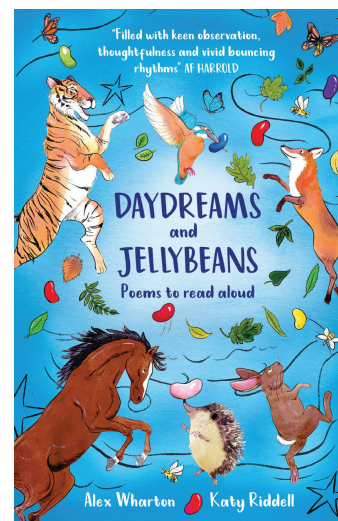




January
2021



Daydreams and Jellybeans

Alex Wharton

Illustrated by Katy Riddell

January 2021 ■ £6.99 ■ 64pp ■ 7-11 poetry

978-1-913102-43-2 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-44-9 (ebook)

World rights c/o Firefly Press

From the winner of the Rising Stars Award 2019 run by Firefly Press and Literature Wales

Edited by T.S. Eliot prize winner Philip Gross

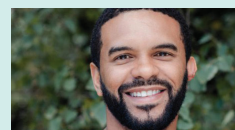
The Week Junior Book of the Week

From hairy jellybeans to beautiful daydreams, the poems within this debut collection are to be enjoyed. They aim to spark familiarity and inclusion, and expand the mind in curious and imaginative ways.

Written for 7-11 year olds, and beautifully illustrated by talented young illustrator Katy Riddell, these poems use rhythm, rhyme and free verse, and are ideally suited to performance in a school setting, nurturing a love of language, reading, confidence and self-expression.

“ Alex Wharton's wide-ranging poems about both the natural and human world, filled with keen observation, thoughtfulness and vivid bouncing rhythms, are wonderfully partnered with Katy Riddell's perfect illustrations. AF Harrold ”

“ This is a lovely, warm collection of poems that hail from a place of wonder and mystery. Joshua Seigal ”

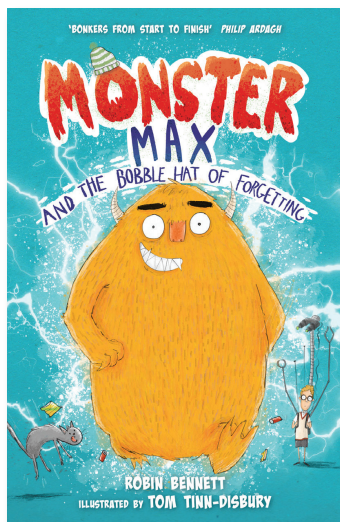


Alexander Wharton is a writer and poet. He is a senior building surveyor in Torfaen, South Wales. He has been published regularly in *The Caterpillar*, *Wales Haiku Journal*, *Hedgerow* and *I am not a silent Poet*. He collaborated with *The Reading Realm* in January 2020 where five of his poems featured on the educational iTunes App. A regular compere of Cardiff Arts free festival, he visits schools to perform his poetry and facilitate writing workshops.

Katy Riddell grew up in Brighton and was obsessed with drawing from a young age. Since graduating with a BA Hons in Illustration and Animation from Manchester Metropolitan University, she has worked on *Pongwiffy*, *Midnight Feasting* and *The International Yeti Collective*. She lives and works in Brighton.



February
2021



Monster Max and the Bobble Hat of Forgetting

Robin Bennett

Illustrated by Tom Tinn-Disbury

February 2021 ■ £5.99 ■ 192pp ■ 7-9 fiction
978-1-913102-33-3 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-34-0 (ebook)
World English rights c/o Firefly Press

Max is an unusual nine year old: he can turn into a huge monster by BURPING. He decides his mission is to 'protect and do good stuff', starting by trying to solve a local mystery, but his nine-year-old nemesis, inventor Peregrine, is determined to catch Max first with his POOP (Portable Operating Omni Prison) machine. Max must use his wits as well as his strength to save himself, and his mum!



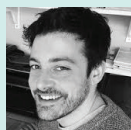
“Bonkers from start to finish. And I mean that in a GOOD way.”
Philip Ardagh



Aged 21 Robin Bennett was all set to become a cavalry officer. Aged 21 and a half he found himself working as an assistant grave digger in south London wondering where it all went wrong. Robin has gone on to start and run over more than a dozen successful businesses from dog-sitting to cigars, tuition to translation: the list is quite exhausting. Robin is married with three young children. He spends his time between Pau in the Pyrenees and Henley-on-Thames.



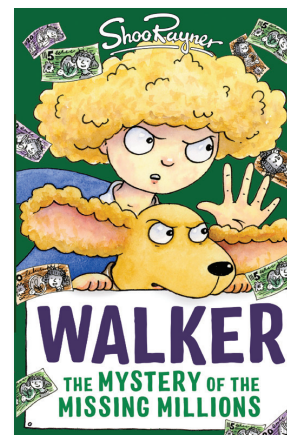
Tom Tinn-Disbury loves to draw (except bicycles, bicycles are really hard to draw!) He lives in Rugby, Warwickshire with his wife and two sons, and his grumpy dog, Wilma.



Firefly Press

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March
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Walker: The Mystery of the Missing Millions

Written and illustrated by Shoo Rayner

March 2021 ■ £6.99 ■ 160pp ■ 7-10 fiction
978-1-913102-53-1 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-54-8 (ebook)
World rights c/o Firefly Press

A thrilling new case for the boy detective who can talk to dogs

Ten-year-old Walker walks people's dogs because he can't have a dog of his own, and gets drawn into mysteries because dogs can talk to him. After crooked billionaire Arlington Wherewithal goes to prison, his wife asks Walker to keep looking after his dogs. Walker finds out a gang is trying to make her tell them the hiding place of Arlington's missing millions. Walker tries to help – but when he gets too close he is kidnapped by the gang!

Can Walker, his friend Anje and the dogs save themselves, stop the crooks and solve the clues to find the money?



Walker

Written and illustrated by Shoo Rayner

March 2019 ■ £6.99 ■ 160pp ■ 7-10 fiction
978-1-910080-90-0 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-91-7 (ebook)
World rights c/o Firefly Press

All Walker wants is a dog, but his mother is allergic to them, so he sets up a business walking other people's dogs – with no idea where they will lead him!



The Dragon Trilogy

Shoo Rayner

World rights c/o Firefly Press

In this much-loved series inspired by Arthurian legend, Harri makes his own dragon for a school project, and begins an extraordinary adventure.

Dragon Gold

2014 ■ £5.99 ■ 160pp ■ 7-9 fiction
978-1-910080-04-7 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-05-4 (ebook)

Dragon White

2015 ■ £5.99 ■ 136pp ■ 7-9 fiction
978-1-910080-30-6 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-31-3 (ebook)

Dragon Red

March 2017 ■ £5.99 ■ 144pp ■ 7-9 fiction
978-1-910080-48-1 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-49-8 (ebook)

Shoo Rayner began his career as an illustrator in a garden shed near Machynlleth. He drew for Michael Morpurgo and Rose Impey, but editors kept encouraging him to write. Many years, and over 200 books later, Shoo, well known for his many fast-paced series for newly confident readers, has over 268,000 subscribers on his two YouTube 'how to draw' channels and is a regular at live events across the UK.



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April
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Bigfoot Mountain

Roderick O'Grady
April 2021 ■ £6.99 ■ 272pp ■ 9–12 fiction
978-1-913102-41-8 (paperback)
978-1-913102-42-5 (ebook)
World rights c/o Firefly Press

Minnie and her stepfather, Dan, are stuck in their small cabin at the foot of the mountain struggling to come to terms with the death of her mother – and with each other. But when Minnie and her friend Billy discover four giant footprints on a mountain trail, everything changes.

Kaayii and his clan have to move across the mountain to escape huge forest fires, but find their ancient paths blocked by new holiday cabins... As Minnie and Kaayii's paths unexpectedly entwine, they must help each other, and heal their families.

“A compelling story of courage, protecting nature and finding your way. Minnie and Kaayii are both young, curious and brave in their own worlds. I adored this story and found it enchanting and full of hope. I loved the parallels to the story as well as the way they intertwined and became one. Erin Hamilton, NetGalley review



Roderick O'Grady is an actor who has worked in London and New York. His stage play, *A Foolish Fancy* – How Not to Get Ahead in the Theatre, was a Time Out critic's choice on the London Fringe. He has voiced the audiobook for *Bigfoot Mountain*, his first children's book.

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Jennifer
Killick



Alex Sparrow and the Zumbie Apocalypse Book 3

Jennifer Killick
September 2019 ■ £6.99 ■ 288pp ■ 8–12 fiction
978-1-913102-04-3 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-05-0 (ebook)
World rights c/o Firefly Press

Selected for the Summer Reading Challenge 2020

Third in the *Alex Sparrow* series, this Christmas middle-grade story sees the 'Zumbies' on the loose in Cherry Tree Lane.

“A bonkers story of unlikely superheroes, an evil genius, a zombified keep-fit class and a very angry octopus. BookTrust

Alex Sparrow and the Furry Fury Book 2

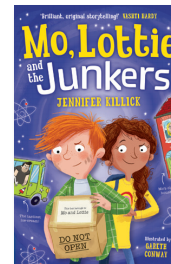
May 2018 ■ £6.99 ■ 304pp ■ 8–12 fiction
978-1-910080-74-0 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-75-7 (ebook)
World rights c/o Firefly Press

Catching the school's runaway guinea pigs is not really giving Alex job satisfaction, but how can he find a bigger test for his and Jess's awkward superpowers?

Alex Sparrow and the Really Big Stink Book 1

May 2017 ■ £6.99 ■ 256pp ■ 8–12 fiction
978-1-910080-56-6 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-57-3 (ebook)
World rights c/o Firefly Press

Alex Sparrow is a super-agent in training. He is also a human lie-detector. Working with Jess, who can communicate with animals, they must find out why their friends – and enemies – are all changing into polite and well-behaved pupils. And exactly who is behind it all.



Mo, Lottie and the Junkers

April 2019 ■ £6.99 ■ 304pp ■ 8–12 fiction
978-1-910080-92-4 (paperback)
978-1-910080-93-1 (ebook)
World rights c/o Firefly Press

Selected for the Summer Reading Challenge 2019

Mo Appleby's ordered life is turned upside down when he and his mum move in with his new stepdad and stepsisters. But there is something very strange going on in Mo's old house across the road.



Jennifer Killick did a Creative Writing MA at Brunel University, which is where she first got the idea for *The Really Big Stink*. She lives in Uxbridge, in a house full of children and animals.

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Crater Lake Evolution

Jennifer Killick

May 2021 ■ £6.99 ■ 320pp ■ 9–12 fiction
978-1-913102-64-7 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-65-4 (ebook)
World rights c/o Firefly Press

Just when you thought it was safe to go back to sleep...

It's five months since the Crater Lake Year Six school trip from hell, and Lance and his friends have struggled with the transition to high school. But now things have got strange in their hometown of Straybridge: there's been an explosion at the university, a mysterious creature has escaped, the town is under curfew and Lance's mum is acting seriously weird. Cut off from help, can Lance reunite Katja, Chets, Ade, Big Mak, and new friend Karim to tackle an enemy straight out of their nightmares...

“Howlingly funny horror for beginners ... Killick has a fine ear for comic dialogue.”
Alex O'Connell, *The Times*

“Just the right sort of scary and spirited, with plenty of Killick's trademark humour.”
Fiona Noble, *The Bookseller*

Crater Lake

March 2020 ■ £6.99 ■ 240pp ■ 8–12 fiction
978-1-913102-20-3 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-21-0 (ebook)
World rights c/o Firefly Press

A Times Children's Book of the Week
A BookTrust 2020 pick and Bookbuzz selected title

Welcome to Crater Lake: the Year Six school trip where your first day just might be your last...

Maybe it's the bloodstained man who tries to stop the coach. Maybe it's the absence of welcoming staff, but something is definitely not right at Crater Lake Activity Centre.

Then, at night, things get much, much stranger... Lance and his friends, Chets, Katja, Big Mak and Adrienne, find themselves in a fight for survival and must work together to defeat a swarm of enemies.

But whatever happens they must never, ever, fall asleep!



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Grace-Ella: Pixie Pandemonium

Sharon Marie Jones

Illustrated by Adriana J. Puglisi
June 2021 ■ £5.99 ■ 160pp ■ 7–9 fiction
978-1-913102-62-3 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-63-0 (ebook)
World rights c/o Firefly Press

When Buddy the pixie smuggles himself into her backpack after Witch Camp, Grace-Ella lets him stay, even though her cat Mr Whiskins tells her pixies are trouble. She takes him to school – but he soon escapes and causes all kinds of mischief. It's all fun, until, searching for Buddy, Grace-Ella sees someone stealing the school's charity fund. Will anyone believe her? With her best friends, a naughty pixie and of course Mr Whiskins by her side, can Grace-Ella save the school fair?

“Spell-binding tale of friendship and magic.”
Claire Fayers on *Grace-Ella: Witch Camp*



Grace-Ella: Spells for Beginners

Sharon Marie Jones
Illustrated by Adriana J. Puglisi
September 2016 ■ £5.99
144pp ■ B&W illustrations ■ 7–9 fiction
978-1-910080-42-9 (paperback)
978-1-910080-43-6 (ebook)
World rights c/o Firefly Press

Grace-Ella: Witch Camp

Sharon Marie Jones
Illustrated by Adriana J. Puglisi
October 2019 ■ £5.99
160pp ■ 7–9 fiction
978-1-913102-06-7 (paperback)
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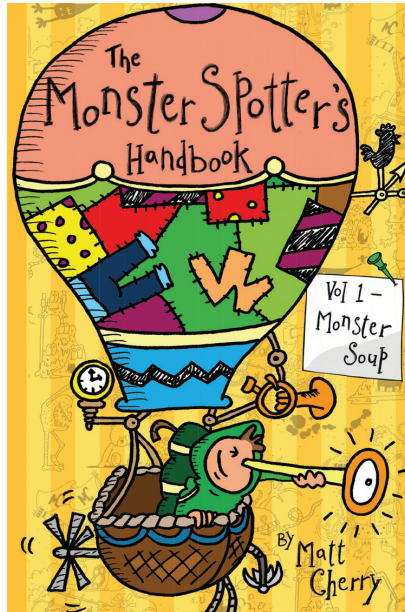


Sharon Marie Jones was born and raised in mountainous North Wales, immersed in magical folktales of giants and fairies. She now lives near Aberystwyth with her husband and sons. She studied English and Education at the University of Wales, Aberystwyth, graduating with first-class honours. She worked as a primary school teacher for 12 years, before becoming a full-time author.

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The Monster Spotter's Handbook

Matt Cherry

June 2021 ■ £6.99 ■ 256pp ■ 9-12 fiction
978-1-913102-47-0 (paperback)
978-1-913102-48-7 (ebook)

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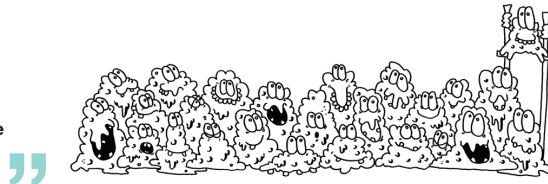


When the mysterious *Monster Spotter's Handbook* is passed down to eleven-year-old Edwin Spook, a brain-boggling world of monsters is opened before him.

Edwin, last of the Monster Spotters, quickly discovers that the Duke, the last of the Monster Catchers, is using his clever tricks to trap four very special monsters – the Oober Beast, Blogspotter, Star Statue and the Frozen Yomp – who represent the values of the monster world: heart, knowledge, trust and soul.

Edwin must rescue the trapped monsters to help them realise their individual importance and unite the monster world.

“If Roald Dahl and Spike Milligan had collaborated on *Monsters Inc.*, this would have been the result. Editor Robin Bennett

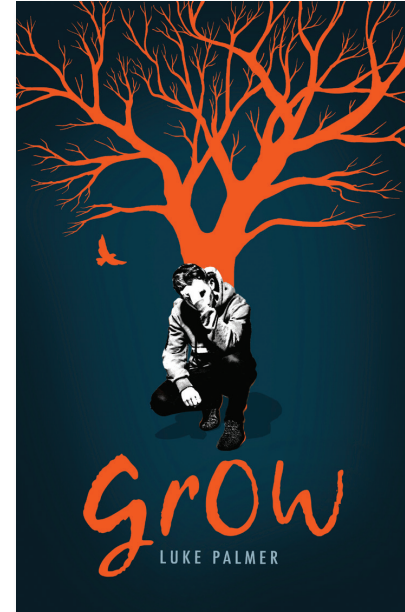


Matt Cherry grew up writing about and drawing monsters before he was told to stop wasting pencils and get a job. He now lives on the Kent coast with his wife and two pet children where he still writes and draws everyday ... only this time with a pen.

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Grow

Luke Palmer

July 2021 ■ £7.99 ■ 384pp ■ 14+ fiction
978-1-913102-39-5 (paperback)
978-1-913102-40-1 (ebook)

World rights c/o Firefly Press

There won't be any explosions in this book.

Sorry if that's a problem...

A white supremacist group and its violent leader target fifteen-year-old Josh, who is struggling to cope with his father's recent death at the hands of terrorists. Will he find the strength to resist, and, with unlikely accomplice Dana, plant something good in the space grief has left inside him?

Grow is a tense and compelling novel of our current social landscape woven through with redemptive strands of friendship, love and nature.

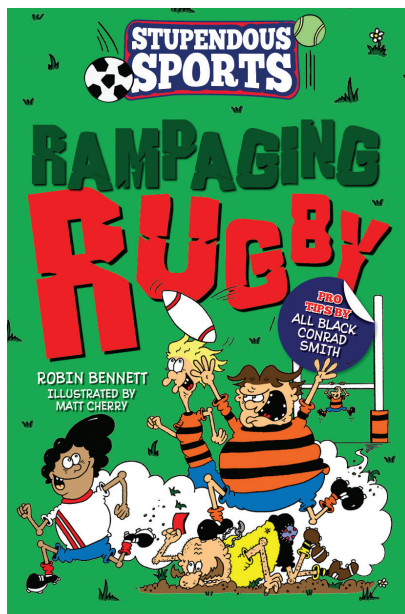


Luke Palmer is a poet, author and secondary school teacher and a graduate of the Bath Spa Creative Writing course. He lives in Wiltshire with his young family. *Grow* is his first novel.

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Rampaging Rugby

Robin Bennett

Illustrated by Matt Cherry

August 2021 ■ £6.99 ■ 128pp ■ 7–12 non-fiction

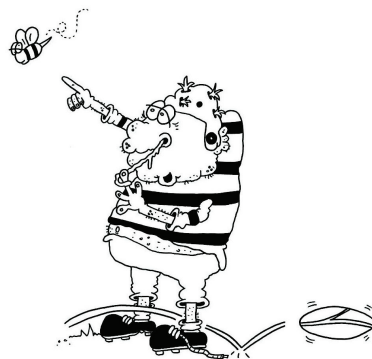
978-1-913102-60-9 (paperback)

978-1-913102-61-6 (ebook)

World rights c/o Firefly Press

First in MG series *Stupendous Sports*, which aims to do for PE what *Horrible Histories* did for Year 7 History with Mr Simkin.

Each chapter has cartoons, player tips your coach won't tell you, irreverent explanations (accurate where it matters), fascinating facts and – yes – funny stories. The aim is to teach kids about the sport but with a light touch and just as much about the spirit of the game as the rules.



Robin Bennett has obsessed over rugby since losing both his front teeth in a ruck aged 12. He is an author and entrepreneur who has written several books for children and on business.

Matt Cherry grew up writing about and drawing monsters before he was told to stop wasting pencils and get a job. He now lives on the Kent coast with his wife and two pet children.



September
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The Red Gloves and Other Stories

Catherine Fisher

September 2021 ■ £12.99 ■ 320pp ■ 9–12 fiction

978-1-913102-68-5 (hardback) ■ 978-1-913102-69-2 (ebook)

World rights c/o Firefly Press

Two stepbrothers share one nightmare; red gloves that reach for your throat; a changing room where a stranger asks to swap lives with you; the dangers of owing a favour, and a ghost in the rain. An expert storyteller weaves nine spells in this unmissable, fairy-tale inspired collection. Fear mixed with wit, heart and magic.

The Clockwork Crow trilogy Catherine Fisher

World rights c/o Firefly Press. Book 1 sold in the US, Russia, China, Germany, Scandinavia and Turkey.

Seren Rhys is on her way to a new life at the remote house of Plas-y Fran, but when she gets there the happy family Christmas she had hoped for turns out to be an illusion. Because Tomos has been missing for a year and a day, and if the strange and dangerous Family have really taken him, who would be mad enough to try and get him back? Armed with a talking bird who might not be telling the truth, a magical snow-globe and her own indomitable courage, Seren sets off on a journey into a midnight world of snow and stars, to an ice palace unlocked only by a Door of Blood and Tears.

The Clockwork Crow Book 1

October 2018 ■ £6.99 ■ 192pp ■ 9–12 fiction

978-1-910080-84-9 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-85-6 (ebook)

Shortlisted for the Blue Peter Book Awards 2019

Winner of the Tir na n'Og Welsh Children's Book Awards 2019

Nominated for the Carnegie Medal 2020

The Velvet Fox Book 2

October 2019 ■ £6.99 ■ 208pp ■ 8–12 fiction

978-1-913102-08-1 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-09-8 (ebook)

The Midnight Swan Book 3

October 2020 ■ £6.99 ■ 224pp ■ 8–12 fiction

978-1-913102-37-1 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-38-8 (ebook)

“Full of deep fairytale resonance, Catherine Fisher's writing stands out in the mind's eye like blood drops on snow.”
The Guardian



Catherine Fisher is a poet and children's author from South Wales. Her bestselling books include, the *Clockwork Crow* trilogy, *The Snow-Walker* trilogy, the *Oracle* trilogy, the *Incarceron* series and the *Chronoptika* series.

September
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Keeper of Secrets

Sarah J. Dodd

September 2021 ■ £6.99 ■ 304pp ■ 9–12 fiction

978-1-913102-45-6 (paperback)

978-1-913102-46-3 (ebook)

World rights c/o Firefly Press.

Eleven-year-old Emily doesn't think Badgers Cottage – where she's moved with her father after her mum died – will ever be home. But there is something here that needs her: a bright pair of eyes in the darkness. In the middle of a fierce battle between a project to rewild lynx in the woods, and local farmers, Emily tries to save a motherless baby lynx. But she has no idea how far she'll have to go to protect him.

Sarah J. Dodd grew up in the north of England and gained a PhD in plant ecology before becoming a primary school teacher. *Keeper of Secrets* is her first novel.



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The Wanderer

Josie Williams

October 2021 ■ £7.99 ■ 288pp ■ 14+ fiction

978-1-913102-66-1 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-67-8 (ebook)

UK and Commonwealth rights (ex Canada and audio) c/o Firefly Press

Translation and US rights c/o Lorella Belli Agency

The Wanderer is a heartrending love story that crosses between life and the after-life. For those who enjoy teenage romances and all things spooky, this YA novel about a 'wanderer' in love is a must read.

Josie Williams is the pseudonym of an international bestselling author, whose New Adult romances have sold over 860,000 copies in English, and whose first novel, the YA romance *The Boy Who Sneaks in My Bedroom Window*, was an international bestseller translated into many languages.

Little Horror

Daniel Peak

October 2021 ■ £6.99 ■ 192pp ■ 9–12 fiction

978-1-913102-51-7 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-52-4 (ebook)

World rights c/o Firefly Press

Rita may be a baby, but she has the mind (and attitude) of a teenager. She may be new to walking but she's as wisecrackingly clever as anyone in Key Stage 3. She knows she is not a normal toddler but when her parents disappear and a sinister clown and an ice-cream van seem to be hunting her down, even a soft-play centre might not be safe... Imagine *The Fugitive* – if Harrison Ford was two feet tall and wearing Pampers.

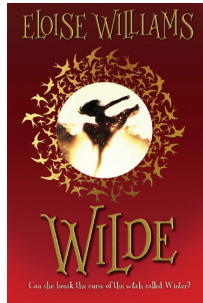
It will take all Rita's cunning and resourcefulness, as well as a cat flap, a mobility scooter and a reluctant teenage sidekick, to defeat an evil conspiracy and a crazy genius villain.

Manchester-based Daniel Peak is a BAFTA and International EMMY award-winning TV scriptwriter, and one of the lead writers on BBC's *Horrible Histories* and Lee Mack's *Big Night Out*. Daniel's new show, spoof police procedural *Code 404*, premiered in 2020 on Sky and NOW TV.



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Wilde

Eloise Williams - Children's Laureate Wales

May 2020 ■ £6.99 ■ 224pp ■ 9-12 fiction
978-1-913102-18-0 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-19-7 (ebook)

UK and Commonwealth rights (ex Canada) c/o Firefly Press
Translation rights c/o The Viney Agency

Wilde is desperate to fit in at her new school, but strange things keep happening. Are the birds really following her? What is the secret about her mother? The intense heatwave is putting everyone on edge. During rehearsals for the school play telling the story of a witch called Winter, pupils start receiving frightening 'curses' signed by 'The Witch'. Can Wilde find out who is sending them before everybody blames her. Or will she always be the outsider?



Seaglass

Eloise Williams

September 2018 ■ £6.99 ■ 264pp ■ 9-12 fiction
978-1-910080-80-1 (paperback)
978-1-910080-81-8 (ebook)

UK and Commonwealth rights c/o Firefly Press

Shortlisted for the Tir na n'Og Welsh Children's Book Award

Lark struggles on holiday in a lonely caravan site. Her mother is ill and her sister has stopped talking. Who is the girl in the green dress following them?

Eloise Williams worked in the theatre in wardrobe, then studied Drama. After working for over ten years as an actress, she studied for a Masters in Creative Writing at Swansea University. She was named Wales' first Children's Laureate in September 2019.



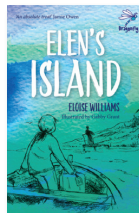
Gaslight

Eloise Williams

April 2017 ■ £6.99 ■ 204pp ■ 9-12 fiction
978-1-910080-54-2 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-55-9 (ebook)
UK and Commonwealth rights c/o Firefly Press

**Shortlisted for the Tir na n'Og Welsh Children's Book Award
Wales Arts Review Young People's Book of the Year**

1899. All Nansi knows is that she was fished out of Cardiff docks with no memories, the same day her mother disappeared. Now she works at the Empire Theatre, looking for a way to find her mother, and save herself.



Elen's Island

Eloise Williams

Illustrated by Gabby Grant

March 2015 ■ £5.99 ■ 144pp ■ 7-9 fiction ■ B&W illustrations
978-1-910080-20-7 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-21-4 (ebook)
World rights c/o Firefly Press

When Elen is sent to stay for the summer with her grandmother, she is FURIOUS.

"You'll fall in love with the feisty Elen, her phenomenal gran and a magical island."
Stevie Davies



Lori and Max and the Book Thieves

Catherine O'Flynn

October 2020 ■ £6.99 ■ 176pp ■ 8-12 fiction
978-1-913102-35-7 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-36-4 (ebook)

UK and Commonwealth rights c/o Firefly Press
Translation rights c/o C&W

A stolen phone and an unruly dog; a buried lunchbox and an antique children's book. Lori and Max must dig through layers of lies to solve two mysteries that affect their friends and families.

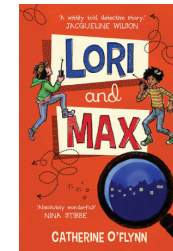
Times Children's Books of the Week

Lori and Max Catherine O'Flynn

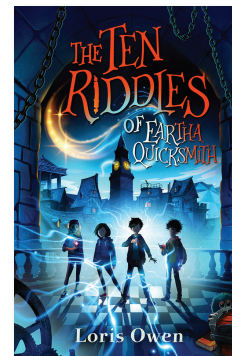
September 2019 ■ £6.99 ■ 188pp ■ 8-12 fiction
978-1-913102-02-9 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-03-6 (ebook)
UK and Commonwealth rights c/o Firefly Press

Longlisted for the Branford Boase Award 2020

When some charity money goes missing and Max disappears, wannabe detective Lori seems to be the only person who doesn't think Max has stolen it and run away. Even the police don't want to investigate and suddenly Lori finds she has a real crime on her hands.



Catherine O'Flynn's adult novel *What Was Lost* was the winner of the Costa First Novel Award, the Newcomer Award at the Nibbies, was shortlisted for the Guardian First Book Award and long-listed for the Orange and Booker prizes.



The Ten Riddles of Eartha Quicksmith

Loris Owen

September 2020 ■ £6.99 ■ 368pp ■ 8-12 fiction
978-1-913102-31-9 (paperback)
978-1-913102-32-6 (ebook)

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Translation rights c/o Anne Clark Literary Agency

Ten Riddles. Ten days to solve them...

When puzzle-loving Kip Bramley receives a cryptic invitation, delivered by a beetle-shaped drone that appears to be *breathing*, he has no idea that his world is about to change forever.

Very soon he finds himself at Quicksmith's College of Strange Energy, hunting for riddles set 400 years earlier by a mysterious genius. But this isn't any ordinary treasure hunt: as the clock counts down, Kip will need all the help he can get from his loyal new friends and his faithful pet flying squirrel, Pinky.

With danger mounting it seems much more is at stake for Kip and his family than he could ever have imagined.



Loris Owen has lived in Europe, Africa and the Middle East. Her home is now in Kent where she runs a small business and also spends her days hunting for interesting combinations of words.

Sequel
2022

Fiction for 8-12s



Vanessa Harbour is Senior Lecturer in Creative Writing at the University of Winchester. She is academic and business consultant at the Golden Egg Academy. Flight is her first novel.

Flight

Vanessa Harbour
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Longlisted for the Branford Boase Award 2019

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A thrilling MG World War Two adventure. Can Jakob and Kizzy escape with the Lipizzaner stallions over the mountains, away from the Nazi officer who wants to kill them all?

Sequel
2022



Aubrey and the Terrible Yoot

Horatio Clare Illustrated by Jane Matthews
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Winner of the Branford Boase Award 2016

Aubrey's father, Jim, has fallen under an horrendous spell, which Aubrey is determined to break. Everyone says his task is impossible, but Aubrey will never give up and never surrender - even if he must fight the unkillable Spirit of Despair itself: the TERRIBLE YOOT!

Third in
series
2022

Aubrey and the Terrible Ladybirds

May 2017 ■ £7.99 ■ 248pp ■ 8-12 fiction
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Nominated for the Carnegie Medal 2018

An epic tale in which a small boy and a house spider try to save the world!



Horatio Clare's first book, Running for the Hills, won a Somerset Maugham Award, was longlisted for the Guardian First Book Award and saw him shortlisted for the Sunday

Times Young Writer of the Year. His subsequent books include: A Single Swallow, Down to the Sea in Ships, winner of the Stanford Dolman Travel Book of the Year.

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Ruth Morgan
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Ray-Chay is the new virtual reality game that everyone's playing and the world loves its eccentric billionaire creator, Kody Crunch.

Ant loves gaming and feels like the only person who can't get into Ray-Chay. But when something goes very wrong with the game, Ant is determined to help.

Can Ant and his friends work out the real deadly game behind the game?



YA & teen fiction

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Sion and Kay are drawn slowly into a secret and intense relationship, meeting in a ruined cottage on the mountain. But when Sion's terrifying, abusive father finally finds them, will Kay lose everything again?



Chloë Heuch lives on the north Wales coast with her partner, two children, dog and psychopath cat. She has a Creative Writing MA from Lancaster University. Too Dark to See is her first novel.



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After their exams four sixteen-year-old best friends pledge to live a summer regret-free, taking risks however much it scares them.

Sequel
2022



Kate Mallinder lives with her husband and four children near Ashby-de-la-Zouch in Leicestershire. She grew up in Solihull and went to college in Leeds.

Rebel with a Cupcake Anna Mainwaring

April 2020 ■ £7.99 ■ 240pp ■ 15+ fiction
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Jess makes her own cupcakes and she eats them, too. That is until Own Clothes Day, when a wardrobe malfunction leaves Jess exposed, and a mean girl calls her the one thing that's never bothered her before: fat.



Tulip Taylor Anna Mainwaring

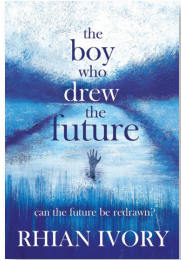
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I'm a Celebrity meets Pride and Prejudice for teens. A warm-hearted and funny feminist page-turner for our social-media-controlled times.



Anna Mainwaring read The Lord of the Rings when she was seven and hasn't stopped reading since. She lives in Cheshire, UK, with her family.

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The Boy who Drew the Future

Rhian Ivory

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In this compelling thriller, can the future be redrawn?



Rhian got her first publishing deal at 26. She has written six YA novels and

is a Patron of Reading in Buckinghamshire.

The Territory trilogy

Sarah Govett

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It's 2059: Fifteen-year-old Noa Blake and her friends must sit an exam to determine if they can stay in The Territory – the only safe land in a post global-warming flooded Britain – or be banished to the wetlands where they will probably die. Can she and her friends survive and break the system which is sending thousands of teens to their deaths?



Sarah is the author of the critically acclaimed The Territory trilogy. The first book was shortlisted for The Times Chickenhouse Children's Fiction Prize, won the Gateshead YA Book Prize in January 2017 and won the Trinity Schools Book Award 2018.

The Territory

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WINNER of Trinity Schools Book Award (TSBA) 2018

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Uplifting YA novel about teenage homelessness, hoarding, friendship and love.

Miriam Halahmy writes novels, short stories and poetry. Hidden (2011) was nominated for the CILIP Carnegie Medal and was Sunday Times Children's Book of the Week.



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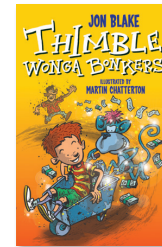
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Fiction for 7-9s

The Thimble Monkey Superstar series

Jon Blake Illustrated by Martin Chatterton

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Thimble Wonga Bonkers Book 3

February 2020 ■ £5.99 ■ 168pp ■ 7-9 fiction
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When Mum goes away for the week, Jams, Dad and Thimble are left with just thirty quid for groceries. Dad makes a shopping list – but when Thimble gets hold of the supermarket trolley, everything goes bananas!

Jon Blake's previous books include the bestselling You're a Hero Daley B, Stinky Fingers' House of Fun and The Last Free Cat.



Martin Chatterton's own books include Monster and Chips (OUP) and some of the Middle School books with James Patterson. He has illustrated many books, including stories by Julia Donaldson and Tony Bradman.

Thimble Monkey Superstar Book 1

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Shortlisted for the Laugh Out Loud Awards 2017
Selected for the Reading Agency's Summer Reading Challenge 2017
and Toppsta's Summer Reading Guide 2017

Life is never boring now that Jams and his family have a monkey to look after. Jams and his mum love Thimble, but Dad is determined to get rid of him - to a zoo, a school, even a demolition site. But when Jams and his dad are in mortal danger, Thimble proves once and for all why he is a Monkey Superstar! Thimble is very clever and very naughty - and just the best friend Jams has been waiting for.



Thimble Holiday Havoc Book 2

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Jams lives with his mum, dad and his best friend Thimble, a hugely clever monkey who isn't exactly one of Dad's biggest fans. (Don't tell anyone what Thimble did with the superglue...) When Mum organises a house-swap holiday to France, what can possibly go wrong? Then Thimble and Dad find the keys to a speedboat, a drill and a makeshift burglar outfit...



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Lucy Owen Illustrated by Rebecca Harry

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One night grieving nine-year-old Coral cries so much that she fills her house with tears. When she wakes, she finds a magical underwater world packed with exciting sea creatures, right inside her own home.

Lucy Owen is a newsreader and presenter for BBC Wales.



Rebecca Harry lives in Cardiff and has illustrated for Macmillan, Nosy Crow and many others.

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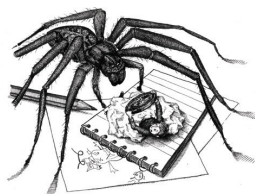
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Harlon has been raised to protect her younger siblings, twins Ash and Xeno, and their outlawed power of communicating with animals. But when the sinister Automators attack their mountain home, Xeno is kidnapped and Harlon and Ash are separated. In an epic and dangerous environmental adventure they must all journey alone through ice fields, forests, and over oceans, to try to find each other and fulfil a mysterious promise made to their mother.



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The third incredible adventure of Aubrey and his animal friends as Aubrey hunts for a way to become a warrior for peace and save the world without having to take on all the adults who started this mess in the first place!

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Archie Ebbs has the perfect life. Good friends, a nice home and classmates who laugh at (nearly) all his jokes. But all that is about to change. As his family have to face unsettling times, Archie has his own worries ... is he really starting to become invisible?

Libby and the Parisian Puzzle

Jo Clarke Illustrated by Becka Moor

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Mystery-lover Libby is excited but nervous when she's sent to Paris to live with her aunt, who runs an extraordinary 'travelling school'. But all is not as it seems and soon Libby and new friend Connie have a sinister puzzle to unravel...

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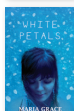
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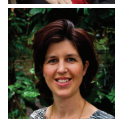
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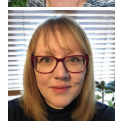
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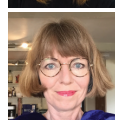
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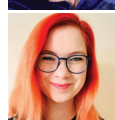
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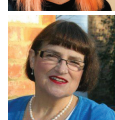
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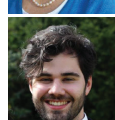
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