When an energetic young crow witnesses the breathtaking speed of the world’s fastest bird, the peregrine falcon, he is entranced and dreams of surpassing its speed. Fuelled by his imagination and self-belief, he works with fellow crows to build an incredible car, the Speed Bird, and attempts to go faster than any bird has gone before.

- A highly original picture-book story that also introduces how cars work.
- The authenticity of the car and detailed equipment featured in the book will appeal to land-speed enthusiasts of all ages, as well as children.
- Stunning artworks and production values serve the buoyant market for high-end picture books.

Red is finally old enough to go into the city on her own. She sets off to take a cake to grandma, but when she enters the city, Red feels hungry and eats the cake. Red goes in search of a new present for Grandma, but is consumed by the city and its overwhelming choices. Like all children, Red must find her own path through the city and discover what matters the most.

- A thoughtful picture book, in which the wolf is replaced by a city and represents the challenges children face in modern life.
- Seeks to reassure children about their resilience and ability to navigate their way through the modern world (the wolf) and follow their heart.
- Red and the City announces Marie Voigt as an exceptional new picture-book talent.
So he rounded up some suspicious looking characters.

'Too thin . . .
Too small . . .
Too pointy . . .
Too tall . . .

Um . . . can you turn around please?'

Too hairy . . .

Steve is not very big. His teeth aren’t very sharp. And although he looks like no Angel Fish—there are far scarier fish in the sea.

So why is it that all the other fish are so frightened of him?

• A very funny story that has basis in reality (the mutualist relationship between pilot fish and sharks).

• Introduces a range of sea creatures in a fun and appealing way.

• Fun to read over again—aspects of Steve’s friend George can be spotted on every page when you know what to look for!

• A brilliant new voice and distinctive art style, Megan Brewis is one to watch.

Megan Brewis grew up in South Africa, where she worked as a textile designer before moving to England. She enrolled on the MA in Children’s Book Illustration at Cambridge School of Art and graduated in 2016. Her work is informed by her love of pattern, and she uses hand-stamped and stenciled shapes in combination with collage to tell her stories. Megan’s debut picture book, Henry and Boo!, was published in March 2017 by Chid’s Play.

Steve, Terror of the Seas

THE ALMOST TRUE STORY OF STEVE, THE VERY SCARY FISH

The young chalks are busy but someone keeps stealing their drawings . . . Mrs Red calls Sergeant Blue to investigate but when the culprit is caught, he absconds in a cloud of chalk dust. The chalks find another way to lure the suspect into their hands and it is only then that they discover they’ve misjudged the poor chalk duster all along . . .

• Stunning graphic look on a chalkboard-black background throughout.

• It’s a police procedural where readers truly participate in the investigation: looking for the clues, assessing the line-up of suspects, and closing in on the culprit.

• There’s a lightly-delivered message about not being judgemental and even a brush with philosophy. We should always be true to ourselves: after all it is the destiny of a chalk to make a mark but the destiny of a duster to rub it out!

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This book just took my cat!

BEN AND BELLA ARE PICTURE BOOK SUPERSTARS

In this return for a best-selling picture book duo, Ben is now the proud owner of a new pet: a big, friendly, fluffy cat. But some things never change... and the naughty book, whose pages Ben and Bella inhabit, is still up to its old tricks. Things go missing into the book’s perilous middle! Sharing a mischievous book turns story-time into playtime in this wonderfully engaging read.

- When everything disappears into the book’s middle, it’s up to the readers to help out by tickling the pages!
- Ben and Bella are a really lovable character duo.
- Hilarious final twist to the tale. (Or should that be the cat’s tail?!)
ELYS DOLAN

Elys Dolan is the award-winning creator of several picture books, including Weasels (Nosy Crow), Steven Seagull: Action Hero, and Mr Bumpy’s Chocolate Factory (OUP). Elys has previously been shortlisted for The Roald Dahl Funny Prize 2013, shortlisted for the Waterstones Children’s Book Prize 2014, and nominated for the Kate Greenaway Medal 2014.

A unique account of what happens at Santa’s workshop throughout the year and in the run-up to Christmas. Packed with lots of details and jokes to pore over on every page, children will love this story that captures the excitement and anticipation of Christmas.

• Informed by Elys Dolan’s academic studies on humour in picture books, the humour in this book comes in many different forms and will amuse children and adults alike.
• Packed with lots of detail, Elys Dolan picture books reward multiple readings like no others.

WHAT COULD POSSIBLY GO WRONG . . . ?

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JON BURGERMAN

Jon Burgerman is an award-winning artist often credited as the leading figure in the popular ‘doodle’ art style. His work has an instantly recognizable aesthetic that exists across various forms, including canvas, murals, sculpture, toys, apparel, fashion—and now books!

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A brilliantly playful book that experiments with the physical boundaries of the book as an object, and will encourage creativity and imagination.

—Oliver Jeffers

A riot in both illustration and rhyme from start to finish.

—Readitdaddy.com

Bright colours and lots of visual gags provide a hilarious introduction to a fantastic range of food—and will even encourage children to eat fruit and vegetables!

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Hop is not having fun. He dreams of racing his bike, but he doesn’t know how to ride. ‘I don’t think I can do it,’ he says. ‘You CAN do it,’ says Hip. ‘You have to follow your dreams and practise.’

AKALA
Akala is a children’s BAFTA and MOBO award-winning hip-hop artist, writer, and social entrepreneur. He is the founder of the Hip Hop Shakespeare Company, a music theatre production company aimed at exploring the social, cultural, and linguistic parallels between the work of William Shakespeare and that of modern day hip-hop artists.

SAV AKUZ
With fourteen years of storyboard artistry behind him, Sav has also worked as a visual effects artist on numerous feature films, before turning his attention to picture books. His debut picture book I Am Bear was published by Walker in 2016.

LIFE COACHES FOR TODDLERS!
Written by award-winning writer and musician, Akala, ‘Hip and Hop’ is series of transformative picture books about an energetic pair of friends: Hip, a wise hippo; and Hop, his energetic bird friend. Through the course of the stories Hip and Hop rap inspirational and positive messages to coach the reader through the early years.

In You Can Do Anything Hip helps Hop learn an important lesson about never giving up. In Sharing is Caring (book 2, coming soon) Hip and Hop deliver inspirational raps that helps to develop empathy and an understanding of the importance of sharing.

• A series that aims to build happy, self-confident, and emotionally intelligent people.
• Bursting with bright, colourful artwork that marries perfectly with the upbeat tone of the words.
• Features wonderful messages about perseverance, practice, and setting goals.

BOOK 2 COMING IN 2018

Follow a little girl on a magical journey along the Moon River. It flows from her bedroom and out into the big wide world just waiting to be discovered. She’s soon joined by other children who are all excited to be exploring the beautiful world together. There is such a lot of world to see!

• A beautiful picture book encouraging children to embrace life.
• Introduces the idea of travel and meeting different people from all over the world.
• Brimming with joy and optimism, Tim Hopgood’s books are the perfect gifts for all ages.
• Also available as a board book.

Moon River is a song composed by Henry Manzini with lyrics by Johnny Mercer. It received an Academy Award for Best Original Song for its performance by Audrey Hepburn in the iconic movie Breakfast at Tiffany’s (1961).

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But there is a slight problem. While Penelope looks very tall . . .

Philip has a new neighbour—Penelope. She has kind eyes, a waggy tail, and the most BEAUTIFUL smile!

"Just to go for a walk with her would make me the happiest dog in the world."

"Then all we’ll need is a pot of glue and some newspaper."

"Flowers!" exclaims Philip when he meets his friend. "This plan is good!"

Ralph shakes his head. "No, Philip, not flowers . . . BOOTS!"

All Philip wants to do is go and comfort Penelope. But he cannot let her see how short he really is! Desperate times call for desperate measures . . . Ralph tells Philip to meet him at the shops. He has another AMAZING plan.

Ralph! Help! "

MATTY LONG
Matty Long is an award-winning author and illustrator. He holds a first-class degree in Illustration and a Master’s in Children’s Book Illustration from the prestigious Cambridge School of Art. His debut picture book Super Happy Magic Forest was voted best new picture book of 2015 by a voting panel of 12,000 children and is currently under option for TV animation.

TOLKIEN FOR TODDLERS!

Winter is coming—and the residents of the Super Happy Magic Forest do not like it one little bit. The snow is too cold, the ice is too slippery, and the frost is destroying their prize-winning gardens. Five brave heroes must travel to the Frozen North to overthrow the Ice Queen and save the forest. But will they be able to defeat her army of snowmen?

• Super Happy Magic Forest is a prize-winning series for budding fantasy fans.
• Matty Long’s books are packed with visual details that children can pore over time and time again.
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Philip is SO in love with Penelope, the beautiful dog next door. There’s just one slight problem. While Penelope is very tall, Philip is not. His legs are so short his ears sweep the floor when he walks! Will Penelope will never see beyond their differences?

• A very funny story with a central theme about being yourself.
• The hilarious lift-the-flap jokes will make you laugh-out-loud!
• Perfect for Valentine’s Day promotions—and beyond!

PAULA METCALF
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Max is a young boy living in an ordinary tower block. He longs for adventure in his life—then one day a rather fat flying pony whizzes in through his window—blown in by a magical storm!

The storm causes a huge flood and soon Max's town is submerged by water. Luckily for the town, Max has a flying pony to come to the rescue, and luckily for Kevin, he has a new best friend and a constant supply of his most favourite thing—biscuits.

Together Max and Kevin will embark on many wild adventures . . .

• A brilliant NEW series from a highly-acclaimed and best-selling author-illustrator team.
• Packed full of fabulous 2 colour illustrations and the kind of quirky eccentricity which makes a Reeve & McIntyre book so irresistible.
• Introducing Max and his faithful friend, Kevin—a rather rotund flying pony with a penchant for biscuits.
**Half BEE. Half BOY. Melvin Meadly is . . . BEE BOY!**

As a bee, Mel is ready to defend his hive against all enemies. But as a boy, will he have what it takes to protect his bees (and himself) against the greatest menace of all—Nasty Norman Crudwell?

- A fantastic story of one boy's rise to superhero status.
- Full of humour and heart, it'll leave you buzzing!
- The first full-length fiction series from Tony De Saulles, the illustrator of the bestselling Horrible Science series.
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**Tony De Saulles**

Tony De Saulles trained as a graphic designer and worked in advertising, graphic design, and book design before turning to illustration and writing. Tony has been illustrating Scholastic’s best-selling Horrible Science series since it first started back in 1996. The series has since sold more than ten million copies in over thirty countries. Bee Boy is Tony’s first project with Oxford University Press.
WHEN HARRIET MEETS HORACE IT’S THE START OF A ROCK-SOLID FRIENDSHIP!

Seventeenth-century statue Horace comes to life in this funny and action-packed series. Driven from his plinth by graffiti, pigeon poo, and dog wee, Horace meets Harriet and together they face hilarious challenges. In Horace and Harriet Take on the Town they look for a new home for Horace and in Horace and Harriet: Every Dog Has Its Day they both decide to get jobs for the holidays. Further titles feature attempts to beat world records and a trip to Rome where Horace is a star attraction in a sculpture festival!

- Appealing and unusual character duo.
- Humour and heart in the relationship between the pompous Horace and the resourceful Harriet that children will love.
- Packed with hilarious illustrations throughout, these books are a real visual treat!

When Maya receives a special colouring book—The Magical Kingdom of Birds—it transports her to a beautiful realm filled with magnificent birds and their fairy friends. The kingdom is in trouble—evil Lord Astor has a plan to capture and cage all of the birds in the Kingdom. As Keeper of the Book it’s up to Maya to protect them.

- A new series celebrating the natural world, focusing on the amazing diversity within the world of birds—contains pages of fascinating facts on the real birds that inspired the story.
- Six books planned, with each one highlighting a different species of bird, from tiny tropical hummingbirds to graceful swans, and many more.
- Perfect for fans of magical adventures series like Rescue Princesses, Rainbow Magic, and Secret Kingdom—with a link to the natural world, beautiful artwork, and wonderful stories from an established author.
When Max accidentally sneezes himself into his World of Slime computer game, he comes face to face with the Goozillas that live there... the Goozillas that he created! This is going to be the best day EVER!!!

But the World of Slime is under attack. Can Max and the Goozillas defeat the evil Sicklies with their big eyes, soft fur, and deadly sickly-sweet powers? It’ll be tough, it’ll be dangerous... it’ll be really, really messy!

• Illustrated throughout in full colour, this series is instantly eye-catching for readers who enjoy all the vibrancy of comics and computer game graphics.

• Gooey and slimy, without being too disgusting, the stories perfectly bridge the gap between picture books and chapter books.

• The Goozillas stories contain the perfect blend of excitement and humour with just the right amount of grossness! They’re brilliantly pitched for the target audience.

Lucy loves animals and the festive season is the perfect time to help those in need. And Lucy has a very special secret—an enchanted snow globe that can grant wishes! Join her in six magical Christmas adventures.

In the new book 5—Lucy’s Special Gift, Lucy makes friends with a lovable little kitten. When the kitten goes missing in a snow storm, Lucy sets off bravely to find him but as the night draws in and the storm rages, Lucy finds that she too is lost! Could Lucy’s magic snow globe lead her and the kitten safely home?

• Beautifully-illustrated throughout by Sophy Williams, illustrator of the Holly Webb animal stories.

• Wonderfully warm writing—a perfect festive read!

• Great animal stories with a sprinkling of magic.

They’re green, they’re slimy... and they’re under attack from the cutest baddies ever!

Lucy’s Magic Snowglobe

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LUCY’S MAGIC SNOWGLOBE

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On a visit to the US things take a strange turn and totally by accident, he is sworn in as the new president. Well, I guess he can’t be any worse than that guy who had the job before him, right?

Soon he’s too busy ordering sparkly capes and schemes to save the local animal population, save the local dinosaur, and save the world in general, he with a calming, ordered environment, pie charts, and Venn diagrams. His dinosaur-loving younger brother Fred is the opposite: chaotic, messy, prone to leaving snacks under Stanley’s bed and ladybirds in his lunchbox. Surely they must have something in common?

As Stanley struggles to cope with his particularly high maintenance little brother and his hair-brained schemes to save the local animal population, save the local dinosaur, and save the world in general, he charts all the ups and downs in a series of hilarious infographics.

- Infographic charts, diagrams, and graphs make this very distinctive—a new and appealing approach to humour for this age group.
- A staggering new series from an exciting debut author, charting the highs and lows of brotherhood.

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TOM MCLAUGHLIN

Before becoming a writer and illustrator Tom spent nine years working as a political cartoonist for The Western Morning News. Then, in 2004 Tom took the plunge into illustrating and writing his own books. Since then he has written and illustrated picture books as well as working on animated TV shows for Disney and Cartoon Network.

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ELAINE WICKSON

Elaine worked within the media industry for both local radio and newspapers, before a visit to the Oxford Literary Festival rekindled her passion for writing. Nowadays, if she’s not star-gazing, she is often found in her Plotting Shed at the bottom of the garden, where all her ideas germinate.

CHRIS JUDGE

Chris is an illustrator and picture book creator based in Dublin, Ireland. His first picture book The Lonely Beast won the Specsavers Irish Book of the Year Award in 2011. He is also the illustrator of the much-loved Danger in Everywhere series, written by David O’Doherty.
When Freddie Smallhouse signs up to the Make Me Awesome™ programme, he’s ready to turn his life around, and all with the help of his idol, international life coach, Chuck Willard. As Freddie embarks on various schemes to make himself awesome he knows that Chuck is always there, at the end of an email, with words of encouragement, tips to awesomeness, and lots of personal advice . . . isn’t he?

• A hilarious yet heartfelt story that will have readers rooting for Freddie all the way as he struggles to make his life awesome.

• Everyone will recognize the characteristics of Chuck Willard—cringe on a super-scale!

• Perfect for the huge number of fans of funny fiction such as My Brother is a Superhero and The Astounding Broccoli Boy.

• Illustrated throughout with fun pictures and doodles by Mike Lowery.

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• Elys Dolan is the creator of hilarious picture books, now she brings her comedy genius to young fiction with side-splitting words and pictures—packed with laughs for an international audience.

• Dave the Dragon and Albrecht his trusty (goaty) steed are a brilliant new double-act, you’ll be itching to read further adventures featuring this dynamic duo.

• The medieval fantasy setting with its knights, dragons, and jousts is really appealing.

• Elys Dolan is the award-winning creator of several picture books, including Weasels (Nosy Crow) and Steven Seagull: Action Hero and Mr Bump’s Chocolate Factory (OUP).

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• An exciting new series from successful author Ali Sparkes—over half a million books sold in the UK to date.

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Philip Reeve is a hugely talented author, best-known for his multi-award-winning Mortal Engines quartet and Carnegie Medal-winning Here Lies Arthur. From richly layered writing for older readers to hilarious stories for junior readers such as Oliver and the Seawigs and Goblins, Philip creates brilliantly inventive worlds and characters.


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• The conclusion to the highly-acclaimed Railhead trilogy.
• From Philip Reeve, winner of the Carnegie Medal and author of Mortal Engines.
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In a small boat spinning out on the sea sits a group of refugees, fleeing their war-stricken homes. They share their stories as the boat travels towards the dream of safety and freedom. One boy, Rami, has brought his violin, and his story of how the violin was invented, and of a stallion that could run like the wind, weaves through the other stories, bringing them all together into a celebration of hope and of the power of music and story.

In this very special, lyrical fable, beautifully illustrated by Jo Weaver, award-winning author Gill Lewis weaves a story of displacement, hope, and the search for freedom. This is a book for all who strive to understand, and to stand together with, those around them.

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• Gill Lewis is a multi-award-winning and best-selling author who has sold over 250,000 books in the UK alone.
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