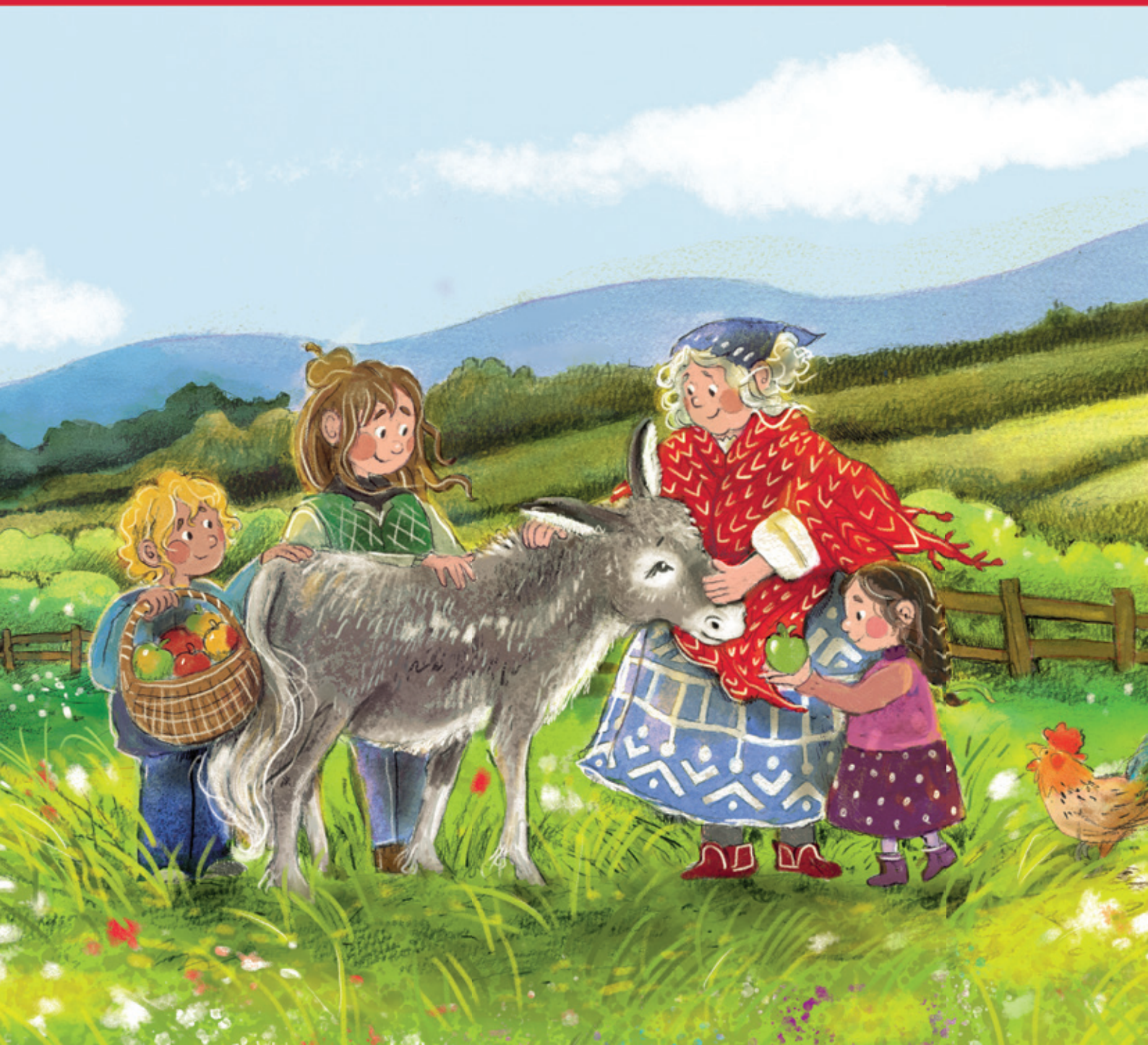


Pikku Publishing 

Rights Guide 2026

Beautiful, thoughtful books to inspire children everywhere





Paperback plus flaps
 TPS 230 mm x 250 mm,
 landscape
 ISBN 978-1-7384859-7-0
 Price £7.99
 Extent 24 pages

Word count +/- 1000
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Publication date 1 April 2026
Themes bonding, family,
 animal care

AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

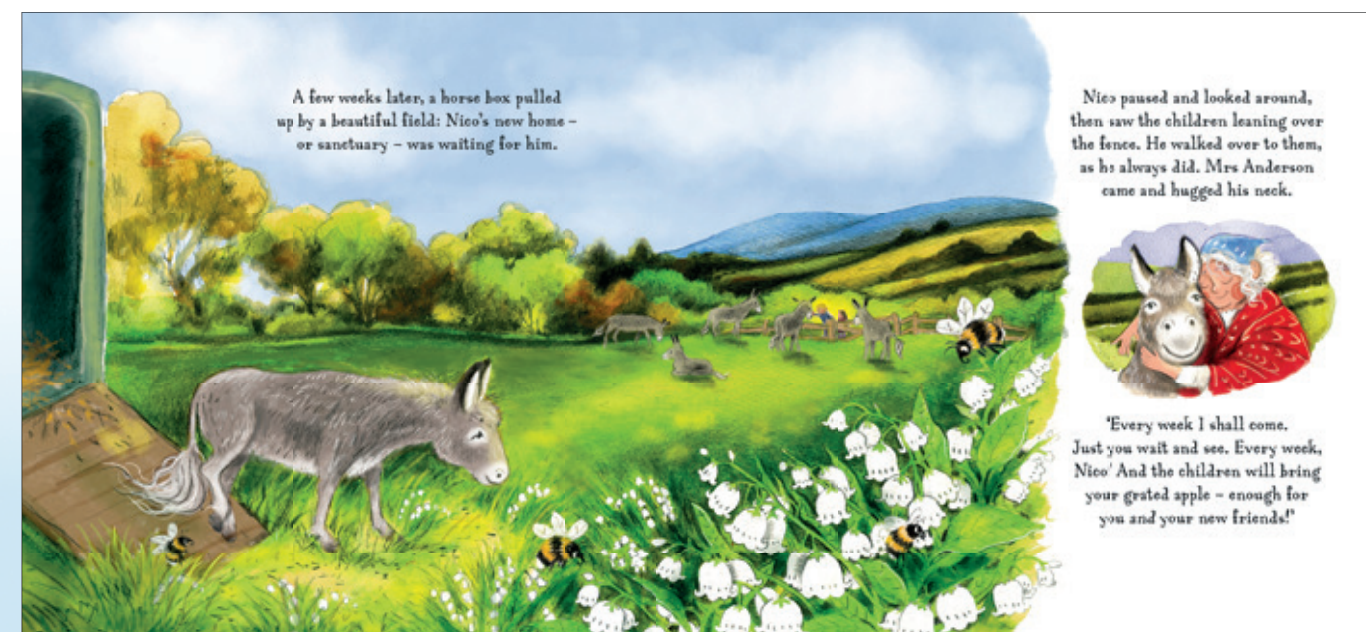
Elena Mannion is the author of the much praised *Old Oak* series illustrated by Erin Brown, which celebrates the countryside and all its biodiversity. Her collaboration with Erin Brown continues with this new book. Elena grew up in a village in Hertfordshire, where she spent as much time as possible in the fields and lanes near her home. With freedom to roam, she connected deeply with the feel and scent of living things. Reading to her own children and spending time outside with them brought back many memories, and after a career in the adult non-fiction world of books, she decided to take her own writing forwards. This is her fourth book.

Erin Brown is celebrated for her glorious palette and detailed illustrations which radiate warmth and charm. She graduated with a bachelor's degree in Fine Art and then completed a diploma in Illustrating children's books with the London Art College. From Northern Ireland, she now lives in Jersey, where she works and draws inspiration from the island's natural beauty. Erin's books include the *Old Oak* series (Pikku), *The Stolen Child* (The O'Brien Press), and *Tales from the Forest* (Litte Tiger Press).

KEY INFORMATION

- Themes of bonding, family, animal care
- More than 60 million donkeys and mules in the world
- The Donkey Sanctuary is an international animal welfare charity dedicated to improving the lives of donkeys and mules worldwide. It provides lifelong care to donkeys across the UK and Europe and reaches many more globally through international programmes and partnerships.
- 186 breeds of donkey exist!

A gloriously illustrated celebration of donkeys, the love that they engender, and the benefits they bring to people.



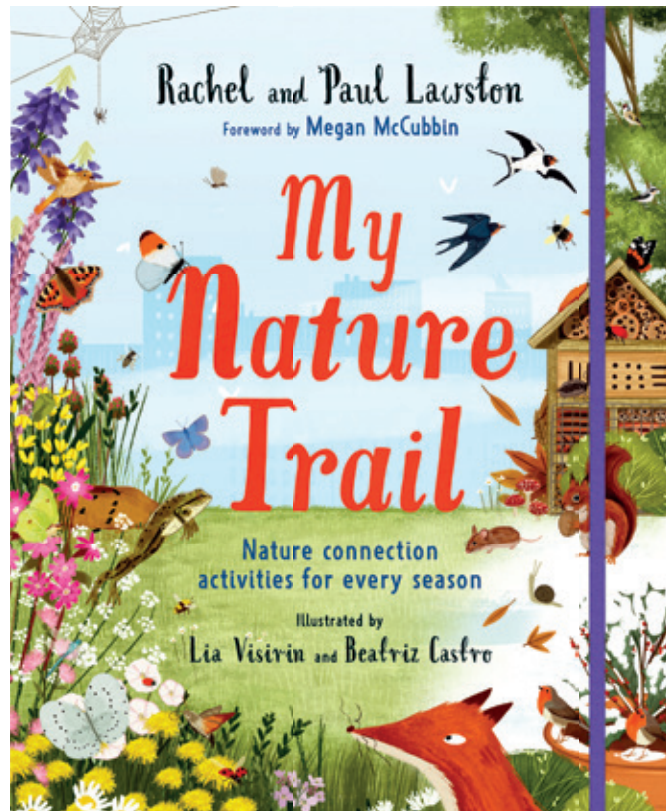


If I could wave a wand every child would wake up to find a copy of *My Nature Trail* under their pillow.



Chris Packham CBE

Naturalist, broadcaster, award-winning conservationist, author, photographer



Foreword By Megan McCubbin

Ignite curiosity and discover the wonders of nature season by season with this inspiring collection of nature connection activities for children.

Children will enjoy the **great outdoors** by observing leaf and cloud shapes, making hedgehog feeding stations, building dams, creating **secret nature signs**, making seed balls and so much more!

Written by **award-winning children's author Rachel Lawston**, in collaboration with **Environmental Education Specialist Paul Lawston**, this activity book is the perfect boredom buster to keep children busy and connected with the beautiful world that surrounds us, encouraging a **healthy indoors-outdoors balance** as well as helping to develop new skills and learning fun nature facts.

Packed with activities that fulfil the **five pathways to nature connectedness**, this book will captivate budding nature lovers and appeal to nature connection advocates.



Flexibound with elastic band
TPS 230 x 190mm
ISBN 978-1-8383651-8-9
Price £10.99

Extent 80 pages, plus ends
Word count +/- 10,350
Age group 3+
Published October 2023
Rights sold: Slovakia

AUTHORS AND ILLUSTRATORS

Rachel Lawston is the award-winning author of the much-praised *Finn's Garden Friends*, *Mia Makes a Meadow* and *Daisy and Jack's Perfect Pond*.

When she is not writing, Rachel designs and illustrates books. Growing up in the countryside gave her a deep connection to the environment, which she is passionate about sharing. Living in London now, she knows that there is a world of nature waiting for children – even in the town or city.

Paul Lawston is an environmental education specialist and consultant. He studied Natural Sciences at Cambridge University and has a PGCE from King's College London. He is a lifelong lover of the natural world and is an experienced educator, having worked for several major museums and environmental charities. Paul is a consultant for HarperCollins, Farshore, Pikku Publishing, Raspberry Books and Welbeck Children's Books. He is also the Learning Manager at WWT London Wetland Centre.

Beatriz Castro is a professional illustrator. Growing up in Logroño, La Rioja, Spain, she was inspired by the natural world around her to draw and write fantastical stories. She is passionate about animals and books, classic stories and fairy tales.

Lia Visirin is a children's illustrator from a small town in Transylvania surrounded by mountains and medieval castles, which inspire her daily in her artwork.

“Rachel and Paul have covered every inch of this book with creature crafts, nature nibbles and wildlife wonders to enjoy in every season. The pages are adorned with beautiful illustrations and accompanied by easy to follow instructions and information that will not only help your wild ones connect with nature, but also help them understand the importance of why we all must play our part in its recovery if we're to help create a world richer in wildlife.”

Cazz Jones | RSPB Youth Publications Manager and Editor



“*My Nature Trail* is a book I wish I had when I was growing up, a fun and educational collection of activities to get out and learn more about nature, wildlife and our planet season by season. There are experiments, checklists, adventures, space for notes and doodles and much, much more. Fantastic information on everything from bugs to bats, stars, magic, art, fungi, seashells, the list goes on. A joyful, interactive manual to engage the next generation of naturalists and planet defenders on why nature and wildlife are so important. A solid 10/10 for me!”

Dr Sean McCormack | Conservationist, vet, presenter



KEY INFORMATION

- **Endorsed by the RSPB, Chris Packham and Megan McCubbin.**
- An inspiring collection of season-by-season, nature connection activities
- Fulfils the five pathways to nature connectedness
- Packed with natural history information
- Encourages healthy indoors-outdoors balance
- Will appeal to forest schools and home schoolers
- Perfect for parents, libraries and schools
- Beautifully illustrated throughout
- An activity book that connects to the *Finn's World* series



“This joyful tale really captures the magic of bringing all kinds of families and nature together!”

Beccy Speight | RSPB Chief Executive

When Daisy and Jack spot a little frog in their small garden, they must come up with a plan to make their new visitor feel at home!

With the help of Papa and Daddy, and some new tools from the garden centre, the two siblings build their very own plant pot pond, and soon discover that a small change can make a big difference to their local wildlife!

With pond creatures, bugs, flowers, lots of animals to spot throughout, and a frogspawn life-cycle guide, Lawston's third book in this urban nature series is bound to capture budding nature lovers, with gorgeous illustrations by the talented Castro!

Jack and Daisy's garden may not be big, but it is their favourite place to be.

KEY INFORMATION

- **Third title** in the highly praised *Finn's World* series
- Endorsed by the RSPB and WWT Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust
- A beautiful nature story packed with an inclusive message: featuring same-sex parents and ethnic minority characters
- A brilliant introduction to urban rewilding for children
- Packed with natural history information
- Includes a Frog and Toads facts spread and spotter's guide at the end of the book
- Perfect for parents, libraries and schools

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AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

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Beatriz Castro is a professional illustrator. Growing up in Logroño, La Rioja, Spain, she was inspired by the natural world around her to draw and write fantastic stories. She is passionate about animals and books, classic stories and fairy tales and enjoys listening to rock and punk music. Her beautiful artwork has been published internationally.



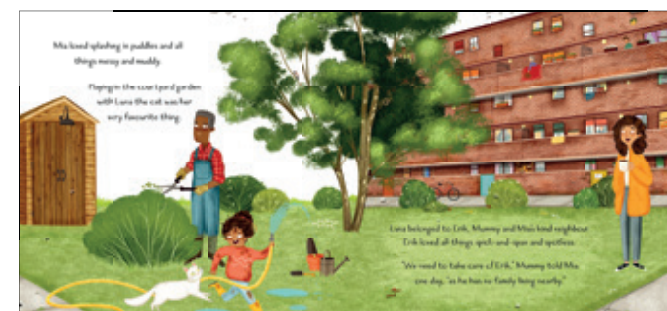
Mia loves splashing in puddles and all things messy and muddy. Her kind neighbour, Erik, likes all things spick-and-span and spotless. Together they look after and enjoy their very tidy shared garden. But when Erik has to suddenly leave to go on a long journey, Mia is left to look after the garden, and with no key to the shed, nature takes over in no time at all! Will Erik like the delightfully wild meadow that has replaced his once immaculate lawn? With flowers, pollinators and all sorts of insects to spot, join Mia as she makes a meadow!

KEY INFORMATION

- **Second title** in the highly praised *Finn's World* series
- Endorsed by Richard Louv, Sarah Roberts and Jess French.
- Packed with natural history information
- Great 'spotting' book
- Pollinators facts spread
- Web resources
- A beautifully illustrated gift book
- Perfect for parents, libraries and schools
- **Oxfordshire Picture Books Award, 2023:** Awarded the Highly Commended Title for the Best Picture Book Category.
- **Harrow Picture Book Award, 2023 – Shortlisted.** One of the six outstanding picture books with an environmental theme on the shortlist.

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“A gently profound story illustrating the magnificence of the natural world.”

Richard Louv | Recipient of the Audubon Medal. Author of *Our Wild Calling* and the international bestseller *Last Child In The Woods: Saving Our Children From Nature-Deficit Disorder*

“Will inspire readers to create wild spaces, build communities, and form positive relationships ... A book for the seasons of growth and definitely one to read to an EY or KS1 class outside in the sunshine.”

Roy James / justimagine.co.uk



Nature loving Finn's life has been turned upside down by a move to the city. All he can see is dull, grey buildings. But Grandpa has a surprise in store: his allotment! Finn quickly realises that nature can be found in the city, and is amazed by the discovery of a hibernating hedgehog. With Grandpa's gentle guidance, Finn learns how to care for the hedgehog family as well as a hungry fox. With birds and plants galore, this inspiring story – shows all the common species that can be found in towns and cities.

“Beautifully illustrated with a really good story ... A lovely book!”

Chris Packham CBE | Naturalist, broadcaster, award-winning conservationist, author, photographer

KEY INFORMATION

- **First** in series in the highly praised *Finn's World* series
- Allotment gardens are hugely popular: 300k in UK
- Packed with natural history information
- Great 'spotting' book
- Hedgehog and fox facts spread
- Web resources
- A beautifully illustrated gift book
- Perfect for parents, libraries and schools
- **Endorsed by Chris Packham, Jess French, Megan McCubbin and the highly respected, Environmental Education Consultant Paul Lawston**

Paperback plus flaps
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 (landscape)
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 Price £8.99
 Extent 32 pages self-ended

ILLUSTRATOR

Lia Visirin is a new talent in children's book illustration. Her beautiful, original palette and eye for detail is a perfect match for Finn's world.

Word count +/- 1350
Age group 3+
Published April 2021
Rights sold Turkey



“A delightful story, beautifully illustrated, which successfully conveys the joy and wonder of spending time in nature ... a great reminder that there are wild spaces and creatures to be found, even in the most urban of settings.”

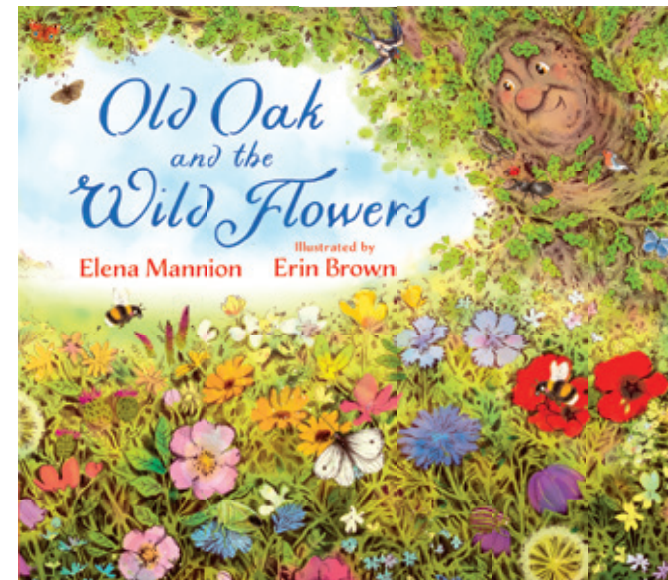
Jess French | Wildlife TV presenter, vet, zoologist, author and naturalist

“A fantastic book, beautifully illustrated, with a really important message.”

Megan McCubbin | zoologist, wildlife TV presenter, conservationist, author and photographer



**A new book in the highly-praised
 Old Oak Series**



**‘Enchanting and lyrical story...
 a work of art’**

The School Reading List

Old Oak and Mr Shield are worried: the summer was hot and dry, and there are fewer insect friends in the field. Without an abundance of flowering plants, life is becoming a struggle. Stag Beetle convenes a meeting in The Hollow: there he bids farewell to the winged insects, who must fly away in search of food elsewhere.

After the harvest the field is sad and lifeless. But spring comes around, and brings with it a huge surprise for all the inhabitants of the Barley Field: a carpet of wild flowers, of which news soon spreads far and wide.

A gentle tale in lyrical prose of the restoration of nature through positive human actions.

KEY INFORMATION

- Book 3 in highly praised ‘Old Oak’ series
- Fabulous depiction of wildlife
- A beautifully illustrated gift book
- Perfect for parents, libraries and schools

**Shortlisted for
 BEST PICTURE
 BOOK 2024
 by The School
 Reading List.**



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Themes nature connection,
 conservation, empathy

AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

Raised in rural Hertfordshire, **Elena Mannion** spent most of her childhood outdoors. After many years in London, she returned to Hertfordshire. Reading and writing stories for her children led to *The Happy Hedgerow* (2021), her much praised debut, and CPRE's 'Book of the Season'. She loves to share her passion for nature with children, taking her Fill the Hedgerow event to festivals and bookshops.

Erin Brown is a talented Northern Irish artist with a superb eye for detail in her fabulous depiction of nature, rendered in a rich palette. She lives and works on beautiful Jersey, where she enjoys exploring the forests and seashore. This is her third collaboration with Elena Mannion.





Other titles in the highly-praised Old Oak Series



Old Oak is having a mast year – a year of plentiful fruit! Little Acorn grows happily right by his nose, and never wants to leave the tree. Then, when a brisk wind blows, and he tumbles to the ground, a whole new life must begin! Carried away by a squirrel, and buried in a strange place, he must survive all the perils of walkers, insects, deer and other wildlife. Finally emerging as a sturdy little sapling, he discovers he is still in the barley field, growing near Old Oak, whose sap rises with pride to see his favourite Little Acorn becoming a tree.

KEY INFORMATION

- Perfect tool for all teachers, Forest Schools, Montessori and Steiner educators.
- Seasons and wildlife accurately depicted in fine detail.
- Connects children to nature and engenders love for natural world.
- Follow up to author's much praised *The Happy Hedgerow* (2021), endorsed by CPRE The Countryside Charity ('Book of the Season') and The Tree Council.

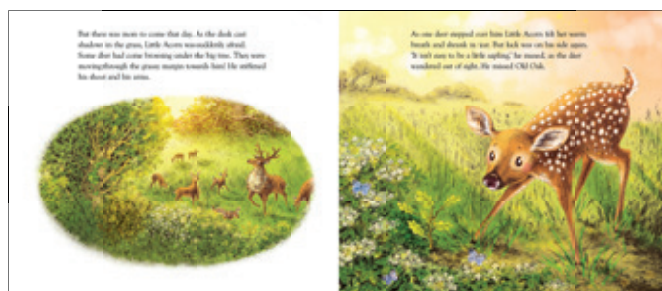
‘The language provides a real sense of the countryside and its inhabitants. It is increasingly important that children are introduced to words such as ‘acorn’, ‘dunnoch’ and ‘hedgerow’.

Children will enjoy exploring the illustrations and comparing the end papers!

Anne Bradley, National Secretary of the Federation of Children's Book Groups.

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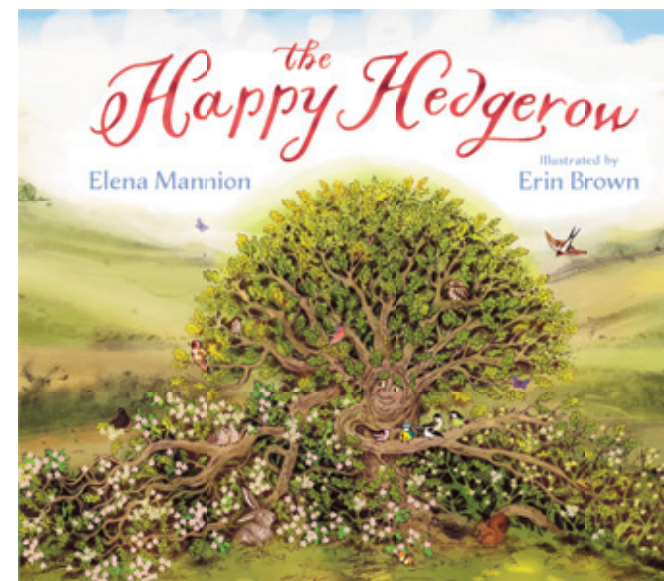


‘Old Oak and Little Acorn transports you into the natural world with a great, big smile on your face.’

Sara Lom, CEO, The Tree Council

‘This really is a brilliant and beautiful book for readers of all ages, and the artwork is stunning with so much to seek and find and talk about on every page’

Edspire



Somewhere in the folds of the countryside, Old Oak lives content and fulfilled in his hedgerow by the barley field. When the farmer pulls up the Far Hedgerow one day, Old Oak is dismayed. Can he care for all the fleeing birds? The field is now too open, and the wind and rain are carrying away the soil! Will a new farmer make the field a happy home again?

‘lyrical prose and beautifully illustrated ... should be in every primary school library’

English 4-11 Magazine

KEY INFORMATION

- Perfect tool for teaching children about nature
- Fabulous depiction of seasons and wildlife
- Hedges and hedgerows capture carbon in towns and cities
- Hedges and hedgerows are critical habitat for wildlife



‘A moving story and beautifully thought out, touching on big themes in an accessible way. The illustrations are stunning’

Lindsey Chapman, Presenter BBC One, BBC Two, BBC Radio 4 and Channel 5

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Rights sold English (China)





Did you ever think about the power of a smile? With one short poem, French writer and humanitarian **Raoul Follereau**, spoke to the world about the value of this fundamentally human expression. Each line of the poem is brought to life by multi award winning illustrator Hoda Hadadi, with a simple story of a day in the life of two children. Two children who smile a lot – and change the world around them.



“Happiness is making other people happy.”

Raoul Follereau

KEY INFORMATION

Award winning **Hoda Hadadi** has illustrated more than forty books for children and has won numerous international prizes, including the **New Horizons Bologna Ragazzi Award** and the **Grand Prix of Belgrade**. Celebrated French writer and humanitarian Raoul Follereau’s poem ‘A Smile’ is known around the world

“full of compassion, understanding and tenderness ... the most joyous illustrations’ *Pick of the Picture Books*”

A Library Lady (UK)

“A joyous, infectious celebration of the transformative power of a smile”

Kirkus Reviews (USA)

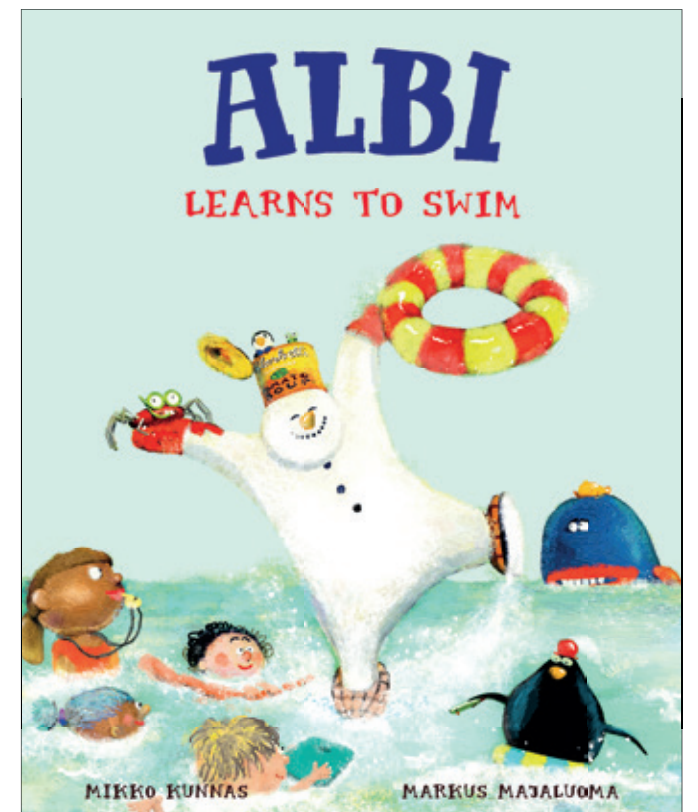
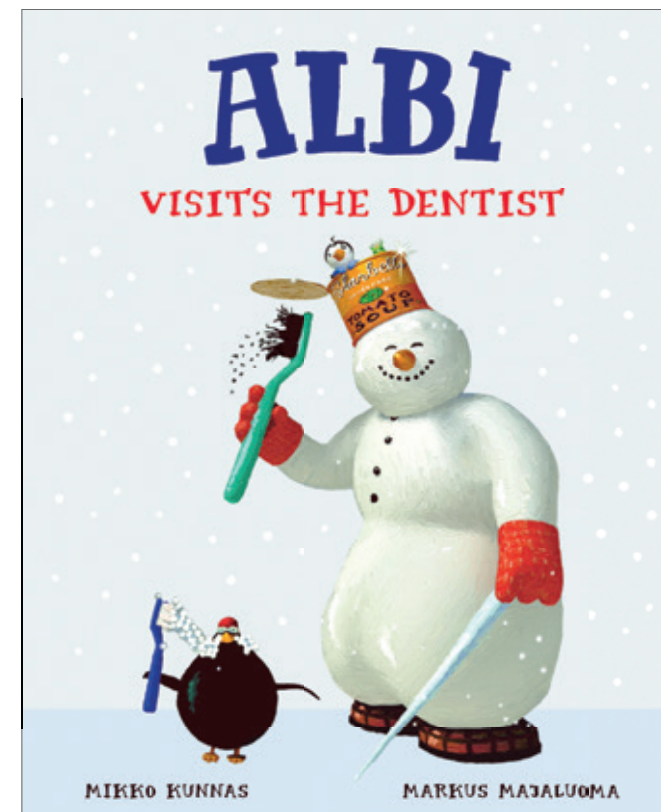
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Price £10.99
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Age group 3+
Published 28 April 2021
Rights sold USA/Canada, Turkey

AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

Raoul Follereau (1903-1977) was a French writer and humanitarian. He established World Leprosy Day (the last Sunday in January each year), and worked tirelessly for the dignity of the poor and marginalised. In France, his name is found on schools, streets and squares. Today, in seventeen countries, you can find associations that bear the name ‘Raoul Follereau’, and continue his work. His ever popular poem ‘A Smile’ has been translated into many languages, and is valued for its simple, uplifting message.

Hoda Hadadi has illustrated over 60 children’s books. Her intricate artwork created by hand, is recognised worldwide. Awards include the **Gold Medal for Best Picture Book, International Book Award 2018 USA** and **Gold Medal for Best Illustrator, Literary Classics Award USA 2017** for *Drummer Girl*.



Nordic creators Mikko Kunnas and Markus Majaluoma have teamed up to create the wonderful ALBI books. Albi the snowman lives in a land where the snow never melts, together with his friends, bird and worm, who have made their home in Albi’s hat – an old soup tin. There is always fun to be had, reading his magical picture book, drawing in the snow and making snowy creations! When Albi falls asleep he goes on adventures, learning to swim and visiting the dentist, which in turn spark great ideas for playing with his dear friends. The unique and richly imagined, colourful world of Albi and his friends will appeal to young readers everywhere.

The animated series of Albi the Snowman has been licensed around the world, to 30 markets including China, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, Georgia, Norway, Slovakia and Sweden.

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Albi Visits the Dentist ISBN
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Albi Learns to Swim ISBN
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Extent 32 pages

Word count +/- 300
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Rights sold Czechia, English (China)
BIC children’s book marketing categories YBCH
Themes Reading for pleasure, creativity, friendship

AUTHORS AND ILLUSTRATORS

Mikko Kunnas is a hugely successful Finnish author and animator. **Markus Majaluoma** is one of Finland’s best loved children’s authors and illustrators, whose books for young readers have been translated into many languages. They both live in Finland.

“The story is lovely, and the illustrations are absolutely delightful. An excellent read.” **Fiona Sharp, Independent Book Reviews, 5 starred review.**



ALBI – A NEW SERIES!

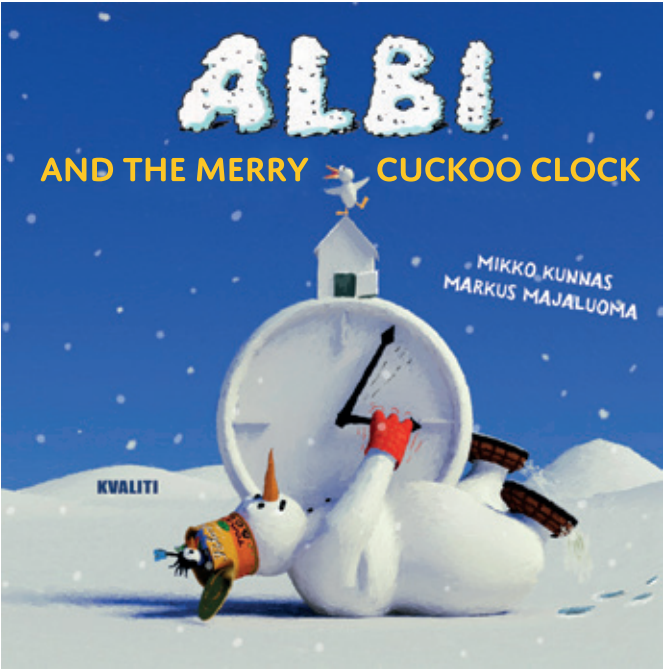
13 book series, with 9 titles available by October 2025. An animated series of ALBI has been licensed around the world to 30 markets including China, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, Georgia, Norway, Slovakia and Sweden.

Albi’s hugely original world is created by **Markus Majaluoma** and **Mikko Kunnas** – two much loved authors and animators from Finland. Albi’s magical picture book leads him into all sorts of adventures: children will love his richly imagined land of snow, and his loyal friends, bird and worm!

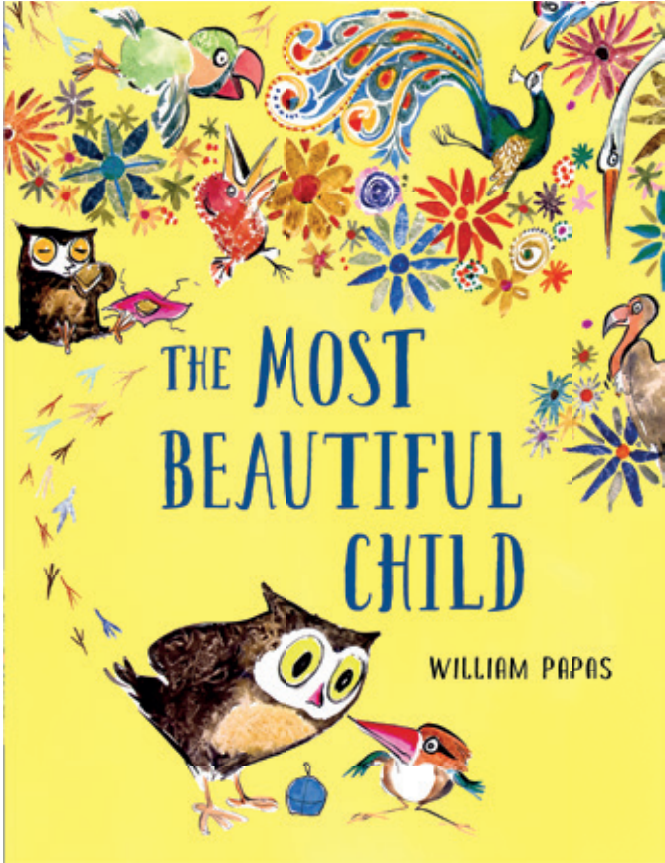
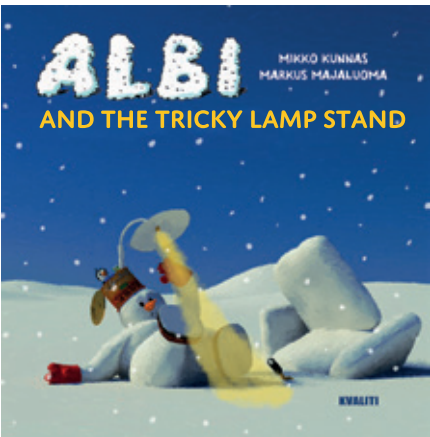
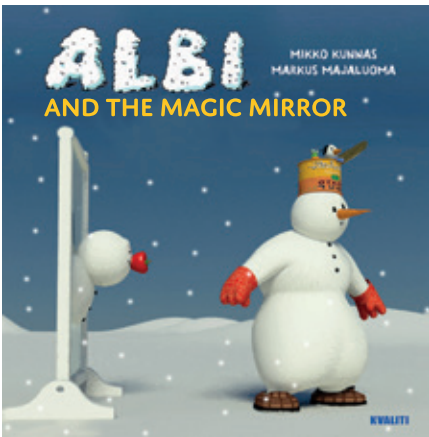
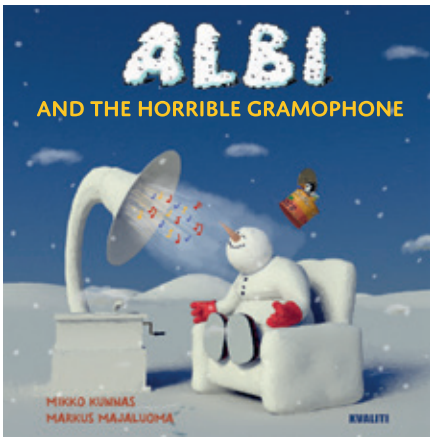
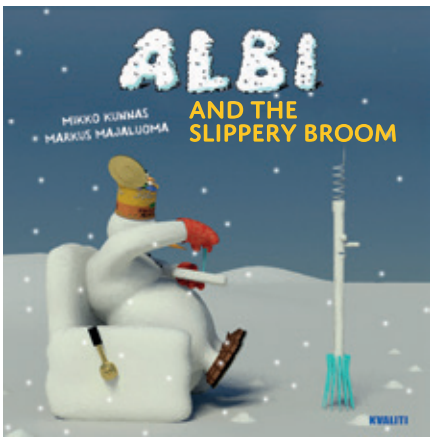
ALBI AND THE MERRY CUCKOO CLOCK

Albi the snowman stays up at night, falling asleep in the daytime in snow drifts. He needs to be more organized! And he needs a clock – preferably one which has a loud cuckoo in it!

But Albi’s world is turned upside down when the cuckoo just shouts and orders him around. Albi must get the cuckoo to obey him – and soon. There is no time to waste!



Hardback
TPS 205 x 206 mm
Age group age 3+.
Word count per title +/- 1250
Extent 24 pages
Rights sold Denmark



In this dazzling story featuring birds of many sizes and colours, a proud Mr Peacock learns a valuable lesson. Having asked Mrs Owl to take his child’s lunch to school, Mrs Owl agrees, but asks how she will know which is his child. ‘Just look for the most beautiful child there,’ says proud Mr Peacock. Mrs Owl looks and looks at the children in the playground, but in the end she can’t deliver the lunch. As she informs Mr Peacock, she simply wasn’t able to find a child more beautiful than her own!



Paperback
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Extent 32 pages
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BIC children’s book marketing categories YBC
Themes kindness, self-acceptance, nature, empathy
Published April 2022
Rights sold: China, Finland, Switzerland (world German language), Taiwan, Korea

AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

William Papas (1927-2000) was one of the UK’s most renowned cartoonists, and a much loved children’s author, runner up on several occasions for the Kate Greenaway award, which also honoured him for his lifetime achievement.

Papas produced a series of highly successful children’s books whose themes are timeless. His glorious, energetic style, and signature dazzling colours make his books a joy for every generation.

KEY INFORMATION

- Beautiful gift book
- Encourages positive body image and self-acceptance
- Celebrates parent-child bonding
- Witty story appeals to children’s sense of humour
- Perfect for school libraries and teachers

‘An uplifting tale about the folly of vanity, with glorious illustrations, that’s certain to delight little readers.’

Picture Book Snob





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