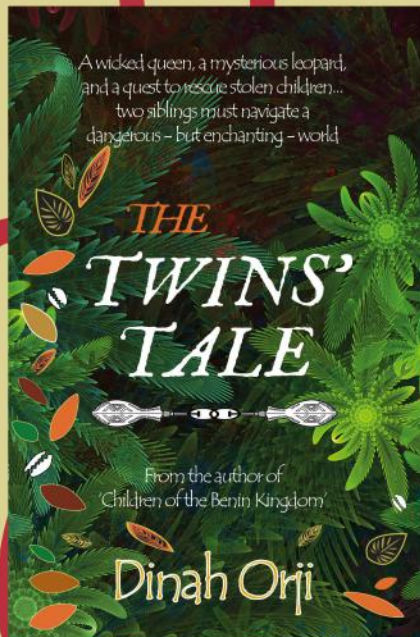
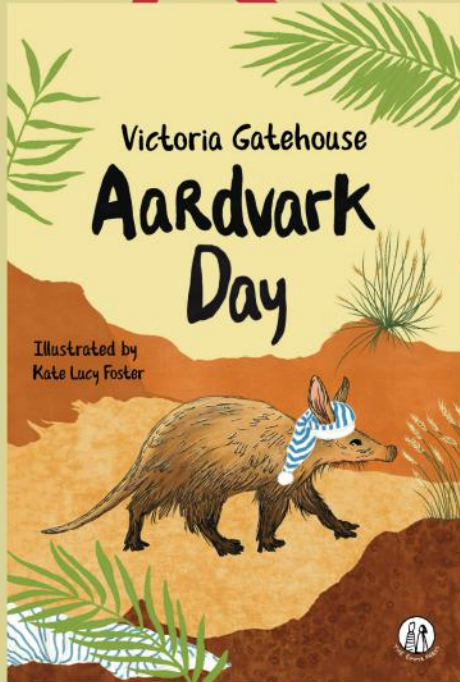


2026 Children's Catalogue



My Mummies Built a Treehouse

Gareth Peter, illustrated by Izzy Evans

A young boy builds his dream treehouse with the help of his two mummies



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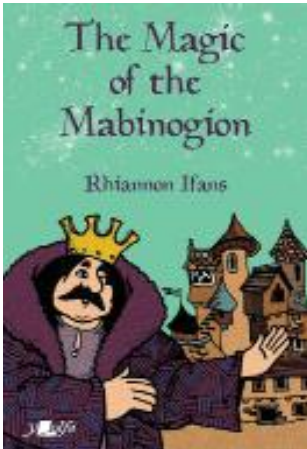
When one boy sets out to build the treehouse of his dreams, there's so much to consider – from finding the perfect tree to drawing up the plans. There are certainly challenges along the way, and a lot of spilt paint! But one thing is for sure – he won't go far wrong with his two mummies to support him.



The Magic of the Mabinogion

Rhiannon Ifans, illustrated by Helen Holmes

A wonderful introduction to these magical stories for readers of any age.



Y Lolfa
ISBN: 9781800997783
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Pub date: 13/03/2026
Format: Paperback
Pages: 128

The Mabinogion are the world-famous medieval tales of Wales - a rich tapestry of myth, magic, and adventure that has captivated readers across Europe for centuries. In this beautifully crafted volume, **Dr Rhiannon Ifans** - a leading Celtic scholar - retells key episodes from each of the original stories, bringing their wonder and mystery vividly to life.

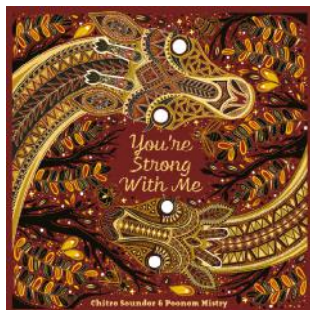
Delightfully complemented by the witty and whimsical illustrations of Welsh artist Helen Holmes, *The Magic of the Mabinogion* offers an enchanting introduction to these timeless legends - perfect for readers of all ages.

You're Strong With Me

Chitra Soundar, illustrated by Poonam Mistry

A heart-warming tale of parental love full of reassurance for young children.

The rain clouds are long gone and the dry season scorches the land. Everything is new for the baby giraffe. As she bounds ahead and lags behind, her mother patiently explains the ways of the grasslands. And until she grows a little taller, older and wiser, her mother reminds her: "You're strong with me."



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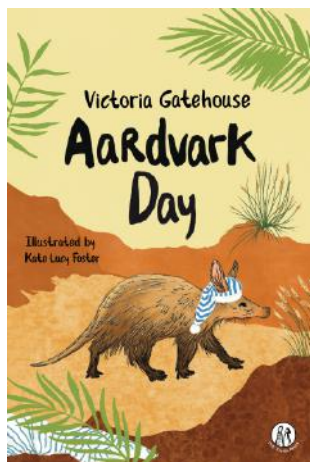


Aardvark Day

Victoria Gatehouse, illustrated by Kate Lucy Foster

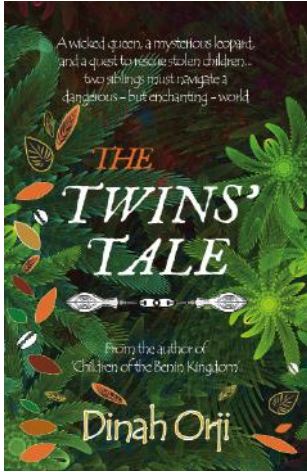
A fun and fact-filled poetry book from a former zoologist!

What can we learn from dragonflies, aardvarks, elephants, weeds and peat? Take a stroll through the natural world with **Victoria Gatehouse** and let's find out together. From frogs with superpowers to otters with pockets, *Aardvark Day* is full of poems that shine a light on the fascinating lives of creatures and wildlife – and it's all true!



The Emma Press
ISBN: 9781915628572
RRP: £9.99
Pub date: 14/05/2026
Format: Paperback
Pages: 80

As a zoologist and nature lover, Gatehouse shares her passion for quirky creatures and fascinating plants in her debut children's collection. Beautifully illustrated with organic-feeling, lively line drawings by **Kate Lucy Foster**, and accompanied by factual notes alongside the poems and poem-writing prompts at the end for budding writers.



Dinosaur Books
ISBN: 9781999336301
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Format: Paperback
Pages: 124

The Twins' Tale

Dinah Orji

Following on from the bestselling *Children of the Benin Kingdom*.

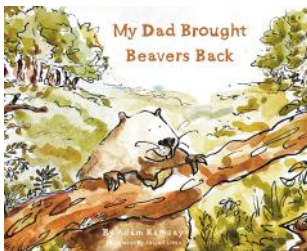
Ada and Nosa are twins, living in the 12th century Kingdom of Benin. The siblings were separated at birth and only reunited after spending 12 years apart – that story is told in *Children of the Benin Kingdom*.

Now they are about to embark on another thrilling adventure, journeying once again through the West African landscape and into the rainforest to escape their enemies: those who wish to rule the kingdom unlawfully. Ada and Nosa must rely on each other – and appeal to the ancient power of the leopard – to find safety.

My Dad Brought Beavers Back

Adam Ramsay

A picture book for 3-6 years old about nature and conservation. Based on the author's personal story, as told to his children.



Scotland Street Press
ISBN: 9781917881067
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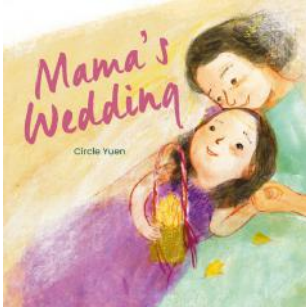
My Dad Brought Beavers Back gives a rhyming account of the true story about how Adam's parents, Paul and Louise Ramsay, reintroduced beavers to the Bamff estate in Perthshire - and played a wider role in their return across the UK; and explains for young audiences how beavers help restore wetland ecosystems.

Ramsay is an investigative and campaigning journalist whose work has covered dark money and the constitutional crisis as well as environmental issues. His (adult) book, *Abolish Westminster* is due to be published by Faber and Faber, also in 2026.

Mama's Wedding

Circle Yuen

A tender, emotionally rich story about blended families and the quiet bravery it takes to grow into something new together.



Lantana Publishing
ISBN: 9781836290476
RRP: £12.99
Pub date: 03/09/2026
Format: Hardback
Pages: 32

Mama's Wedding is a tender, beautifully layered picture book about big changes, blended families, and the quiet courage it takes to embrace something new. When Ruby and her little sister Cindy are asked to be Mama's flower girls, Cindy is thrilled - but Ruby isn't so sure. As the day unfolds, Ruby wrestles with questions about love, family, and where she belongs. With gentle support from Granny, Daddy Daniel, and Mama's new husband, Alex, Ruby begins to understand that love doesn't disappear - it changes and grows. A heartfelt read for families navigating transitions, filled with empathy, hope, and the magic of new beginnings.

Flyaway Boy

Jane De Suza

A missing boy sparks a quiet revolution in his hometown.



Lantana Publishing
ISBN: 9781836290360
RRP: £8.99
Pub date: 16/07/2026
Format: Paperback
Pages: 192

In a quiet hill town full of order and straight lines, Kabir struggles to fit in. At school, he's too different. At home, he's misunderstood. One day, overwhelmed and unseen, Kabir disappears, leaving his community in panic and confusion. As the search unfolds, so does a deeper story: one of a boy trying to be himself in a world that won't listen.

Told with a lot of humour, heart, and empathy, *Flyaway Boy* is a powerful celebration of individuality and imagination. This uplifting novel highlights how important it is to truly see, hear, and support the children in our lives instead of boxing them in with adult expectations.

What Makes a Family: Celebrating the Filipino Day of the Dead

Eric Ruiz Roxas, illustrated by Aldy Aguirre

A brother and sister find that there's no one-size-fits-all when it comes to families.



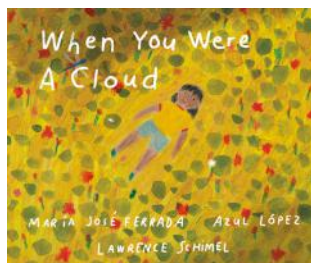
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Format: Hardback
Pages: 32

It is Undas, the Filipino Day of the Dead – a day when families visit the cemetery and gather around their dead loved ones' tombs. It is a day not of mourning but of celebration – a day in which stories are shared and lives remembered. Today, Pedrito and Pipay will encounter families of all shapes and sizes, all united in their desire to honor their loved ones. As the siblings trace their route through the cemetery, they will learn that families aren't defined by their size, wealth, gender or distance from one another, but by the love they share – a love that echoes like prayers, burns like candles, and blooms like flowers in life and beyond. An exquisitely-illustrated story of family love within a diverse and inclusive community where life and hope continue, despite the sadness of loss.

When You Were A Cloud

María José Ferrada; illustrated by Azul López;
translated by Lawrence Schimel

Philosophical, playful poems about nature and language.



The Emma Press
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Pages: 44

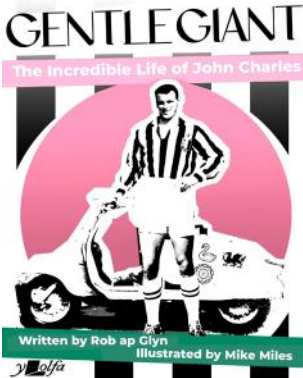
Everyday life mixes with the magical in this enchanting collection of poems. A tiny horse gallops across the table. The moon draws astronauts out into the park. Mountains move, fish fly, and the monster under the bed is surprisingly helpful.

When You Were A Cloud is an invitation to look more closely at the world around us and to see nature and language in a new light. María José Ferrada's poems are playful, speaking directly to the reader with no doubt that they are ready for these fantastical linguistic adventures. Winner of the 2018 Premio Hispanoamericano de Poesía para Niños.

Gentle Giant

Rob ap Glyn, illustrated by Mike Miles

The incredible story of footballing icon John Charles.



Gentle Giant tells the incredible story of footballing icon John Charles, from his upbringing in a tough Welsh mining community to superstardom with Wales and Italian football royalty Juventus.

After a youth apprenticeship with Swansea, John is spotted by a Leeds scout, and helps them to win promotion to the First Division. He goes on to become a legend in Italy, honoured in their Hall Of Fame above Michel Platini, Zinedine Zidane and Diego Maradona. And yet, here in the UK, most football fans outside of Wales, Turin and Yorkshire have never heard his name. This book aims to bring his genius to a new generation of young football fans and go some way towards putting that right.

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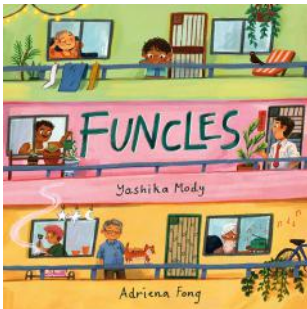
Format: Paperback

Pages: 144

Funcles

Yashika Mody, illustrated by Adriena Fong

A heartwarming and humorous celebration of community.



When a classroom assignment asks for a family tree, one child knows he'll need more than just one sheet as he has a gazillion uncles! There's Bus Uncle, Supermarket Uncle, Taxi Uncle, and even Food Hall Uncle. Everywhere he goes, there's someone looking out for him. But when Ma and Pa see his growing family tree, they gently explain that none of his uncles are "real" relatives. In their culture, calling someone "Uncle" is a sign of respect and a way of recognising community. Embarrassed at first, the boy quickly realises something even better: that these aren't fake uncles...they're FUNcles! And they mean the world to him. *Funcles* is a warm, funny, and heartfelt story about the many shapes family can take. A celebration of cultural traditions, community bonds, and the everyday heroes in a child's world, this is a story about love that lives in shared moments, not just in family trees.

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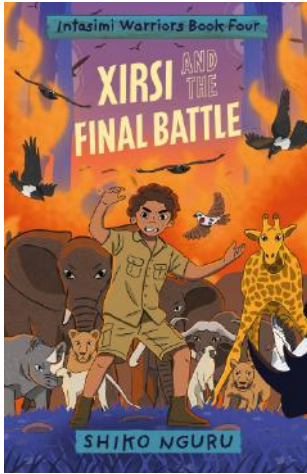
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Dinosaur Books
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Pub date: 12/05/2027
Format: Paperback
Pages: tbc

Xirsi and the Final Battle

Shiko Nguru

In a race against darkness, a genius warrior must solve ancient riddles, face monstrous threats, and unlock his true power before the Underworld claims everything he loves.

Xirsi, the sharpest mind among the Intasimi Warriors, faces his greatest challenge yet when an ancient prophecy surfaces. To protect the world, he must solve ancestral riddles and unlock a hidden heirloom tied to his destiny. As he journeys through a monster-filled parallel world, the path to the Final Battle grows darker, and a secret weapon waits in the shadows. To win, Xirsi must trust his instincts and embrace the truth of who he is, even at the risk of his soul. The Underworld is rising and this explosive final installment may be their last hope.

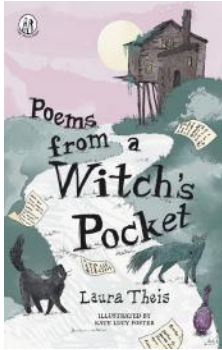
The Lindisfarne Raid - A Viking Victory on Saxon Shores

N.S. Blackman

Part of the bestselling Children of the Anglo-Saxon Kingdoms series, along with *Freedom for Bron*.

Hild lives in a village by the sea, close to the famous monastery at Lindisfarne. One day a ship arrives – Danes from across the sea. They have come to trade, as usual. But Hild becomes suspicious – these men are wearing weapon belts. And then she finds a carved dragon head hidden in their boat ... and Hild remembers the tales told by a Danish woman who lives in the village, tales about raiders from her homeland who sail across the world in dragon prow ships, robbing and plundering as they go. Could these men be raiders? Hild and her friend Oswin set off to try and warn – and save – the monks at Lindisfarne.

CURRENT BESTSELLERS



Poems from a Witch's Pocket

Laura Theis, illustrated by Kate Lucy Foster

A witchy poetry book for older children.

A hard-working junior witch strides around a magical landscape, learning her craft. Her cloak is stuffed with scraps of paper – letters, notes and lists – some of which have tumbled out and been collected into this book.

The Emma Press | 9781915628428 | £9.99 | 18/09/2025 |

PB | 80pp | YDP

The Playdate

Uje Brandelius, illustrated by Clara Dackenberg, translated by Nichola Smalley

A powerful story about friendship across socio-economic divides

For one little girl, the prospect of a playdate at her friend Henry's house fills her with excitement. But while the text tells one story, the illustrations slowly reveal another.

Lantana Publishing | 9781836290179 | £7.99 | 03/04/2025

| PB | 32pp | YBC

Step Into My Shoes

Alkisti Halikia, illustrated by Fotini Tikkou, translated by Konstantine Matsoukas

A delightful story about empathy.

On her walk home through a quiet Paris suburb, Matou tries on shoes left outside a mosque and begins imagining the lives of their owners. Why are some shoes pristine, others worn thin? With no answers, she creates her own.

Lantana Publishing | 9781915244963 | £7.99 | 07/10/2025

| PB | 32pp | YBC

The Untameables

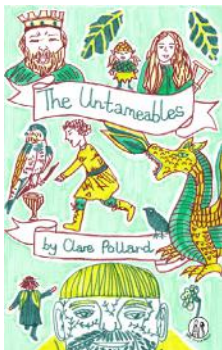
Clare Pollard, illustrated by Reena Makwana

Arthurian legends re-examined turned on their head.

Under the bloody rule of King Arthur – as the cruel knights of the round table wage wars and hunt magical creatures – the ordinary people of Camelot are getting sick. Something is poisoning the land. No one in Arthur's court seems to care, but a spark of hope remains...

The Emma Press | 9781915628268 | £9.99 | 21/03/2024 |

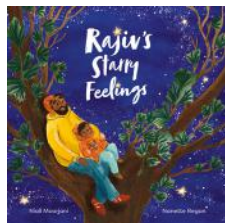
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Rajiv's Starry Feelings

Niall Moorjani, illustrated by Nanette Regan

"A beautiful story." Joseph Coelho



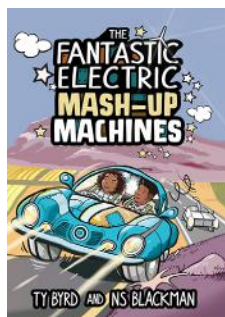
Rajiv has feelings for everything. He can feel confident. He can feel happy. But today, he feels angry and he doesn't know why. With the help of his father, he sets out on a journey to make sense of his feelings. It is a journey that will take him to a park, then up into the branches of a tree, and from there all the way to the stars . . .

Lantana Publishing | 9781836290131 | £7.99 | 01/10/2024 | PB | 32pp | YBC

The Fantastic Electric Mash-Up Machines

Ty Byrd & N.S. Blackman, illustrated by Vicky Fieldhouse

Fast-paced, rip roaring action, which appeals to reluctant as well as avid readers



A fun, fast-paced, illustrated racing adventure, appealing to motorsports fans, emergent readers and all children who like a great story.

Dinosaur Books | 9781999336325 | £7.99 | 06/07/2023 | PB | 100pp | YNTR

Last Girl In

Cheryl Diane Parkinson

A celebration of family, friendship, cricket, British Caribbean culture and girls in sport.



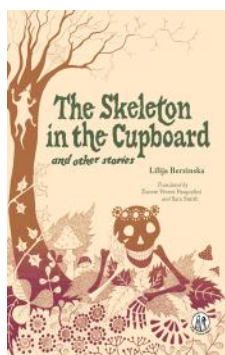
In this time-slip tale with a touch of magic, Kerry-Ann finds out about the obstacles that her grandparents faced when they first arrived in England as part of the Windrush generation...and how she must follow in their footsteps to fight for fair play.

Dinosaur Books | 9781999336370 | £7.99 | 01/05/2025 | PB | 150pp | YNWD5

The Skeleton in the Cupboard

Lilija Berzinska, translated by Žanete Vēvere Pasqualini & Sara Smith

A compelling and surreal collection of interconnected fairytales



Across nine deeply atmospheric and compelling fairytales, Lilija Berzinska follows the desires and anxieties of a community of mysterious creatures in the north of Latvia.

The Emma Press | 9781915628206 | £8.99 | 12/09/2024 | PB | 160pp | YFU

Watch Me Bloom

Krina Patel-Sage

Mindful haiku poems to help us rediscover our natural surroundings



The nature-themed follow up to *My Mindful A to Zen*, this gorgeous collection of poems teaches us that treating ourselves and our planet mindfully can also be a treat for the senses.

Lantana Publishing | 9781836290254 | £7.99 | 01/04/2025 | PB | 32pp | YBC

The Invisible Story

Jaime Gamboa, illustrated by Wen Hsu Chen

An empowering story about sight-loss.



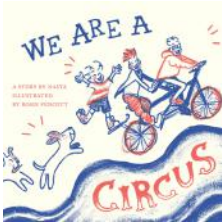
The invisible story is unlike any other story because no one has ever read it! It lives hidden in the darkest corner of the library. One day, a blind reader approaches the story's trembling pages. This reader is unlike any reader the invisible story has ever encountered. And when she runs her fingertips over the book's white pages, it is astonished by what she finds...

Lantana Publishing | 9781915244765 | £12.99 | 25/04/2026 | HB | 32pp | YBC

We Are A Circus

Nasta, illustrated by Rosie Fencott

A compassionate and energetic story following a family through their joys and hardships.



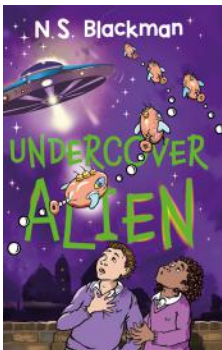
We Are A Circus is the charming, autobiographical tale of a rainbow family, riding around Thessaloniki on a bike. They are poor and living precariously, but they are happy together and have fun in the sun and in the rain (though sometimes they get a bit cold).

The Emma Press | 9781912915897 | £7.50 | 17/03/2026 | PB | 32pp | YBC

Undercover Alien

N.S. Blackman, illustrated by Clare Brienza

A humorous, Space-themed adventure.



When Col sees something that definitely doesn't look human hiding among the shelves, he thinks it must be new-school nerves getting the better of him. But his classmate Alicia is not so sure – and she's also determined to get to the bottom of the mysterious disasters that keep befaling their school.

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