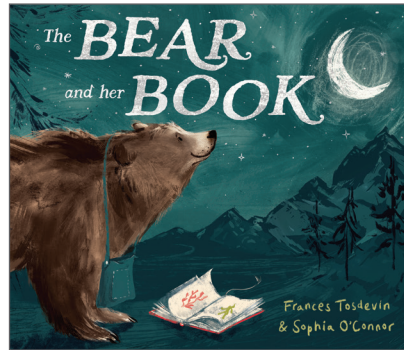
So you must never, EVER say these dangerous words again. And you DEFINITELY can't giggle. OK?

Try and keep a straight face from start to finish as you read this hilarious, world-wobbling story. The future of the planet depends on it ...



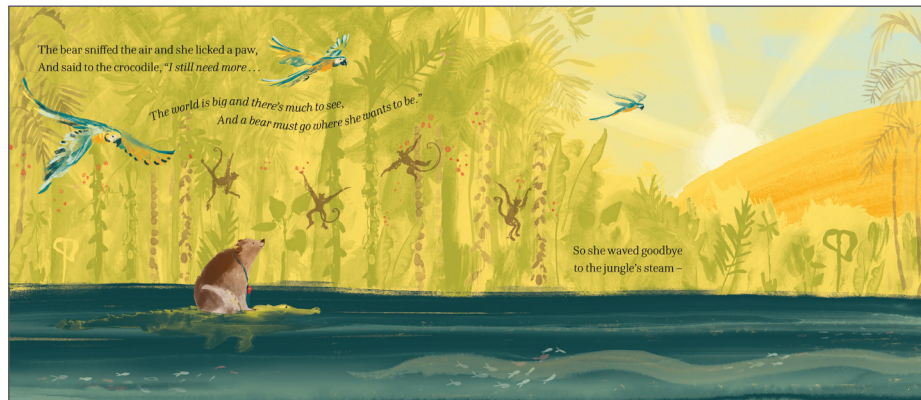
THE BEAR AND HER BOOK

Frances Tosdevin, illustrated by Sophia O'Connor



“The world is big and there’s much to see,
And a bear must go where she wants to be.
And a bear as curious as me –
longs to gaze at the starlit sea!”

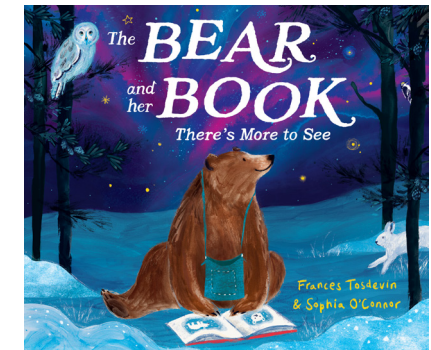
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A book-loving bear sets off to see the world. She takes one special thing – her Bear’s Big Book of Being Wise. But when she meets different creatures – each needing her help – she discovers that books aren’t just brilliant at fixing problems, they can also help you make new friends. And if you’re lucky, books can take you to a very special place indeed . . .

THE BEAR AND HER BOOK: THERE’S MORE TO SEE

Frances Tosdevin, illustrated by Sophia O'Connor



“The bear gave a sigh and she waved a paw,
I’m a curious bear, who must explore,
The world is big, and there’s more to see -
And I’ll find this bear who is not like me”

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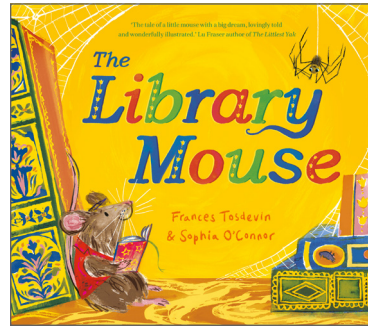
With the call of the wild giving her itchy paws, the bear sets off on a new adventure with her book, fixing problems and making friends as she travels. But will she find the strange bear from her book - and if so, will it be that different?

THE LIBRARY MOUSE

Frances Tosdevin,
illustrated by
Sophia O'Connor

“The tale of a little mouse with a big dream, lovingly told and wonderfully illustrated”

LU FRASER



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From dream duo, Frances Tosdevin and Sophia O'Connor (creators of *The Bear and Her Book*, and *The Bear and Her Book: There's More to See*), we present a brand new picture book.

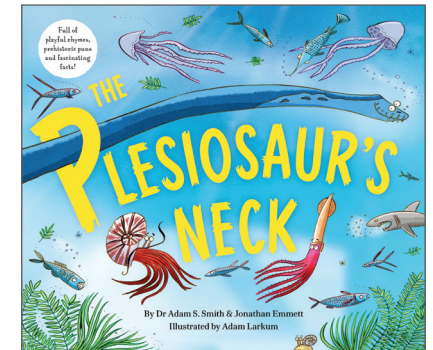
Quill, the mouse, is a dreamer! He longs to write stories and share them with children in his beloved library. But getting his words noticed seems impossible for such a small creature. Can he and his spider friend, Leggsy, find a way to make his voice stand out from the crowd – or will Quill's stories remain forever unheard?

COMING IN 2026
A Light in the Night

THE PLESIOSAUR'S NECK

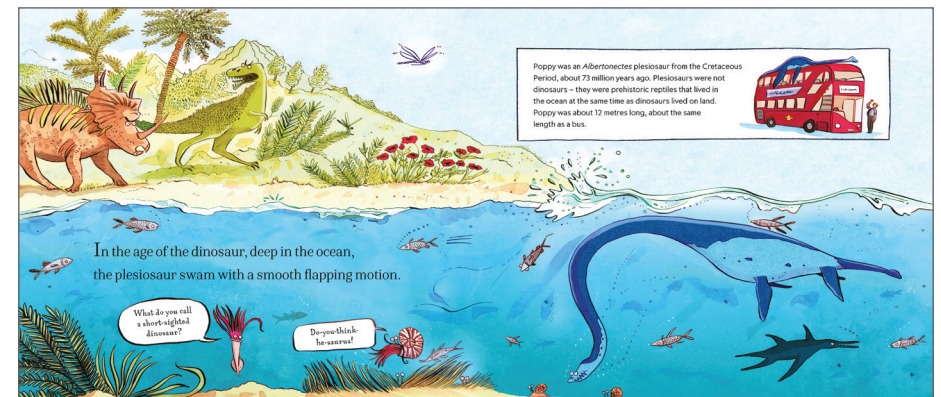
Dr Adam S. Smith &
Jonathan Emmett, illustrated
by Adam Larkum

“There's one thing about her that's hard to ignore, THAT RIDICULOUS NECK! What on Earth was it for?”



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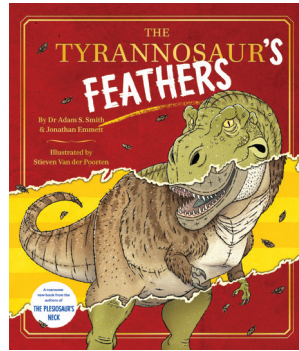
Poppy the plesiosaur had a preposterously long neck – but what was it for? Did she use it to pluck off pesky parasites, to zap predators with electricity or to ambush unlucky fish?

From the brilliant minds of world-renowned plesiosaur expert Dr Adam S. Smith, award-winning author Jonathan Emmett and illustrator Adam Larkum.

THE TYRANNOSAUR'S FEATHERS

Jonathan Emmett and
Dr. Adam S. Smith,
illustrated by
Stieven Van Der Poorten

Winner of The Week Junior Book
Awards 2024!



03/08/2023

£7.99 • 9781915235596 • 280x240mm
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Tyrannosaurus rex may be the king of the dinosaurs, but that doesn't stop know-it-all Velociraptor from telling him he looks old-fashioned and needs a makeover. So, with an improved posture, some restyled body parts and a coat of shaggy feathers, T. rex gets a new look to match the latest evidence.



CHAPTER
BOOKS

MAGIC FACES: HEROES OF THE PIRATE SHIP

Esi Merleh
illustrated by Abeeha Tariq

03/03/2023
£6.99 • 9781915235060 •
PB • Worldwide Rights excl USA •
5+ • 76pp • Chapter Book

Six-year-old twins Alanna & Austin are living with their Aunt Kessie and her lovable but anxious sausage dog, Ozzy. Their favourite thing to do is explore their aunt's studio.



MAGIC FACES: SUPERHERO MEGA MISSION

Esi Merleh
illustrated by Abeeha Tariq

01/06/2023
£6.99 • 9781915235541 •
PB • Worldwide Rights excl USA •
5+ • 76pp • Chapter Book

Open the MAGIC face paints and adventure awaits...



Twins Alanna and Austin find an old face-painting kit in their Aunt Kessie's studio, and inside is a magic paintbrush! The paintbrush asks them to choose a story world, and then transforms them into characters, ready for adventure! Together, the twins explore a whole series of different worlds, and discover more about themselves and their sibling bond along the way.



The magic face paints have transformed Austin, Alanna and sausage dog Ozzy into superheroes! When two supervillains, Foul Prune and Brains, swoop into the busy City Museum in a flying machine, they steal a priceless gem and Austin and Alanna narrowly escape being hit with their Freeze Ray. Alanna Storm and Austin Steel must track the supervillains down, return the gem and save the museum before their time in this superhero world runs out!

MAGIC FACES: MONSTER MAYHEM

Esi Merleh
illustrated by Abeeha Tariq

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*Fairytale world or Monster Ball,
Which one will you choose?
In each a race to find the prize,
Will you win or lose?*



With the help of a magic paintbrush, Austin has been transformed into a werewolf, and Alanna is a vampire. Their mission is to find a crystal ball, but when a pair of evil skeletons steal a witch's wand, mayhem ensues on the dance floor. Will Austin and Alanna take back the wand and complete their mission before their time in the monster world runs out?



NON-FICTION
BOOKS

THERE IS A SEASON

Kerri Cunningham
(Also known as Murphy's Sketches)

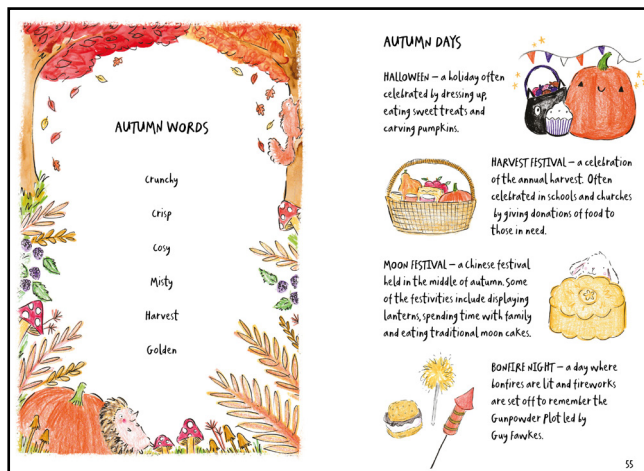
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HB • 7+ • 90pp • Worldwide rights

4,000 copies sold within the
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A collection of poems to guide you through each season of the year.

It takes you on a journey from April showers in spring, to the frosty mornings of winter and everything wonderful in between. Celebrating all that nature has to show us and the little things that we can enjoy together throughout the year, it encourages you to get outside and look for and talk about signs of spring, summer, autumn and winter.



COMING SOON

Baxter's View (Picture Book)

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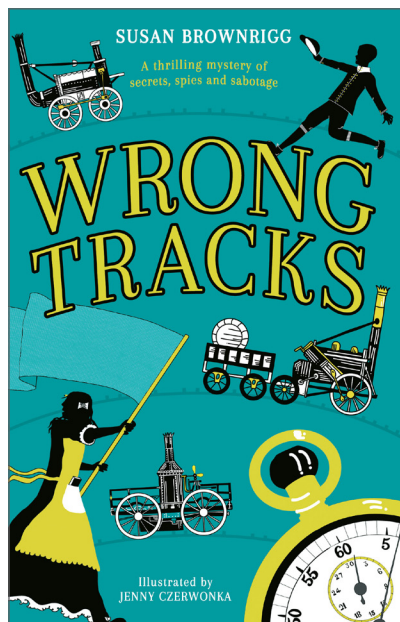
MIDDLE GRADE

WRONG TRACKS

Susan Brownrigg,
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Jenny Czerwonka

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Inspired by the Rainhill Trials.



Who is sabotaging the Rainhill Trials?

It is 1829. Everyone is talking about the exciting new railways and young Edward Entwistle cannot believe his good fortune: a chance encounter sees him offered a job at the Stephensons' Steam Locomotive Manufactory.

The Stephensons are preparing for an important competition – The Rainhill Trials. A race of innovation and daring which will award the winner a contract to run the new Liverpool & Manchester Rail Way. Edward must protect the father and son inventors' latest creation – their precious Premium Engine – but strange and dangerous accidents keep stalling construction.

Edward and his new loco-mad friend Prudence soon realise someone is trying to scupper the Stephensons' chances. It is up to the friends to spot sabotage and chase down spies in a thrilling race against the clock.

GRACIE FAIRSHAW AND THE MYSTERIOUS GUEST

Susan Brownrigg,
illustrated by
Jenny Czerwonka

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£6.99 • 9781912979349 • 198x129mm
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Gracie Fairshaw and her family have barely moved into The Majestic, a Blackpool boarding house, when her Ma mysteriously vanishes.

Gracie teams up with her younger brother, George, friends, Violet and Tom, and maid, Phyllis. They must work out why one of the guests - a conman conjurer - has made Ma disappear . . . Can they get her safely home, as the clock ticks down to the 1935 Illuminations Switch-on?

'A delightfully engaging mystery, with a wonderful setting in 1930s Blackpool'.
- KATHERINE WOODFINE

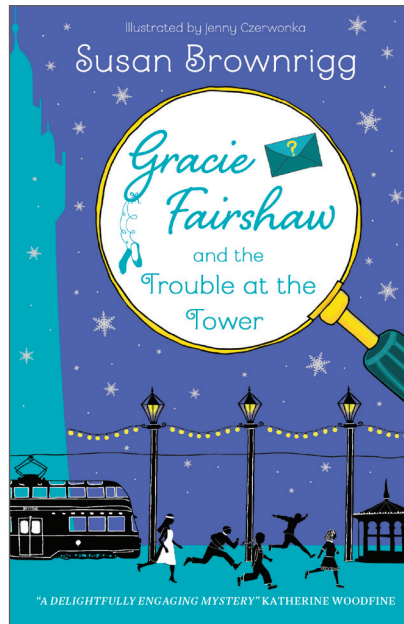
GRACIE FAIRSHAW AND THE TROUBLE AT THE TOWER

Susan Brownrigg
illustrated by
Jenny Czerwonka

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The stage is set for a
thrilling mystery!

Gracie Fairshaw is delighted to get



a sneak preview of the
Children's Ballet's Christmas spectacular. But when the curtain
rises, things go horribly wrong for the young dancers.

Accidents, pranks and a poison pen letter make Gracie wonder if
someone is trying to spoil the show.

Can Gracie and her friends stop the saboteur before their final act?

GRACIE FAIRSHAW AND THE MISSING REEL

Susan Brownrigg,
illustrated by
Jenny Czerwonka

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Lights, camera, action! A new movie being filmed in Blackpool
is a real scoop for trainee reporter, Gracie Fairshaw. When she's
invited to interview the star, Sally Sunshine, Gracie uncovers a plot
as exciting as the one being filmed. Someone has stolen a vital film
reel - and then a vicious attack is attempted on Sally! In a world
of body-doubles, stunts, costumes and makeup, not everything
is what it seems. Gracie must go behind the scenes and work out
which of the cast and crew can't be trusted, before the thrilling
final act . . .

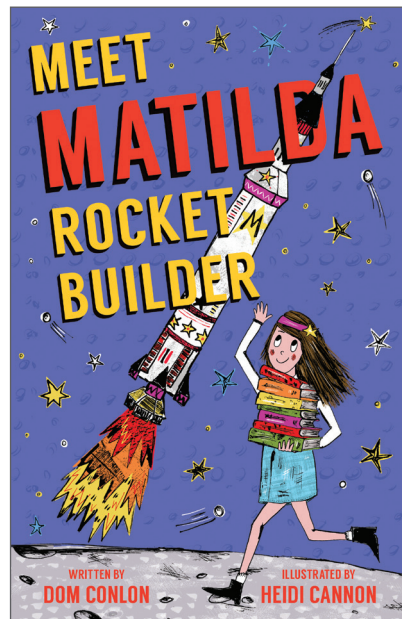
MEET MATILDA ROCKET BUILDER

Dom Conlon,
illustrated by Heidi Cannon

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Going to the Moon is SO last century, so how difficult can it be – even for a ten-year-old – to follow in the footsteps of Neil Armstrong and the Apollo astronauts?

Meet Matilda, the girl who'll give it



her best shot to learn everything she needs to learn in order to get there herself. From how to pee in zero-G to why pizzas won't take you up, up and away, this is science for the curious!

Told as a journey of discovery, it's full of easy-to-understand facts about air pressure, escape velocities, coding, and falling around the Earth, in a way which will inspire the next generation of moon walkers.

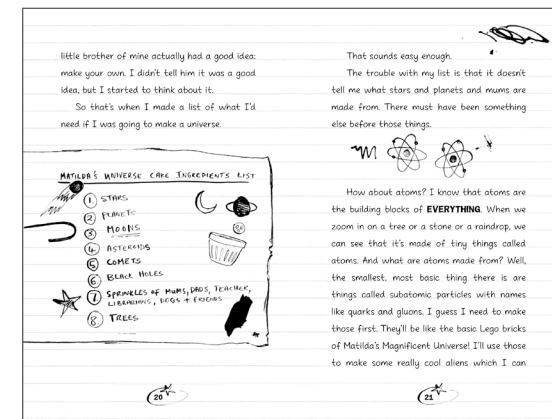
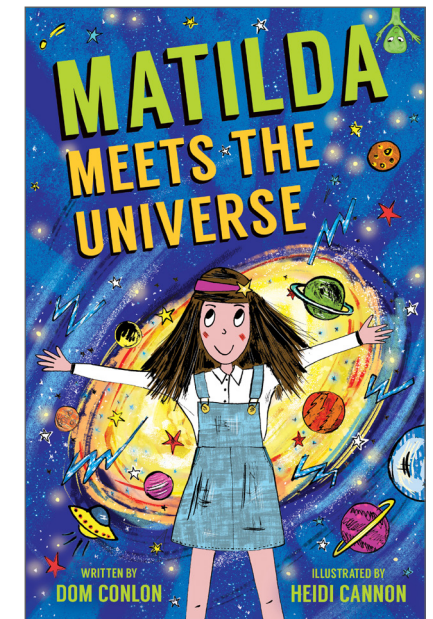


MATILDA MEETS THE UNIVERSE

Dom Conlon,
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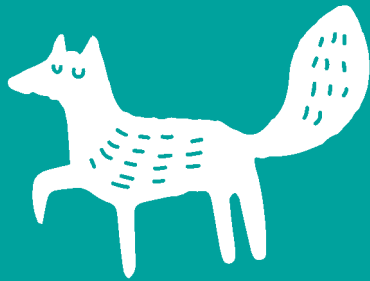
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So, you want to make contact with aliens? How hard can it be?



Meet Matilda as she launches her mission to discover how likely it is that life exists on other planets. With the help of her friends and family, she learns all she can. What was the Big Bang? How does the universe expand? How are stars and planets formed?

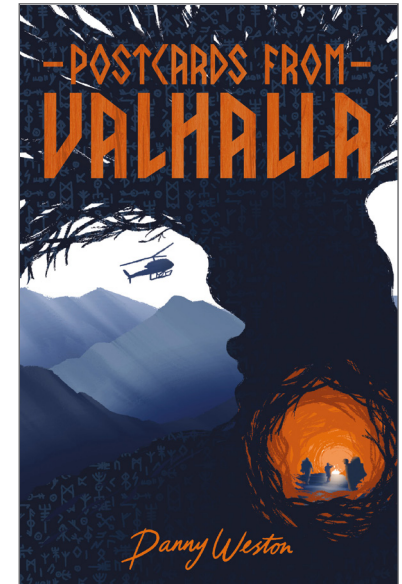
Along the way, she will discover the electromagnetic spectrum, the speed of light, and so much more in an easy-to-understand look at physics, history, language, and of course the all important snacks.



YOUNG ADULT FICTION

POSTCARDS FROM VALHALLA Danny Weston

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Viggo is sixteen years old, living in Edinburgh with his mum. He has no plans for the future, other than to watch the new Thor movie at his local multiplex. But one morning, he wakes to the news that his older brother, Magnus, has gone missing on Shetland. Mum has already booked tickets to go and search for him.

There's good reason to be worried. Five years ago, Viggo's dad, Jonathan, went 'off grid' in the same location and disappeared. He is now 'missing presumed dead'.

Viggo has no option but to go to Shetland with Mum - but from the moment they set off, he's troubled by strange visions: images of armed warriors, mythical creatures and Viking longboats.

And then they encounter Leon, a mysterious wandering musician who attaches himself to them and proves impossible to shake off. How does he know so much about them?

Once on Shetland, the search for Magnus begins in earnest and Viggo's troubling visions start to intensify. Soon, he is finding it difficult to separate fact from fantasy... and who knows what terrors lie in wait for him deep beneath the ground?

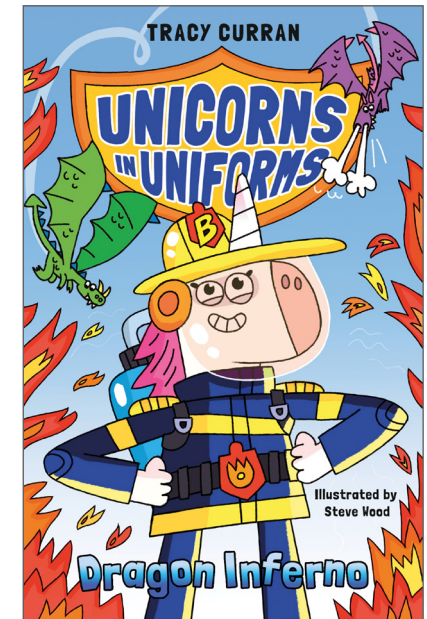


UNICORNS IN UNIFORMS: DRAGON INFERNO

Tracy Curran
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down her very loud music. She breathed in the calming view of Sizzling Sands beach, which stretched out in front of the headquarters, and pressed the button on her key ring that activated the doors to the headquarters garage. "Your hosepipe tricks are tickling my temper!"

A noise that sounded very much like a hiccup echoed through Quench's dashboard. Quench was a brilliant emergency vehicle, but he liked to have fun on the job. Already that morning, during a charity car wash, he'd turned his water jets on at full power and given everyone a soaking. Then, after dealing with a nasty kitchen fire at The Bakehorse Bakery, he'd managed to get Bagel, the



When two young dragons accidentally set fire to The Witchy Wood, firefighting unicorn, Blaze, and her emergency vehicle, Quench, race to the scene. As they struggle to get everyone to safety and stop the flames from spreading, a witch called Jinx decides her magical abilities are exactly the help they need to stop the inferno. But Jinx's magic only spells one thing...DISASTER, and soon the flames are raging towards a treehouse full of powerful potions. Can Blaze and Quench get everyone out before the whole of Witchy Wood goes up in smoke?