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DEAR FRIENDS!

We are delighted to place into your hands our catalogue highlighting David Fickling Books' new titles. And what a list it is! Full of old friends, new voices, award-winners and bestsellers. We take enormous pride in putting this list together for you: the team at DFB may be small in number, but we are huge of heart.

We want to bring you the greatest adventures, the funniest tales, the most profound non-fiction and the finest voices. So if you see something in this catalogue that interests you, whether it's a new title, or a book from our ever-growing, ever-impressive backlist, then we'd love to talk to you about it. Please do get in touch.

Happy reading!
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Image taken from
Lesser Spotted Animals 2
by Martin Brown

I DON'T LIKE BOOKS. NEVER. EVER. THE END.

EMMA PERRY &
SHARON DAVEY

Once upon a time there was a little girl called Mabel. A girl who didn't like books.

Then one day, the books decided that enough was enough . . .

- ★ A delightful picture book debut from author, Emma Perry, teamed with Sharon Davey's gorgeous illustrations in a brand new style – these two are picture book stars in the making.
- ★ A joyous journey of discovery for our heroine, Mabel, as she dives head first into some grand adventures, meeting detectives, knights and more, and changes her life for ever.



PICTURE BOOK • 3+ • FEBRUARY 2020

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MERRYLEGS

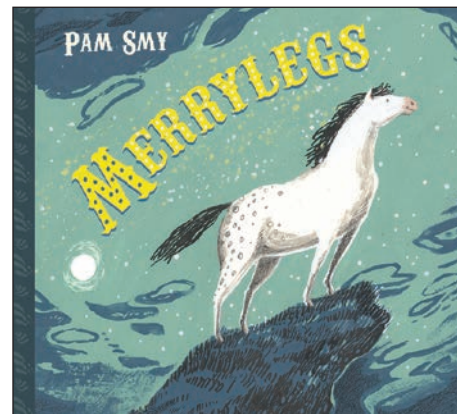
PAM SMY

'I THINK IT'S
TERRIFIC'
Philip Pullman
on *Thornhill*

An inspiring story of friendship and self-belief with a happy and heart-warming ending, because when you believe in yourself, anything can happen!

Poor old Merrylegs is a dumpy, clumpy riding school pony – clumping round and round, day after day. But he has a dream. And when the fair comes to town his dream burns even brighter. But will he have the courage to make it come true?

- ★ Pam Smy is one of the brightest talents working in children's books today. Her debut novel, *Thornhill* (2017) has sold in excess of 11,000 copies in hardback in the UK and has been translated into 14 languages. It was shortlisted for the 2018 Waterstones Children's Book Prize and the 2018 Kate Greenaway Medal.



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HB • 245 x 275mm • 32pp • £11.99

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LOVED TO BITS

TERESA HEAPY & KATIE CLEMINSON

A life-affirming and exuberant story celebrating a bear that is literally loved to bits!

Loved to Bits is a funny, tender and action-packed tale about the unique bond between a little boy and his favourite teddy bear.



'A BOOK TO TREASURE'
Michael Morpurgo

'Outstanding rhyming story about a very special bear'
Sunday Express

PICTURE BOOK • 3+
HB JULY 2018 • PB JANUARY 2019
265 x 235mm • 32pp • £11.99/£6.99

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THE NEW NEIGHBOURS

SARAH MCINTYRE

A funny, light-hearted and clever take on the important and topical subject of prejudice.

'McIntyre finds energy and humour without being preachy in this comic, layered warning against misinformation and prejudice' *Guardian*

PICTURE BOOK • 3+
MARCH 2018 • HB & PB
290 x 225mm • 32pp • £11.99/£6.99

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Sarah's work has been translated into 31 languages

TINY LITTLE ROCKET

DAVID FICKLING & RICHARD COLLINGRIDGE

A fabulously child-friendly style from acclaimed illustrator Richard Collingridge, teamed with a wonderful text by David Fickling.

★ Featuring epic space scenes, a giant double gatefold surprise and perfectly pitched space facts!

'Strong appeal as a read-aloud . . . will leave adventurers eager for more' *Publishers Weekly* starred review



PICTURE BOOK • 3+
FEBRUARY 2018 • HB •
265 x 225mm • 32pp • £11.99

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MAGICAL PETS

ANYA GLAZER

If you could have any pet in the universe, what would you choose? But choosing is the easy bit . . . because how on earth are you going to look after it?

Find out in this funny and charming debut – and look out for the unicorn fart!

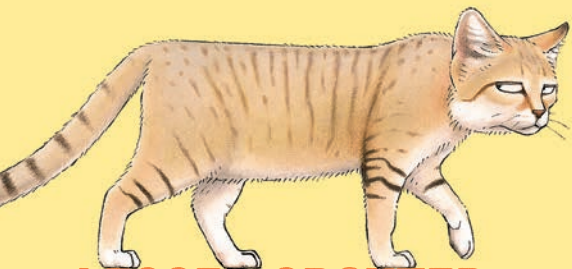
FABULOUS
SURPRISE
ENDING!

PICTURE BOOK • 3+
SEPTEMBER 2018 • HB & PB
265 x 235mm • 32pp • £11.99/£6.99

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LESSER SPOTTED ANIMALS 1 & 2 MARTIN BROWN

Non-fiction with attitude from Martin Brown – illustrator of the multi-million-selling *Horrible Histories*!

If *Lesser Spotted Animals* left you with a thirst for more nifty nature knowledge and a love of the unknown underdog, then this is the book for you!

- ★ Packed with colour illustrations, maps and facts.
- ★ Ideal for reluctant readers.

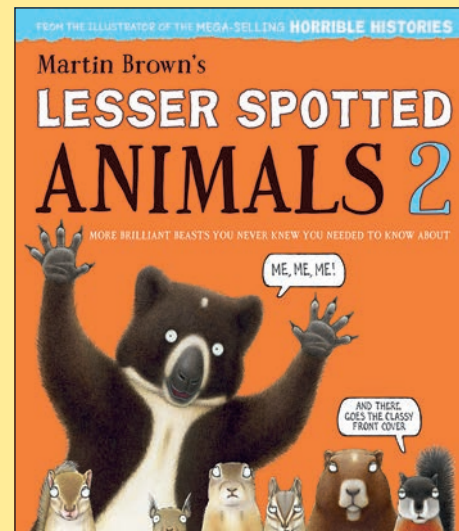
'Informative and funny' *Kirkus*



HORRIBLE HISTORIES

SALES EXCEED 20
MILLION COPIES IN
37 LANGUAGES

Joint WINNER in
the 7-11 category at
the UKLA AWARDS
2018



BOOK 1: HB OCTOBER 2016/PB APRIL 2017
BOOK 2: HB APRIL 2019

NON-FICTION • 7+ • 260 x 225mm • 56pp
£12.99/£8.99

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the PHOENIX PRESENTS



Welcome to *The Phoenix Presents* series! The largest range of comic books for children in the UK, with an ever growing fan-base, now boasts over 140,000 sales across all titles! Straight from the pages of weekly *The Phoenix* comic, these fantastic books feature beloved characters across every genre, from action, comedy, fantasy, science fiction, history, puzzles and loads more. *The Phoenix Presents* series is simply perfect for children aged 7–14.



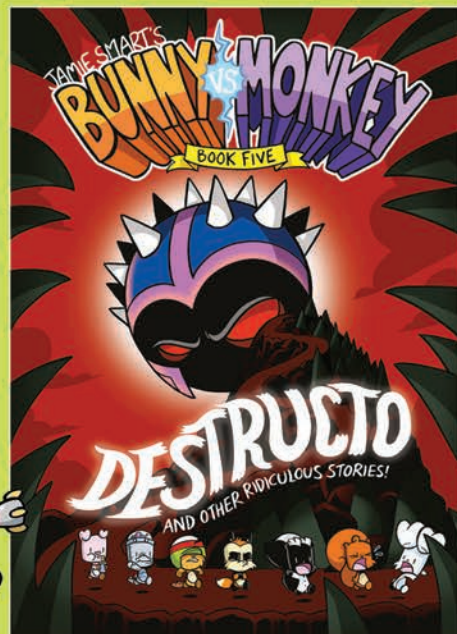
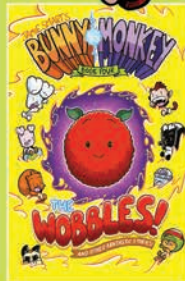
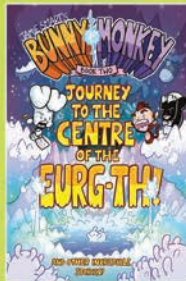


JAMIE SMART'S BUNNY VS MONKEY



WELCOME TO THE WOODS! Meet Bunny and Monkey and their hilarious, sweet, dangerous, terrifying and lunatic friends. Science and nature go head-to-head in this fantastic series of comic books that are perfect for reluctant readers.

Nobody knows what makes a child laugh better than Jamie Smart. With vibrant and exciting illustrations that grab your attention and the craziest adventures you can think of, *Bunny vs Monkey* is a masterclass in comedy writing for children.



GRAPHIC NOVEL • 7–12 • BOOK 5: OCTOBER 2018

PB • 240 x 170mm • 64pp • £8.99

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EVIL EMPEROR PENGUIN

1, 2 & 3

LAURA ELLEN ANDERSON

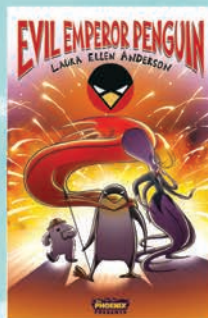
Who knew evil could be this cute?

Evil Emperor Penguin has one wish . . . to take over the world! Far away in the icy wastes of Antarctica, dwells a warm and cuddly, kind-hearted penguin . . . or so he would have you believe! But this is no ordinary penguin. This is *Evil Emperor Penguin*!



'It should be difficult for many young readers to get through this without dissolving into a fit of giggles . . . will undoubtedly appeal to fans of Despicable Me' Kirkus

'A great choice for reluctant readers . . . hand this to kids who can't get enough Captain Underpants' Booklist



GRAPHIC NOVEL • 7–12 • BOOK 3: MARCH 2019

PB • 240 x 170mm • 64pp • £8.99

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MEGA ROBO BROS 1, 2 & 3

NEILL CAMERON

Neill Cameron's wild and wonderful graphic novels featuring robot brothers.

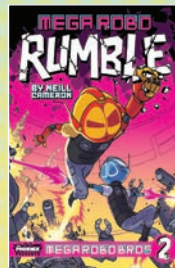
Alex and Freddy are just like any normal brothers – they squabble, they fight, and they drive their parents crazy. There's only one difference . . . they're the most powerful robots on Earth! They wrangle problems small and large, ranging from sibling rivalry to saving the world. Instantly loveable and believable, readers will have a lot of fun with these characters.

'The first in a series, this should elicit vociferous demands for subsequent volumes . . . An immensely smart, fun, and nuanced series opener' *Kirkus* starred review

GRAPHIC NOVEL • 7–12 • BOOK 3: JANUARY 2019
PB • 240 x 170mm • £9.99

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CORPSE TALK

ADAM & LISA MURPHY

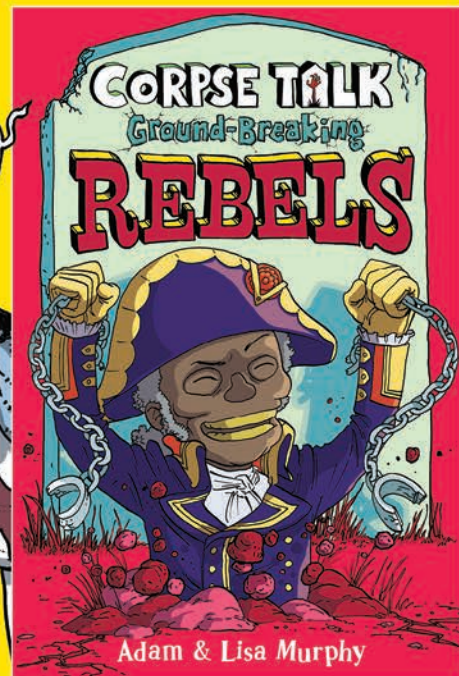


Blue Peter Award-nominated, super talented and super funny Adam and Lisa Murphy give us the ultimate history lesson.

Adam draws himself digging up and interviewing unusual and interesting dead famous people. The *Corpse Talk* series spills the beans on some of the most incredible, astonishing, grizzly and grimy bits of our world's history. Don't miss out on the biggest thing to hit history since *Horrible Histories*!

'Funny and informative . . . there's a lot of humour here, there's plenty of information and context, too. It has the makings of a huge success for children, and for parents' *Telegraph*

'I LOVE CORPSE TALK,
INGENIOUS AND FUNNY AND
UNFAILINGLY FASCINATING.
'BRILLIANT STUFF'
PHILIP PULLMAN



GRAPHIC NON-FICTION • 7-12 • BOOK 4:
MAY 2019 • PB • 229 x 152mm • 128pp • £9.99

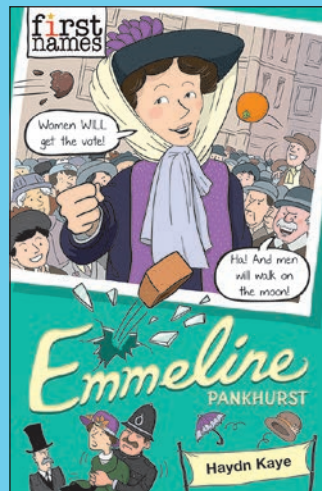
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first names



FIRST NAMES is a series of fun, lively and highly illustrated biographies that introduces some truly amazing individuals, who lived incredible lives, to an audience of young readers.

As the 'First Names' title suggests, we will be getting to know these people on first-name

terms – discover who 'Albert' actually was, not just what 'Einstein' achieved and is remembered for – so young readers can see these remarkable people as ordinary individuals who grew up to do extraordinary things.



New to the series in 2019 is **HARRY**, all about illusionist and stunt performer Harry Houdini, and **AMELIA**, about aviation pioneer Amelia Earhart!



HARRY Houdini was famous for his great escapes and showmanship but did you know he was actually called Ehrich? Or how close he was to his mum? Find out about the boy Harry and how he became the man Houdini in this fun and entertaining look at the story of his life.

AMELIA Earhart, one of the greatest aviation pioneers, is known as a strong and inspiring female role model. But what about the young girl Millie who rode her sledge between the legs of a horse? Or the sack-of-potatoes start to Amelia's flying fame? Find out all this and more in this enjoyable and informative book about the incredible Amelia Earhart.



Fully illustrated with fantastically fun images on every double page spread

NON-FICTION • 8-12 • ELON & EMMELINE: AUGUST 2018
AMELIA & HARRY: FEBRUARY 2019 • PB • 198 x 129mm
144pp • £6.99

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ARMADILLO & HARE

JEREMY STRONG & REBECCA BAGLEY

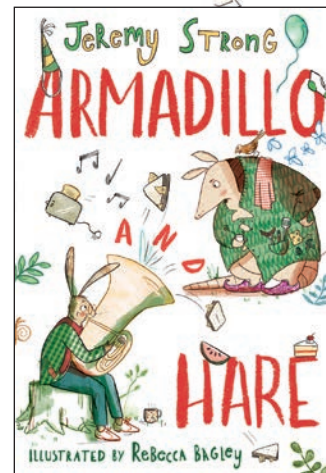
**SMALL TALES FROM THE
BIG FOREST.**

A charming, funny and whimsical series of tales from the Big Forest by multi-million bestselling writer Jeremy Strong, author of *My Brother's Famous Bottom* and *The Hundred-Mile-an-Hour Dog*.

Armadillo and Hare live together in a small house in the Big Forest, enjoying their favourite activities: eating cheese sandwiches and playing the tuba. And so begins this brilliantly humorous collection of tales from Jeremy Strong, filled with all the classic charm of *Frog and Toad*

(Arnold Lobel) and accompanied by beautiful illustrations by Rebecca Bagley. This new series is destined for classic status and we have no doubt will want to be read over and over again.

Following a career as a primary school teacher Jeremy started writing full time in 1991. He has written over 100 books and won several awards. *There's A Viking In My Bed* has been made into a BBC children's TV series.



ILLUSTRATED FICTION • 5-8 • APRIL 2019

HB • 216 x 153mm • 160pp • £9.99

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THE MAGIC PLACE

CHRIS WORMELL

A stunningly illustrated middle-grade fiction debut from internationally renowned author-illustrator, Chris Wormell.

The Magic Place is a gripping new fairy tale with shades of Dickens, Dahl and Burnett, but also making its own way with Chris's vivid style and pace, warmth, humour and charm – and the glorious integration of words and pictures.

Imprisoned in the cellar of a tall thin house in the Great Black City and made to work

ILLUSTRATED FICTION • 8+ • SEPTEMBER 2019
HB • 178 x 124mm • 204pp • £11.99

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by her wicked aunt and uncle, Clementine's life is grim, and Gilbert is her only friend (but he's a cat). Yet Clementine has a dream. A dream of another home in a magic place. But will she ever escape and find her way there?

Find out in this ingenious and uplifting story, full of despair and hope, and twists and turns that will have you rooting for Clementine every step of the way.

Heart-stopping, moving, funny and thrilling, featuring wicked grown ups, slap-stick comedy, heroic animals, a plucky female lead and an uplifting ending!

Praise for Chris Wormell:

'Absolutely charming' Kirkus

**FEATURES A FABULOUS
FULL-COLOUR FINALE!**



Cover illustrator
of *The Book of Dust*
and *H is for Hawk*





THE NIGHT'S REALM

NICK WARD

Afraid of the dark? This is the story for you!

Travel to the Night's Realm – where the sky is always black and the evil Magician rules. Billy has found himself trapped there. But, despite his desperate fears of the dark, Billy seems to be the only child who can resist the Magician's spells. It's up to him to defeat the Magician and save everyone.

All young readers are going to love this funny, spooky adventure full of creepy creatures. It introduces the world to a bold new hero: Billy, the boy who is afraid of the dark!

Illustrated throughout with black-and-white line drawings by the author, the hugely talented Nick Ward (author and illustrator of bestselling *Don't Eat the Teacher* and *Charlie Small*).



ILLUSTRATED FICTION • 7–11 • SEPTEMBER 2019

HB • 178 x 126mm • 274pp

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The Night's Realm



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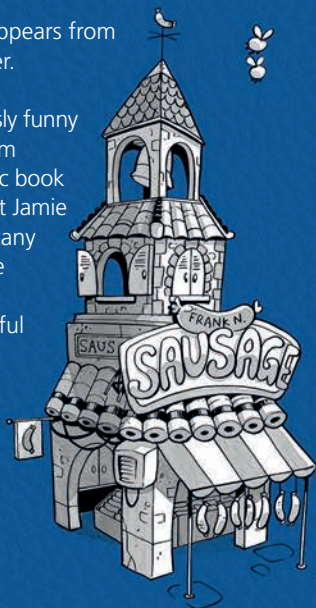
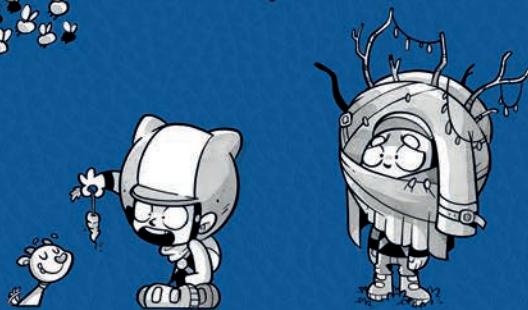
JAMIE SMART

Flember Island is a mythical place, shrouded in mystery and full of hidden secrets. It's the only place where the very magical force of life – Flember – thrives!

Meet our brilliant hero Dev – creator of cheese-powered rocket boots, bee-powered energy, flying chicken wings and many more inventions that drive his mum and brother crazy. But one day his experiments go seriously wrong and he's going to need the help of Fervus the goat, a giant red robot bear called Boja and a team of Space Cadets to fix everything before the magical force

of Flember disappears from his home forever.

This is a hilariously funny debut novel from bestselling comic book author and artist Jamie Smart. Jamie's zany black-and-white line illustrations bring his beautiful writing to life in this laugh-out-loud adventure.



ILLUSTRATED FICTION • 7-11
OCTOBER 2019 • PB • B Format
314pp • £6.99

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KING COO SERIES ADAM STOWER

Let's just say, if Peter Pan had been a girl . . . with a beard . . . then she'd have probably been called King Coo.

Adam Stower has created a wonderful new world and character where laughter and high jinks are ten-a-penny and his cracking illustrations bring everything to life.

ILLUSTRATED FICTION • 5–8

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BOOK 2: HB JUNE 2019

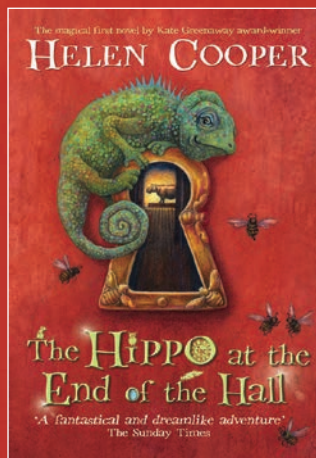
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THE HIPPO AT THE END OF THE HALL HELEN COOPER

A new and stunningly illustrated novel by twice Kate Greenaway medal-winning Helen Cooper.

'Come now or come never!' The invitation was delivered by bees. It wasn't addressed to anyone at all, but Ben knew it was for him. It would lead him to an old, shambolic museum, full of strange and bewitching creatures. A peculiar world of hidden mysteries, and curious family secrets . . . and really quite dangerous magic. But most importantly Ben discovers a connection to his father and the family he never even knew he had.

'A warm, transporting fantasy with echoes of E. Nesbit'
Guardian



ILLUSTRATED FICTION • 8–12

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352pp • £10.99/£6.99

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EMILY LIME DAVE SHELTON

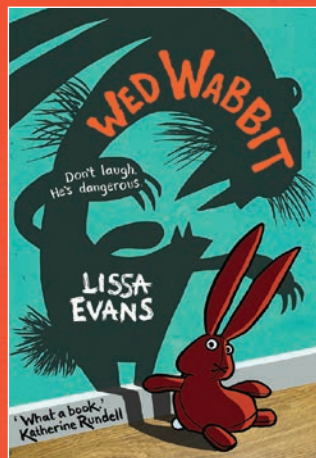
The first in a series of side-splittingly hilarious illustrated crime-solving capers at a brilliantly crazy boarding school, from Branford Boase Award-winner Dave Shelton.

This is Agatha Christie meets *St Trinian's* meets *Sherlock Holmes*! Packed full of Dave's brilliantly observant illustrations in the style of Ronald Searle. Character-led stories, satisfying and funny whodunnits with loyalty and friendship themes, what more could you possibly want?!

ILLUSTRATED FICTION • 8–12
APRIL 2018 • HB • B FORMAT
268pp • £10.99/£6.99

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WED WABBIT LISSA EVANS

The Secret Garden crossed with *The Wizard of Oz*, *Wed Wabbit* is a classic in the making – wildly inventive, dazzlingly funny and sometimes really quite scary, it's a tautly plotted adventure that packs a surprising emotional punch.

Wed Wabbit has been short-listed for the Costa Award and has been chosen as Children's Book of the Week in four major British newspapers.

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PB JANUARY 2018 • B FORMAT
250pp • £10.99 / £7.99

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SHORTLISTED
FOR THE CILIP
CARNEGIE
AWARD



DRAGON DAUGHTER

LIZ FLANAGAN

Brilliantly exciting middle-grade fantasy adventure about friendship, family and power.

Servant girl Milla witnesses a murder and discovers four strange eggs. Dragon eggs!

Her world is then turned completely upside down as she finds herself living a secret life in the palace caring for a dragon alongside her former masters.

But with unrest and rioting in the town, and the return of an exiled people to the already overcrowded island of Arcosi, Milla starts to wonder if keeping the dragons a secret is really the right idea and what role her unknown past plays in it all. In fact, maybe the dragons are the only thing that

can bring all the warring factions together once and for all.

Friendship, family and hidden ancestry are woven together seamlessly in this exciting and beautifully realized world where dragons have a far more special role to play in the survival of the people than you can imagine.

'A thrilling fantasy quest . . . sure to lure fans of Christopher Paolini's *Eragon* and Rick Riordan's *The Bookseller*



FICTION • 8–12 • OCTOBER 2018 • HB
208 x 135mm • 360pp • £10.99

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EARTHSWARM

TIM HALL

A near-future extravaganza from Tim Hall. Filled with astonishing technology, high stakes and edge-of-your-seat peril.

Hal Strider's father works for a technology company that's developing drones for the military. But when Hal's father vanishes in mysterious circumstances, the drones' programming breaks down, and they start to target the ordinary people of London.

Using the latest flight technology developed by his father's company, the super-powered WING, Hal and his sister, Jess, have to escape London, try and stop the drones, and discover whether their father is the one responsible for them going wild.

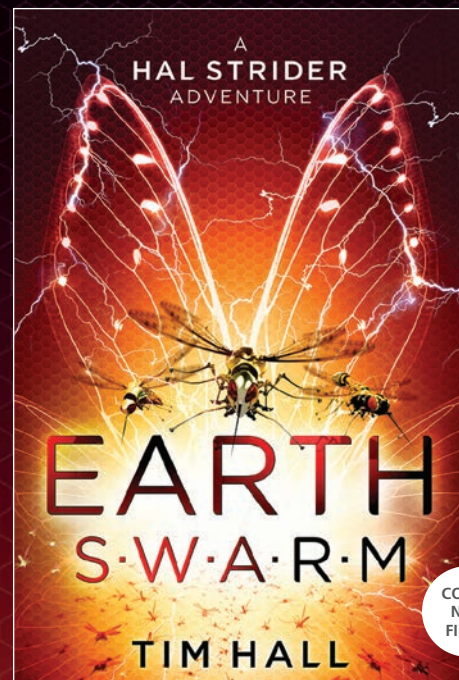
- ★ Fantastic adventure perfect for fans of Charlie Higson and Philip Reeve.



Praise for *Shadow of the Wolf* by Tim Hall:

'An original, savage, powerful and incredibly moving story . . . I am sure this novel will grip anyone who reads it' Jilly Cooper

'Mesmerising, don't miss it'
The Bookseller



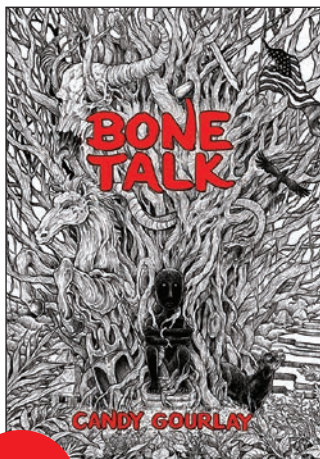
FICTION • 12+ • JULY 2019

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BONE TALK CANDY GOURLAY

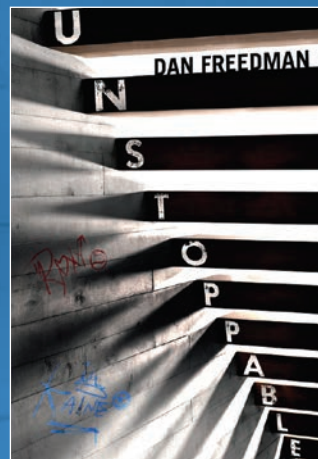
A coming-of-age story set at the end of the 19th century in a remote village in the Philippines. About growing up, discovering yourself and the impact of colonialism on native peoples and their lives.

'Shows us a moment of change, as two worlds meet . . . this adventure echoes Michelle Paver's bestselling *Chronicles of Ancient Darkness*, but also explores new territory' *Sunday Times* Children's Book of the Week

FICTION • 12+ • AUGUST 2018
HB • B FORMAT • 252pp • £10.99

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UNSTOPPABLE DAN FREEDMAN

Born twins. Born rivals.
Born to win.

How can you hang on to your dreams when everything is falling apart? A gripping reminder of just how unstoppable life can be.

A highly commercial and highly compulsive read from the internationally bestselling author of the *Jamie Johnson* books that have also been adapted for a hugely successful BBC television show.

Praise for the *Jamie Johnson* books:

'Pure joy' *The Times*

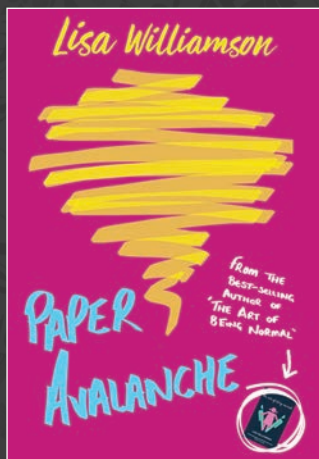
'You'll read this and want to get out there and play'
Steven Gerrard

FICTION • 12+ • FEBRUARY 2019
HB • 208 x 135mm • 320pp • £10.99

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BORN TO
WIN



Praise for *The Art of Being Normal* by Lisa Williamson:

'Impressive and affecting'
Guardian

FICTION • 12+ • JANUARY 2019
HB • 208 x 135mm • 384pp • £10.99

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Felicity Bryan Literary Agency

PAPER AVALANCHE LISA WILLIAMSON

A brand-new title from the bestselling YA author of *The Art of Being Normal* – winner of the Waterstones Best Older Fiction Children's Book Prize 2016 and shortlisted for The Branford Boase Award 2016 and YA Book Prize 2016.

Ro Snow is the girl no one notices – and that is exactly how she'd like things to stay. She doesn't have close friends, she doesn't go to parties and she certainly doesn't chase boys. All because Ro has a secret she can't let anyone discover – her mum is a hoarder.



MIKE ANDREW NORRISS

Whitbread Award-winner
Andrew Norriss returns with a beautiful and moving story for everyone who has ever felt like they're on the wrong path.

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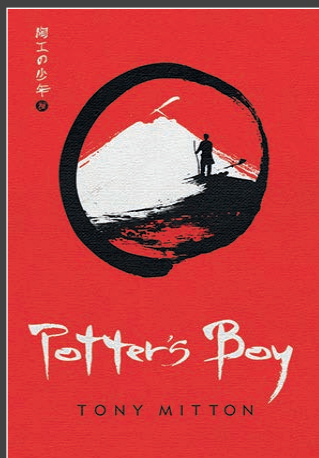
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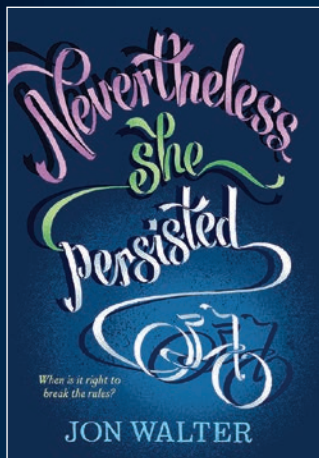
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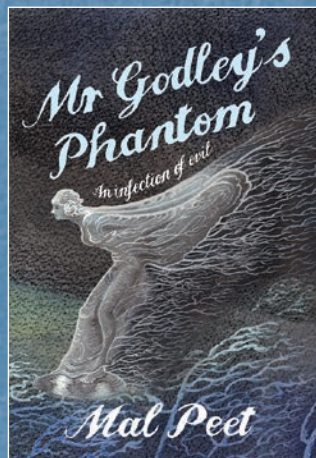
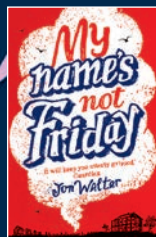
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