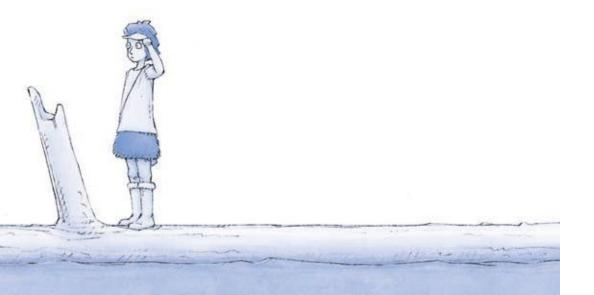






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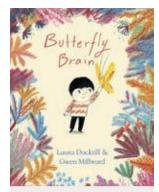
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**Television & Film Rights:** United Agents

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80pp with full-colour illustrations

LAURA DOCKRILL is the author of LORALI, BIG BONES and the DARCY BURDOCK series. She has been nominated and shortlisted for the CILIP Carnegie Medal and the Waterstones Children's Book Prize.

**GWEN MILLWARD** has illustrated *FLAT CAT* by Hiawyn Oram (Walker), and written and illustrated *TIGER LILY* (Egmont).

# **Butterfly Brain**

Laura Dockrill
Illustrated by Gwen Millward

Roald Dahl meets A MONSTER CALLS in this delightful and moving exploration of grief and the joy of all that makes us human.

Everyone is always shouting at Gus to stop leaning back in his chair – but does he care? No way! Then sure enough, the chair falls, he cracks his head and has to spend all summer in bed. Out of the crack escape his memories, dreams and imagination . . . and a beautiful little butterfly guide. Gus must follow the butterfly to recapture all he's lost, including that locked box he doesn't seem to want to touch . . .

Together they remember fish fingers, snapping bubble wrap, cracked pink soap and the leaky tap; they go wild, stomping around in the joy of imagination and happy dreams – but they can't go any further if Gus won't gather all of his memories. His butterfly will die unless Gus is ready to hear about his mum . . .

A delightful and moving exploration of grief and the joy that makes us human, from the effervescent voice of Laura Dockrill, with heartwarming full-colour illustrations from Gwen Millward.

'Powerful, overwhelmingly comforting, and sensitive.'

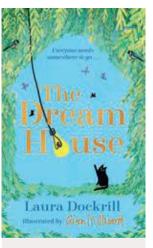
**READING ZONE** 

'An important little book.'

**LAUREN CHILD** 

# Coming soon from Laura Dockrill . . .

An illustrated non-fiction guide to using creative writing to express yourself and speak your truth



## **Publication:**

September 2021

**World Rights** 

**Television & Film Rights:** United Agents

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128pp, b&w illustrations

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# The Dream House

Laura Dockrill Illustrated by Gwen Millward

#### Everyone needs somewhere to dream.

Rex has gone to stay with his godfather, Sparky. Rex doesn't say much but that's OK because Sparky understand him. Rex has his sketchbook, and he draws how he feels even if he doesn't talk about it. And in Sparky's garden, hidden under the canopy of the willow tree, is the Dream House: a space for Rex to dream, to play, to think, to be. A place he's loved all his childhood. But to go inside now Rex must summon his strength for revisiting the ghosts of his past...

An evocative sketchbook novella revealing a boy's inner world and his way of reconnecting with the people who love him after loss.

'Little gem . . . Grief and joy in abundance, I found it incredibly moving.'

#### KIRAN MILLWOOD HARGRAVE

'So beautiful, so powerfully moving, the ever-inventive Laura Dockrill has done it again.'

#### **SCHOOL READING LIST**

'Handled bravely, with originality and warmth. Rex's story will break your heart then mend it.'

#### **TAMSIN WINTER**

'It's sophisticated, poetic, exquisitely sensitive to nature and sorrow and turmoil and desperation.'

#### GERALDINE MCCAUGHREAN, CARNEGIE MEDAL WINNER





## **Publication:**

March 2022 / September 2022 / March 2023 / September 2023

## **World Rights**

**Television & Film Rights:** Papercuts Literary Consultancy Limited

# Extent:

128pp tbc

As a child, **JULIE SYKES** was always telling tales. Not the 'she ate all the cake, not me' kind, but wildly exaggerated tales of everyday events. Julie still loves telling stories. She's written 90 books for children of all ages and is published around the world.

KATY RIDDELL grew up in Brighton and was obsessed with drawing from a young age. She rediscovered her love for illustrating children's books after graduating with a BA Hons in Illustration and Animation. She has worked on a variety of commissions including PONGWIFFY and MIDNIGHT FEASTS.

# **Woodland Magic**

Fox Club Rescue / Deer in Danger / The Stranded Otter / Book 4
Julie Sykes | Illustrated by Katy Riddell

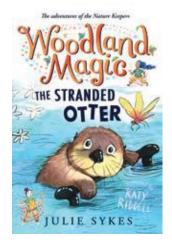
Join the adventures of the Nature Keepers in this enchanting world of magic . . .

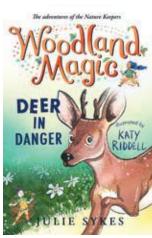
The Keepers are a secretive tribe of little people who live in the middle of Whispering Woods, coming out at night to care for the countryside and rewild it when humans (or Ruffins as they know them) are careless with it.

Young Keepers Cora and Jax have just finished school and are embarking on a trial, with several friends, to become fully-fledged Keepers. But their first venture out on their own ends in disaster when they become distracted with playing in the Ruffin children's playground instead of concentrating on the task they've been given. Can they ever be trusted to be Keepers in their own right?

From the bestselling author of *THE UNICORN ACADEMY* comes a brilliant, adventure-filled, magical series for 6–8 year olds combining animal rescue, nature conservation and the power of cooperation.













# Publication:

July 2021

# **World Rights**

## **Rights Sold:**

France (Gallimard), Germany, (Carlsen), Turkey (Penguen Kitap)

# Television & Film Rights:

**Bright Agency** 

# Extent:

160pp with two-colour illustrations

HANNAH PECK is an author and illustrator based in Brighton. Her love of books took her to study English at university, where she stocked up on Gothic stories and mythical poems that would later inspire her narrative illustrations. Using anything from tapestries to costume, Hannah researches around her subjects to create detailed and immersive illustrations. She has also worked as a children's bookseller – where she read as much as possible and gathered ideas for her debut, KATE ON THE CASE.

# Kate on the Case

# Hannah Peck

# Mystery and tigers on the (almost) *Orient Express*

Young detective Kate and her mouse-accomplice Rupert are on board a train, to visit Kate's mum in the Arctic. But as soon as the train departs, mysterious things start happening.

A packet of ginger nuts goes missing . . .

A collection of gymnastics trophies is stolen . . .

And some ancient scrolls disappear . . .

Fellow passenger Madame Maude seems the most likely culprit, until a surprising – and delicious – twist turns the whole investigation on its head.

First in a witty three-book series about a bold young detective and a colourful cast of suspects, in a setting worthy of Agatha Christie.

'Brimming with mystery, comedy, an inspirational heroine, some wonderful wordplay and brilliant orange-themed illustrations.'

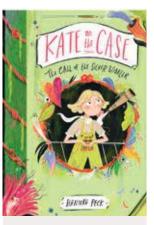
LANCASTER GUARDIAN

'Surprising and somewhat delicious twist... Cleverly woven and illustrated with a cast of brilliant characters.'

**ARMADILLO** 

'Hannah Peck's super-creative joy of a book has mystery, humour, brilliant illustrations and a smorgasbord of puns and wordplay.'

**BOOK TRUST** 



# **Publication:** March 2022

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# Television & Film Rights:

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#### Extent:

176pp with two-colour illustrations

# The Call of the Silver Wibbler

Hannah Peck

Kate is back in her second adventure, this time on a jungle river cruise.

Our aspiring special correspondent is on the adventure of a lifetime, cruising upriver in the jungle aboard a paddle steamer. She becomes intrigued by the story of the secretive silver wibbler bird and it's not long before Kate and young scout Bertie are hot on the heels of an exciting mystery in which hilarious mayhem engulfs the boat. Beautifully illustrated in two colours throughout, this is a magical story told in words and pictures.

With the old-fashioned charm of Paddington Bear and the spirit of Pippi Longstocking, Kate is the perfect adventure heroine for young readers aged 5 to 9.

Coming at the end of 2022, the third and final adventure in the KATE ON THE CASE series . . .

'A great book which keeps the reader guessing and allows plenty of investigative thoughts!'

**READING ZONE** (Book of the Month)





#### **Publication:**

June 2021 / January 2022 / June 2022 / January 2023

#### **World Rights**

## **Rights Sold:**

Netherlands (Lemniscaat)/ South Korea (Spring Garden)

# **Television & Film Rights:**

David Higham

#### **Extent:**

164pp with two-colour illustrations

ALEX MILWAY is a full-time children's author-illustrator and screenwriter (PIGSTICKS AND HAROLD – Walker Books). He is the founder of THIS BOOK IS FUNNYI, a children's book scheme working with schools and libraries. He has huge experience running children's workshops around the UK, in China and in the USA.

# **Big Sky Mountain**

# **Alex Milway**

#### A love letter to the wild!

When young Rosa Wild leaves the city to go and live with her eccentric Grandma Nan in a cabin in the wilderness of Big Sky Mountain, she is not quite prepared for how much her life will change! There's no TV, no phone signal, and definitely no shops. Grandma Nan seems to live in total isolation too – until Rosa meets her rather unusual companion, Albert the Moose. And before Rosa knows it, a whole host of other eclectic animal inhabitants begin to make themselves known. Let the adventures on Big Sky begin!

A little Wild Robot, a little bit Moomins, with a dash of Pippi Longstocking, this is a four-book series spanning four different natural environments, from river to forest to coast to sky, all told with Alex Milway's trademark humour and charm.

'Funny and charming; Alex Milway has made me want to fly right into Big Sky Mountain myself.'

**ANDY SHEPHERD** 

'A wild adventure with an important message, bravo!'

**SOPHY HENN** 

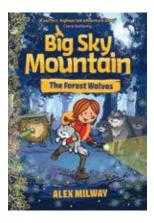
'The perfect adventure to rewild young readers.'

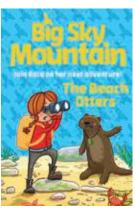
**BENJI DAVIES** 

# **Big Sky Mountain**

The Forest Wolves / The Beach Otters / The Sky Eagles

**Alex Milway** 





'This is a perfect, big-hearted adventure story, with pictures and laughs on every page and an environmental message delivered with the lightest touch.'

**CLARA VULLIAMY** 







#### **Publication:**

Publication: February 2019 / June 2019 / November 2019 / April 2020

#### **World Rights**

## **Rights Sold:**

China, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Serbia, South Korea, Spain, Ukraine, USA

# Television & Film Rights:

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# **Hotel Flamingo**

# Holiday Heatwave / Carnival Caper / Fabulous Feast

# **Alex Milway**

# Everyone is welcome at Hotel Flamingo!

When young Anna inherits a dilapidated once-grand hotel from her great-aunt Mathilde, she's determined to restore it to its former glory. But this is no ordinary hotel – all of her staff and guests are animals! Anna soon rises to the challenge. Whether it's a flamingo, a penguin or a hippo knocking at the door, Anna is ready to welcome them all – with the help of her trusty sidekicks, T. Bear the doorman, Squeak the friendly elevator mouse, and Lemmy the lemur receptionist...

As she soon finds out though, running an animal hotel is no easy task. Can Anna make Hotel Flamingo a success once more?

OTTOLINE meets *THE GRAND BUDAPEST HOTEL* in this enchanting four-book illustrated series.

# Over 70,000 copies sold Featured in Book Trust's GREAT BOOKS GUIDE 2019

'Crammed full of characterful animal illustrations with accents of zinging pink, this flamboyant early chapter book is a splendid, unpreachy testament to the power of hard work.'

THE GUARDIAN

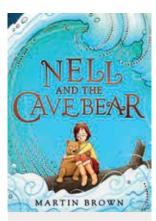
'A heart-warming tale of friends pulling together to make a dream come true. May I please stay at this hotel?'

**SARAH MCINTYRE** 









#### **Publication:**

September 2021 / July 2022

**World Rights** 

# **Television & Film Rights:** David Higham

#### Extent:

160pp, b&w illustrations

After training as an art teacher and drawing cartoons for magazines and greetings cards, **MARTIN BROWN** started working on the HORRIBLE HISTORIES series with Terry Deary. Twenty years, sixty titles and twenty million copies sold later, the books have become a phenomenon, expanding into the award-winning BBC TV programme, exhibitions, games and stage shows. More recently, Martin has also illustrated for Philip Pullman and John McLay.

NELL AND THE CAVE BEAR is the first fiction book he has written and illustrated.

# Nell and the Cave Bear

**Book 2: Title to come Martin Brown** 

'It was a long, long time ago, when the land beyond the mountains was an everlasting sea of ice... But below the mountains, spring had finally come to the valley.'

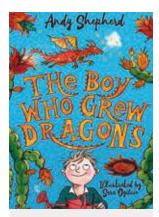
Orphan girl Nell lives with her Cave Clan family. She loves them all, even though they are always wanting her to do chores for them, like sweeping the cave and carrying firewood.

But more than anything else, she loves her pet Cave Bear – who has lived with her since he was a tiny cub and is the best friend a girl could have.

So when Nell learns that her clan are planning to give Cave Bear away as a gift to the Sea Clan, she decides to run away – by following the tiny stream outside the cave and seeing where it leads. And that's just the beginning of her adventures.

With the classic appeal of *WINNIE-THE-POOH* – and a wonderful blend of wisdom, history, humour and gentle peril – this is a wise and entertaining tale for chapter-book readers.





#### **Publication:**

June 2018 / September 2018 / January 2019 / June 2020 / January 2021

**World Rights** 

# **Rights Sold:**

Albania, Canada, Catalan, China, Croatia, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Greece, Israel, Italy, Lithuania, Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Russia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Turkey, Ukraine, USA

# **Television & Film Rights:** Lime Pictures

Extent:

224pp / 240pp / 256pp / 272pp / 272pp

**ANDY SHEPHERD** is a children's writer and an absolute expert on dragons. This is her debut series.

SARA OGILVIE has illustrated many books, including THE DETECTIVE DOG by Julia Donaldson, THE WORST PRINCESS by Anna Kemp, IZZY GIZMO by Pip Jones, and Phil Earle's DEMOLITION DAD.

# The Boy Who Grew Dragons

The Boy Who Lived with Dragons / The Boy Who Flew with Dragons / The Boy Who Dreamed of Dragons / The Boy Who Sang with Dragons

Andy Shepherd Illustrated by Sara Ogilvie

When Tomas brings home a dragon fruit picked from his grandad's garden and a tiny dragon hatches, he can't believe it. He has the coolest pet in town, because who wouldn't want to grow a dragon? But soon he finds out it is not always easy to tame the fiery little creatures.

Shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize

Over 350,000 copies sold across the series

Rights sold in 22 territories

Nominated for Catalan's Best Translated Children's Books 2020



# The Ultimate Guide to Growing Dragons

Tomas, the boy who grew dragons, is officially the Grand High DragonMaster. He has had two pet dragons – Flicker and Zing – and grown dozens more. He's an expert at caring for the dragonfruit tree. He knows all the tricks for training dragons, nurturing dragon-fruit seedlings and defusing dragon poo. So – he has this brilliant idea. He's got to get it all down, all his dragon expertise, in one easy-to-read place, for him and his friends, and anyone else who might end up doing this crazy thing.

Only problem is – Tomas's friends Ted, Kat, Kai, Liam and Aura are currently all scattered all around the world, from Suffolk to Mexico to China. Perhaps, though, if they put their heads together, they can figure all this out, and create the most brilliant *ULTIMATE GUIDE* ever, together?

An enchanting new story which will follow the adventures of Tomas and his friends as they exchange ideas and stories for their *ULTIMATE GUIDE* – bursting with ALL the essential facts for all the dragon aficionados out there including:

- Dragon fact files
- · Dragon-fruit trees: top tips for growing and nurturing
- Dragon facts and history and myth from around the world (from Suffolk to Mexico to China)
- The dragons' homeland why dragons fly to the North Star!
- Dragon training why you need a pocketful of ash!
- · Best games to play with dragons
- Poo patrol! (water pistol and oven mitts essential)
- · Tomas's little sister's dragon vet tips!
- · The secret of chocolate!

# **Coming August 2022**

'Irresistible ... A modern classic.'

THE GUARDIAN

'A warm-hearted debut . . . lovely, expressive, characterful.'

**SUNDAY TIMES** 

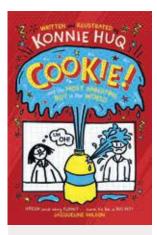
'Perfect for fans of Roald Dahl and Cressida Cowell.'

**SOUTH WALES EVENING POST** 

# Cookie and the Most Annoying Boy in the World

Cookie and the Most Annoying Girl in the World Cookie and the Most Mysterious Mystery in the World

## Konnie Huq



# Publication:

August 2019 / August 2020 / September 2021

#### **Rights Sold:**

Netherlands (Standaard), South Korea (Blue Wing), Spain (Pijama Books)

#### Extent:

272pp / 288pp / 320pp





Konnie Huq's laugh-out-loud three-book series starring bubbly COOKIE!

Film rights sold to Zodiak

Winner of the Stockport Children's Book Award

Over 70,000 copies sold

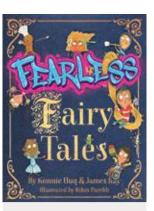
A hilarious series for readers aged 8+, starring an effervescent, smart British Bangladeshi ten-year-old heroine, with madcap science experiments, warm friendships and fun illustrations throughout.

'Smart, funny, and full of warmth.'

**DAVID WALLIAMS** 

'It's clearly going to be a BIG HIT.'

JACQUELINE WILSON



**Publication:** October 2020

**World Rights** 

**Rights Sold:** Spain (Blackie Books)

Extent: 176pp

JAMES KAY is a writer and full-time human who lives in Oxfordshire. His hobbies include eating and breathing. At school he was voted 'least likely to become Prime Minister' and he's on course for this to be the case.

RIKIN PAREKH studied art at Camberwell College of Arts and the University of Westminster. He has since worked designing monsters for the film industry and selling books for a national chain. He currently works with Year Fives in a London primary school, inspiring children to draw their own monsters.

# **Fearless Fairy Tales**

Konnie Huq and James Kay Illustrated by Rikin Parekh

A hilarious and anarchic collection of classic bedtime stories for young readers, vibrantly updated for a new generation.

Meet Trumplestiltskin, a vain and gold-obsessed little man who will stop at nothing to become richer and richer. There's Sleeping Brainy, the princess whose only dream is to become Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the Gingerbread Kid, who escapes persecution in his home country but struggles to fit in in his new one.

Packed with stories about boys who aren't afraid to cry and rhymes about girls who refuse to kiss frogs, this book shakes up dusty, old-fashioned (and, to be honest, rather sexist) bedtime stories and totally reinvents them for the twenty-first century. From fake news to female footballers, environmental pollution to equal pay, nothing is off limits in this anthology of laugh-out-loud fairy tales with thoroughly modern morals.



NINE TO TWELVE NINE TO TWELVE

# Monster Doughnuts Cyclops on a Mission Beastly Breakout!

Gianna Pollero Ilustrated by Sarah Horne



April 2021 / January 2022 / August 2022

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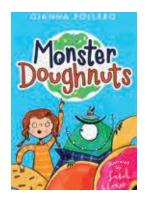
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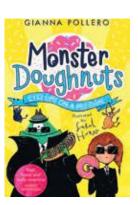
Extent:

256pp / 256pp / 256pp tbc

GIANNA POLLERO was born and raised in Kent but also spent a considerable amount of her childhood in northern Italy. She completed the Curtis Brown Online Writing for Children course in 2017, and is a member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators.

**SARAH HORNE** works on humorous children's titles and commissions for national newspapers. She is also the Children's Illustrator in Residence for IKEA.





# MONSTERS INC meets THE SPY WHO LOVED SCHOOL DINNERS, with heavy sprinklings of crumbs!

Ten-year-old Grace likes doughnuts and cakes as much as the next kid – but they are also her secret weapon. Grace is a monster hunter who owns a bakery – and everyone knows how much monsters LOVE any kind of sweet treat! Just don't tell them about the secret exploding baking powder inside the doughnuts and the cookies . . .

When Grace's Monster Scanning Machine alerts her to the doughnut-loving, people-eating, board-game-playing cyclops Mr Harris, she realises she's about to face her biggest challenge yet . . .

A laugh-out-loud 7+ story of monsters who smell of poo and hold grudges for a REALLY long time, MONSTER DOUGHNUTS is the first book in a hilarious three-book series from debut author Gianna Pollero.

'Delicious, dastardly, and diabolically delightful.'

JACK MEGGITT-PHILLIPS



**Publication:** January 2022 tbc

**World English Language** 

**Television & Film Rights:** Meis & Maas

Extent: 288pp tbc

JONNE KRAMER studied Creative Writing at the University of Westminster in London. THE RIDDLE OF THE SEA is her debut novel. This heartwarming story was nominated for several prestigious prizes, including the Hotze de Roos-prize (for Best Children's Book Debut) and the Dutch Children's Jury Prize.

# The Riddle of the Sea

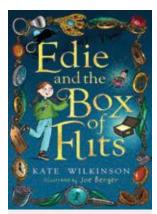
Jonne Kramer Illustrated by Karl J.Mountford Translated by Laura Watkinson

A gripping sea adventure featuring a lost father and a cursed ship makes for an outstanding debut by an exciting new author.

When Ravian's father doesn't return home from sea for his son's birthday, Ravian is certain he must be in danger. Hearing tales of a cursed ship that captures fishermen, Ravian goes in search of his father accompanied by his only friend, Marvin the seagull. Before long, the pair find themselves trapped on the ship with only a kindly boy and a bad-tempered pirate for company. The ensuing voyage is beset with battles with giant squid and fierce storms, and Ravian despairs of ever finding his father.

Translated from Dutch by the Carnegie-Medal 2020 shortlisted translator of *LAMPIE* by Annet Schaap, *THE RIDDLE OF THE SEA* is at once a captivating fantasy adventure and a thoughtful story of friendship and overcoming fears.

NINE TO TWELVE NINE TO TWELVE



# **Publication:** July 2021 / July 2022

**World Rights** 

Rights Sold: Netherlands (Condor)

**Television & Film Rights:** Pickled Ink

Extent: 288pp / 240pp tbc

KATE WILKINSON started out as a children's writer for BBC Radio, creating audio stories for pre-school listeners that involved a lot of animals (and animal noises). She now works primarily on arts programmes, literary features and readings such as BOOK AT BEDTIME and BOOK OF THE WEEK. EDIE AND THE BOX OF FLITS is her debut novel.

JOE BERGER has a background in both writing and illustration, having written two children's books and illustrated many more.

# Edie and the Box of Flits Edie and the Glasshouse Flits

Kate Wilkinson Illustrated by Joe Berger

While travelling on the Underground, Mind the Flits.

When eleven-year-old Edie Winter finds a mysterious wooden box on the London Underground she's amazed to discover that it's home to a family of Flits – tiny winged foragers who are only visible to children under thirteen. But Impy, Speckle and Nid need Edie's help. Not only do they want supplies (rice crispies, sugar sprinkles, digestive biscuits and raisins) and someone to look after them, they've also been separated from their brother Jot and the rest of their family.

Meanwhile, mysterious green winged birds have been flying around London stealing people's shiny valuables.

It is up to Edie to find out what's been lost and what's being hidden.

Set against the backdrop of London and its Underground network, *EDIE AND THE BOX OF FLITS* is the first in a two-book series about friendship, family and noticing the little things in life.

'Wilkinson's action-packed and heartwarming story about friendship and family reminds us all to notice the little things in life and to treasure each other, however big or small we might be.'

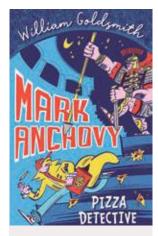
**FLEETWOOD TODAY** 

'This sparkling and heartwarming adventure story with a fast-paced plot will keep readers in years 4 and 5 gripped from beginning to end.'

SCHOOL READING LIST

# Mark Anchovy Pizza Detective / War & Pizza / Pizza Power

William Goldsmith



#### **Publication:**

April 2020 / January 2021 / July 2021

**World English Language** 

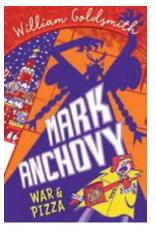
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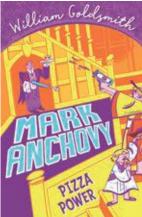
**Television & Film Rights:** PFD

Extent:

320pp / 272pp/ 288pp tbc

WILLIAM GOLDSMITH is a British writer and illustrator. Published by Jonathan Cape, his graphic novels VIGNETTES OF YSTOV and THE BIND were nominated for a Newton First Book Award and British Book Design Award respectively. This is his first series for children, and comes with a fully dedicated website: www.markanchovy.com





# Codename: 'Extra Anchovy'

Colin Kingsley is a pizza delivery boy with a secret. He's actually an aspiring private detective. But in his sleepy town there are no cases to solve – until the Golden Spatula League come calling. They are the world's premier detective agency run by children and have been dazzled by Colin's freakish memory skills.

Codenamed 'Mark Anchovy', he is off to solve tough mysteries. First he must fly to Rome to track down a valuable stolen painting, titled 'A Girl with a Squirrel'. Next up is Russia, where he must find a missing casket of golden egg cups. It is rumoured his final mission will take him to the bright lights of Tokyo, but Colin has a bigger problem to solve first. His little sister Alicia has found out what 'extra anchovies' really means . . .

A hilarious, anarchic three-book detective series with an unforgettable cast, stylish full-page illustrations and adventures that will leave your stomach rumbling.

'Hilarious and exciting, a must-read for mystery fans.'

THE SCOTSMAN

TEEN TEEN



# **Publication:** August 2022 / July 2023 / July 2024

## **World Rights**

**Television & Film Rights:** Pickled Ink LTD

# Extent: 272pp tbc

JO SIMMONS, the bestselling author of I SWAPPED MY BROTHER ON THE INTERNET, began her working life as a sub-editor on magazines in London and later became a freelance journalist. She started writing for children when her two boys were young and hungry for daft and silly stories to make bedtime more fun. THE RELUCTANT VAMPIRE QUEEN is her first novel for teenagers.

# The Reluctant Vampire Queen

The Reluctant Vampire Queen Bites Back
The Reluctant Vampire Queen: Return of the
Undead

## Jo Simmons

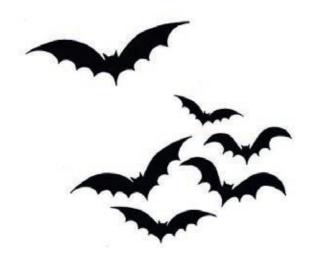
Meet Mo, schoolgirl by day, vampire queen by night. It can't be that difficult to do both . . . can it?

Fifteen-year-old Mo Merrydrew isn't exactly expecting to be asked to be Vampire Queen of Great Britain when she's cycling home from school one wet Tuesday evening. Apparently, she is 'the Chosen One'.

Aside from being uncomfortable with the idea of unelected power (not very democratic), patriarchal vampiric traditions (Mo is a feminist), there's the blood drinking to consider (Mo is a vegetarian), and frankly it's just not really the sort of role Mo's looking for (she wants to aim for a real job in international politics).

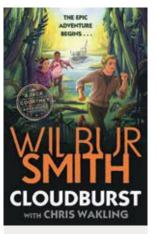
But – if you're Vampire Queen, you probably don't have to do PE any more, and when the dreamy Luca, a vampire familiar, turns up, it all suddenly starts to look a bit more appealing . . .

GEEK GIRL meets BUFFY in a brilliantly funny new teen three-book series from bestselling author Jo Simmons!

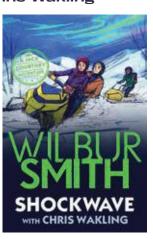


# The Jack Courtney Adventures

Cloudburst / Thunderbolt / Shockwave Wilbur Smith & Chris Wakling



# WILBIJR SMITH THUNDERBOLT WITH CHRIS WAKLING



#### **Publication:**

March 2020 / March 2021 / March 2022

## **World Rights**

# **Rights Sold:**

Argentina (Planeta), Czech Rep (Bookmedia), Greece (Harlenic), Hungary (Studium), Italy (HarperCollins)

# Television & Film Rights:

**Tibor Jones** 

#### Extent:

320pp / 288pp / 288pp tbc

WILBUR SMITH was born in Central Africa in 1933. He became a full-time writer in 1964 after the publication of WHEN THE LION FEEDS, and has since written over thirty novels. His books are translated into twenty-six languages. This is his first children's series.

CHRIS WAKLING is a novelist and travel writer whose previous books, for adults, include ON CAPE THREE POINTS and TOWARDS THE SUN. He is also a lifelong fan of Wilbur Smith.

#### Adventure runs in the blood.

Jack Courtney has lived in the UK his whole life. But this summer his parents are travelling to the Democratic Republic of Congo for a conference, and they've promised to take Jack and his friends with them.

When his parents go missing in the rainforest, abducted by mercenaries, nobody seems to have any answers. Jack is pretty sure that it has to do with the nearby tantalum mines, but he needs to prove it. Along with Amelia and Xander, Jack must brave the jungle to save his parents. Standing in his way is a member of his own family – Caleb Courtney.

There are mountain gorillas, forest elephants and hippos, but also bandits, mercenaries and hostile tribes. The three friends will need their wits about them if they are to save Jack's parents, and their own lives too.

A three-book series for readers aged 10+ from the one and only master of adventure, starring a young modern-day descendant of the beloved Courtney family.

Over 80,000 copies sold



**Publication:** June 2022

## **World Rights**

# **Option Publishers:**

Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Catalan, China, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, South Korea, Spain, Taiwan, Turkey, USA

#### **Extent:**

208pp tbc

PAOLA PERETTI lives in Verona and teaches immigrant children. Fifteen years ago she was diagnosed with Stargardt disease, which causes progressive vision loss and eventually blindness. There is no known cure. She is the author of THE DISTANCE BETWEEN ME AND THE CHERRY TREE (Hot Key Books, 2018) which was translated into 25 languages and has sold over 150,000 copies across the world.

# Filippo, Me and the Cherry Tree

Paola Peretti Translated by Denise Muir

A powerful, uplifting and moving story of a young girl's battle against losing her sight

Mafalda is thirteen and has been blind since she was ten. Her best friend is the cheerfully rule-breaking Filippo, and she is accompanied everywhere by Ottimo Turcaret, her devoted cat. Mafalda is ever positive, always thinking of things she can do both now and in the future despite her loss of sight. But other things are worrying her too: her father, who has lost his job and is now in the depths of depression, refusing to leave his bed; and then there is the horrible girl in school, Debbie, who seems very interested in Filippo, which means Mafalda has to start thinking in a new way about what Filippo means to her...

Then two new adults come into her life: Elsa, a homeless young woman, and Signor Nino, the elderly upstairs neighbour with an awful temper and a great passion for Charles Dickens and *GREAT EXPECTATIONS*. Little by little Mafalda learns their stories, and how their lives were shaped by brave and difficult choices.

# Praise for The Distance Between Me and the Cherry Tree

Nominated for the CLIP CARNEGIE MEDAL 2019

Winner of IBBY Honour List 2020

'A simply told, bitter-sweet story, with a powerful poetic message.'

**JACQUELINE WILSON** 

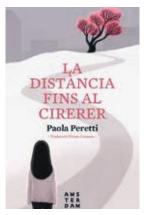
# Translated into 25 languages



















Over 150,000 copies sold across the world

TEEN Teen



#### **Publication:**

April 2020 / January 2021 / July 2021 / February 2022

#### **World Rights**

# **Option Publishers:**

France (Casterman), Netherlands (Billy Bones), Portugal (Porto), Turkey (Eksik Parca)

**Television & Film Rights:** The Artists Partnership

#### Extent:

256pp / 258pp / 256pp / 256pp tbc

ROBERT MUCHAMORE's books have sold over 15 million copies worldwide, have been translated into 24 languages, and have been number-one bestsellers in eight countries including the UK, France, Germany, Australia and New Zealand. ROBIN HOOD is Robert's first series for readers aged 10–13 since his CHERUB series, having recently published two YA novels, ARCTIC ZOO and KILLER-T, with Hot Key Books.

# **Robin Hood**

Hacking, Heists & Flaming Arrows

# **Robert Muchamore**

# The world's first superhero

Locksley City has been on a downward spiral since the last car plant closed. When his dad is framed and thrown in jail for speaking out against corruption, twelve-year-old Robin finds himself on the run. The only place to hide is Sherwood Forest, stretching hundreds of kilometres on the outskirts of the city. It's a dangerous place, where the bears and snakes are almost as scary as the human population of bandits, terrorists, cultists and biker gangs. Robin wants revenge on the people who threw his dad in jail. But first, he must learn to survive in the forest.

Breathtaking heists, genius hacking and corrupt business dealings that only a young hero of our times can bring down, this is the start of a truly compelling four-book series for children aged 10+.

'Intensely readable, outrageously enjoyable action.'

THE GUARDIAN

'A new series that strikes the bullseye.'

THE TIMES

'Punchy and contemporary.'

**BOOKSELLER, One to Watch** 

'Set to be another adrenaline-filled ride.'

**I-NEWSPAPER** 

'This is classic Muchamore: witty characters, clever twists and high-tech gadgetry. This scores a bullseye.'

**DAILY MAIL** 

'For action and adrenaline look no further... sure to be relished by thrillseekers of 11 and up.'

THE OBSERVER

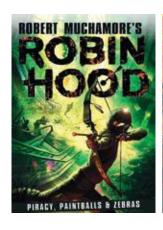
# **Robin Hood**

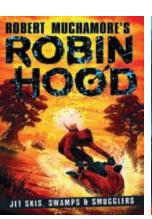
Piracy, Paintballs & Zebras Jet Skis, Swamps & Smugglers Drones, Dams & Destruction

**Robert Muchamore** 

THE TIMES Children's Book of the Week

55,000 copies sold

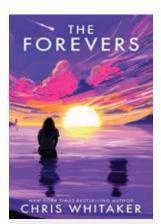






# Coming soon...

Four new episodes in the never-ending Robin Hood saga



# Publication:

July 2021

# **World Rights**

# **Rights Sold:**

Germany (Piper), Lithuania (Baltos Lankos), Romania (Trei), USA (Henry Holt/ Macmillan)

# **Television & Film Rights:** Curtis Brown

## **Extent:**

356pp

CHRIS WHITAKER has won several awards, including the 2021 CWA Gold Dagger Award, the Theakstone Award and the Ned Kelly Award. His NEW YORK TIMES bestselling novel WE BEGIN AT THE END has been translated into 22 languages and has sold almost 200,000 copies. The title was featured as Thriller of the Year by THE GUARDIAN, and Waterstones and TV Rights have been optioned by Disney Television Studios. THE FOREVERS is his first YA novel.

# The Forevers

#### Chris Whitaker

# The debut YA novel from adult NEW YORK TIMES bestselling author

They knew the end was coming. They saw it ten years back, when it was far enough away in space and time and meaning.

The changes were gradual, and then sudden.

For Mae and her friends, it means navigating a life where action and consequence are no longer related. Where the popular are both trophies and targets. And where petty grudges turn deadlier with each passing day. So, did Abi Manton jump off the cliff or was she pushed? Her death is just the beginning of the end.

With teachers losing control of their students and themselves, and the end rushing towards all of them, everyone is facing the answer to one, simple question . . .

What would you do if you could get away with anything?

With echoes of THIRTEEN REASONS WHY, LITTLE MISS SUNSHINE and SEX EDUCATION, THE FOREVERS is part thriller, part coming-of-age novel, shining a light on the best and worst of humanity in a world without consequences.

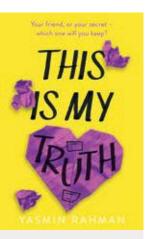
'Incredibly moving and beautifully written.'

'A thought-provoking, highly quotable, soul-searching appreciation of life in an end of the world tale.'

'Whitaker's themes of young people being robbed of their chances to grow up, of the opportunities lost to them and the hopelessness that brings feel very close to home just now.'

'Thought-provoking page-turner founded on a killer concept. Masterfully evoked in all its heart-stopping starkness.'

LOVEREADING4KIDS - Staff Picks



# **Publication:** July 2021

## **World Rights**

## Rights Sold: Japan (Sey-zan-sha)

**Television & Film Rights:** Janklow & Nesbit

# Extent:

416pp

YASMIN RAHMAN is a British Muslim born and raised in Hertfordshire. She has an MA in Creative Writing and an MA in Writing for Young People, both with Distinction. Her short story 'Fortune Favours the Bold' was published in the Stripes anthology A CHANGE IS GONNA COME in 2017, with THE BOOKSELLER awarding the contributors a YA Book Prize Special Achievement Award 2018 for commitment to making YA publishing more inclusive.

# This Is My Truth

## Yasmin Rahman

# Your friend or your secret . . . which one will you keep?

Best friends Amani and Huda are getting nervous about their school exams – and their future beyond school, which they're both wildly unprepared for. Shy, quiet Amani has an outwardly picture-perfect family – a father who is a successful TV presenter, a loving mother and an adorable younger brother – while confident and impulsive Huda has grown up with over-affectionate foster parents who are now expecting a baby of their own.

Both girls are jealous of each other's seemingly easy life, without realising the darkness or worries that lie underneath. Then Huda witnesses Amani's father hitting her mother, and Amani's biggest secret is suddenly out.

As Amani convinces Huda to keep quiet by helping her with her own problems, a prank blog starts up at school, revealing students' secrets one by one. Will this anonymous blogger get hold of Amani's secret too? Will Huda keep quiet?





**Publication:** August 2022

**World Rights** 

**Television & Film Rights:** SoloSon Media

Extent: 288pp tbc

RACHEL BURGE works as a freelance feature writer and has written for a variety of websites, including BBC Worldwide, Cosmo and MTV. She lives in East Sussex with her partner, son and black Labrador, Biff. She is fascinated by Norse myth and swears she once saw a ghost.

# Waking the Witch

Rachel Burge

Her destiny lies buried deep within her . . .

Seventeen-year-old Ivy has spent years looking for her birth mother. Growing up in care, all she has of her mother is the note that was left with her when she was a baby:

'I'm so sorry. I tried to keep you safe, but I see now that I can't. They won't stop until they have you, but I can't let that happen . . .'

When Ivy finally finds her mother on the remote Bardsey Island, off the coast of Wales, rumoured to be the site of Avalon and Merlin's last resting place, she is not prepared for what greets her. Her mother abandoned her as a baby to keep her safe from witches who wanted to steal her away – the eight witches of Arthurian legend, who have long sought the ninth.

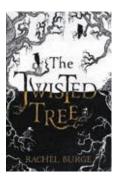
What Ivy discovers about herself will shake her to the core – she is the reincarnation of a long-ago witch, and her sisters need her, if they are to exact revenge on Arthur for wrongs done to them all those centuries ago.

As the powers within Ivy grow and the witch within her begins to awaken, can she find the strength to fulfil her magical destiny while staying true to who she believes herself to be?

A highly atmospheric contemporary fantasy, steeped in Welsh mythology and Arthurian legend, for YA/crossover readers. For fans of Melinda Salisbury (HOLD BACK THE TIDE), Menna Van Praag (THE SISTERS GRIMM), Finbarr Hawkins (WITCH) and Krystal Sutherland (HOUSE OF HOLLOW).

# The Twisted Tree The Crooked Mask

**Rachel Burge** 





**Publication:** January 2019 / January 2021

**World Rights** 

Rights Sold in THE TWISTED TREE:

France (Casterman), Russia (Eksmo), Turkey (Epsilon Yayincilik)

**Television & Film Rights:** SoloSon Media

**Extent:** 272pp / 288pp

Part ghost story, part Nordic mystery – a creepy and chilling tale steeped in Norse myth, perfect for fans of Neil Gaiman, and Michelle Paver's *DARK MATTER* 

Martha can tell things about a person just by touching their clothes, as if their emotions and memories have been absorbed into the material. It started the day she fell from the tree at her grandma's cabin and became blind in one eye.

Determined to understand her strange ability, Martha sets off to visit her grandmother, Mormor – only to discover Mormor is dead, a peculiar boy is in her cabin and a terrifying creature is on the loose.

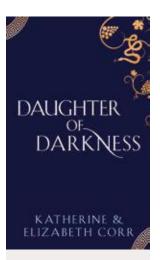
Then the spinning wheel starts creaking, books move around and terror creeps in  $\dots$ 

Set in the remote snows of contemporary Norway, *THE TWISTED TREE* is a ghost story that twists and turns – and never takes you quite where you'd expect.

SUNDAY TIMES Children's Book of the Week

'A creepy and evocative fantasy.'

**SUNDAY TIMES** 



#### **Publication:**

August 2022 / August 2023

## **World Rights**

# Television & Film Rights:

Rogers, Coleridge and White

# Extent:

352pp tbc

#### KATHARINE and ELIZABETH CORR

are sisters and writers. When they both decided to write novels – on account of fictional people being much easier to deal with than real ones – it was obvious they should do it together. They can sometimes be found in one of their local coffee shops, arguing over which character to kill off next. Katharine and Elizabeth are authors of the spell-binding series THE WITCH'S KISS.

# Daughter of Darkness Queen of the Gods

Katharine and Elizabeth Corr

## Xena: Warrior Princess meets SIX OF CROWS

Keissa is born with the mark of Hades and destined to work as a Soul-Severer. She helps the souls of the dying pass easily to the underworld, but is shunned by society for the bad luck her kind brings and banned from entering the city walls.

Treated as a criminal, she may as well act like one, and in doing so will perhaps gather enough money to buy herself out and be free. But will stealing from the rich souls she helps pass on to the afterlife ever be enough?

When the tyrant Orpheus comes to Athens, he offers to buy the freedom of whichever Soul-Severer can release Eurydice from the underworld and bring her back to him. Keissa volunteers, hoping to win the prize and her liberty in one swoop. But to win she has to compete against Severers from both Athens and Mycenae, including the mysterious Theron, who might just have what it takes to beat out all competitors.

As she and her opponents step into Hades' underworld, Keissa starts to realise that she might not have it in her to survive and succeed in this World of Darkness...

From the authors of *A THRONE OF SWANS* and *A CROWN OF TALONS* comes an evocative and thrilling fantasy set in an alternative Ancient Athens, where humans are marked by Gods and Athens is ruled by the sorcerer-king Orpheus.

# A Throne of Swans A Crown of Talons

#### Katharine and Elizabeth Corr





# Birds of the sky. Rulers of the land.

When her father dies just before her birthday, seventeen-year-old Aderyn inherits the role of Protector of Atratys, a dominion in a kingdom where nobles can transform at will into the bird that represents their family bloodline. Aderyn's ancestral bird is a swan, but she has not transformed for years. Not since witnessing the death of her mother – ripped apart by hawks that have supposedly been extinct since the long-ago War of the Raptors.

With the benevolent shelter of her mother and her father now lost, Aderyn is at the mercy of her brutal uncle, the king, and his royal court. Driven by revenge and love, she must venture into the malevolent heart of the Citadel in order to seek the truth about the attack that so nearly destroyed her, to fight for the only home she has ever known and for the land she has vowed to protect.

# 35,000 copies sold across the duology. A BOOK TRUST *GREAT BOOK GUIDE* Pick

'A dark and glittering fairytale to make your heart take flight.'

**VIC JAMES** 

'Tons of intrigue, mystery, family drama, glamorous gowns and hidden swords . . .'

**BOOK TRUST** 

## **Publication:**

January 2020 / January 2021

## **World Rights**

# Rights Sold:

Russia (Eksmo)

# **Television & Film Rights:**Rogers, Coleridge and White

# Extent:

352pp / 400pp

Publication:

**World Rights** 

**Rights Sold:** 

Iran (Iranban), Poland

(Wydawnictwo), Russia

(Ripol), Spain (La Galera),

**Television & Film Rights:** 

**DEIRDRE SULLIVAN** is a writer from

collection of dark fairy-tale retellings, which won an Irish Book Award for

Galway. Her books include the PRIMROSE LEARY trilogy, NEEDLEWORK (winner of the CBI

Honour Award for Fiction) and TANGLEWEED AND BRINE, a

Best YA Book of the Year 2017.

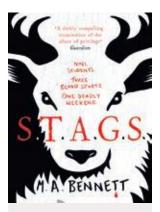
Working Title TV

368pp / 432pp

**Extent:** 

USA & Canada (Tanglewood)

May 2019 / September 2021



#### **Publication:**

August 2017 / August 2019 / August 2020 / September 2021 / July 2022

# **World Rights**

#### **Rights Sold:**

Brazil (Arquiero), Catalan (Molino), China (Booky Culture Media), France (Bayard), Germany (Arena), Netherlands (Meis & Maas), Poland (Rodzina), Romania (Curtea Veche), Russia (Tarna), Serbia (Publikum), Spain (Molino), Turkey (Pegasus), USA & Canada (PRH)

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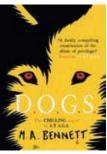
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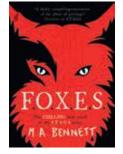
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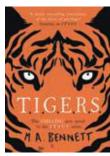
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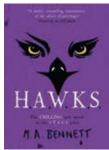
Nine students. Three bloodsports. One deadly weekend.

Seventeen-year-old Greer McDonald is a fish out of water at the exclusive St Aidan the Great School (S.T.A.G.S.). When handsome, influential Henry de Warlencourt invites her to join him and his exclusive Medievals clique at his family mansion, she can't believe her luck. But as Greer sets foot in Longcross Hall, she is drawn into a dangerous, alluring world that just won't let her go . . .









'Darkly compelling.'

**THE GUARDIAN** 

'A cracking debut psychological thriller.' **IRISH SUNDAY TIMES** 

# **Perfectly Preventable** Deaths **Precious Catastrophe**

**Deirdre Sullivan** 





# The Hazel Wood meets Sabrina the Teenage Witch.

Fifteen-year-old twins Catlin and Madeline live in Ballyfran, a place that seems entirely ordinary but in fact seethes with secrets. It's a village where, for centuries, people who are not quite human and not always righteous have gathered. After Catlin fell foul of one such evil creature, Madeline had to give up part of her soul to save her sister.

Now the girls are building their strange new lives: Catlin is still haunted by what happened and Madeline continues her witchcraft training with the local wise woman, Mamó. But this is no easy task. And Madeline knows she has to keep watch over her sister. Notice things before they start to happen. And before long, they do . . .

Dark, savage and spellbinding, this is the final instalment in a thrilling coming-of-age duology about twins, witchcraft and the sacrifices we have to make for those we care about the most...

# Shortlisted for the Irish Book Awards 2019

'A classic in the making.' **SFX MAGAZINE** 

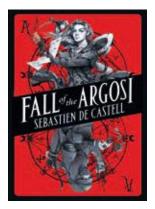
'Intoxicating, skilfully crafted.'

THE BOOKSELLER

# Way of the Argosi Fall of the Argosi

Sebastien de Castell





# Publication:

April 2021 / October 2021

## **World Rights**

## **Rights Sold:**

Czech Republic (Albatros), Israel (Keter), Russia (Eksmo)

**Television & Film Rights:** HMA Literary Agency

# Extent:

384pp / 368pp

#### **SEBASTIEN DE CASTELL**'S

acclaimed swashbuckling fantasy series, The Greatcoats, was shortlisted for both the Goodreads Choice Award for Best Fantasy and the Gemmell Morningstar Award. His YA fantasy series, SPELLSLINGER, is published in more than a dozen languages. He spends his time writing, travelling and going on strange adventures.

# THE ALCHEMIST meets THE THREE MUSKETEERS

Ferius Parfax has a simple plan: kill every last inhabitant of the spell-gifted nation that destroyed her people, starting with the man who murdered her parents. Killing mages is a difficult and dangerous business, of course, but when she meets the inimitable and extraordinary Durral Brown she discovers that physical strength is not the only way to defeat evil of all kinds.

Ferius undertakes to study the ways of the Argosi. But the Argosi have a price for their teachings, and by the time Ferius learns what it is, it may be too late.

Exploring the childhood of one of the most-loved characters of the author's popular SPELLSLINGER series, this is perfect for fans of *THE DARK TOWER, FIREFLY* and *GAME OF THRONES*.

Ferius's adventurous quest continues in FALL OF THE ARGOSI, bound to take the reader on a journey that will be hard to forget.

# **Spellslinger**

Spellslinger / Shadowblack / Charmcaster / Soulbinder / Queenslayer / Crownbreaker

Sebastien de Castell

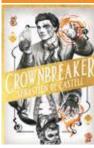












250,000 copies sold across the world Film rights optioned Sold in 15 territories Winner of the Prix Elbakin for Fantasy

'One of the best YA novels I've seen in a long time – larky, clever and slick.'

LITERARY REVIEW

'Gloriously escapist fantasy.' **THE OBSERVER** 

'Fantasy junkies will devour with relish.' **THE GUARDIAN** 





**Publication:** May 2022

**World Rights** 

Extent: 272pp

MILLY EVANS is a journalist and sex-education advocate who has been campaigning for a more inclusive and comprehensive sex-education curriculum since 2016. She has worked with Brook and the Terrence Higgins Trust as well as being involved with Stonewall and UNESCO.

LUCIA PICERNO is an awardwinning designer and illustrator from Uruguay, living in London. She aims to spread thought-provoking messages that inspire women to be seen and heard. Her clients include Penguin Random House, HarperCollins, Honda, Bodyform, Palmer's and Danone among many others.

# Honest

**Everything They Don't Tell You About** Sex, Relationships and Bodies

Milly Evans | Illustrated by Lucia Picerno

#### Let's talk about sex.

Reading the above will probably conjure up embarrassing memories of awkward sex-education lessons, the dreaded cringey 'talk' with mum and dad. Even worse, those confusing tales of the experiences of your more adventurous friends . . .

But happily, journalist and campaigner Milly Evans, has got it all covered – from sexuality to sexting, masturbation to sexual consent - she lets us in her number-one secret: grown-ups have NO idea what they're doing. Sex education doesn't need to be embarrassing, scary and only about what you need to be aware of. HONEST is a positive guide to sex, relationships and bodies, full of all the secrets that parents are too scared to talk to their teens about.

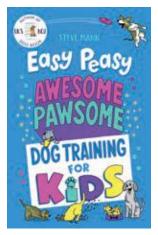
In addition to Milly's own views and advice, we meet some brilliant sex-positive activists and inspirational people along the way. LGBTQ+ perspectives are integrated throughout the book, so that every reader can see their experiences reflected and know that sex-and-relationship education doesn't have to be from a heteronormative perspective.

So, enough foreplay. Let's talk about sex, and spark open and honest conversations through the voice of a young woman who is steeped in the subject and knows how to broach it.

# **Easy Peasy Awesome Pawsome Dog Training for Kids**

Steve Mann

'Dog Training Genius!' **EMILIA CLARKE** 



Publication: July 2021 / November 2020

Rights Sold: Germany (Rowohlt) **Extent:** 160pp / 272pp

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There is nothing more exciting than having a dog: your own best friend to play with.

In this guide, Steve Mann shares the passion he had when he was a child growing up with dogs and fires up that same passion in a new generation of children.

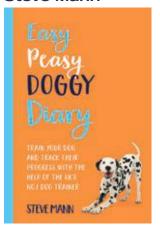
It is packed with facts, fun and bow-wow know-how, including essential exercises, the history of dogs and dog safety - not to mention lots of tricks, quizzes and fun games for kids and their dogs!

From the author of EASY PEASY PUPPY SOUEEZY (over 250,000 copies sold), this is THE must-have book for any family with a dog and kids living under the same woof - ahem - roof.

# **Easy Peasy Doggy Diary**

The training journal with new tips and techniques

#### Steve Mann



STEVE MANN has been a full-time dog trainer for over twenty years. He has trained thousands of dogs and hundreds of professional dog trainers. This weekly diary is the perfect tool to help you and your dogs stay on track, set out in a simple format with new tips and techniques to help you and your dog enjoy the journey to domesticated bliss.

Beautifully designed with illustrations and line drawings, with weekly targets and progress checks, EASY PEASY DOGGY DIARY is the perfect way to record those special dog moments, such as walking without a lead, perfecting recall, sleeping through the night and socialisation with other dogs and visitors.

Whether you want to keep track of diet, jot down your favourite local walks, record health visits or celebrate key achievements, this journal helps you plan for the future and see how far you've come.

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# **Ultimate Football Heroes**

Over a million copies sold Rights sold in 14 territories Over 50 titles available

An epic series of biographies telling the life-stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journey from childhood fan to superstar professional player.

Written in fast-paced, action-packed style, these books are perfect for all the family to collect and share.

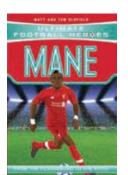
Latest titles include: Lewandowski, Rashford, Zidane, Mbappe, Dele Alli, Salah, Grealish, Son Heung-min and Kane.

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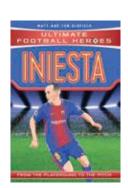
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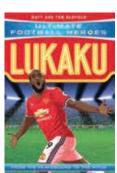
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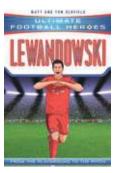
**Rights Sold:** China, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, France, Greece, Hungary, Italy Japan, Russia, Serbia, Sweden, Turkey **MATT OLDFIELD** is an accomplished writer and the editor-in-chief of football review site Of *PITCH AND PAGE*.



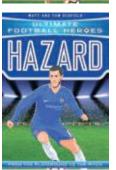


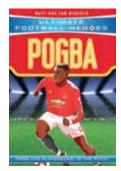


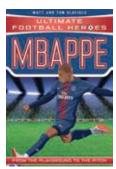


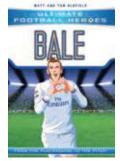




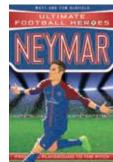








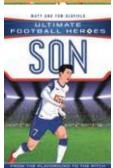


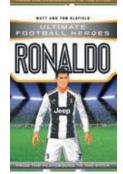
















# **GIANT**

## Kate Scott



Publication: February 2017 World Rights

Rights Sold: China (Guangxi), Hungary (Pozsonyi Pagony), South Korea (Woongjin Think Big Co.), Taiwan (Eastern), Vietnam (Yolo Books)

# Just Jack Kate Scott



Publication: April 2018 World Rights Rights Sold: Hungary (Pozsonyi Pagony), South Korea (Prunsoop) 'A book that celebrates friendship and the power of being true to yourself.'

FRANK COTTRELL-BOYCE

Anzo is eleven years old and very, very short. Mum, Dad and his two uncles are extremely tall but they're also high achievers, obsessed with fulfilling their lifelong ambition of opening a restaurant together. Everyone has a role – but where does Anzo fit in? If only he could grow a few inches in height, then no one would be able to overlook him.

Then, overnight, Anzo starts to grow. Is life as a giant going to solve all his problems, or should he stop worrying and learn to just be himself?

'A clever and tenderly told tale of growing up... and wising up.'

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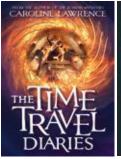
Jack knows LOTS about starting a new school. Since Dad left, he and his mum have moved house five times.

He also knows all about fitting in. The trick is to act exactly like everyone else and make sure no one ever notices him. But it's hard work trying to be something he isn't, and Jack doesn't have any good friends. That is, until Tyler comes along. Tyler is funny and different and might be the key to getting Jack to realise that although he is brilliant at pretending to be other people, the very best thing he can be is . . . JUST JACK.

# The Time Travel Diaries

The Time Travel Diaries / The Time Travel Diaries: Adventure in Athens

**Caroline Lawrence** 





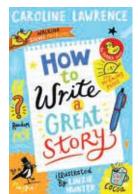
Publication: April 2019 / May 2020 World Rights

**Rights Sold:** France (Gallimard), Hungary (Lazi), Netherlands (Leopold), Romania (Paralela 45)

SUNDAY TIMES Children's Book of the Week

'Accurate and hilarious.'
LITERARY REVIEW

# **How to Write a Great Story**



**Caroline Lawrence** 

**Publication:** August 2019

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'Caroline captures the children's imaginations and makes them feel like they CAN write.'

CHRISTINA WEERASEKERA, SCHOOL COORDINATOR

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The Haunting of Peligan City / Ghostcatcher

Sophie Green | Illustrated by Karl Mountford







**Publication:** March 2019 / September 2019 / March 2020

**World Rights** 

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Scooby-Doo meets Casper in Gotham City.

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Jim Claydon & Tim Lawler







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'Fast-paced and funny.'
SUNDAY TIMES

# **SUPERSAURS**

Raptors of Paradise / The Stegosorcerer / Clash of the Tyrants / Temple of the Saurs / The Seventh Spinosauri / The Styraco Circus

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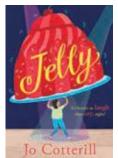


**Publication: 2017–2020** 

# Jo Cotterill

Jelly / A Storm of Strawberries / A Library of Lemons

Jo Cotterill







Publication: June 2018 / June 2017 / May 2016

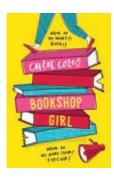
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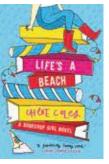
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# **Bookshop Girl**

Bookshop Girl / Life's a Beach / Bookshop Girl In Paris

Chloe Coles







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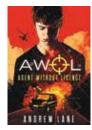
'A funny, feisty, feminist heroine . . .' SUNDAY EXPRESS

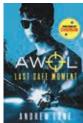
'Hilarious . . . great fun.'
SCHOOL LIBRARIAN

# **AWOL**

Agent Without Licence / Last Safe Moment / Last Boy Standing / Last Day on Earth

**Andrew Lane** 









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> 'Exciting take on the teenage spy book.' **UNSEEN LIBRARY**

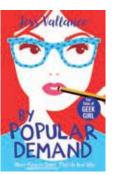
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You Only Live Once / To Be Perfectly Honest / By Popular Demand

Jess Vallance







**Publication: 2018/2019** 

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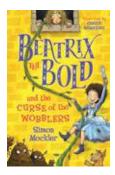
'Funny and touching.' **BOOKBAG** 



# **Beatrix the Bold**

The Curse of the Wobblers / The Riddletown Dragon / The Balloon of Doom

Simon Mockler | Illustrated by Cherie Zamazing







Publication: March 2019 / September 2019/February 2020 Rights Sold: Netherlands (Billy Bones), Russia (Ripol)

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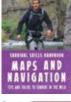
Fiction and non-fiction series featuring TV celebrity Bear Grylls

Publication: 2017-2020

**Rights Sold:** China, Czech Republic, France, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Russia, Turkey, USA

Half a million copies sold









# The Wind in the Wall



Sally Gardner | Illustrated by Rovina Cai

Publication: September 2019

'I have no idea how long I have been incarcerated in these ancient walls . . . Let me explain how I find myself in this predicament . . .'

Longlisted for the CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal 2021

# The Last Paper Crane

Kerry Drewery | Illustrated by Natsko Seki

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Rights Sold: Germany (Atrium), Italy (Rizzoli), Russia (Livebook), Spain

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'An outstanding and heart-filled book.'

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# Last Paper Crane Crane Pale From Hillienhims KERRY DREWERY Illustrated by Natsko Seki

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**World Rights** 

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SUNDAY TIMES Children's Book of the Week

'An eloquent plea for acceptance and reconciliation.'
THE GUARDIAN

# Hope Is Our Only Wing



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Nominated for the CILIP Carnegie Medal 2019 KIRKUS STARRED REVIEW

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**KIRKUS REVIEWS** 

'A beautiful [...] touching story about friendship and what it means to face your everyday fears. I can't recommend it enough!'

THE BOOKSELLER

# The Secret Runners of New York



**Matthew Reilly** 

Publication: March 2019

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(Festa), Russia (Eksmo), USA & Canada (PRH)

**Australian Number 1 bestseller** 

'Bloodily exuberant thriller . . .'
FINANCIAL TIMES

'Such a fun read.' **SFX MAGAZINE** 

# **Arctic Zoo**

#### Robert Muchamore

Publication: July 2019

**World Rights** 

THE TIMES Children's Book of the Week

'Addictive . . . with pacing and finesse.' **THE TIMES** 

'An exciting tale, contrasting the idealism of youth with the sick decadence of surrounding adults.'

FINANCIAL TIMES

# **Highway Bodies**



Alison Evans

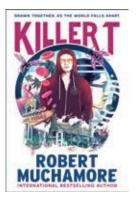
**Publisher:** Echo Australia **Publication:** February 2019

**World Rights** 

'It warms hearts as often as it slits throats, telling a story driven by love and acceptance, and lots of zombies. [...] wonderful writing.'

**THE AU REVIEW** 

# **KILLER T**



**Robert Muchamore** 

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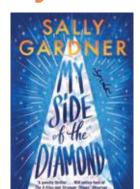
'A pulsating rollercoaster read.'

DAILY EXPRESS

'The intriguing concept and high-stakes action will keep readers turning the pages, whether they're already die-hard Muchamore fans or newcomers.'

IRISH TIMES

# My Side of the Diamond



Sally Gardner

Publication: October 2017

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Rights sold: Turkey

Longlisted for the CLIP Carnegie Medal 2019

'A unique and complex reading experience about the search for love.'

THE BOOKSELLER

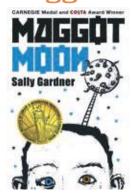
'Bizarre and brilliant . . .'

KIRAN MILLWOOD HARGRAVE

'It's an incredibly satisfying read.'

IRISH TIMES

# **Maggot Moon**



Sally Gardner
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