



It's basically the worst school detention ever. When classmates (but not mate-mates) Hallie, Angelo, Gustav and Naira are forced to come to school on a SATURDAY, they think things can't get much worse. But they're wrong. Things are about to get seriously scary.

What has dragged their teacher underground? Why do the creepy caretakers keeping humming the tune to Itsy Bitsy Spider? And what horrors lurk in the shadows, getting stronger and meaner every minute . . .? Cut off from help and in danger each time they touch the ground, the gang's only hope is to work together. But it's no coincidence that they're all there on detention. Someone has been watching and plotting and is out for revenge . . .

Bookbuzz 2023 Favourite

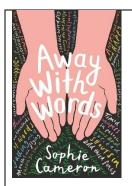


When Erik's bad behaviour attracts the wrong crowd, he's sucked into a terrifying new world of drug dealing, trap houses and violence

Erik's mum is juggling the challenge of two small babies, plus the recent death of her husband due to COVID-19. Both these factors affect teenage Erik too, struggling with homework as the babies continually cry or his mum needs help. When the difficulties at home affect Erik's behaviour at school and he is pushed into the company of the 'bad boys', Erik is tempted to earn some easy money. . .

But this kind of money is never truly easy to earn and comes with a terrible cost. Written in verse, the thoroughly-researched narrative exploring how teenage boys can be drawn into County Lines pulls the reader in from the very first line, as Erik makes some good - and some very bad - decisions...

Carnegie Award 2024 Shadowers' Winner

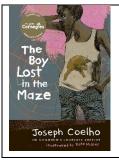


Gala and her dad, Jordi, have just moved from home in Cataluña to a town in Scotland, to live with Jordi's boyfriend Ryan. Gala doesn't speak much English, and feels lost, lonely and unable to be her usual funny self. Until she befriends Natalie, a girl with selective mutism. The two girls find their own ways to communicate, which includes collecting other people's discarded words. They use the words to write anonymous supportive poems for their classmates, but then someone begins leaving nasty messages using the same method – and the girls are blamed. Gala has finally started adapting to her new life in Scotland and is determined to find the culprit.

Can she and Natalie show the school who they really are?

Carnegie Award Shortlist 2024

Princethorpe Book Club Pupils Favourite



In his new verse novel, Joseph Coelho brilliantly blends Greek myth with a 21st century quest. In Ancient Greece Theseus makes a dangerous and courageous journey to find his father, finally meeting the Minotaur in the Labyrinth. While Theo, a modern-day teenage boy, finds himself on a maze-like quest to find his own father. Each story tells of a boy becoming a man and discovering what true manhood really means. The path to self-discovery takes Theo through 'those thin spaces where myth, magic and reality combine'. Doubts, difficulties and dangers must be faced as Theo discovers the man he will become.

Winner of the YOTO Carnegie 2024 Medal for Writing

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Christopher is stunned when he discovers a passage to the Archipelago: a cluster of magical islands where all the creatures of myth still live and breed and thrive in their thousands. There he meets Mal: a girl from the islands, who is in possession of a flying coat and a baby griffin, and who is being pursued by a killer.

Together they embark on an urgent quest to discover why the creatures are suddenly perishing, voyaging across the wild splendour of the Archipelago, where sphinxes hold secrets and centaurs do murder, in a bid to save both the islands and the world beyond them from a rising evil - before it's too late.

Waterstones Book of the Year Winner

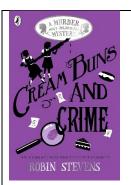


Loki has made a fair few enemies during his time in Asgard. Too many to count and certainly too many to remember. When the elf, Vinir beams Loki aboard his chariot and challenges him to a magical duel, Loki hasn't got a clue why.

Sweet talking his way out of a fight by pointing out there's little honour in duelling someone who can't remember how they wronged you, and even less in picking on a child, Loki is returned safely to school.

That is until Vinir shows up in child form, as resolute as ever about seeking that duel... and vengeance.

Bookbuzz favourite 2023



A collection of short stories for budding Detective Society members.

Daisy and Hazel invite you to discover their untold stories . .

Daisy Wells and Hazel Wong are famous for the murder cases they have solved - but there are many other mysteries in the pages of Hazel's casebook.

From the macabre Case of the Deepdean Vampire, to the baffling Case of the Blue Violet, and their very first case of all: the Case of Lavinia's Missing Tie.

Just like Daisy and Hazel's cases, there's more to this book than meets the eye, including:

Brilliant mini-mysteries, including two brand-new and never seen before stories Daisy and Hazel's own tips, tricks and facts

This is the perfect book for Agatha Christies In Waiting and fans of the award-winning, bestselling Murder Most Unladylike series.

Princethorpe Pupil Recommendation



Challenge: Join the Thieves' Gambit, a cut-throat competition to crown the world's greatest

Rule 1: Never fall in love with your opponent Rule 2: The only thief you can trust is yourself

Endgame: Win the heist to save your family - and yourself . . .

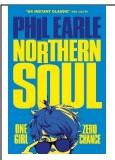
Seventeen-year-old Rosalyn Quest was raised by a legendary family of thieves with one rule: trust no one. When her mother is kidnapped, her only chance to save her is to win the Thieves' Gambit – a deadly competition for the world's best thieves, where the victor is granted one wish. To win, she must outwit all of her backstabbing competitors, including her childhood archnemesis. But can she take victory from the handsome, charming boy who makes a play for her heart and might be hiding the most dangerous secret of all?

Warwickshire Teen Book Award Long List 2024

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From award-winning author Phil Earle comes the hilariously agonising account of one teenage boy's disastrous attempts to win the heart of the cool new girl at school.

Marv's fourteen and his life is simple. There's football. And his best mate, Jimmy. Perfect. Nothing else matters until a new girl at school called Carly crashes into his life. For Marv, it's love at first sight, his emotions flipped upside down, as he knows a girl like Carly will never notice him.

He needs help – lots of it – but when it miraculously arrives in the shape of a musical idol from the past, the path to Carly's heart proves anything but easy ...

First love is unforgettable, and poor Marv is about to learn this the hard way – him, and his northern soul ...

Dyslexia Friendly



Four boys grow up together at school, itching to get out of their small town.

They play games, scoring points from each other, anything to pass the time until they're free. Matthew slips into his imagination, Luc pushes his body to the limit, and Johnny ... well who knows what Johnny's up to.

But when Mark starts running errands for his older brother's mysterious associate, he thinks he's found the best game of all.

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Daisy Thistledown has escaped from boarding school and has a mystery to solve. Her search for her missing mother will lead her across London and through a hidden doorway to another world, filled with plants and bursting with magic: the Greenwild. But all is not well in this astonishing land. Before long Daisy finds herself confronting a dangerous presence that threatens green magic on both sides of the door. Daisy must band together with a botanical genius, a boy who can talk to animals, and a cat with an attitude, to channel the power that can revive the Greenwild and find her missing mother - and save her own world too.

Waterstones Children's Book Prize 2024



15-year-old Kateryno and her family live in Kharkiv.

Their lives are shattered when on February 24th 2022 the Russian army invades.

Their apartment block is struck by a missile.

After weeks living in their basement, Kateryno, her mother, and brother, decide to leave, joining seven million Ukrainian refugees.

They come to England and meet their host family, the Hawkins. But their new beginning brings a whole new set of problems.

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