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Oxford Children’s Books
Kitty is a superhero-in-training with feline super powers. She dreams of being just like her superhero mum one day, but she's still got a lot to learn. Join Kitty and her cat crew on the rooftops for an enchanting adventure by the light of the moon. Here, Kitty will discover that being a superhero is about more than using her special abilities—when a little kitten is in danger, Kitty must learn how to be brave and courageous too.

Mee-Ow! Will you answer the call for adventure?
HOP ON BOARD FOR A FIRST-CLASS LEARNING JOURNEY!

We’re at the station. We’re off to explore: playtime shapes, and so much more. All Aboard!

These fun-filled stories, which gently explore first concepts, are great to share with young children. With lots of things to spot and count on every page, this brilliant train ride is a trip worth taking again and again!

- The titles encourage language building and understanding of key concepts.
- Featuring a map that allows readers to retrace the journey at the end of the book.
- In addition to the core concept, the books are full of things to spot, remember, and talk about.

ALL ABOARD

NEW

4 book series

Animal stories that cover the important toddler milestones of fussy eating, bedtime anxieties, learning a new skill, going to pre-school, celebrating a birthday, and letting go of a comfort blanket.

- Beautiful story telling by Layn Marlow.
- Perfect for parents and toddlers to share.
- The stories are supplemented with practical parental hints and tips.

Books featuring pre-school topics

3D languages to date

TO HELP TODDLERS THROUGH THEIR PRE-SCHOOL JOURNEY.

SEAN SIMS

Sean combines his illustration skills with his encyclopaedic knowledge of 20th century design to conjure up his unique retro-twist illustrations. Over the years his portfolio has attracted a varied list of clients, including the BBC, Waitrose, Thompson Airlines, Fisher-Price, and The Guardian.

Titles:
- All Aboard the Numbers Train
- All Aboard the Shapes Train
- All Aboard the Colours Train
- All Aboard the Opposites Train

My First Milestones

4 book series

32 pages

245×245mm

2+ languages to date

JUNE 2020

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New

One loneLy triangle tries her best to fit in. a story about happiness and patterns!

No matter how hard she tries, Triangle doesn’t roll like the circles, or stack like the squares—so she sets off to find friends that look exactly like her. But when she finds the other triangles, playtime isn’t as fun. She misses the shapes that roll and stack; she misses being different. So she starts a new quest, one that gets all of the different shapes playing and having fun together!

• An entertaining introduction to geometrical shapes.
• A strong positive message about acceptance and inclusion.
• Stylish artwork, design, and text from an exciting new partnership.

Also Available

Everyone’s body is different in some way—and that’s okay! Whether your body is big, small, short or tall—Jon Burgerman shows us that it is something to celebrate and be proud of:

• Eye-popping colours and fun characters encourage children to love their body.
• Teaches children that all bodies are different and special.
• A laugh-out-loud celebration of diversity.

Jon Burgerman
Jon Burgerman is an award-winning artist who has created murals, sculptures, toys, apparel, and now picture books, all with his trademark playful, bright aesthetic. His art is collected by several institutions including the Victoria and Albert Museum in London. Born in the UK, Jon currently lives in Brooklyn with his wife and fellow artist, You Byun.

Naomi Jones
Naomi spent five years selling children’s books rights before embarking on a career as a freelance writer. She currently also works as an editor at the literary consultancy Cornstones and reviews children’s books for the award-winning family travel website Mini Travellers.

James Jones
James is an award-winning art director and designer. He was named a Bookseller Rising Star in 2014.
Noah waits all day for Nana’s boat to be ready so that they can go seal spotting. He waits and waits, eventually taking matters into his own hands, building his very own seal out of sand—it’s almost as good as the real thing. But it isn’t long before a storm whips up, his seal is washed away, and Nana packs up ready to leave. Noah loses all hope that he’ll ever spot a real-life seal, until something truly magical happens.

- Relatable moments in the relationship between a grandparent and grandchild, exploring themes of patience and hope.
- Celebrates the power of imagination.
- Thoughtful, lyrical storytelling. Perfect for bedtime.

Yuval Zommer is an award-winning picture book author and illustrator whose titles include The Big Book of Bugs, The Big Book of Birds, The Big Book of Blue and The Street Under Your Feet. His books have sold in over 20 languages.

Layn Marlow grew up in semi-rural Essex. After studying History of Art at Reading University, Layn began her career working for the library service. She lived in Belgium for a few years but it was on her return to the UK that she enrolled as a mature student at Southampton University and received a first class degree in illustration. Layn has numerous picture books published with Oxford University Press.

NEW

A THING CALLED SNOW

A SEASONAL CELEBRATION OF NATURE.

A beautiful and expressive new picture book from the award-winning Yuval Zommer.

- Lovely lyrical language, perfect for reading aloud.
- Following on from The Tree That’s Meant to Be, this is another stunning celebration of the wonders of nature.

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**NEW NO MORE BABIES!**

**SOFIA’S NOT SURE ABOUT HAVING ANOTHER BABY IN THE HOUSE . . .**

Sofia’s baby brother is always wreaking havoc in the house, playing with her favourite toys and demanding all the attention. So when Sofia’s mum and dad tell her that she’s going to have a new sibling, Sofia’s cheeks turn red and she shouts: ‘NO MORE BABIES!’

Will Sofia be able to come to terms with having another baby in the house?

- The perfect picture book for all children expecting a new sibling.
- Familiar sibling issues told from the perspective of an energetic and loveable little girl.
- Beautiful and vibrant artwork.

• 32 pages • 270 x 230 mm

**NEW STELLA AND THE SEAGULL**

**AN EMPOWERING STORY ABOUT A YOUNG ENVIRONMENTALIST’S CAMPAIGN FOR CHANGE.**

When Stella’s little seagull friend gets poorly from the plastic stuck in its tummy, Stella wants to do anything she can to try and help. From beach clean ups to banning plastic straws, her ideas spread around the community and make a huge impact. Thanks to Stella, the little seagull and all its animal friends can live in a better environment.

- A great way into discussing issues of environmental pollution and campaigning.
- Endpapers include some powerful true stories of children that have achieved great things.
- Beautiful, distinctive artwork.

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**BOOKS ABOUT SIBLINGS**

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- Beautiful, distinctive artwork.

**Izzy Burton**

Izzy Burton is an artist working in both illustration and animation having studied Animation at Bournemouth University.

**Georgina Stevens**

Georgina Stevens is a sustainability consultant and campaigner who has worked for NGOs and within big corporate environments. She is passionate about changing people’s behaviour and understanding of environmental issues, and is a sought-after speaker and communicator on these issues. This will be her first picture book.

**ERIKA MEZA**

Erika Meza was born in Mexico and studied illustration at ENSAD in Paris. She now lives in the UK and works as a children’s illustrator and lecturer in the decorative arts at Nottingham Trent University.
Lionel the monster finds it hard to make friends. Children are frightened of him, because, well, he is a monster. Grown-ups are too busy even to notice him. Then one day he meets a little dog who isn’t frightened, and isn’t too busy, and who just wants to play! Lionel has never had so much fun! But what will happen when Lionel takes the little dog back to its owner? Is Lionel destined to be lonely forever?

• A fun, warm story about not judging others by appearances.
• Bursting full of hilarious artwork.
• Lionel the monster is irresistible, and will appeal to both children and adults alike.

MAKING FRIENDS IS HARD WHEN YOU’RE A MONSTER

When a man cuts down little bird Rosa’s tree, she makes herself a new home on the roof of his house—and refuses to budge! News of the little bird’s protest spreads throughout the animal kingdom and inspires other animals to make a stand too… before long, displaced animals everywhere are popping up in people’s homes—and they will not be moved! There must be a way for the humans and animals to live together peacefully; perhaps Rosa the little bird can find a way.

• A great introduction to group activism and campaigning.
• A fun-filled tale with a powerful environmental message.
• There are plenty of giggles to be had when readers spot monkeys in the bathtub and sloths on the sofa!

NEW

ONE LITTLE BIRD INSPIRES OTHER ANIMALS TO CAMPAIGN FOR A BETTER WORLD!
Granpa is grieving. He hides away in his garden. He needs time. But he also needs love. Tibble is full of love and shows Grandpa that remembering the people we love can be a wonderful, funny, poignant thing.

- Reassures children that whilst the grown-ups in their life may withdraw in the face of grief, they will come back.
- Shows us that death can be something that brings us closer to our loved ones.
- Offers a way into talking about death with children without a religious framework.

A BOY HELPS HIS GRIEVING GRANDPA.

Jack and Bear are the best of friends. Jack loves Bear because he makes him feel brave. But one day Bear disappears and Jack suddenly feels all alone with a big bear-shaped hole in his heart. Word soon gets around that Bear is missing and Jack starts to receive kind messages from strangers all over the world. Then the toy bears start to arrive. Though the bears start to heal Jack’s sadness, none of them are Jack’s bear. Perhaps there is something Jack can do with them to help the other people with bear-shaped holes...

- Inspired by a real-life experience—there are a real Jack and Bear.
- Gentle story-telling which sensitively handles the subject of autism.
- Debut picture book by acclaimed artist Dawn Coulter-Cruttenden.

AN INSPIRING PICTURE BOOK ABOUT LEARNING TO LET GO: BASED ON A TRUE STORY.

Celery Crumble is a very naughty girl who likes to play horrid tricks. But no matter how many times she is warned that if she behaves like a monster then a monster she will become, Celery just replies, ‘Sorry. Not Sorry!’ Until one morning Celery wakes to find she has boils on her back, claws on her toes, and a twitchy, stripy tail. Will Celery finally learn how to say sorry and curb her mischievous ways?

- This funny story promotes a valuable message about treating others how you want to be treated yourself.
- With a character so monstrous you’ll find her irresistible!
- Striking art style brought to life with Ben Joel Price’s distinctive gothic touch.

A FUNNY AND CAUTIONARY TALE ABOUT SAYING SORRY.

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With twenty picture books to choose from, Winnie and Wilbur are ready to share their love for adventure with young readers. Going under the sea or into space; meeting pirates, knights, robots, monsters, and dinosaurs; celebrating Christmas and birthdays; Winnie and Wilbur put magic and mayhem into whatever they do! 

• A brand that encompasses picture books, fiction, activity books, and levelled readers 
• With new publishing every year, Winnie and Wilbur is an evergreen brand, constantly finding new fans and delighting existing ones. 
• Korky Paul’s distinctive artwork continues to delight with its humour, detail, and energy.
Flash loves to sing, dance, and be totally fabulous. So when he spots an advert for the New York School of Performing Arts, he simply has to audition—after all, stardom is his destiny! Life in the performing arts world isn’t a breeze, there are fierce rivalries, tricky moves to master, and high-pressure performances, but there’s plenty of friendship, fun, and silliness to enjoy along the way!

• A hilarious fish out of water story—how will this lovable unicorn cope with life in the big city?
• A unique black and white artwork style, mixing photos and illustration.
• Get swept up in stories that feature great friendships, daring performances, and a lead character with limitless enthusiasm!

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Mee-Ow! Will you answer the call for adventure?

• Enchanting tales starring little superhero-in-training Kitty; beautifully illustrated in two colour throughout.
• Being a superhero is great, but coming back to your family is pretty special too.
• Perfect for newly confident readers and fans of Isadora Moon.
Gill Lewis
Gill Lewis spent much of her childhood in the garden where she ran a small zoo and a veterinary hospital for creepy-crawlies, mice, and birds. When she grew up she became a real vet and travelled from the Arctic to Africa. Gill’s previous novels, including Sky Hawk, and The Closest Thing to Flying, published to worldwide critical acclaim and have been translated into more than 20 languages. Numerous shortlistings include The Red House Book Award, the Waterstones Children’s Book Prize and the UKLA award.

Rebecca Bagley
Rebecca Bagley is a freelance illustrator and book designer currently based in Bath, England. She was selected as one of the 2016 Cheltenham Illustration Awards winners.

Swapna Reddy
Swapna Reddy is a pseudonym for Swapna Haddow, winner of the Greenhouse Funny Prize 2014 and author of the Dave Pigeon books, published by Faber & Faber.

Binny Talib
Binny recently returned from living in Asia where she completed her children’s book Origami Heart. She is also the illustrator of Two Sides by Polly Ho-Yen, and now lives and works in Australia.

Ye’ah,’ said Mouse. ‘If you break the promise, crows will peck out your eyeballs.’ He blew another loud raspberry because it seemed the right thing to do.

‘What’s the Wilderness?’ asked Willow.

‘The Wilderness is everything between the unexplored Forest of Forever Night of the west and the Dragon Gardens of the east,’ said Hare.

Willow folded her arms. ‘It’s just a wood,’ she said. ‘It’s not even that big.’ She remembered her dad’s words. ‘It’s a mess. It needs a good tidy up.’

Mouse gasped and looked at the others. Hare stepped forward, glancing over her shoulder as if the trees were listening. ‘This isn’t just any wood,’ she whispered.

Fox nodded. ‘There are mountains, deep forests, fast streams, and who knows what else.’

Willow smiled. ‘I think I’ll like it,’ she said. ‘I like adventure.’

The Wild Things all nodded. ‘Welcome to the Wilderness,’ said Hare.

Willow looked at the Wild Things and smiled. ‘I think I’ll like it. I’d like to stay forever.’

‘That’s not possible,’ said Hare. ‘We all have to return to our own world. But you can visit the Wilderness as often as you like.’

Willow’s eyes widened. ‘I can come back whenever I want?’ She made a face. ‘I’m going to miss being a normal girl. It’s all a bit too much.’

‘And once you’ve had your fill of the Wilderness,’ said Hare, ‘you can always come back as you were before. You can be either… or both…’

Willow smiled. ‘I think I’ll like it,’ she said. ‘I think I’ll like it a lot.’

‘Just don’t forget,’ said Hare, ‘that the Wilderness is a place of magic and wonder. You must be careful, and you must use your imagination.’

Willow nodded. ‘I’ll be careful,’ she said. ‘I’ll use my imagination.’

‘And most importantly,’ said Hare, ‘you must never tell anyone about the Wilderness. It’s a secret place, and it must stay that way.’

Willow nodded. ‘I understand,’ she said. ‘I’ll never tell anyone.’

‘Good,’ said Hare. ‘Now, let’s get going. The Wilderness is waiting for us.’

Willow nodded. ‘Let’s go,’ she said. ‘I’m ready to explore.’

‘What are you doing?’ asked Hare.

Willow smiled. ‘I’m going to see if I can find the wishing stone,’ she said. ‘It’s said to be hidden deep in the Wilderness. If I find it, I’ll make a wish and see if it comes true.’

‘That’s a good idea,’ said Hare. ‘But be careful. The Wilderness is full of magic and wonder. You must use your imagination to find the wishing stone.’

Willow nodded. ‘I understand,’ she said. ‘I’ll use my imagination.’

‘Good,’ said Hare. ‘Now, let’s get going. The Wilderness is waiting for us.’

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**Max Takes a Stand**

**Changing the World One Placard at a Time!**

A fun, anarchic series that revolves around a boy called Max and his quest to make the world a better place. In each book Max tries to save the planet through positive direct action, with hilarious results and real heart too. From hiding his parents’ car keys to preparing disastrous vegan dinners, not everyone reacts positively to Max’s methods—but every little step helps and Max’s enthusiasm always pays off in the end.

- Contemporary realistic fiction full of humour and heart—presented in a highly-illustrated accessible package.
- Reflects some of the real issues that kids are grappling with and contains an empowering message about how kids can make change through positive action.
- Endmatter specific to the themes in each book with practical hints and tips on how we can all help to look after the planet.

**Mickey and the Animal Spies**

**Welcome to the Extraordinary World of Undercover Animals!**

Mickey is the type of kid who’s always on the lookout for a code to crack. So it’s her lucky day when she spots a strange poster on the bus home from school written completely in code. Within the strange jumble of letters is a curious message, one that leads to an exciting adventure—with diamond thieves, dognappers, and an extraordinary group of animal spies!

- Mickey is a lovable character, thrust into an extraordinary adventure.
- Gentle humour and exciting action throughout, you’ll love this group of charming animal spies.
- This book contains real coded messages. Can you crack the codes before Mickey does?

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**Nick Shepherd**

Nick Shepherd is a debut children’s book illustrator, currently freelancing in the business, tech and education sectors as an illustrator.

**Anne Miller**

Anne Miller is a scriptwriter and researcher for BBC’s QI and co-authored 2016’s 1,342 QI Facts That Leave You Flabbergasted and the forthcoming 1,423 QI Facts To Bowl You Over (Faber). Anne is also the Head Researcher of Radio 4’s The Museum of Curiosity, reached the semi-finals of BBC 2’s fiercely difficult quiz Only Connect and has two Blue Peter badges.

**Becka Moor**

Becka Moor studied Illustration for Children’s Publishing in the North of Wales at Glyndwr University. She has since moved back home to Manchester where she works under the strict supervision of two very mischievous cats, doodling away and drinking far too much coffee.

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**Tim Allman**

Tim Allman is a debut author. He is a graduate of Oxford University, went on to become an environmental activist and is now an ethical, green builder.

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Fiction

The Super Happy Magic Forest is the friendliest, most frolic-filled place in all the world, but very occasionally some evil-doer likes to come along and disturb the peace. That’s when our five brave heroes to step up to save the day—there’s Blossom the unicorn, Twinkle the fairy, Herbert the gnome, Hoofius the faun, and a plucky little mushroom called Trevor.

Matty’s books make me super happy! They are funny, super inventive, and super silly.’ Chris Riddell

The Warrior Monkeys are leaders and protectors, always ready to defend against mischievous powers who seek to attack their kingdom. Some of our Warriors are strong and wise. Some, like Suki and Bekko, still have a lot to learn. They’re a brave and resourceful duo and, with the help of their armoured bear, Kuma, are ready to face any of the harsh challenges and evil plots who seek to attack their kingdom.

Salty Dogs

NEW

SUPER HAPPY MAGIC FOREST AND THE HUMONGOUS FUNGUS

JOIN FIVE BRAVE HEROES ON A TRULY EPIC QUEST!

Also available

NEW

Warrior Monkeys

FULL-ON MARTIAL ARTS ACTION WITH A COOL, GRAPHIC LOOK.

M.C. Stevens

M.C. Stevens is a martial arts instructor with 16 years’ experience in karate, weapons, and jiu jitsu. A former English and History teacher at secondary school level, she also works for Fairfight, an international charity which empowers young girls in developing countries—using karate as a tool to develop confidence and independence.

Steve Brown

Inspired by animations of the 1970s and 1980s, Steve Brown has an energetic artwork style that is full of dynamism, drama, and great characterisation. Working on Warrior Monkeys has been his dream project as he has practised martial arts since the age of 8.

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DO YOUR BEST!

– If you’re going to do something, really try your hardest. Always put your best effort and energy.

– Develop memory, and coordination.

– Focus, teamwork, leadership, and discipline.

– Energy and humour.

– Skills that explore martial arts behaviours and strategies—balance, control, discipline, focus, teamwork, leadership, memory, and coordination.

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Twins Ali and Tulip have grown up with a surgeon mother and so have picked up lots of knowledge of first aid, medicine, and the ways of the hospital—they even know where the secret biscuit drawer in the emergency department is. When their mother becomes unnaturally sleepy and forgetful, they become suspicious of her new boyfriend. With help—and a watchful eye—from their wheelchair-bound gran, they set out to crack the mystery.

Will they succeed? They'll need a combination of fast talking, quick thinking, rule breaking, medical investigation, and determination—plus a good dash of that spooky twin thing—to cure this crime.

A fun fresh take on the detective genre, full of excitement, humour and medical know-how:

- Roopa Farooki is an award-winning adult novelist, a creative writing tutor, mother of twins—and a newly qualified doctor! This is her debut book for children.
- Medical based dramas are hugely popular on TV, and this book taps into that fascination.
- A new, fresh take on the detective genre.

Are you stuck in a holiday rut? Need a change from your usual two weeks in Boredom-on-Sea? Want to explore more far flung destinations but not sure where to start?

Well look no further because Alfie Fleet’s Guide to the Universe will show you the best and worst holiday destinations that are literally out of this world!

A second incredibly inventive and entertaining adventure starring the loveable Alfie and the quirky Professor.

- More than funny fiction—this story does for travel guides what Wimpy Kid did for diaries and Tom Gates did for doodle books.
- Endearing, fun, and engaging characters with a great dynamic between them all: Readers will be rooting for Alfie and the Professor all the way around the universe!
- Chris Mould’s unique illustrative style is perfectly suited to this story and make this book visually exciting and intriguing.

HITCHHIKER’S GUIDE TO THE GALAXY FOR KIDS IN THIS FUN ADVENTURE!
When twelve-year-old Rixon’s uncle mysteriously leaves him an island in his will, Rixon can’t quite believe it. And his doubts increase when the island can only be found on one ancient map, and only then by using a very big magnifying glass.

Is there really an island? And if so, is it really his? There’s only one thing for it. Rixon is going to have to go there and find it for himself.

And what he finds when he gets there might just hold the key to the future of the planet: four children brought up with an altogether different set of values, hidden away from society. Can Rixon save the island when he is fighting for his own life, left in a cave with a rising tide, floating out to sea on a leaky inflatable, or fending off the attacks of a multimillionaire tech giant and his super yacht?

Can Rixon keep the island’s secrets? And will he even want to . . .?

• A classic adventure story with a fantastic modern twist: a contemporary Lord of the Flies meets The Famous Five.

• An exciting new middle-grade voice from BBC journalist Joe Wilson.

• The ultimate wish fulfilment—a boy is given his very own island!

NEW

THE ISLAND THAT DIDN’T EXIST

A CLASSIC ADVENTURE STORY WITH A FANTASTIC MODERN TWIST.

Joe Wilson
Joe Wilson is a BBC Sports News Correspondent and has spent over 20 years in various forms of journalism. He lives in eastern England with his wife and two children where he is part-owned by a half-poodle. This is his debut children’s book.

NEW

The Ice Bear Miracle

AN ENCHANTING TALE OF MIRACULOUS ESCAPES, STARLIT CARNIVALS, AND MAGNIFICENT ICE BEARS.

Somewhere in the deep and frozen north is an island surrounded entirely by ice. Those who live there love their snowstorm isle—with its scattered wooden cottages, its small patches of forest, and its single mountain peak. Most of all they love the magnificent ice bears that roam the streets, giving the island its name—The Isle of Bears.

Life with bears is dangerous, as Marv Jackson knows—the large crescent-moon-shaped scar on his face acts as a constant reminder of the night he survived a bear attack. But something tells him the legendary tale of that night, isn’t quite the full story. The truth lies with a mysterious skating girl and her magnificent polar bear.

• A rich and imaginative setting—journey to the magical frozen north.

• Beautifully written standalone fiction by the hugely talented Cerrie Burnell.

• A compelling mystery leads to a huge adventure.

Cerrie Burnell
Cerrie Burnell is one of the UK’s best-known children’s TV presenters and has in recent years made a name for herself as one of the most exciting new children’s authors on the scene. The Ice Bear Miracle is the follow-up to her stunning debut for middle grade readers, The Girl with the Shark’s Teeth.
It’s always just been Bonnie and Granda, living off the land, keeping to themselves and out of trouble. Until one day, Bonnie goes scavenging on the beach and finds a battered rowing boat, and a bare-footed boy. He’s cold, hungry, and in need of shelter. Bonnie knows it’s a crime to help this stranger boy, but she can’t leave him for the border guards to find. The longer she cares for this boy, who has travelled across oceans for a new beginning, the more Bonnie longs for her own freedom. Perhaps it’s time to escape the life she’s always known, to move out of the darkness, and set sail for the house of light . . .

Lyrically written captures the beauty of the coastal setting, and the magical quality of the natural world.

A story full of hope and the belief that anyone can change the world.

Taps into themes of displacement and migration.

George and Gizmo have been best friends forever. Since the day George was born, Gizmo has always been around. But Gizmo’s not getting any younger and George has to face up to the fact that he may not always be around . . .

George is determined that he and Gizmo will have lots more fun and adventures while they still can. After all, Gizmo loves parties, deserves pampering, and needs a break by the seaside. And as for that old saying about how you can’t teach an old dog new tricks . . . it’s true, you really can’t!

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Touching relationship between a boy and his pet will resonate with readers.

Illustrated throughout with characterful artwork by Julia Christians.

Ben Davis has had a variety of jobs, including joke writer, library assistant, and postman. Ben lives in Tamworth, Staffordshire, with his wife, son, and wimpy dog.

Julia Christians graduated from the University of Art in Brunswick with a diploma in communications design. After graduation she started working as a freelance graphic designer and illustrator and now lives in Germany.

Julia Green lives in Bath, but her favourite places are wild remote islands, beaches, cliffs and hillsides. Julia is the course leader of the prestigious Bath Spa MA in Creative Writing for Young People, and has been instrumental in inspiring and mentoring many prize-winning and bestselling writers at the start of their careers.
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Stan loves everything to do with space, along with a calming, ordered environment, pie charts, and Venus diagams. His dinosaur- and wildlife-loving younger brother Fred is the opposite: chaotic, messy, prone to leaving snails under Stan’s bed and ladybirds in his lunchbox. Surely they must have something in common?

Fred is on a mission to rid the world of plastic, including decorating the shampoo into Mum’s best crystal wine glasses and emptying all the bags of crisps in the supermarket so people can buy them loose. Of course, it’s up to Stan to come up with some more practical solutions to deal with plastic waste but with all his time taken up sorting out Fred, when is he going to sort out his own plan to get the best view of the total eclipse?

As Stan struggles to cope he charts all the ups and downs to sibling survival!

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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 reignited 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. Elaine lives in Oxford with her husband and two sons.

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One day Kevin the flying pony blew in on a magical storm and—DOOOOOR!—crashed into the balcony of Max's flat. The pair have been best friends ever since and with Max's quick thinking and a constant supply of biscuits for Kevin, there's nothing this heroic duo can't achieve!
There was a sofa in one corner of the room. Maybe if she lay down for one of those ten-minute power naps Sir Henry was always going on about, it would give her the energy to carry on? Kit dropped onto it thankfully, and two seconds later, she was sound asleep.

Kit didn't say anything but she felt mutinous. As far as she was concerned, the summer room was one of the best galleries in the museum, and there was no way she was going to let it go. She was sure that with the help of the others, they could prepare it in time. But when she examined it with Tatyana later that night, she also shook her head. There was far too much to do, and by now the costumes had all put away their aprons and were preparing themselves for the big day tomorrow.

There was an atmosphere of excitement in the museum. It was like being backstage on the opening night of a new play. Every mirror in Moonstone had a costume in front of it, twirling around, checking to make sure that everything was perfect. Fenella and Claudia were rushing around with pins and needles, attending to last-minute tweaks, while the ballet dancer choreographed everyone's pose and Sir Jasper handed out the labels.

But somehow, Kit couldn't throw herself into it as she would have done normally. Eventually she left them to their primping and returned to the summer room alone. Perhaps if she worked flat out all night long, she could make the room passable. She fetched the ladder and a broom and made a start on the walls, sweeping the cobwebs...
One of the neighbours – the one with the pretty daughter – came back later with a huge handful of mint. ‘It grows in my garden,’ she said. ‘Come and help yourself whenever you want some. It grows like a weed. You could even plant this and grow some yourself.’

Snoot hid in the downstairs bathroom until morning. “Next time,” said Milton, “say this. Go away, you big bad dream and do not dare come back again! That should do the trick.” “Oh!” cried Snoot. “I can’t say that! I’m not brave enough.”

“I am going to get you!”

The next night, the big bad dream was waiting at the top of the stairs. “Snoot!” it boomed.

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