



Episode 45 - Branching Out



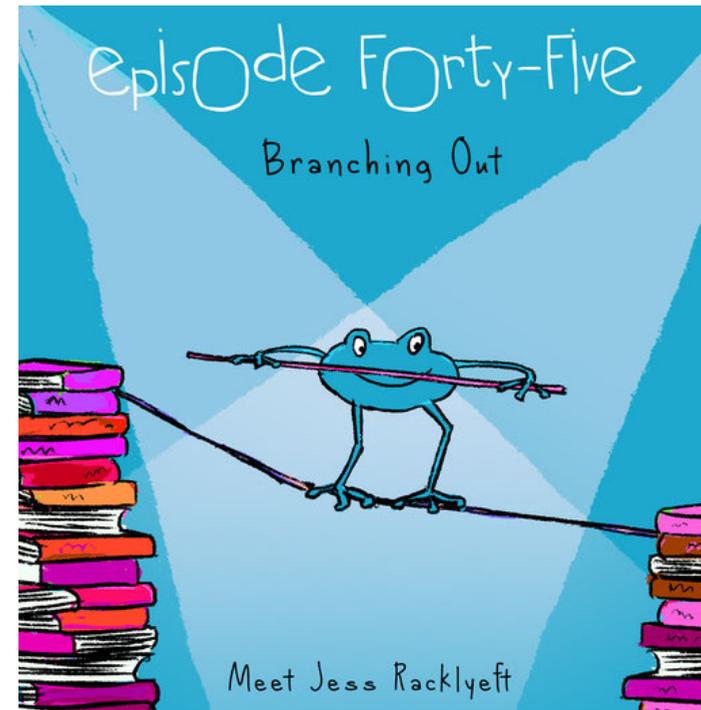
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Jess Racklyeft is a children's book lover, author, illustrator and reader based in Melbourne, who also creates work for card companies, original paintings, prints and all types of different client projects. Jess's recent books include *Ivy Bird*, with Tania McCartney, *The Year of the Rat* with Charles Hope and Kate's very own *Anzac Girl: The War Diaries of Alice Ross-King*.

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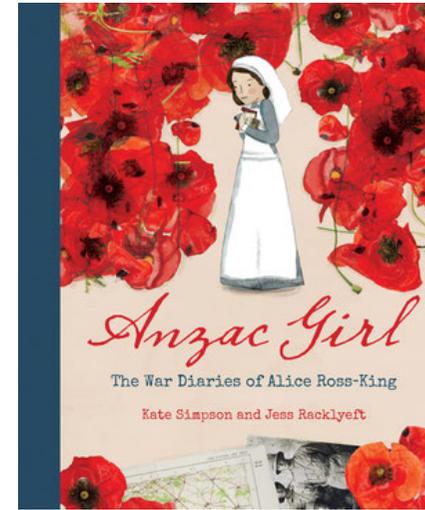
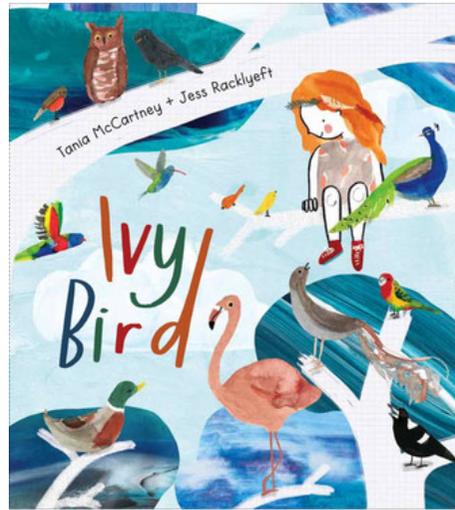
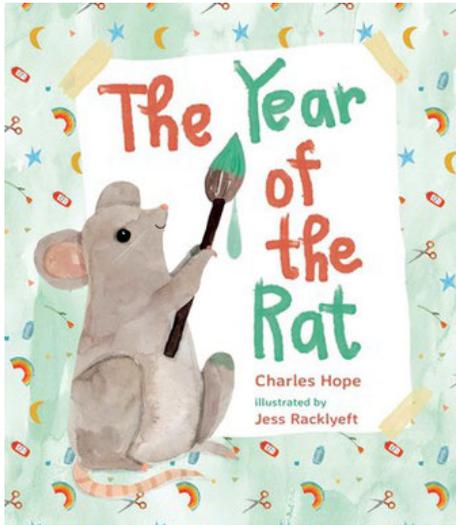
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Unfortunately, since the recording of this episode, Jess and Kate have made the difficult decision to cancel the launch of *Anzac Girl* due to the current public health crisis. The launch was to be held at the Little Bookroom in Melbourne. Consider supporting Kate, Jess and The Little Bookroom by ordering your copy of *Anzac Girl* here. [https://www.littlebookroom.com.au/p/non-](https://www.littlebookroom.com.au/p/non-fiction-anzac-girl-the-war-diaries-of-alice-ross-king--4?barcode=9781760637019)

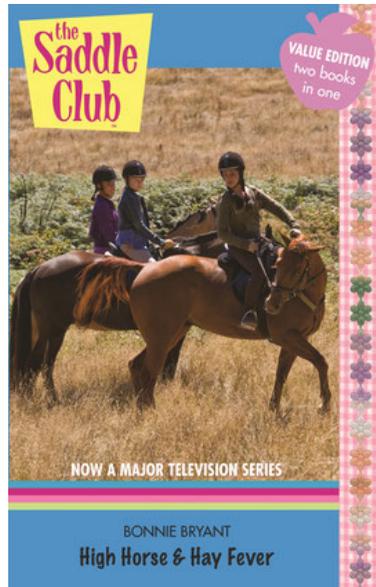
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Books by Jess Racklyeft



Kids Capers - Nat challenges kids to read books they've never tried before

Saoirse normally reads animal books such as...

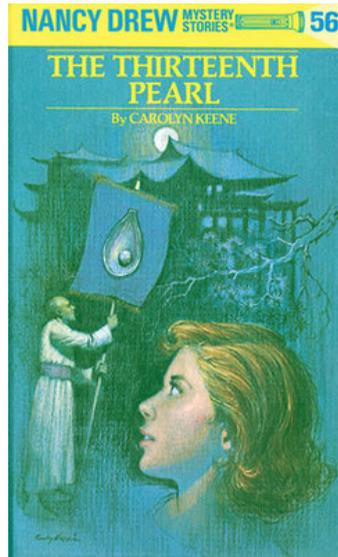


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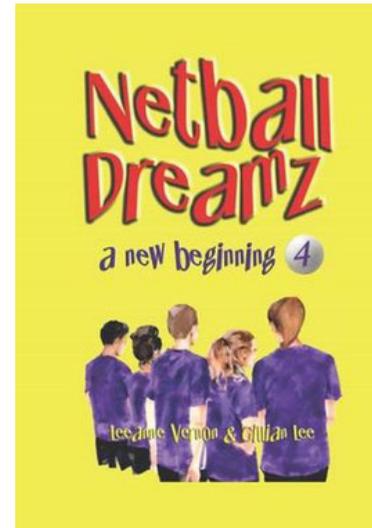
But this episode she tried this sci fi fantasy...



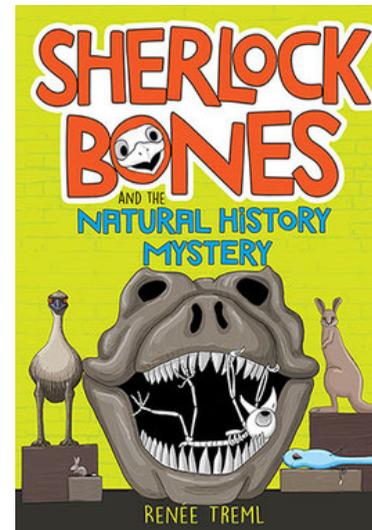
But this episode she tried this sports book...



Olivia normally reads adventure books such as...



But this episode she tried this graphic novel...

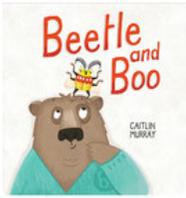


Whatcha Readin'?

Kate recommends **Beetle and Boo** by author-illustrator Caitlin Murray, published by Penguin Random House.
penguin.com.au/books/beetle-and-boo-9780143796565

Shout-out

Firstly Nat would like to give a shout out to Hazel Edwards who is celebrating 40 years of hippo love with the anniversary of her wonderful **'There's a Hippo'** series. To celebrate, Penguin are



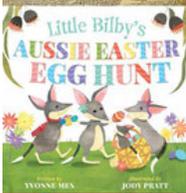
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I See, I See by R. Henderson, published by Allen & Unwin.
allenandunwin.com/browse/books/childrens/I-See-I-See-Robert-Henderson-9781760524746

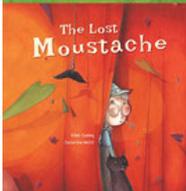


Liz recommends **The Book Of Chance** by Sue Whiting, published by Walker Books
walkerbooks.com.au/Books/The-Book-of-Chance-9781760651367

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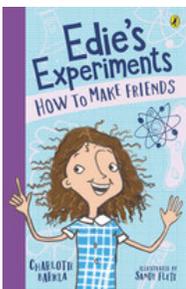
Little Bilby's Aussie Easter Egg Hunt, written by Yvonne Mes, illustrated by Jody Pratt and published by Lothian Children's Books.
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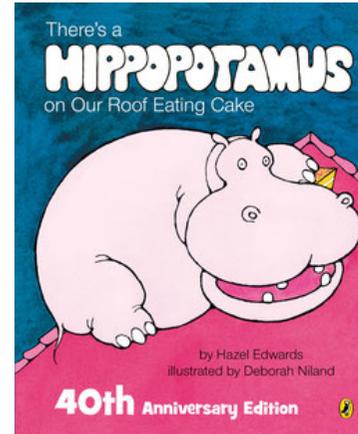
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The Lost Moustache, written by Vikki Conley, illustrated by Caterina Metti, published by Red Paper Kite Publishing.
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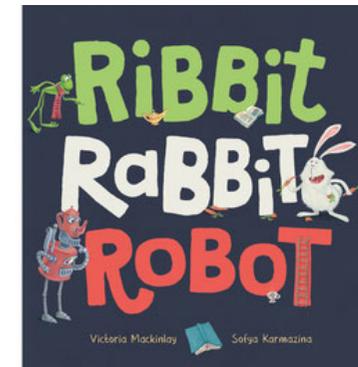
[moustache](http://newsouthbooks.com.au/books/lost-moustache)



Nat recommends **Edie's Experiments: How To Make Friends** written by Charlotte Barkla, illustrated by Sandy Flett and published by Penguin Random House.
penguin.com.au/books/edies-experiments-1-how-to-make-friends-9781760891770



releasing a 40th anniversary edition.
penguin.com.au/books/theres-a-hippopotamus-on-our-roof-eating-cake-40th-anniversary-edition-9781760896270



And secondly, for Victoria Mackinlay and her debut picture book '**Ribbit, Rabbit, Robot**'. Unfortunately, since the recording of our podcast, Victoria has had to cancel her launch at Berkelouw Books Leichhardt but we would LOVE you to still get her book from there to show them support.
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On Our Radar

Liz has some great things on her radar this month, such as:

Words Worthwhile - a new editing business

Friend of the podcast (and fellow writer) **Kim Astill** has begun her own freelance editing service called **Words Worthwhile**. Specialising in picture books through to young adult novels, Kim can help you with structural editing, copy editing, proofreading, or even a brainstorming session.

For further details, visit:

wordsworthwhile.com.au/

Or contact:

kimastillediting@gmail.com



2020 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

The 2020 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge has started! Liz is excited to see not only her debut picture book TULIP AND BRUTUS included as a reading option, but also Nat's middle grade novel SECRETS OF A SCHOOLYARD MILLIONAIRE and Kate's picture books DEAR GRANDPA and FINDING GRANNY. Hooray!

The challenge is an amazing way to get kids reading and excited about books.

Check out more about the challenge at:

online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html

And google for info on reading challenges in other Australian states.

Competition Details

This episode we're giving away an amazing prize pack thanks to **Allen and Unwin**, with four beautiful books:

ANZAC GIRL by our own Kate Simpson and this episode's guest, Jess Racklyeft

MONTY'S ISLAND: SCARY MARY AND THE STRIPE SPELL by Emily Rodda and Lucinda Gifford

MONKEY'S TAIL by Alex Rance and Shane McG

LANDING WITH WINGS by Trace Balla

Head to our [WIN](#) page and simply tell us *one new and different thing you plan to try this year*.

Enter your answer (or ask a parent to) by 5pm Tuesday 14th April 2020 to be in the running.



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all illustrations have been done by Marianne Khoo who we love & appreciate more than she can ever imagine!

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