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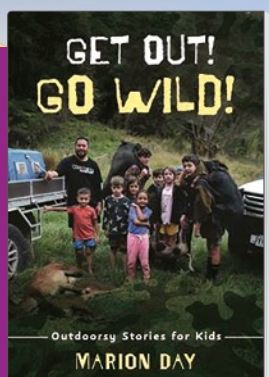
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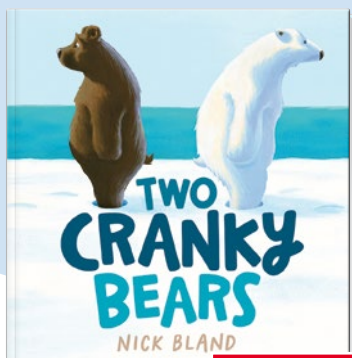
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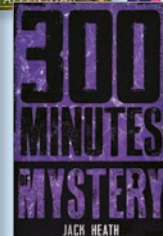
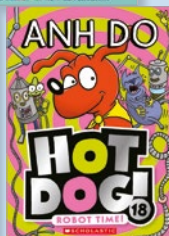
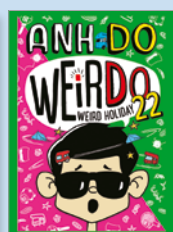
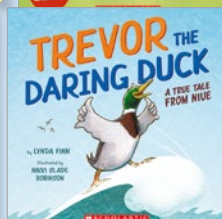
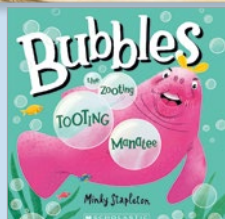
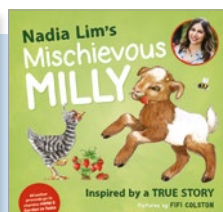
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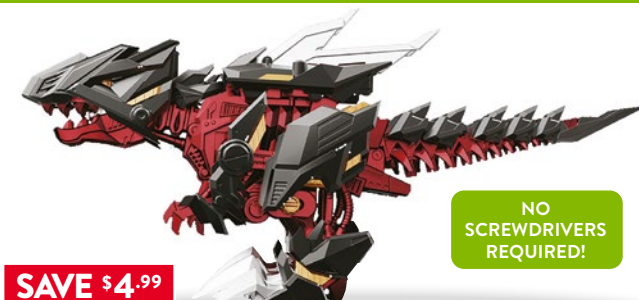
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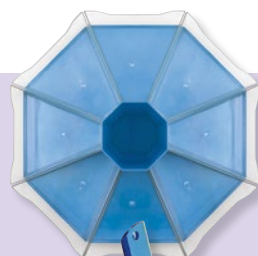
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This rotating organiser features eight lock-in storage trays made from clear plastic—perfect for easily spotting what's inside!

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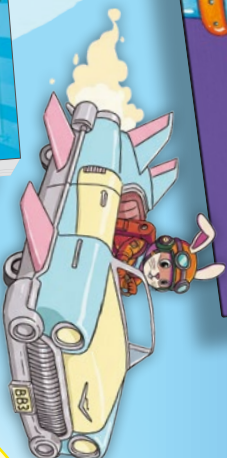


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# Book Club

## Te Karapu Pukapuka

PULL OUT  
POSTER  
HANG ME  
UP IN YOUR  
CLASSROOM!



TURN THE PAGE AND

START THE

# SPOTLIGHT ON: TWO FAVOURITE C



## ALPACAS IN SPACE

From best-selling author/illustrator, **MATT COSGROVE**, comes the twelfth instalment in the Macca and Dharma picture book series, *Alpacas in Space*.

*Join the countdown as intrepid astronauts, Macca the Alpaca and his best pal, Al, blast off into outer space.*

*It's an epic, cosmic adventure where anything is possible ... because they're using their imaginations!*

We had the pleasure of chatting with author/illustrator, Matt, about his latest book. Here's what he said.

### Q&A with MATT COSGROVE

**Tell us in your own words about your new book, *Alpacas in Space*.**

*Alpacas in Space* is the brand-new Macca the Alpaca book. In it, Macca and his best pal, Al, launch into space on an out-of-this-world adventure, using the power of their imaginations.

**With over 1.5 million Macca and Dharma books in print, why do you think the series has been so successful?**

Macca is cute and kind, the illustrations are bright and colourful, and the stories all have a sweet message, but are also (hopefully!) tonnes of fun to read. Plus, the series serendipitously started just as the whole world seemed to collectively realise alpacas are awesome!

**What was the most rewarding aspect of illustrating this book? And do you have a favourite spread?**

Illustrating traditionally is slow going, but the process of creating the pictures by hand is artistically fulfilling and very soothing—if you can ignore the deadlines!

Creating the double-page spread of Macca and Al's rocket blasting off into the stars was definitely my favourite. It's such a cool subject and was also technically challenging so it was genuinely a blast to create. And I love to imagine that when kids reading the book get to that spread, they'll need to rotate the book to point the rocket into space, so it will be an exciting moment and actually transform the book from a static object into a truly interactive one.



See the front cover of Book Club Issue 5 #002 to pick-up your copy!

**What medium and what process did you use to create the illustrations?**

All the illustrations are created old-school style, by hand. After I lay down a wash of watercolour paint to block out the areas of colour, I then spend hours drawing over the top, creating the texture and details through layers and layers of coloured pencil, with a few finishing touches of gouache paint.



**If you could have one superpower, what would it be?**

Super speed! I am slow at everything—writing, drawing, thinking, reading, running, housework, everything! Being fast would be a wonderful novelty for me and would certainly come in handy with all my deadlines!

**What do you like to do when you are not creating books?**

When I'm not making books myself, I'm hanging out in libraries reading other people's books or browsing in bookstores buying other people's books. I'm a book tragic. My TBR pile is a toppling tower!



**MATT COSGROVE** is a best-selling, award-winning author and illustrator who lives in Sydney with his wife and two children. He spends his days writing and drawing and loves making kids laugh. His series with his wife Eva Amores, *Worst Week Ever*, has sold into over 50 countries, making it a worldwide smash hit!

He likes chocolate, avoiding social interactions and more chocolate.





# KIDREN'S PICTURE BOOK SERIES



## TWO CRANKY BEARS

*Two bears, one hill.*

*Everything was fine until  
they reached the top and that's when fine  
turned quickly into . . . 'MINE!'*

*Can these cranky bears learn to share?*

We got the inside scoop from author/illustrator, Nick, on his brand-new release. Here's what he said.

### Q&A with NICK BLAND

**Can you tell us in your own words a little about what our beloved Bear and his old friend Polar Bear get up to when they meet again?**

I think the opening line sums it up pretty well.

*...Two bears, one hill, everything was fine... until...*

When two bears each think they're the first to find a hill of snow, do they agree to share? Or do they take a longer, more adversarial path towards co-operation? A bit of each, it turns out.



**Do you have a favourite spread in the book, and what is it you like about it?**

I particularly like the very simple page where the two bears are standing back-to-back after the sun has gone down and the moon is yet to rise. Polar Bear is looking up, perhaps waiting for the moon to arrive

and Bear is looking down wondering what is lurking in the water below. I like how much this page says with such simple variations on the similar page at the beginning of the book. There's the tension of two adversaries suddenly being so close, and their separate anxieties about outside forces that are about to change everything on the next page.

**What medium and what process did you use to create the illustrations?**

The illustrations are 100% acrylic. Unlike most of my books, I actually painted this one from the first page to the last. The process is very simple, I draw the page in pencil onto watercolour paper and paint over it.

**Two Cranky Bears is the ninth book in the Very Cranky Bear series, with over 4 million in print. What do you think makes it so popular with parents and young children?**

I honestly think it's because a bear looks like a person in a bear suit. But there's no doubt that a well-executed rhyming structure sticks in the mind and encourages multiple reads.

**Do you have a favourite character in the series?**

As a Northern Territorian, I particularly liked Boris Buffalo as a character. But I've also returned to Polar Bear because I like drawing him.

**When you are not working on your books, what keeps you busy in your spare time?**

To be honest, I'm always working on books. When I'm procrastinating, I listen to podcasts, play chess with grumpy old men, potter around the block and improve my studio.



### NICK BLAND

is an internationally best-selling, award-winning author and illustrator.

Nick was born on a farm in Victoria's

Yarra Valley, the son of two school teachers. When he moved to the bush at the age of 6, he discovered a wonderful new world, and his creativity bloomed. Nick always wanted to be a cartoonist and a writer, but it wasn't until he got a job at a bookshop in his 20s that he finally found a way to bring those two loves together. Untrained, he spent the next couple of years reading every picture book that hit the shelves and began discovering his style as a storyteller and illustrator. He now lives in tropical Darwin, where he works full time as an author and illustrator.

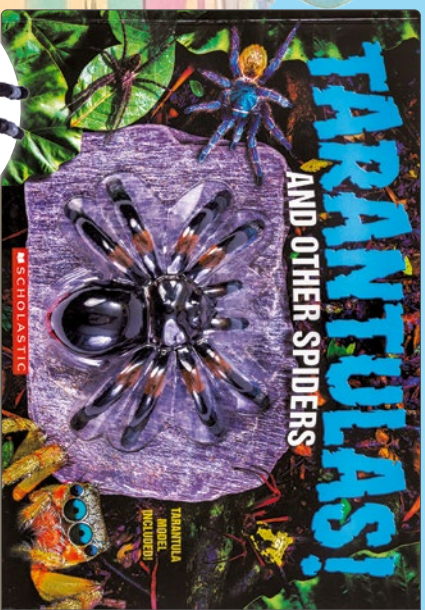
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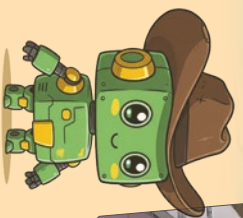


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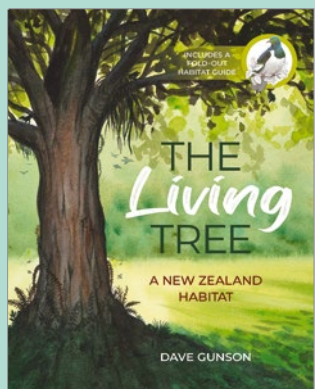


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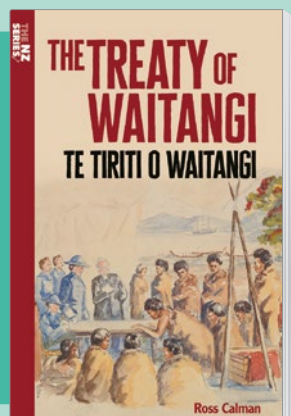
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