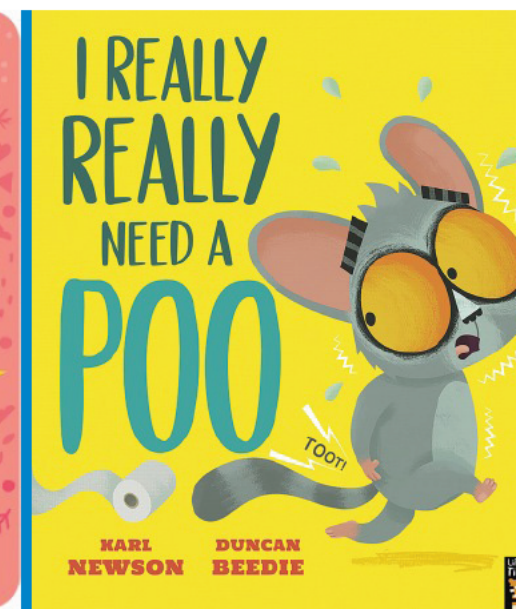
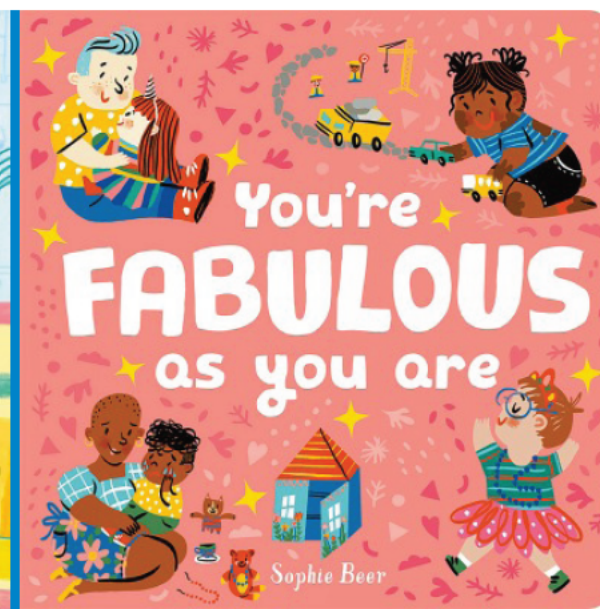


FEBRUARY 2024 NEW TITLES

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You're Fabulous As You Are

Sophie Beer

You can sparkle in a tutu, love any colour, and wear your hair long or short...
because you're FABULOUS as you are!

This joyful and uplifting book celebrates gender expression and teaches children that it is okay to dress however they want.

From the creator of *Love Makes a Family*.

Pub Date: 1 February 2024 **Price: £6.99**
ISBN: 9781838916114

Format: 186 x 186mm
Binding: Board book
Extent: 24

CBMC Code: A3K79
BIC Code: YX
Age: 1 – 5 years
Carton Quantity: 1

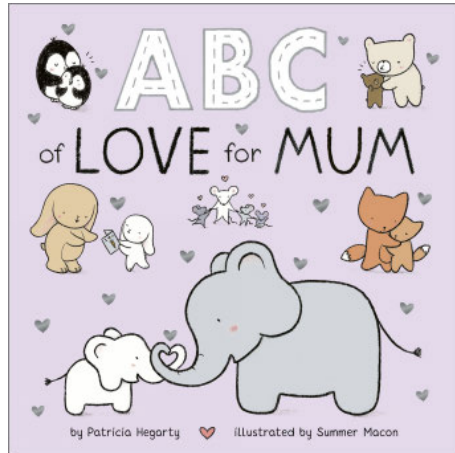
Sales Points

- Inclusive message celebrating gender expression and identity.
- Vibrant and warm illustrations capture the joy of being yourself.
- Also available: *Kindness Makes Us Strong*, *Change Starts With Us*, *Love Makes a Family* and *How to Say Hello*

About the Author

Sophie Beer is an award-winning illustrator living in Brisbane. She loves creating bright, fun designs with generous helpings of narrative. Revelling in colour, shape and texture, she lives by one rule: art should never be boring. When she's not illustrating she can usually be found drinking tea, mooning over Joanna Newsom's lyrics and indulging in her other passion –literature.

ADVANCE INFORMATION



ABC of Love for Mum

Patricia Hegarty

By (artist) Summer Macon

A is for adoring—

we love our mums so much.

B is for the beauty

of Mum's soft, gentle touch.

Show Mum your love with this sweet celebration of all that makes her special—from A to Z! The latest instalment in Summer Macon's delightful early years titles. With adorable artwork and gentle rhyming text, this book is perfect for sharing with your little one on special occasions such as Mother's Day.

Pub Date: 1 February 2024 Price: £6.99

ISBN: 9781838915735

Format: 180 x 180mm

Depth:

Binding: Board book

Extent: 20

CBMC Code: A2K79

BIC Code: YBLA

Age: 1 – 5 years

Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

- A gentle introduction to the learning the alphabet and celebrating how wonderful Mums are! Rhyming text explores the many ways we can show Mum just how much we love her.
- Beautiful, delicate illustrations by Summer Macon are engaging and endearing.
- Adorable animal characters are perfect for little learners.
- A fantastic and calming bedtime read with an educational tone.
- Chunky pages are great for little hands.
- Also available: *123 of Thankfulness*, *ABC of Kindness*, *Happiness is a Rainbow*, *Friendship is Forever*.

About the Author

Patricia Hegarty is currently the Editorial Director of Caterpillar Books and has written about all kinds of things from trees and bees to ABCs (and she loves to rhyme).

About the Illustrator

Summer was raised in an itty bitty town of Southern NM. As a child, she quickly became known as “Tiger” as this is how she would sign her homework next to the many doodles covering their pages. She has decided to now go by her real name and lives in an even smaller itty bitty town (population 32) in beautiful Colorado. In the summer time (Summer enjoys the summer and not the winter) you can find her rock climbing, mountain biking or doodling on her contracts.



Can You Catch the Bunny?

Rosie Adams
Linda Tordoff

*Bunny's on a treasure hunt,
What do you think he'll find?
Chase him through the veggie patch
And don't get left behind!*

Help Bunny find his way through the garden, forest, meadow and more in this bright and joyful board book. With adorable artwork and touch-and-trace trails, your little one will develop their motor skills as they enjoy and interactive with the reading experience.

A lively touch-and-trace maze book.

Pub Date: 1 February 2024 Price: £7.99
ISBN: 9781838916008

Format: 190 x 190mm
Binding: Board book
Extent: 10

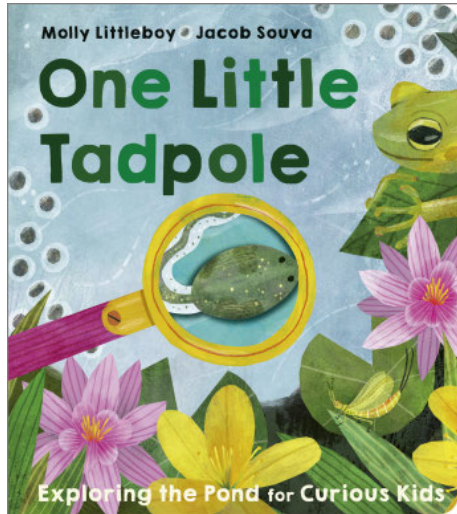
CBMC Code: A2K79
BIC Code: YBGT
Age: 1 – 3 years
Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

- This hands-on board book is full of touch-and-trace mazes to improve motor skills.
- Cute, classy art from Linda Tordoff accompanies cheerful rhyming text.
- Chunky, robust pages that are perfect for little hands.

About the Author

Linda Tordoff is a designer and illustrator. She graduated from Staffordshire University in 2001 with a first class degree in surface pattern design. After graduating she worked in-house for a greetings card company and then freelance for clients including Paperchase, Land of Nod, Mollie Makes, Abacus Cards, Woodmansterne plus many more. Linda can usually be found with a cup of tea, in her studio at home, where she lives with her three children, a rescue dog and a cat!



One Little Tadpole

Molly Littleboy

Illustrated by Jacob Souva

From one little tadpole comes a hopping, leaping frog!

This inspiring, fact-packed lift-the-flap book reveals the wonders of the frog lifecycle, shares the very best way to pond dip, and encourages children to head outside to look for other wildlife.

Pub Date: 1 February 2024 Price: £9.99
ISBN: 9781801044349

Series: One Little

Format: 246 x 216mm

Depth: 18mm

Binding: Board book

Extent: 14

CBMC Code: A5L79

BIC Code: YBGP

Age: 3 – 6 years

Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

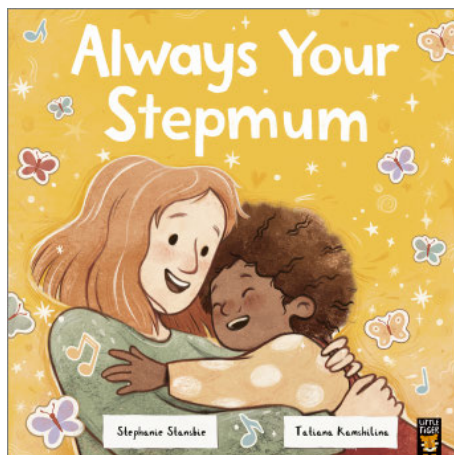
- With young and simple educational information, activities and prompts.
- Children will learn all about frogs: what different types there are, the incredible abilities they have, and how they grow from tiny tadpoles. There is so much to discover about other wildlife, too!
- Empowers all children to head outside and interact with the natural world, no matter where they live or what their circumstances are.
- Also available in the series: *One Little Seed*, *One Little Bug*, *One Little Egg* and *One Little Leaf*.
Coming soon: *One Little Fish*

About the Author

Molly lives in a tiny flat in London with more plants than she really has space for. She is lucky enough to have her dream job in children's publishing, where she gets to edit, write and spend her time finding words that rhyme. Her favourite things are lazy Sundays, detective stories, and petting other people's dogs.

About the Illustrator

Jacob Souva was born and raised in Syracuse, New York, where he earned an illustration BFA from Syracuse University. He loves to make kids laugh and think with his illustration work, which he often finishes digitally, placing a lot of emphasis on simple shapes, color, and lots and lots of texture. Jacob lives with his wife and two sons in a small countryside community in upstate New York.



Always Your Stepnum

Stephanie Stansbie

Illustrated by Tatiana Kamshilina

I'll love you forever, you've changed me for good! And I'll always be right by your side.
Whatever you do, wherever you go,
whoever you become – I'll always be your stepnum.

A love letter from a step-parent to their child.

Pub Date: 1 February 2024 Price: £7.99

ISBN: 9781801045841

Number in Series: 1
Format: 260 x 260mm
Depth: 4mm
Binding: Paperback
Extent: 32

CBMC Code: A3M79
BIC Code: YBC
Age: 3 – 6 years
Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

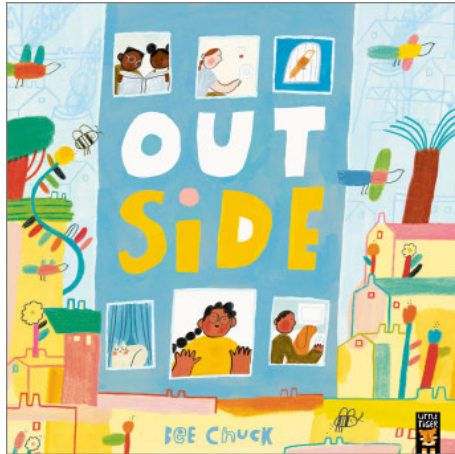
- Inspired by the song *My Boy* by Elvie Shane, this book celebrates the unconditional love between a step-parent and their child.
- Author Stephanie Stansbie draws on her relationship with her own stepfather to explore the challenges, joys and shared experiences of becoming a blended family.
- Designed in a scrap-book style to emulate a book of photographs and drawings that capture a parent and child's shared memories.
- Just like *A Handful of Buttons* by Carmen Parets Luque, *The Great Big Book of Families* by Mary Hoffman and Ros Asquith, and *The Perfect Fit* by Naomi Jones and James Jones, every type of family will love sharing *Always Your Stepnum*.

About the Author

Stephanie Stansbie has been a children's book editor since the nineties and an author since the noughties. She adores editing and writing in equal measure and has always worked on illustrated books, where the art is as important as the word. The books she has written have been translated into over 15 different languages. Stephanie lives in Oxford and enjoys yomping about with her family and friends, and playing capoeira.

About the Illustrator

Tatiana is a Russian illustrator who works all over the world. Despite graduating with a degree in architecture, she discovered that her true passion is illustration. Her main focus is illustrating children's books, and when she is not drawing, she finds joy in gardening, reading, and exploring the woods with her husband and her two funny dogs.



Outside

Bee Chuck

Outside is a place that nobody thinks much about. It's somewhere to go for a walk in the park or a trip to the duck pond or to get from one place to another. Inside is much more important. Until suddenly, no one is allowed to go outside and everything changes . . .

This brilliantly illustrated picture book shows us just how important the outside world can be in our day-to-day lives. A euphoric story to instil a love of the outdoors in young readers.

Pub Date: 1 February 2024 **Price: £7.99**
ISBN: 9781838916077

Format: 260 x 260mm
Binding: Paperback
Extent: 32

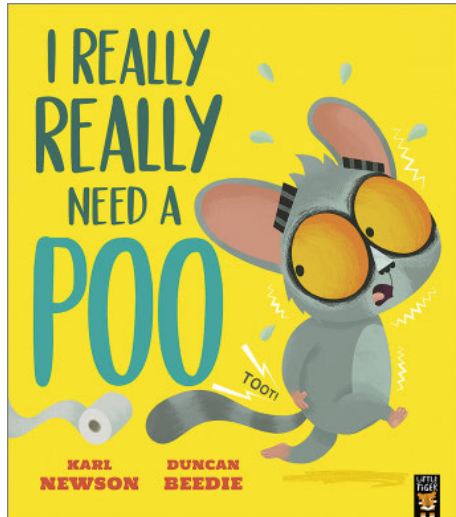
CBMC Code: B3M79
BIC Code: YBCS
Age: 3 – 6 years
Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

- A celebration of the natural world.
- Gently teaches young readers about life during the pandemic in a subtle and positive way.
- Encourages children to appreciate the natural world.
- Debut picture book by author and illustrator Bethany Chuck.

About the Author

Bee Chuck grew up in Yorkshire and graduated from Falmouth School of Art and in 2020 with a first class degree in Illustration. Bee identifies as non-binary and their preferred pronouns are they/them. Their main inspirations are children's drawings, nature and their desire to make the world a better place through art. Bee loves being outdoors and filling their sketchbooks with drawings of all sorts of flowers, birds, insects and plants which inspire and populate their narrative illustration. Bee's biggest influence growing up was their grandma Mary, who is a poet and an artist and encouraged Bee to create, draw and paint in all sorts of different mediums and styles.



I Really, Really Need a Poo

Karl Newson

Illustrated by Duncan Beedie

Parp! Toot! Uh-oh!

Bush Baby needs a poo. But all the toilets are too tiny or taken.

It's poo-poo pandemonium!

Expect pant loads of parps and giggles in the latest book in the bestselling *I Really, Really Need a Wee* series.

Also available: *I Really, Really Need a Wee, I Really, Really Love You So*

Pub Date: 1 February 2024 Price: £7.99 CBMC Code: A3M79 Series: IReally Really Need a Wee
ISBN: 9781801045742 BIC Code: YBC Age: Number in Series: 3

3 – 6 years Carton Format: 280 x 245mm Depth: 4mm
Quantity: 1 Binding: Paperback Extent: 32

Sales Points

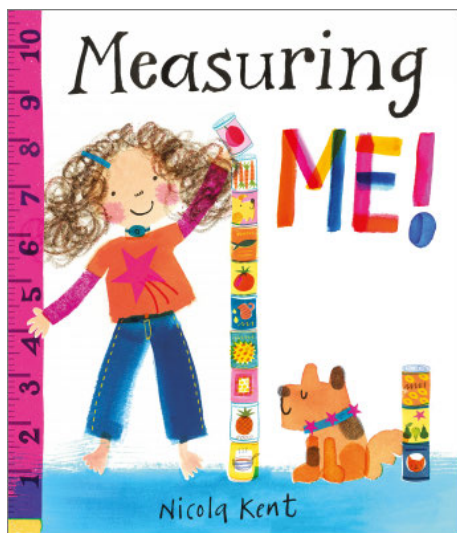
- Over 90,000 copies of the *I Really, Really Need a Wee* series sold across 10 territories.
- A parp-and-poop-packed hilarious picture book, with eye-catching illustrations from super-talented, Duncan Beedie.
- Starring everyone's favourite cheeky character: Bush Baby!
- *I Really, Really Need a Poo* will appeal to children who enjoyed *The Dinosaur That Pooped* series, *The Dragon with the Blazing Bottom* and *I Need a New Bum!*

About the Author

Karl Newson is a bestselling, multi-award-winning children's book author. His stories have been translated into 30 languages around the world. Karl grew up in Norwich, England, and was inspired to write his first story when his children were small . . . he's been writing stories ever since. When Karl isn't writing, he enjoys listening to music and walking in the woods. Karl lives in London.

About the Illustrator

Duncan is a bestselling author and illustrator who has been drawing and doodling since childhood, sprawled out on his parent's living room carpet with felt tip in fist. He now sits upright to draw from his studio in Bristol, where he lives with his wife, daughter and demanding springer spaniel.



Measuring Me

Illustrated by Nicola Kent

From finding out how tall you are in food tins to how much electricity your body can generate, *Measuring Me* includes plenty of relatable and exciting ways to explore the concepts of measuring.

Discover more about the human body in this book that is all about YOU!

Pub Date: 1 February 2024 Price: £12.99
ISBN: 9781838915582

Format: 270 x 231mm
Binding: Hardback
Extent: 32

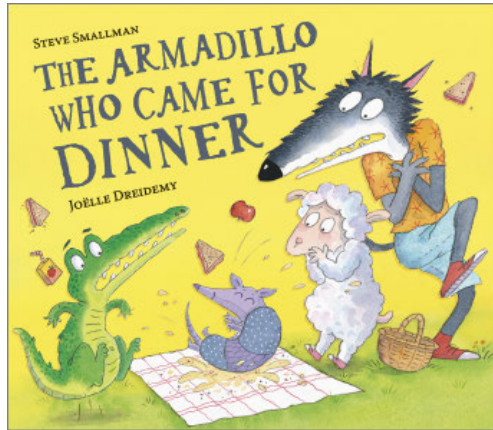
CBMC Code: A5M79
BIC Code: YBLH
Age: 3 – 6 years
Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

- An accessible introduction to measuring and relativity for children that uses familiar household items to make abstract concepts relatable and engaging.
- Includes a beautifully decorated pull-out height chart that children can use to track their growth.
- Nicola Kent's emotive and playful illustration style adds a heartwarming dimension to this key non-fiction topic.

About the Illustrator

Nicola Kent is an award-winning author and illustrator of children's books. She won the Independent Booksellers' Best New Illustrator Award (2019) and has been shortlisted in both the World Illustration Awards and the Teach Primary Book Awards. She lives in London with her partner, two children, a cat and a dog, and a very untidy desk.



The Armadillo Who Came for Dinner

Steve Smallman

Illustrated by Joëlle Dreidemy

Dizzy is a tough armadillo, so when he thumps into trees – WHOOSH – bumps into vases, or crashes through the woodland fair – OUCH – he does not need a comforting hug from Hotpot. Or does he?

Also available: *The Lamb Who Came for Dinner, The Wolves Who Came for Dinner, The Crocodile Who Came for Dinner, The Tiger Who Came for Dinner, The Duck Who Came for Dinner*

**Pub Date: 1 February 2024 Price: £12.99
ISBN: 9781801045667**

Series: The Lamb Who Came For Dinner
Number in Series: 6 Format: 236 x271mm
Depth: 9mm
Binding: Hardback Extent: 32

CBMC Code: A3M79
BIC Code: YBC Age:
3 – 6 years Carton
Quantity: 1

Sales Points

- The sixth book in the internationally bestselling *The Lamb Who Came for Dinner* series.
- Each of these books challenges a stereotype – here we see that an armadillo who looks tough on the outside can be soft, and more vulnerable, on the inside.
- Existing fans of *The Lamb Who Came for Dinner* series, and readers of *The Lion Inside* by Rachel Bright and Jim Field, *Weirdo* by Zadie Smith, Nick Laird, and Magenta Fox, and *The Duck Who Didn't Like Water* by Steve Small, will love the adorable addition of Dizzy into Hotpot's comforting woodland world.

About the Author

Steve Smallman worked as a children's book illustrator for 20 years before he decided to 'have a go' at writing his own. Now, over 100 books later, he's still at it! He visits schools, libraries and festivals, and paints murals too! When he's not working, he enjoys holidays, watching TV, gardening and juggling grandchildren!

About the Illustrator

Joëlle Dreidemy was born in Saint-Avold in France. She gained a diploma in Strasbourg in 2002 and a diploma from the famous Emile Cohl School in Lyon in 2004. Joëlle lives and works in Montpellier, producing illustrations for magazines and children's books.



There's a Gorilla at the Door!

Clare Helen Welsh

Illustrated by Sam Caldwell

Daphne's mum and stepdad,
Anthony, are throwing a party.
But as more and more guests arrive,
things start to get . . . WILD!

In our big animal family, everyone is different. But we all love to dance to the same beat.

Pub Date: 1 February 2024 Price: £12.99
ISBN: 9781801045827

Format: 286 x 251mm
Depth: 9mm
Binding: Hardback
Extent: 32

CBMC Code: A3M79
BIC Code: YBC
Age: 3 – 6 years
Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

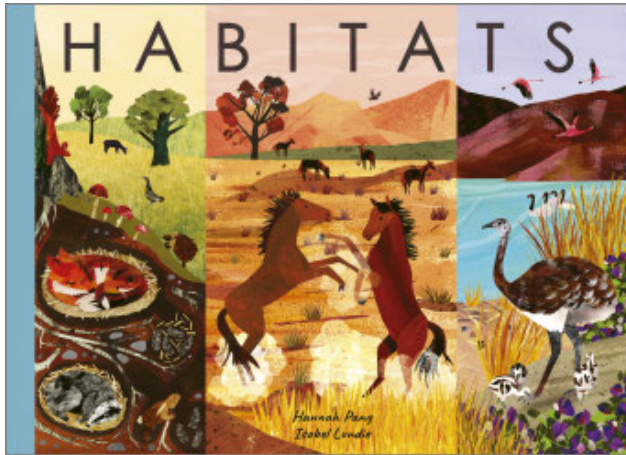
- A story that delights in the chaotic antics of a house filled with animal party guests, while also exploring themes of belonging in a blended family environment.
- Illustrator Sam Caldwell's animals are gloriously characterful and engaging – every child will identify with a different animal on the page!
- *There's a Gorilla at the Door!* will delight readers of *The Koala Who Could*, *You Can't Take an Elephant on the Bus*, and *There's Nothing Faster Than a Cheetah*.

About the Author

Clare is a former primary school teacher, turned children's writer, and is a passionate advocate for mental health. She is delighted that her books mean she can continue to inspire children to love language, themselves and the world around them. Clare teaches picture book writing for WriteMentor and City Lit, and enjoys inspiring writers to achieve their dreams. She lives in Devon with her husband and two children.

About the Illustrator

Sam Caldwell is an illustrator based in Glasgow where he lives with his wife and two cats, Tonks and Luna. Sam loves inventing characters and creating images packed full of detail, texture and colour. He is passionate about animals and nature and, when not drawing, can often be found exploring the Scottish Highlands.



Habitats

Hannah Pang

Illustrated by Isobel Lundie

Peel back the pages of this gloriously illustrated book to discover a world of ever-changing animal homes. Interactive split pages create an immersive experience, taking readers on a visual journey as they meet the incredible animals that live in each habitat.

Pub Date: 1 February 2024 **Price: £12.99**
ISBN: 9781801046114

Format: 226 x 311mm
Depth: 11mm
Binding: Hardback
Extent: 32

CBMC Code: A2J79
BIC Code: YBGT
Age: 3+ years
Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

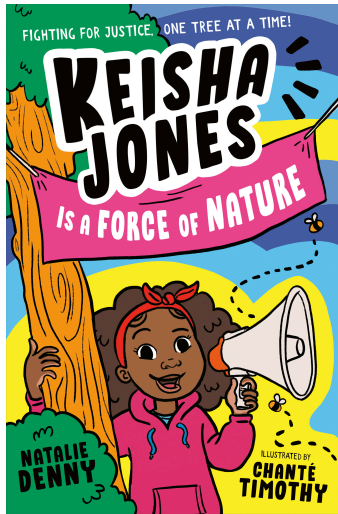
- Fun, interactive split pages create an immersive, transformative experience for readers.
- Captioned pictures help children identify animals and plants.
- Also available: *Seasons* (nearly 40,000 copies sold worldwide)

About the Author

Hannah Pang has been a children's book editor for over thirteen years, having worked in-house for Templar Publishing and Walker Books, before chasing her dream to become an author and freelance editor. She lives in the beautiful West-Sussex countryside with her husband and book-loving daughter, plus a cat called Sprout and a huge spider called Woolly!

About the Illustrator

Isobel Lundie is a freelance illustrator living in Worthing with her boyfriend and sneezy cat Banshee. She spends most of her time drawing characters and writing books that she never quite finishes. When she's not working, she spends her time playing netball with her team or taking down her brother's Just Dance skills.



Keisha Jones is a Force of Nature!

Natalie Denny

Illustrated by Chanté Timothy

Brimming with ideas and passion, Keisha's determined to stamp down injustices and stand up for what she believes ... even if it does lead to a spot of trouble!

When Keisha discovers that the trees in a nearby park are going to be cut down to make way for a carpark, the Bee Squad has its next cause. It's time for some green activism to save the VITs ... that's Very Important Trees!

Pub Date: 1 February 2024 Price: £6.99
ISBN: 9781788956635

Series: Keisha Jones
Number in Series: 2

CBMC Code: B3N79
BIC Code: YFQ

Format: 198 x 129mm
Binding: Paperback
Extent: 160

Age: 6 – 8 years
Carton Quantity:

Sales Points

- An appealing and timely series with a fearless black girl at its heart. Keisha is an empowering role model who's itching to stand up to the world
- KEISHA JONES is author Natalie Denny's debut series. Natalie is cofounder of The Goddess Projects and the Director of Skywriters, a social enterprise supporting communities, individuals and businesses
- Bold and attractive series branding, with vibrant illustrations by Chanté Timothy
- Engaging first person narrative and interactive page design incorporating letters, emails and texts
- LEONORA BOLT meets DAISY AND THE TROUBLE WITH... Perfect for fans of THE QUESTIONEERS

About the Author

Natalie graduated from The Open University with an open degree which incorporated creative writing. She is a writer, activist, tutor and freelance EDI Consultant for Anthony Walker Foundation as well as the Director of Skywriters, an award winning creative education social enterprise that supports individuals, communities and businesses.

About the Illustrator

Chanté Timothy is an illustrator who has been drawing for as long as she can remember, experimenting with movement, vibrant colour, character design and storytelling. She is a Pathways into Children's Publishing 2019 -2021 Alumni and can be found in several titles including HEY YOU by Dapo Adeola.

Yomi and the Power of the Yumboes

Davina Tijani

Illustrated by Adam Douglas-Bagley

Now Yomi and her younger brother Kayode are official members of the Sacred Beast League, they can't wait for more adventures! And when a Yumboe – a fairy-like creature from Senegal – seeks them out and asks for their help, they're ready to shine. But with a secret city to protect, beast hunters to outsmart and moon magic in the mix, Yomi and Kay will have to put their skills to the test...

Pub Date: 1 February 2024 Price: £6.99
ISBN: 9781788956130

Series: The Nkara Chronicles CBMC Code: C3N79
Number in Series: 2 BIC Code: YFH
Format: 198 x 129mm Age: 6 – 9 years
Binding: Paperback
Extent: 176

Sales Points

- A fast-paced and fun adventure series with amazing creatures from African mythology from an exciting author and illustrator pairing
- Full of imagination and detailed world building, the series will transport readers all over the African continent – from The Gambia to Senegal to South Africa
- Perfect for fans of BEAST QUEST, HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON, FUTURE HERO, DRAGON MOUNTAIN and Pokémon!

About the Author

Davina Tijani is a speculative fiction writer for adults and children with a passion for world mythology, which she enjoys incorporating into her writing. She grew up an avid lover of films and books - especially Star Wars, which sparked a lifelong love of storytelling in all its forms. Davina was born in London, United Kingdom where she currently lives.

About the Illustrator

Adam Douglas-Bagley is an illustrator and storyteller from South London with a deep passion for creating fantastical worlds and populating them with an array of whimsical characters. He has always created illustrations with a story in mind and many of the books Adam read as a child still heavily inspire his work today. He hopes to one day inspire the next generation of illustrators to pick up a pencil and start spinning their own tales. Adam won a Commended place in the 2020 FAB Prize.



The Time Travellers: Adventure Calling

Sufiya Ahmed

Illustrated by Alessia Trunfio

Suhana, Mia and Ayaan are thrown together on a trip to Parliament, where they are fascinated by all the history that happened there. Little do they suspect that they'll be LIVING that history when they are transported back to 1911! Finding themselves in the middle of a women's suffrage demonstration, they are amazed to see people from all over the world taking part. Suhana wants to explore but Mia and Ayaan are anxious to get back. Then they lose each other... Will they be able to return to the present without changing the course of history forever?

Pub Date: 1 February 2024 Price: £7.99
ISBN: 9781788956598

Series: The Time Travellers CBMC Code: C3N79
 Number in Series: 1 BIC Code: YFC
 Format: 198 x 129mm Age: 8 – 10 years
 Binding: Paperback Carton Quantity: 1
 Extent: 240

Sales Points

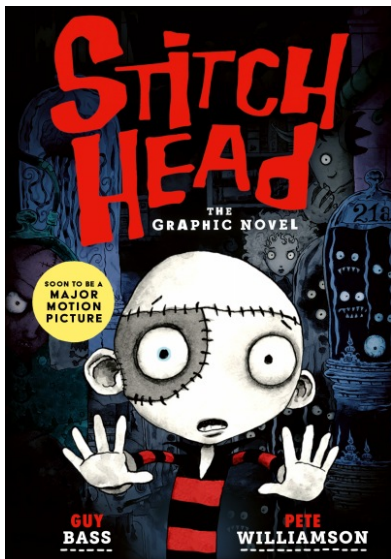
- Sufiya is an established writer of historical fiction for children (as the author of two stories for Scholastic's MY STORY series and the Rosie Raja series) and is brilliant at school events
- Exploring shared British history and introducing young readers to important people and time periods
- Promoting empathy – the time travellers are chosen because of their kindness and ability to step into other people's shoes
- A fun, exciting, adventurous story with sci-fi elements that will appeal to all readers
- Suhana is a looked-after child and there is a theme of belonging running throughout the series

About the Author

Sufiya Ahmed was born in India and arrived in the UK as a baby. She lived in Bolton, Lancashire, before moving to London where she still lives. Sufiya has worked in advertising and in the House of Commons, but is now a full-time author. In 2010 Sufiya set up the BIBI Foundation, a non-profit organisation, to arrange visits to the Houses of Parliament for diverse and underprivileged school children.

About the Illustrator

Alessia was born in southern Italy in 1990 but grew up in Rome, where she still lives. She has wanted to be an illustrator since she was a child but she hasn't excluded the possibility of becoming an astronaut. After graduating in 2013 with an Animation Degree from the International School of Comics in Rome, Alessia has worked as background artist for some of the most important animation studios in Italy. She currently works as a freelance artist on various animation and illustration projects.



Stitch Head: The Graphic Novel

Guy Bass

Illustrated by Pete Williamson

The first book in the best-selling, laugh-out-loud **STITCH HEAD** series by award-winning author Guy Bass, with illustrations by Pete Williamson, now brought to almost-life again in this brand-new, monstrously magnificent graphic novel edition.

Enter the darkly funny world of Stitch Head, as he steps out of the shadows into the adventure of an almost-lifetime...

Deep in the maze-like dungeons of Castle Grotteskew, eccentric Professor Erasmus created Stitch Head, a small, almost-human creature. His experiments continued, filling the castle with creations so fabulously monstrous that Stitch Head was long forgotten. Until a travelling circus ringmaster knocks at the castle door, promising to make Stitch Head a star. Is this Stitch Head's chance to venture beyond the castle walls? Or could he be making a terrible mistake...?

Pub Date: 1 February 2024 Price: £8.99
ISBN: 9781788956376

Format: 210 x 146mm
Binding: Paperback
Extent: 144
CBMC Code: D3N79
BIC Code: YFD Age:
8 – 11 years Carton
Quantity: 1

Sales Points

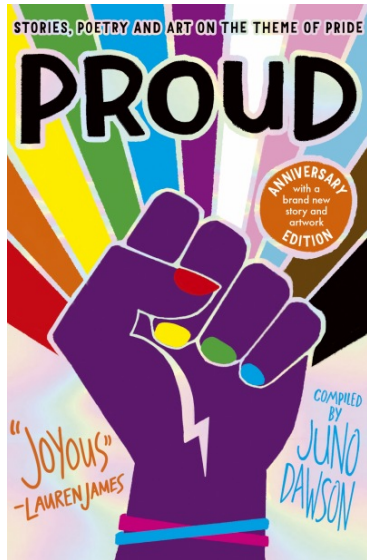
- Graphic novelisation of the first book in this popular six-book series.
- Stitch Head soon to be a major animated motion picture starring Asa Butterfield (Sex Education) as the eponymous hero.
- Voted one of the UK's favourite 100 kids' books in Amazon's Kids Love Books campaign
- Guy Bass is the king of comedy. In 2010 he won the Blue Peter Book Award in the "Most Fun Story with Pictures" category for **DINKIN DINGS AND THE FRIGHTENING THINGS**
- Praise for **STITCH HEAD**, the original novel: "If you liked Marcus Sedgwick's *The Raven Mysteries*, you'll love this!" – Julia Eccleshare. "It's dark monstrous fun!" Wondrous Reads

About the Author

Guy Bass is an award-winning author who has written more than 30 books, including the best-selling **STITCH HEAD** series, **DINKIN DINGS**, **SPYNOSAUR** and **SKELETON KEYS**. He lives in London with his wife. Find out more at guybass.com | @GuyBassBooks

About the Illustrator

Pete Williamson is a self-taught artist and illustrator. He is best known for the much-loved **STITCH HEAD** series and the award-winning **THE RAVEN MYSTERIES**. He has illustrated over 65 books written by authors including Francesca Simon, Steve Cole, Matt Haig and Charles Dickens. He lives in Kent with his family.



Proud

Foreword by Juno Dawson

Various Authors

The fifth anniversary edition of a stirring, bold and moving anthology of stories and poetry by top LGBTQ+ YA authors and new talent, giving their unique responses to the broad theme of pride. Each story has an illustration by an artist identifying as part of the LGBTQ + community.

A boy's coming out is overshadowed by gay penguins, a music-loving teen overcomes her shyness about approaching a girl and a trans boy joins a ragtag football team. From China where a lantern-maker has a pet phoenix to the Travelodge hideout of two teens on the run, these stories shine with glorious moments of pride.

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- The fifth anniversary edition of the acclaimed anthology, featuring a brand-new story and new artwork
- Authors and illustrators who identify as LGBTQ+; a much-needed contribution to diversity in publishing
- Compiled by Juno Dawson, author and activist, whose books include *THIS BOOK IS GAY?* and *CLEAN*
- Authors include: Dean Atta, Fox Benwell, Caroline Bird, Tanya Byrne, Moira Fowley-Doyle, Simon James Green, David Levithan and Jess Vallance, and debut voices: Karen Lawler, Michael Lee Richardson, Cynthia So and Kay Staples
- Each story has an accompanying illustration by an LGBTQ+ artist: Steve Antony, Kip Alizadeh, Alex Bertie, Fatti Burke, Frank Duffy, Leo Greenfield, Saffa Khan, Priyanka Meenakshi, Alice Oseman, David Roberts, Kristen Van Dam and Kameron White?
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