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PICTURE BOOKS NEW TITLES 2023



My Body, My Rules

Nicki Esler Gill & Dasha Riley

Have you been tickled or tackled before?
And then decided that you want no more?

You can tell others how they play with you
It's your body, so it's your rules too!

*A fun and empowering new picture book
introducing young readers to consent and
positive body boundaries.*



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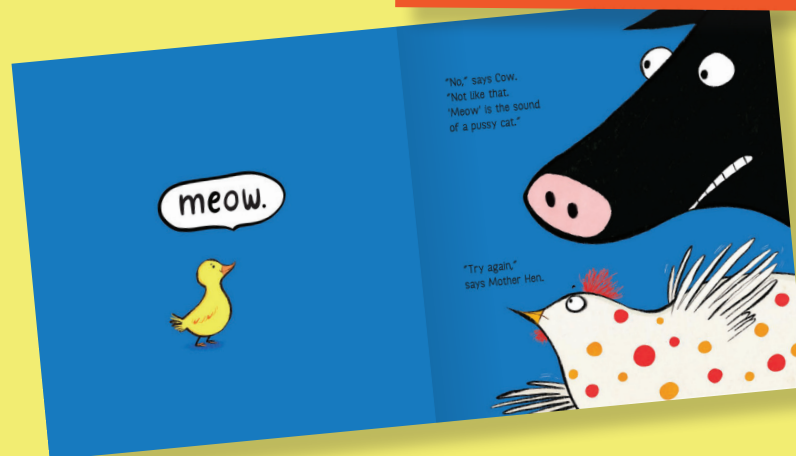
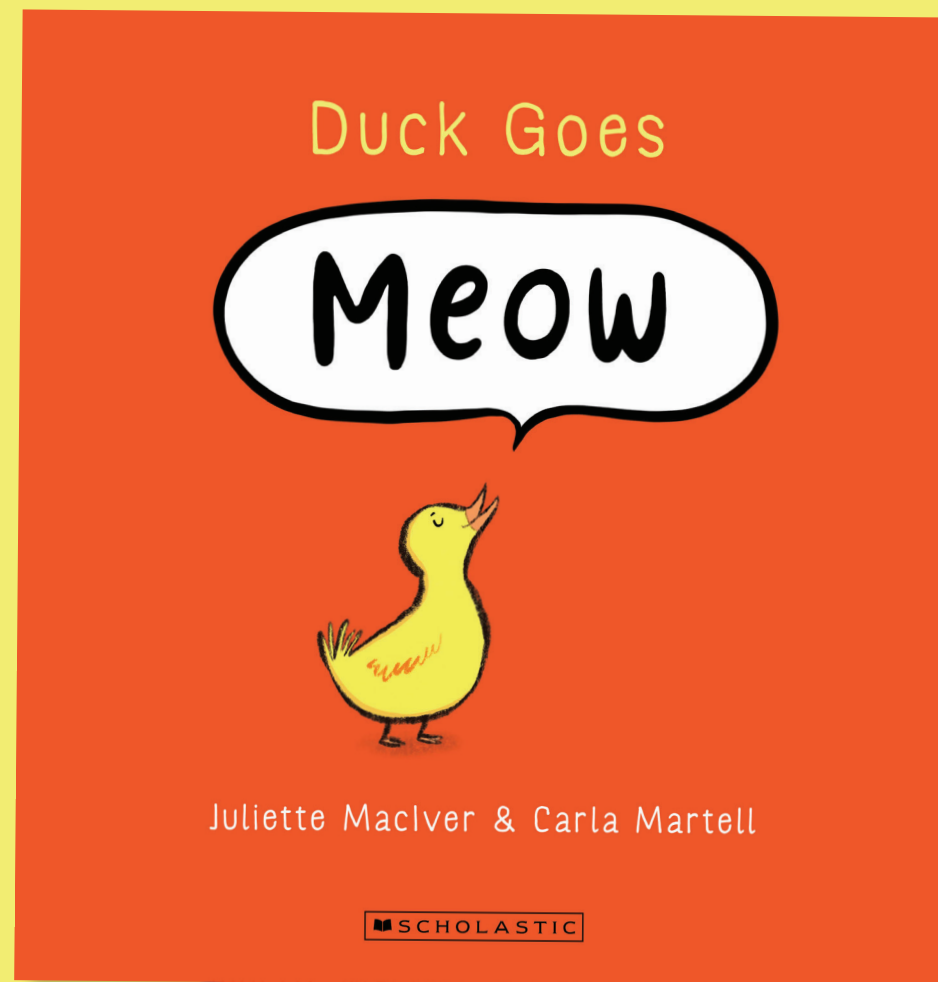


Duck Goes Meow

Juliette MacIver & Carla Martell

"Woof! says Dog. Moo! says Cow. Cluck! says Hen, and Duck Goes ... meow."

A little yellow duckling is amongst animal friends who are all sure of the sounds they make: hiss, neigh, moo, cheep, cluck and oink. But when Duck goes 'meow', the other animals say no, that is wrong, try again ... then Duck's mama arrives, and boy, do they get a surprise!



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Shortest Bedtime Story Ever

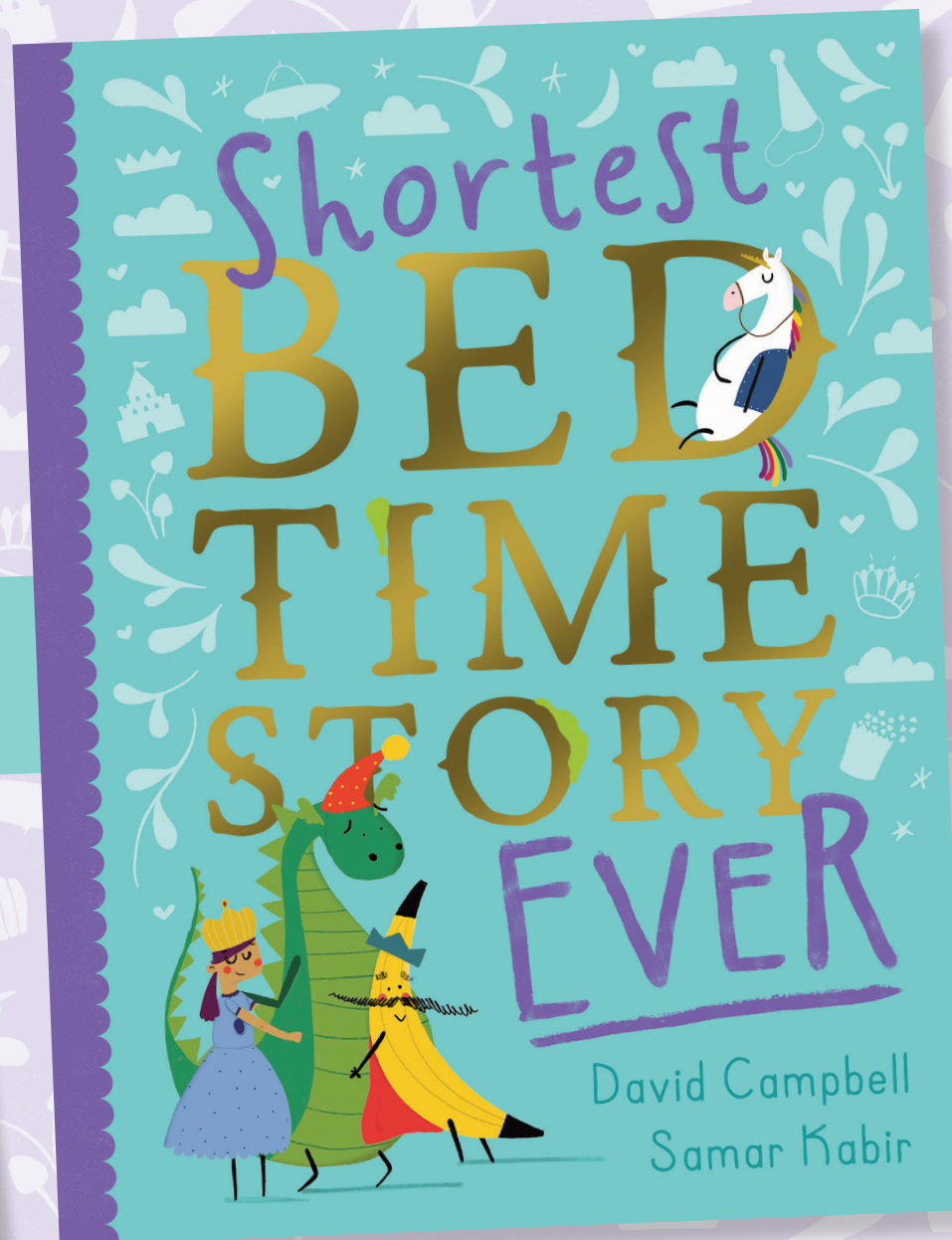
David Campbell & Samar Kabir

Once upon a time there was a Prince and a Princess, and they lived happily ever after. THE END.

This is the shortest bedtime story EVER. Seriously. As long as there are NO interruptions—like sneezy dragons, or alien goo, and especially NOT monkeys with lasers on their heads—this story will be all finished, just in time for bed. Sounds perfect . . . right?



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The Swaddledok

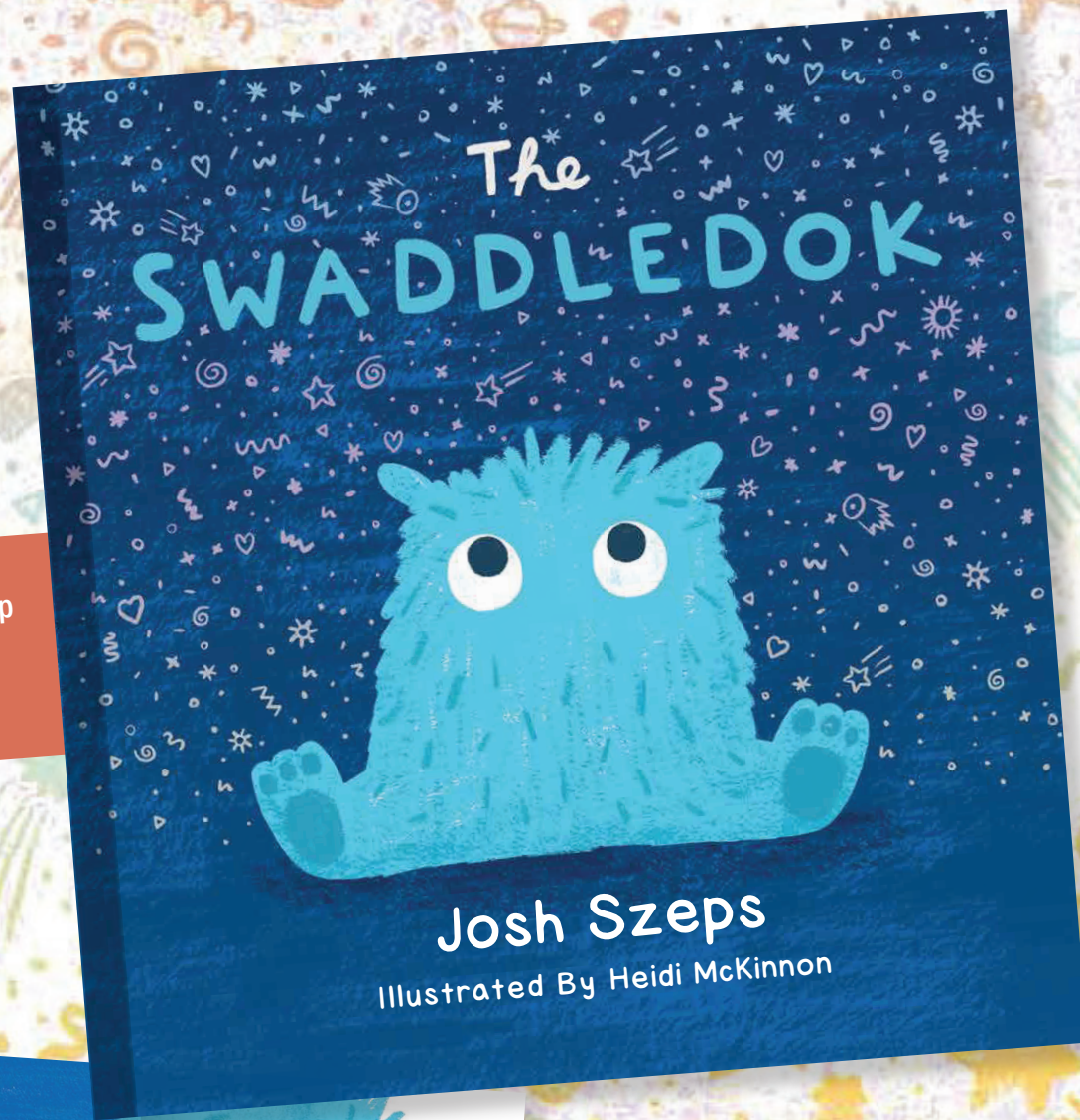
Josh Szeps and Heidi McKinnon

The swaddledok was tiny and cute when Stella got it. She'd wished for one for so long, and now it was here...

Can Stella look after her swaddledok?

Or is this going to be the worst decision she's ever made?

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The swaddledok was tiny and cute
when Stella got it.

She'd wished for one for so long
(who doesn't want a swaddledok?),
and now it was here.





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Sebastian Stands Out

Rory H. Mather & Sofya Karmazina

Sebastian chameleon is always being squished, squashed and stepped on because he blends in. After the gazillionth time, he has had enough! Can Sebastian change his chameleon ways and finally stand out?



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The Book That Grown-Ups Get Wrong

Rove McManus

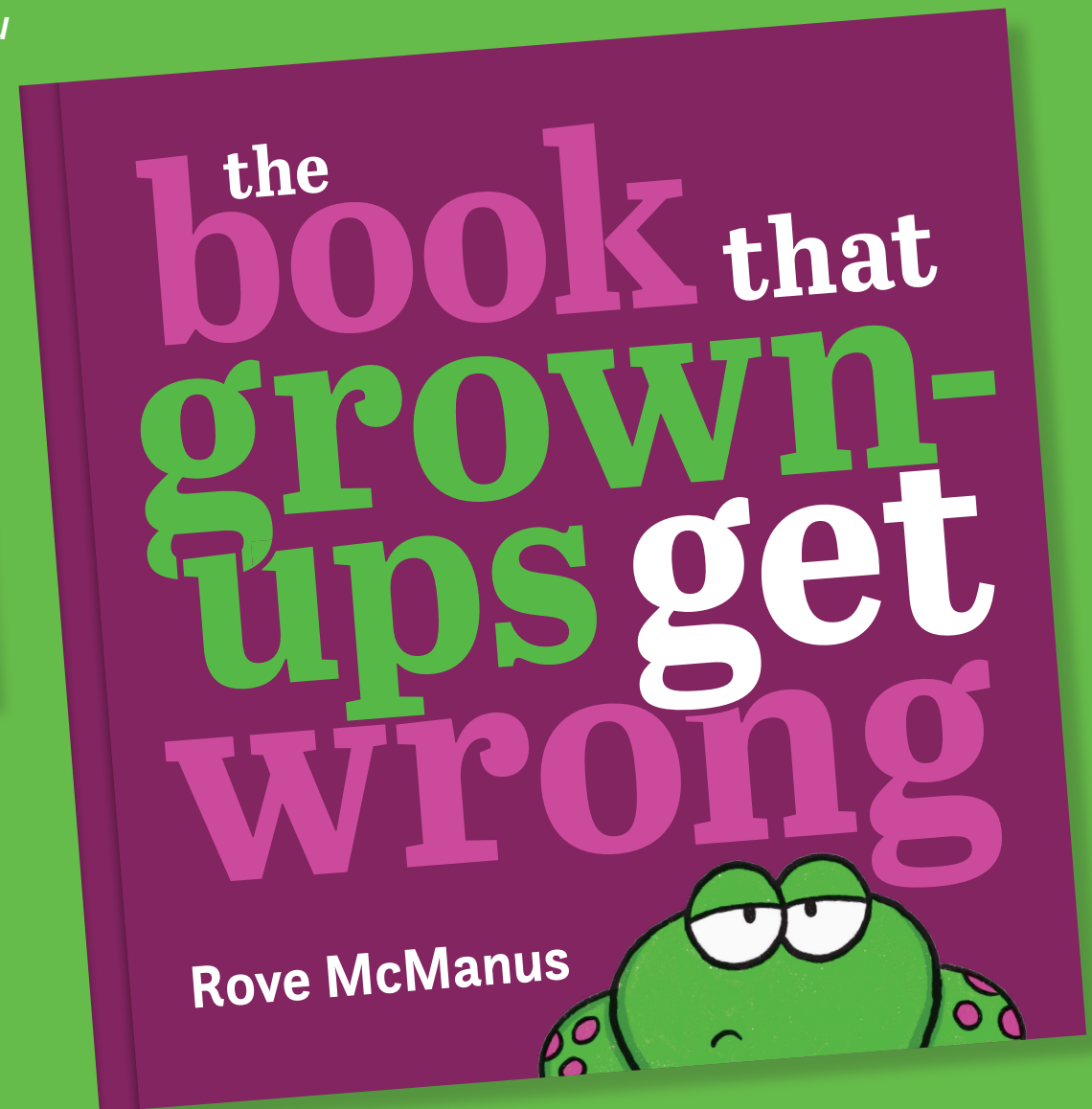
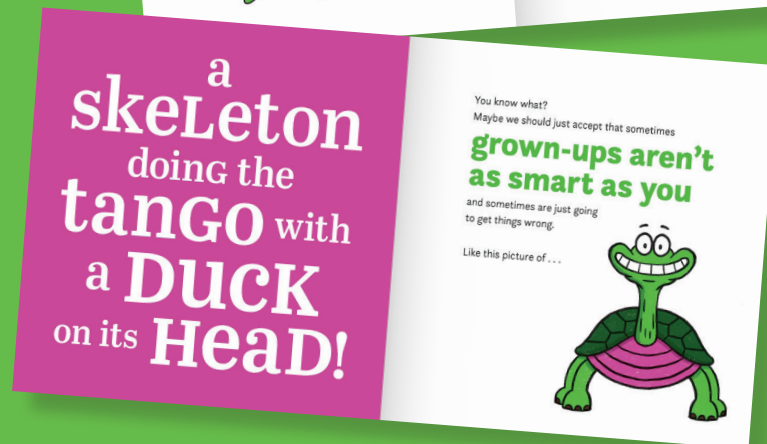
This is the book that grown-ups get wrong.

Which is awkward because there is one reading it to you right now, isn't there?

I know it's all going well so far, but trust me.

They always, always get it wrong eventually.

Watch . . .





BAA BLACK BELT

GAVIN AUNG THAN

COVER NOT FINAL

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Baa Baa Black Belt

Gavin Aung Than

Baa Baa Black Belt is the coolest sheep on the farm (well, that's what he thinks). Can he show all the other animals his epic skills?



Going to Big School

Laura Sieveking & Danielle McDonald

'My name is Ava. Today I am going to big school!
I am EXCITED.'

'My name is Jack. Today I am going to big
school! I feel a bit NERVOUS.'

Everyone feels differently on their first day of
BIG SCHOOL. And that's OK! Join Jack and Ava
as they play, sing, draw and make new friends.



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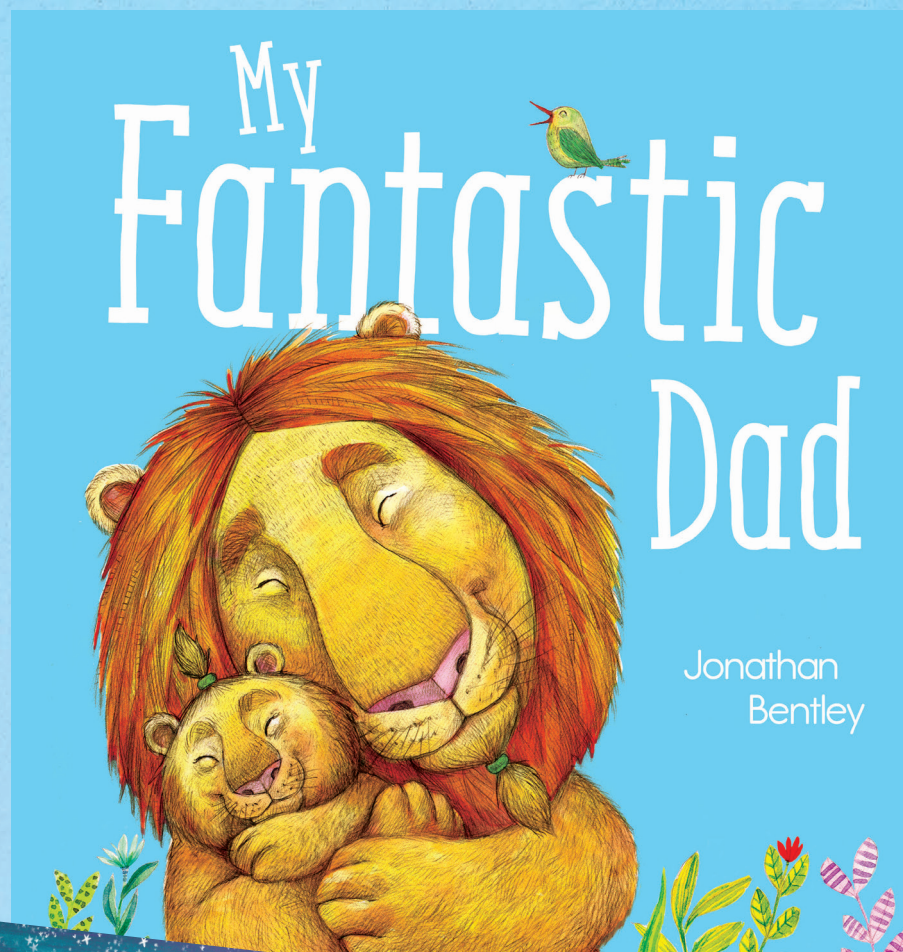
My Fantastic Dad

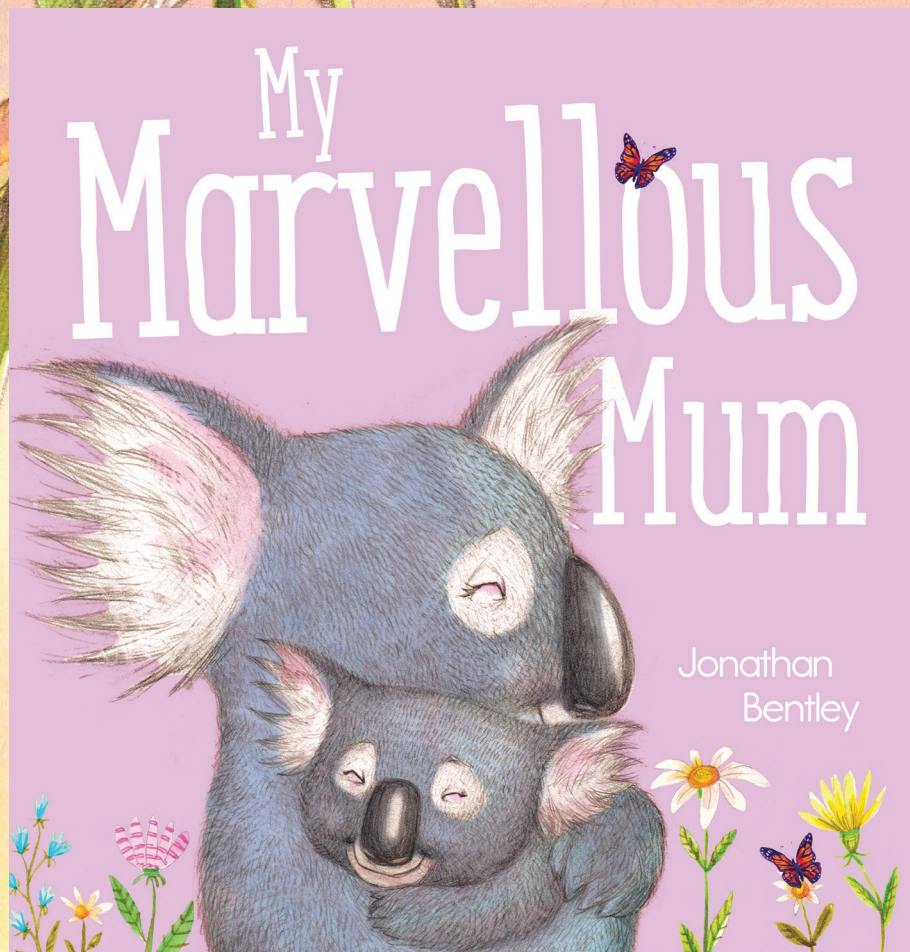
Jonathan Bentley

F is for my Fantastic Dad.

Let's spell out why . . .

A fun book exploring all the ways
in which dads are FANTASTIC.





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My Marvellous Mum

Jonathan Bentley

M is for my Marvellous Mum.

Let's spell out why . . .

A beautiful book exploring all the way
 in which mums are MARVELLOUS.



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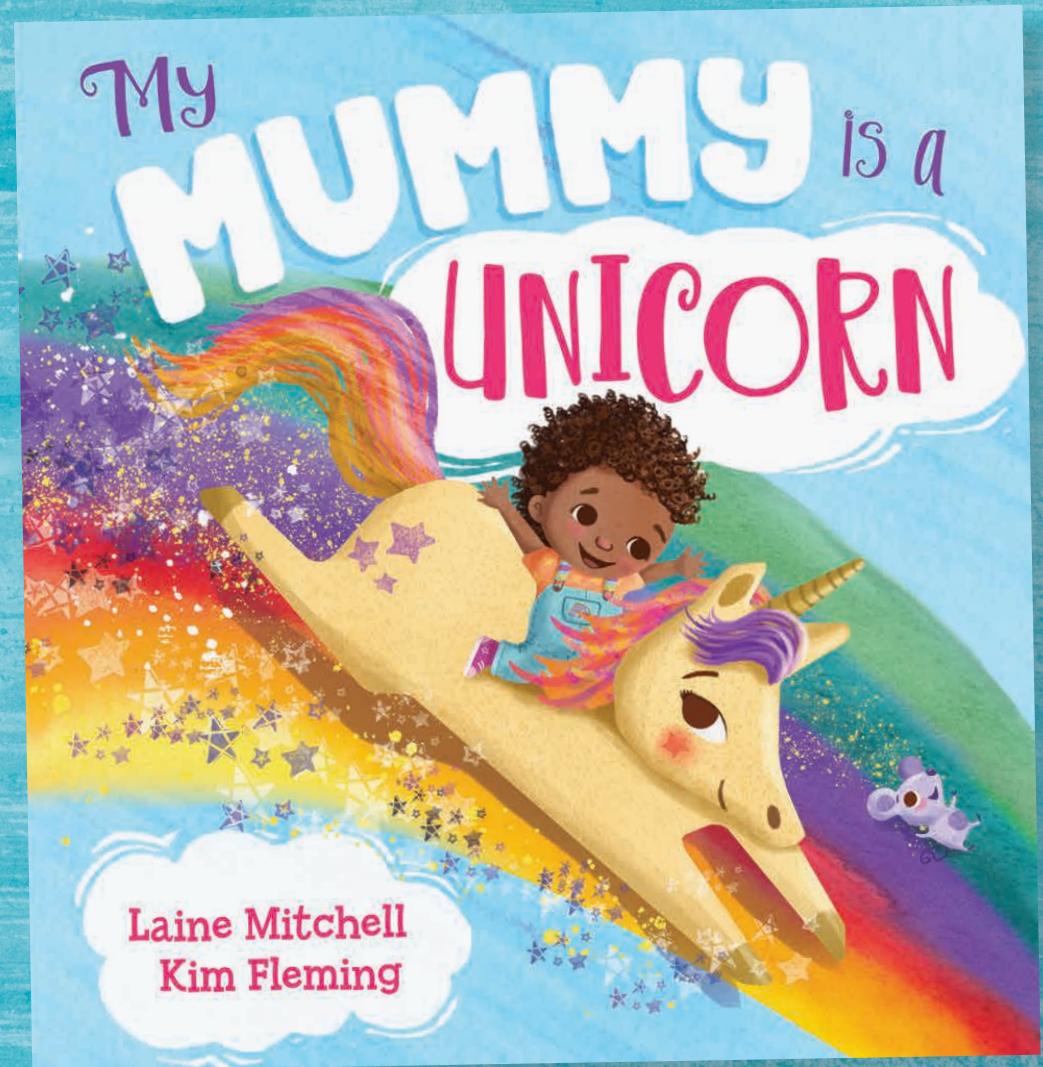
My Mummy Is a Unicorn

Laine Mitchell & Kim Fleming

My mummy is a unicorn!

She makes magic every day
when she takes me on a rainbow road
to school, and then we play.

Join in the fun as mother and child use their
imaginations to create a magical day full of
fantastical adventures.



The Day the Moon Came to Stay

Gary Eck & Nick O'Sullivan

When a friend is sad, you do everything you can to cheer them up, but what if that friend is the moon?

When Billy looks out his window one night, he decides to invite the moon to stay. But the moon doesn't realise the effect it has on Earth and coming to stay might turn things topsy-turvy.



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Storm

Jane Bunn & Dasha Riley

When a dark, menacing storm rumbles over Jane's house, she has lots of questions . . .

Where do storms come from?

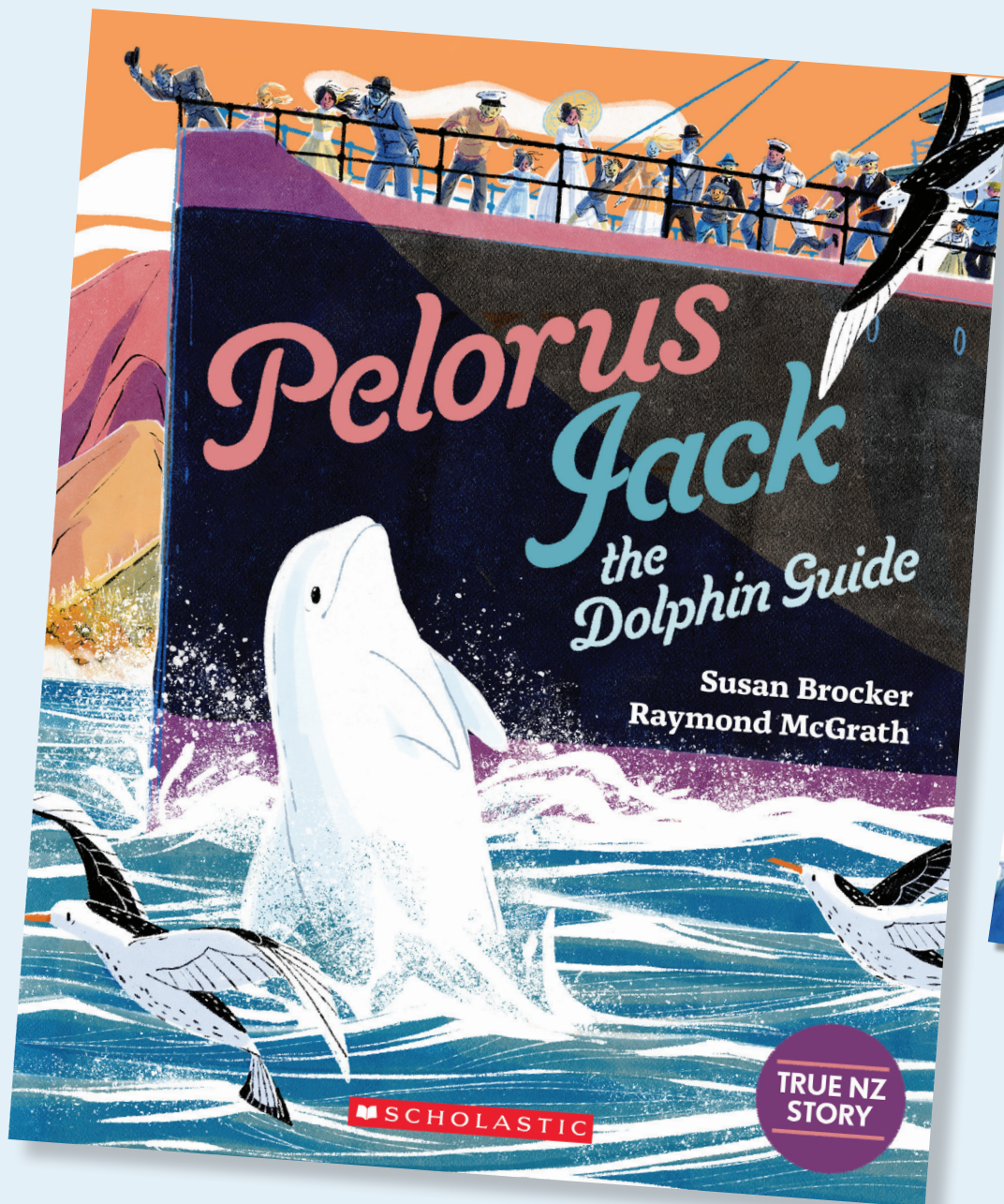
What causes lightning?

How does hail form?

And most importantly, how do we stay safe?

Discover all the wild-weather answers you need to know in this imaginative and informative story from weather presenter and meteorologist Jane Bunn.





Pelorus Jack the Dolphin Guide

Susan Brocker & Raymond McGrath

Inspired by the TRUE tale of Pelorus Jack, a rare white Risso's dolphin who delighted passengers over 100 years ago as he guided steamships through the rough waters of French Pass to the calm waters of the Marlborough Sounds in New Zealand. Passengers from around the world, even royalty, came to see him and it is believed he became the first sea creature to be protected by law in any country.



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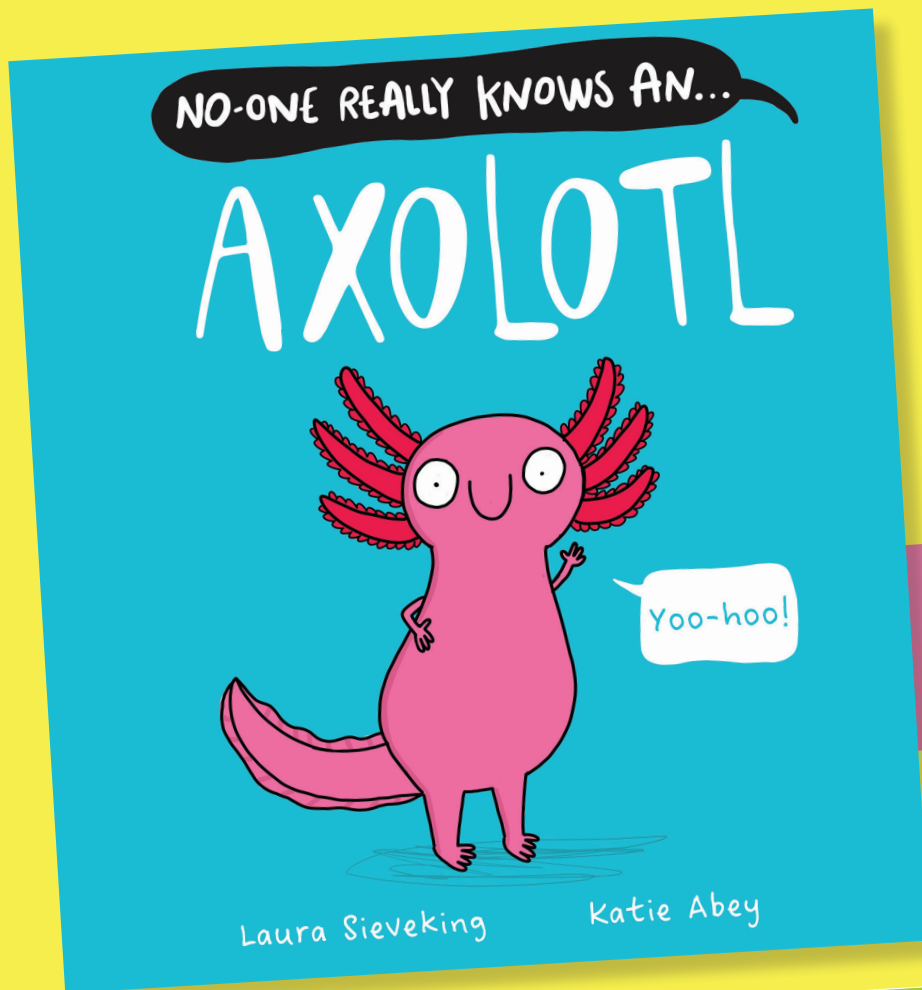
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Book 2: October 2023
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Louis Shea
Noodle
the CAVOODLE



Noodle the Cavoodle
Louis Shea

Noodle the Cavoodle is the smartest pup in town. But can she figure out a way to get all her friends playing together happily?



No-one Really Knows an Axolotl

Laura Sieveking & Katie Abey

Axolotl

Snacksolotl

Groovy jazzy sax-olotl...

If you think you know axolotls, then think again!

A quirky book about axolotls, like you've never seen them before!

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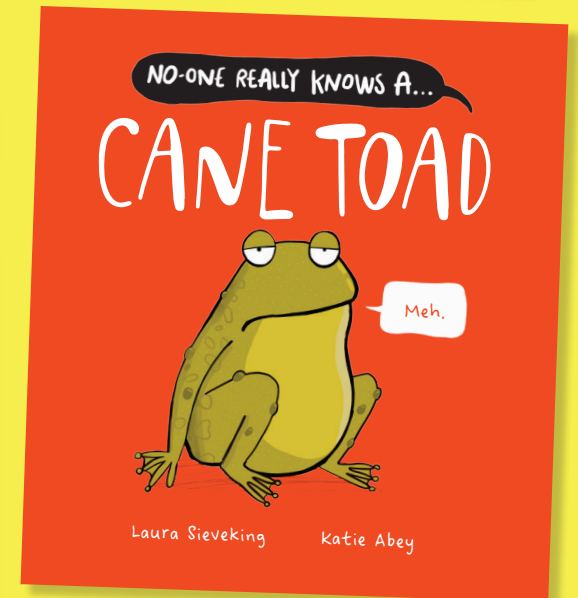
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ANIMALS...

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No-one Really Knows a Cane Toad

Laura Sieveking & Katie Abey

Cane toad

Brain toad

Riding on a train toad...

If you think you know cane toads, then think again!

A hilarious book about cane toads, like you've never seen them before!

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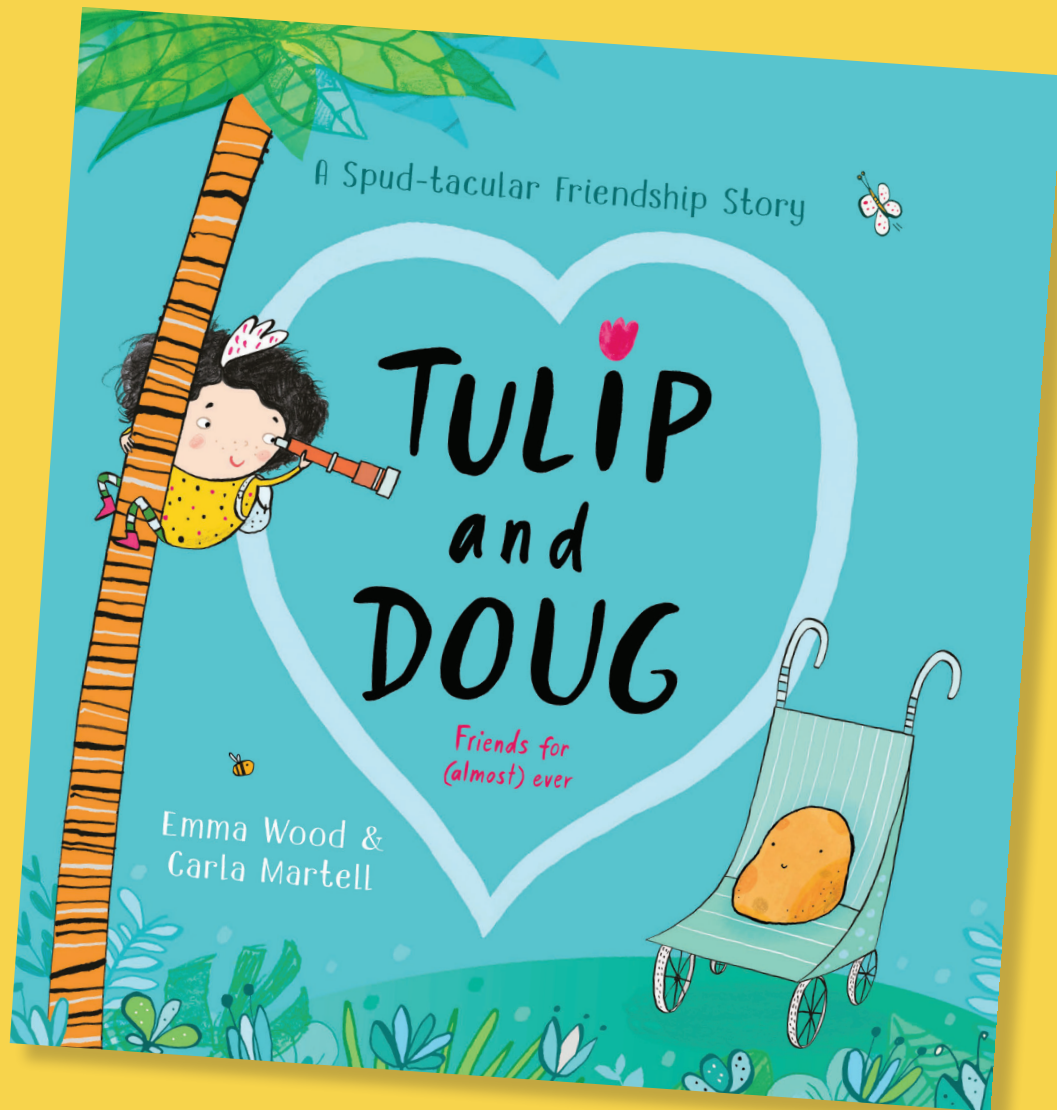
Blueberry Farm

Stephen Michael King

Welcome to Blueberry Farm. The sun is shining, and the trees are filled with song. It's going to be another beautiful day. From the award-winning author and illustrator who brought you Three, Rainbow Bear and Koala Ark.



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Tulip and Doug: Friends for (almost) ever

Emma Wood & Carla Martell

Tulip was famous in her neighbourhood for two reasons: 1. She was a fearless adventurer. 2. She went everywhere with a seriously strange sidekick—a potato, called Doug! Tulip and Doug are inseparable, until catastrophe strikes and Tulip loses her best spuddy buddy. She is inconsolable, until she makes a new friend. A boy. With a pet rock... called Susan.

Tulip and Sprout: Another SPUD-tacular Friendship Adventure

Emma Wood & Carla Martell

Tulip, Max and Susan loved creating coded messages, unearthing precious treasures and practising their hide-and-seek skills on Tunnel Mountain. When Max and Susan head away on holiday, Tulip and her dad go on an expedition to the jungle with her Dad, what will she discover ... could it be her lost friend Doug?

A sequel to Tulip and Doug: Friends for (almost) ever.



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E Oma, Rāpeti / Run, Rabbit:

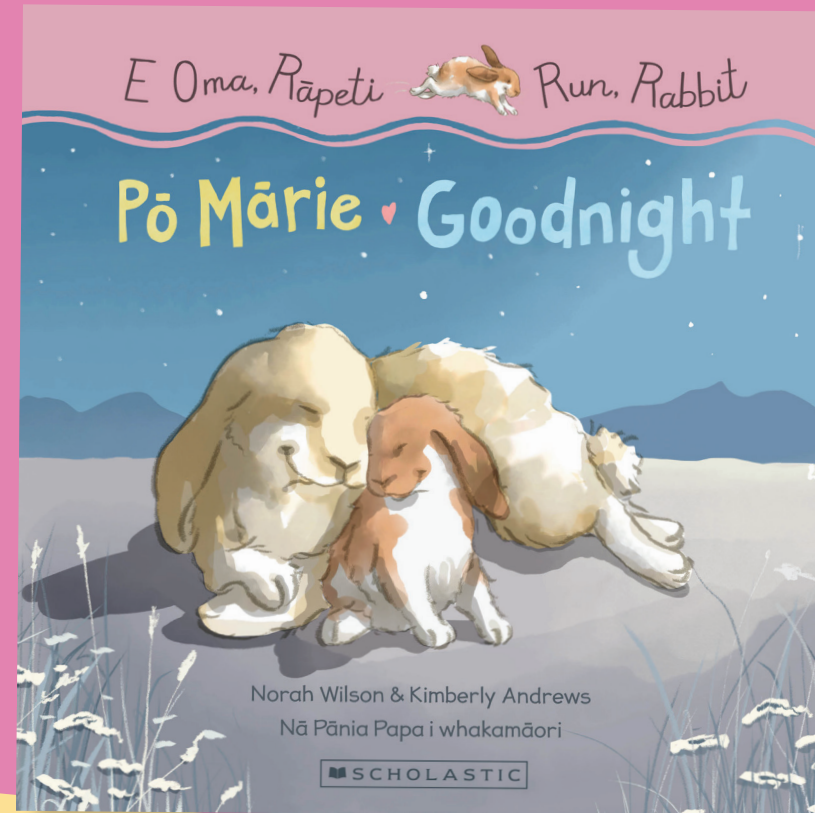
Pō Mārie / Goodnight

Te Wā Tākaro / Playtime

Te Rēhi / The Race

Norah Wilson & Kimberly Andrews;
Māori words by Pānia Papa

An adorable series of bilingual books that follow the adventures of a playful and determined young rabbit as he learns and plays with his friends, races with his friends and says goodnight to his friends. Simple text, easily translated for bilingual editions, and universal themes, accompanied by delightful illustrations that will appeal to children no matter where in the world they are.



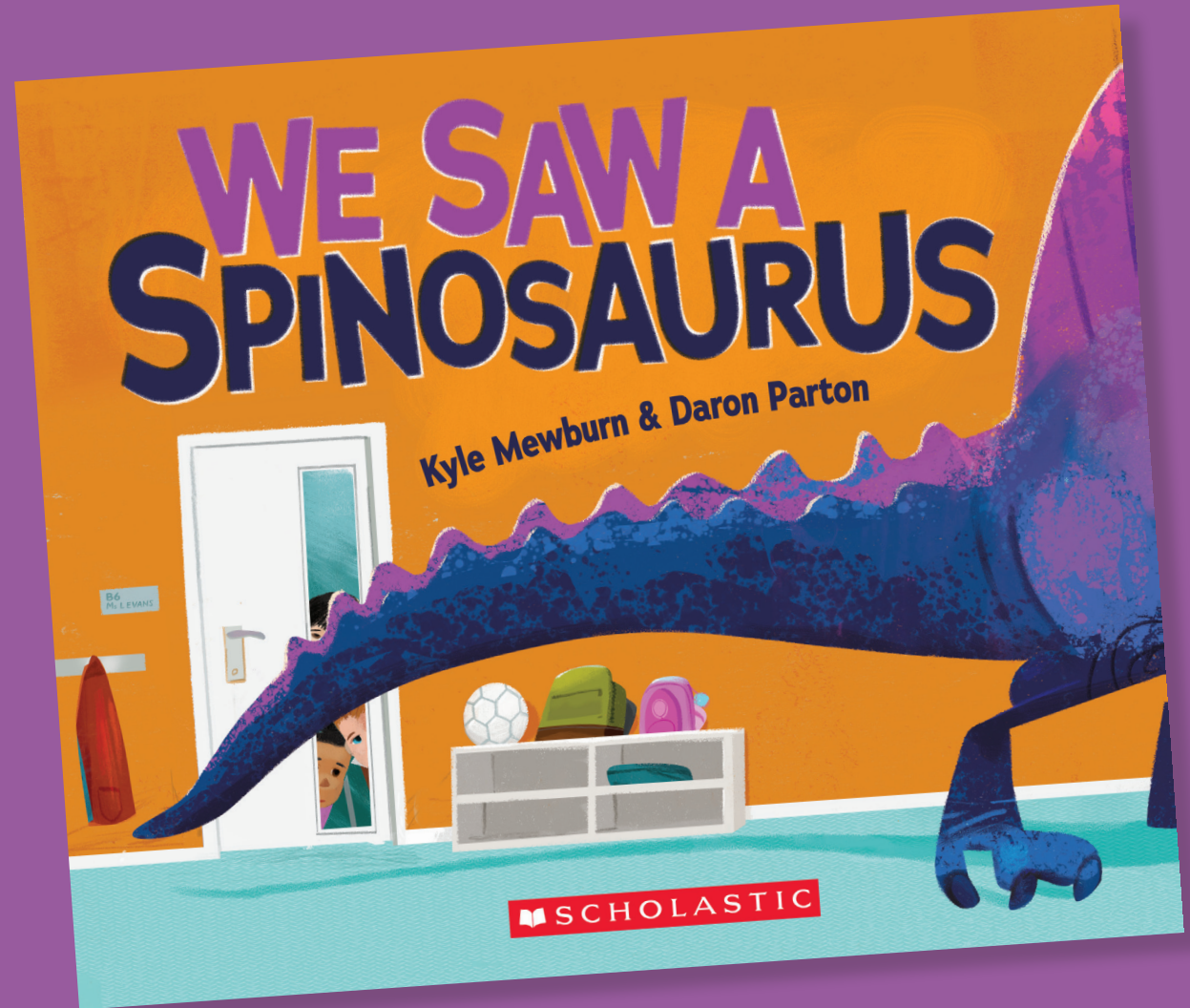
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We Saw a Spinosaurus

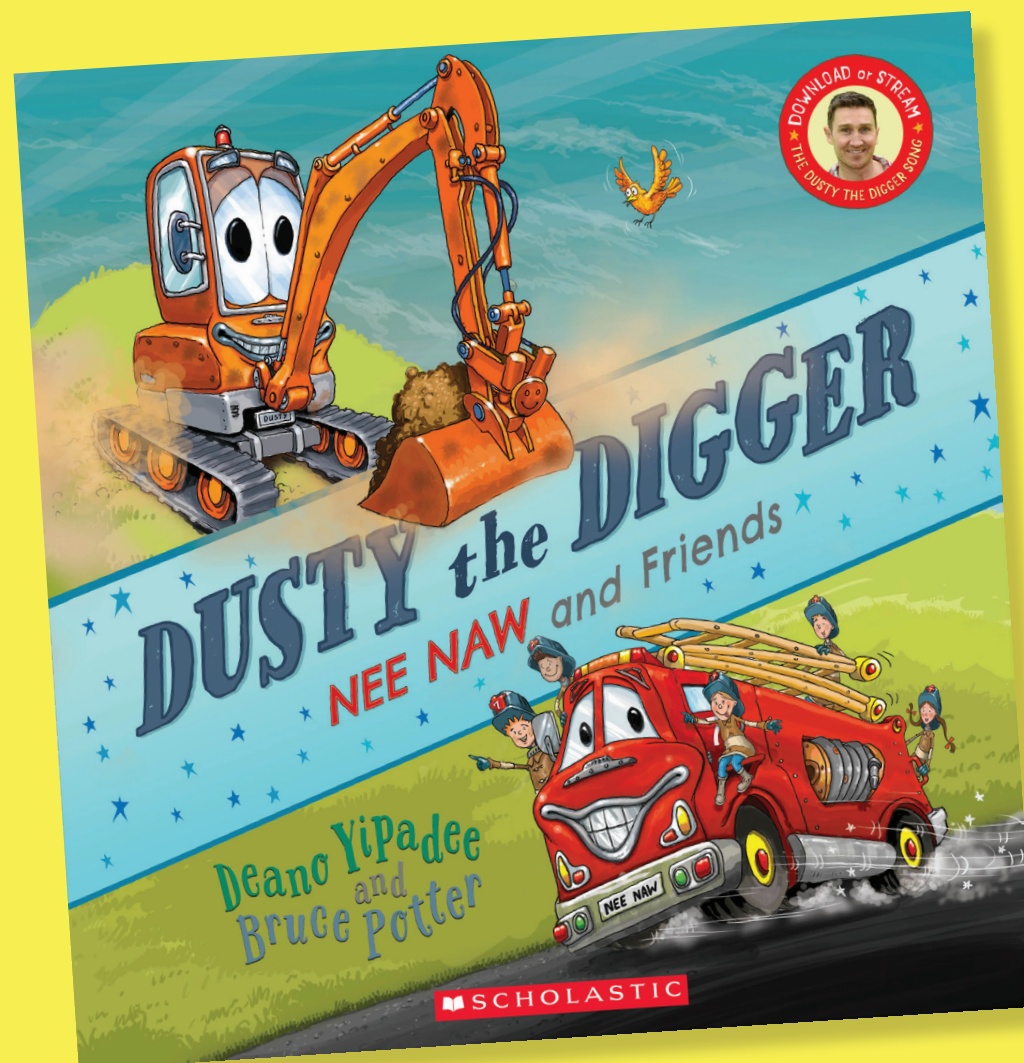
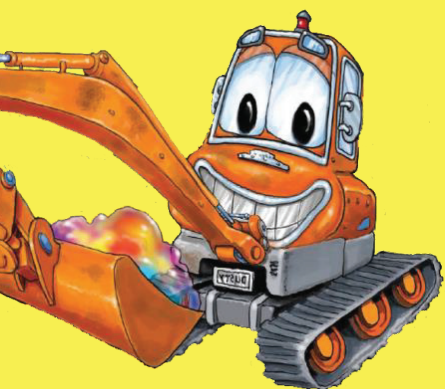
Kyle Mewburn & Daron Parton

*"We were trying not to snorus (sometimes school is such a borus),
when we heard a growling chorus floating
down the corridorus."*

Three children spy a dinosaur walking
through the school ... followed by another ...
and another ... and another! They decide to
follow them – and what a surprise they find!



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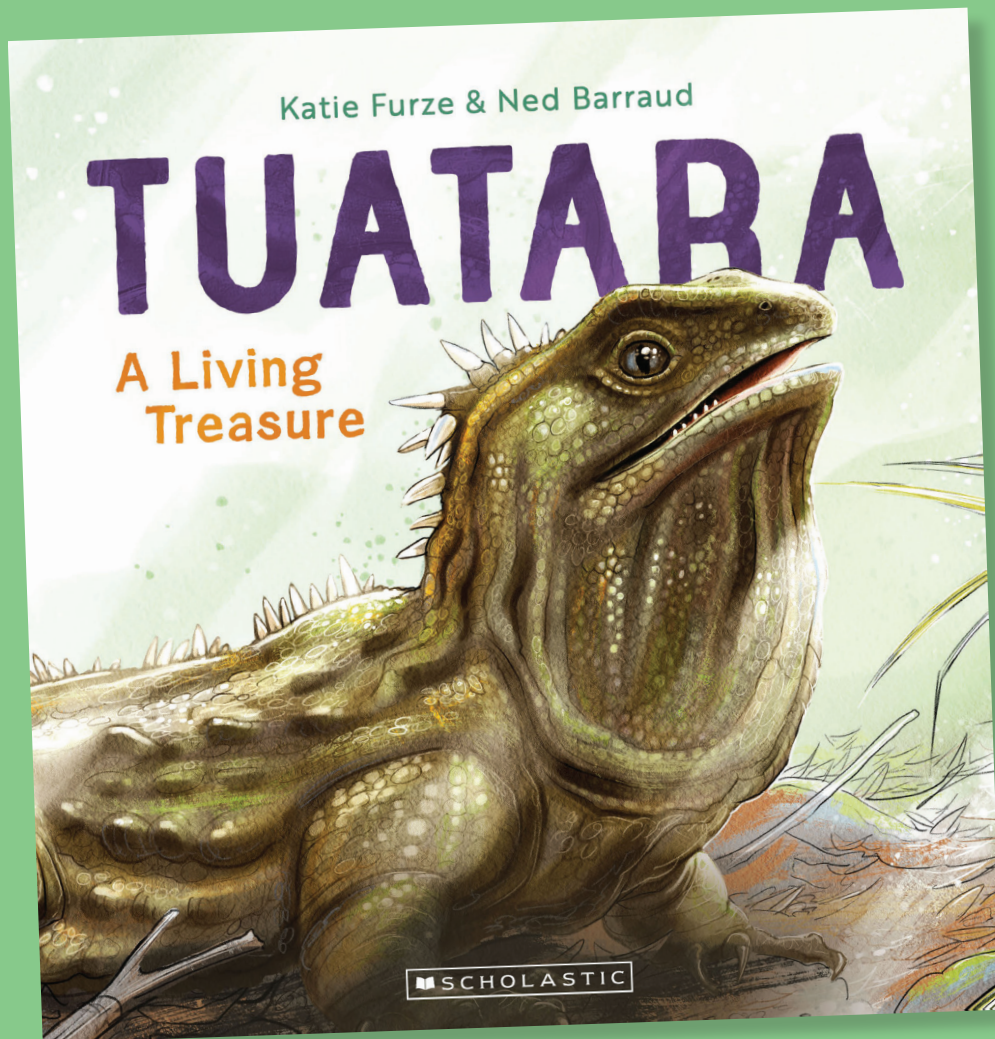


Dusty the Digger: Nee Naw and Friends

Deano Yipadee & Bruce Potter

Based on the Nee Naw and Friends characters by Paul Beavis. Singer-songwriter Deano Yipadee has produced yet another toe-tapping sing-along, this time about Nee Naw's friend, Dusty the Digger. When goats Plinky and Plonky snatch buckets of jelly powder and fall into a swimming pool, they soon become stuck in jiggly, wobbly jelly. When Nee Naw's ladder can't reach them and Grandma's spoon can't scoop jelly out of the pool fast enough, Dusty the Digger takes action and saves the day.

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Tuatara, a Living Treasure

Katie Furze & Ned Barraud

Written in lively narrative format, this beautifully illustrated nonfiction picture book follows the life cycle of a one-of-a-kind animal. Unique to New Zealand, the tuatara's closest relatives are an extinct group of reptiles that existed around at the time of dinosaurs, around 65 million years ago. This is why some refer to the tuatara as a "living treasure."



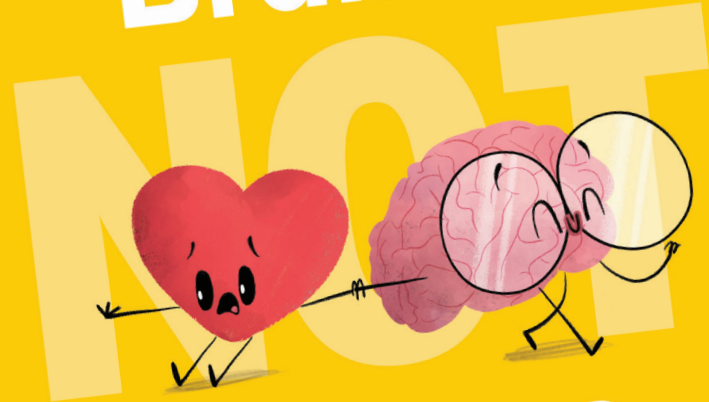
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Brain is



Always Right

SCOTT STUART

Brain Is (Not) Always Right

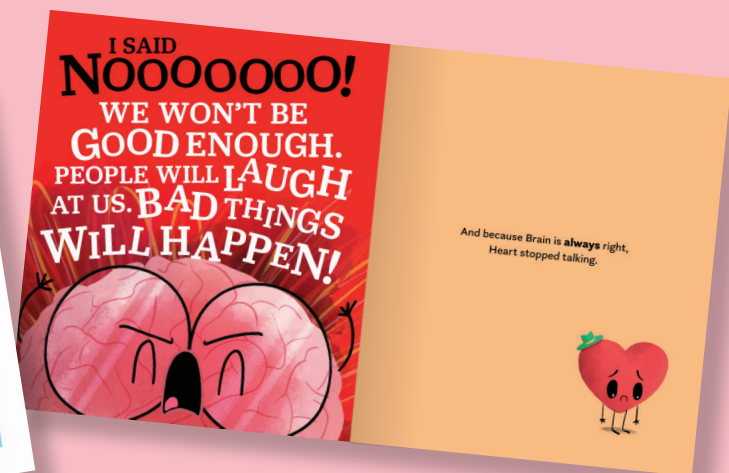
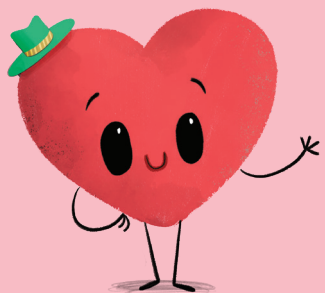
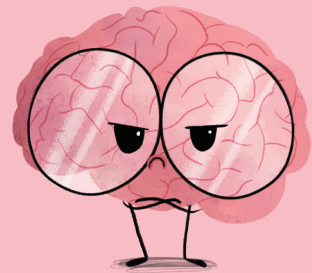
Scott Stuart

*Heart loves puppies, and chocolate, and
rollercoasters, and dancing along to music.*

*Brain does not. Brain likes lists, and broccoli,
and safety rails, and wearing sensible clothing.*

But, most of all, Brain likes always being right.

A thoughtful and heart-warming story about
being true to yourself, by best-selling picture-book
creator, Scott Stuart.



The Speedy Sloth

Rebecca Young & Heath McKenzie

*It was finally time for the event of the year,
Spike couldn't believe it—THE GREAT RACE was here!
The other sloths said it couldn't be done,
but Spike didn't care, she was ready to run!*

From award-winning creators Rebecca Young
and Heath McKenzie, comes this inspiring story
to celebrate all winners . . . especially those
who don't come first.



The others looked fit,
the others looked quicker,
they looked at the sloth
and tried not to snicker.

The racers lined up . . .



A moonwalking MEERKAT.

a CHIMP who loves flipping.

a burrowing MOLE.

a GIRAFFE prone
to tripping . . .

An old ARMADILLO,

a daydreaming COUGAR

and an
ELEPHANT

riding a
broken-down
scooter!





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To Greenland!

Pip Smith & Beau Wylie

Would you like to visit the land of your dreams?

Where hats can be boats, and eels sell ice-cream?

Will Llewyn and Ellie find their way through the grey to the wonderful, colourful Greenland?

