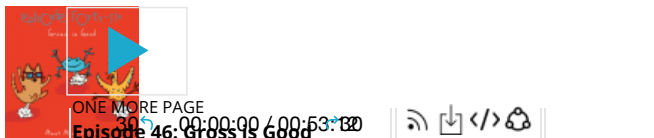




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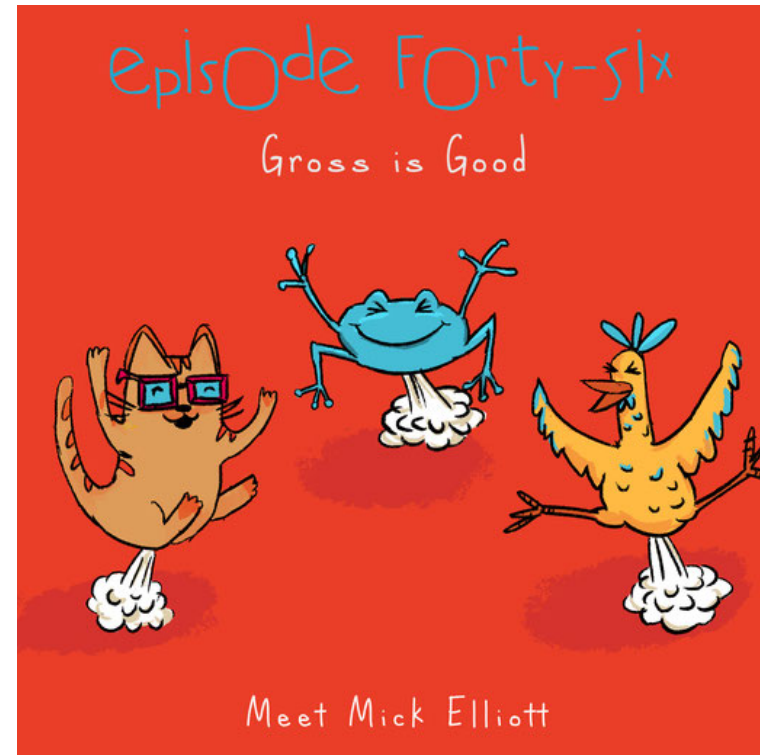
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The latest book in his hilarious illustrated series, SQUIDGE DIBLEY DESTROYS EVERYTHING, has just been published by Hachette. To date, the series has been sold into six international territories.

Mick has worked as a children's TV producer and writer on acclaimed productions for Nickelodeon, the Sesame Workshop and the ABC.

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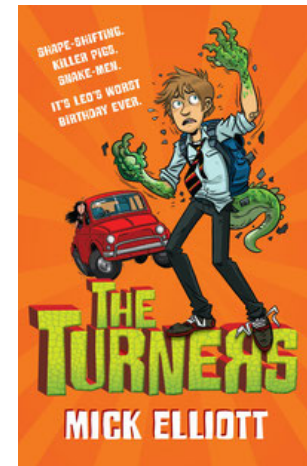
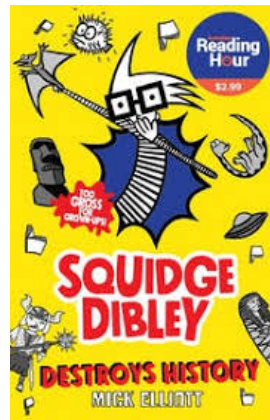
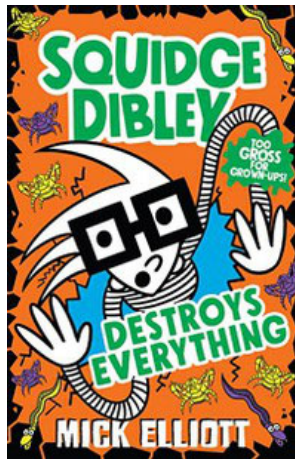
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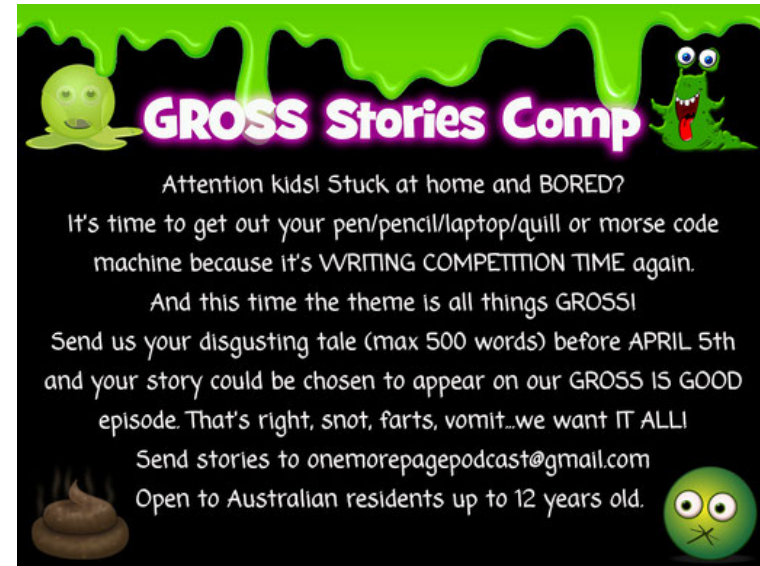
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Kids Capers - Gross Story Competition

This episode we ran a writing competition for kids about all things gross!

We had a huge amount of entries but our winner was - 7 year-old **SOPHIE** with her hilarious tale titled **THE STINKY STORY**. We just loved it!

Huge congrats to our runner up, **CALEB** and our other finalists **AMY, MINNIE, ELAIRA, HARRY** and **LAURA**.



## The Stinky Story by Sophie (7-years-old)

Once upon a time ("Toot!") there were three ("TOOT!") children ("TOOOOT...sorry this story always makes be gassy. Toot!"). Now where were we?...yes! Three children called Tom, Maggie and Amy.

They had known each other since they were born because Amy and Maggie had grown out of Tom's ears. When Amy and Maggie had come out they had been covered in disgusting sticky ear wax.

When Tom, Maggie and Amy were seven they wanted to start a band but they couldn't play any instruments. So they decided to visit Madam Zara, the sorceress. ("Toot" oops me again.")

Madam Zara's house was far away but they kept on walking because they needed her help.

When the children arrived at the house, Maggie knocked lightly on the door. But there was no answer so she knocked more loudly. But there was still no answer. So Maggie banged on the door. This time Madam Zara opened the door and threw dog poo right in Maggie's face.

Madam Zara looked so angry and she shouted "Take that you horrible tr..." Madam Zara froze as she realized that it was Maggie on her door step and not her arch nemesis, Dr. Deliteparts. "Oh no! What have I done?!?" cried Madam Zara. "I am so sorry Maggie. I thought that horrible little troll, Dr. Deliteparts was back."

Maggie started to turn green, the dog poo stunk and some had gotten into her mouth. "Burr, Burrrrrrr..." Maggie vomited. Madam Zara quickly cast a spell to clean up all the mess.

"Come in and sit down sweeties. So sorry again Maggie. Now what brings you three out here to see me?" said Madam Zara.

Amy answered "We want to start a band but we can't play any instruments. "Can you help us?".

"Of course my dears. I was in a band myself when I was your age. I know just the instrument to teach you." replied Madam Zara.

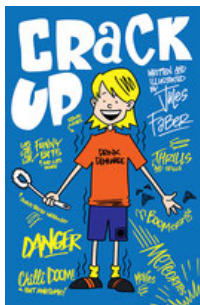
So after that Tom, Maggie and Amy visited Madam Zara's house for two weeks to rehearse. Then they invited all their family and friends along to the town hall for their concert.

On the night of the concert Madam Zara sat proudly sat in the front row along with the children's parents and grandparents.

The curtain went up ("Toot! Excuse me.") and there were Tom, Amy and Maggie standing on stage. The children were dressed up. Tom had on a red bow tie and Maggie and Amy had blue bows in their hair. The children bowed then the music started. It was the theme song of their favourite movie. Next a loud "Ppppppprrrrttttt!" followed by a "Bbbrrrrrrttttt!", followed by a "Fffffffffftttttt!" Tom, Amy and Maggie were farting along to the music. Madam Zara was grinning from ear to ear. "I couldn't have done better myself" she said. ("Tooooooot!" Me again but at least this time in was in tune with the music).

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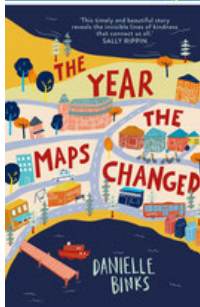
## Whatcha Readin'?



Kate recommends **Crack Up** by author/illustrator Jules Faber, published by Pan MacMillan.

[panmacmillan.com.au/9781760783914](http://panmacmillan.com.au/9781760783914)

and



**The Year The Maps Changed** by Danielle Binks, published by Hachette.

[hachette.com.au/danielle-binks/the-year-the-maps-changed](http://hachette.com.au/danielle-binks/the-year-the-maps-changed)

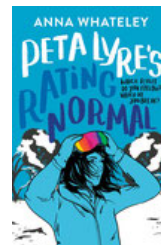
## Shout-out

Kate gives a shout-out to all the amazing books launching in April, including:



YA novel **Deep Water** by Sarah Epstein. Sarah's book Spall Spaces won ALL the awards in 2019 and we're expecting similar from her new title.

<https://www.allenandunwin.com/browse/books/fiction/crime-mystery/Deep-Water-Sarah-Epstein-9781760877286>



Anna Whateley's debut YA novel **Peta Lyre's Rating Normal**. This own voices novel featuring a neurodivergent protagonist is getting lots of buzz!

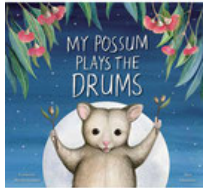
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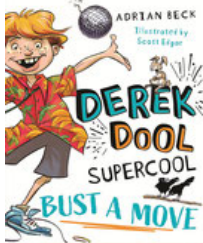
Liz recommends **Dugong Magic** by Deborah Kelly & Lisa Stewart, published by Hachette. [hachette.com.au/lisa-stewart-deborah-kelly/dugong-magic](https://hachette.com.au/lisa-stewart-deborah-kelly/dugong-magic)



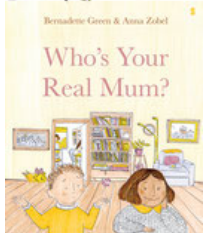
**Auntie Uncle Drag Queen Hero** by Ellie Royce & Hannah Chambers, published by Power House Books. [booktopia.com.au/auntie-uncle-ellie-royce/book/9781576879351.html](https://booktopia.com.au/auntie-uncle-ellie-royce/book/9781576879351.html)



**My Possum Plays The Drums** by Catherine Meatheringham and Max Hamilton, published by Windy Hollow Books. [windyhollowbooks.com.au/products/my-possum-plays-the-drums](https://windyhollowbooks.com.au/products/my-possum-plays-the-drums)



Nat recommends **Derek Dool Supercool: Bust A Move** by Adrian Beck & Scott Edgar, published by Penguin Random House. [penguin.com.au/books/derek-dool-supercool-1-bust-a-move-9781760892951](https://penguin.com.au/books/derek-dool-supercool-1-bust-a-move-9781760892951)



and  
**Who's Your Real Mum?** by Bernadette Green & Anna Zobel, published by Scribble. [scribblekidsbooks.com/books/whos-your-real-mum](https://scribblekidsbooks.com/books/whos-your-real-mum)



**The January Stars** by Kate Constable. An intriguing premise about two sisters who go to visit their grandfather at his care home, with no idea that they are about to set out on an intrepid adventure. <https://www.allenandunwin.com/browse/books/childrens/The-January-Stars-Kate-Constable-9781760525026>



**Isla's Family Tree** - a beautiful story about family and welcoming a new baby by picture book author Katrina McKelvey and illustrator Prue Pittock. <https://ekbooks.org/product/islas-family-tree/>

Not being able to host a physical book launch or book tour makes this a tricky time for authors to be launching their books into the world, and many creators are feeling nervous. If you're able to support authors and illustrators by buying, borrowing or telling people about their books, it would go a long way to keeping them in the business of creating amazing new books for you to read.

## On Our Radar

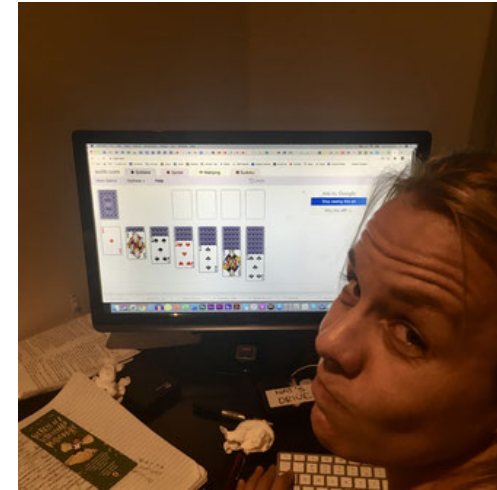
Here are just a few of the things occupying our time during self isolation due to Corona:

Kate isn't really digging the combination of supervising school while working from

Liz is into baking cookies - purposefully under-cooked. So good!

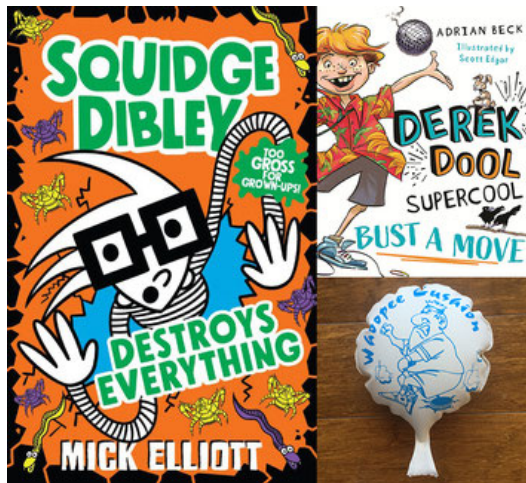
Nat is REALLY trying to get her book finished before the looming deadline!

home, but on the up-side, bunny PJs are now totally office attire!



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## Competition Details



This episode we're giving away an awesomely gross prize pack, including:

Special guest, Mick Elliott's latest book, **Squidge Dibley Destroys Everything**, plus Adrian Beck's brand new book, **Derek Cool Supercool: Bust A Move** and of course, a bonus whoopee cushion!

Head to our [WIN](#) page and simply tell us *your favourite gross moment in a kids' book*.

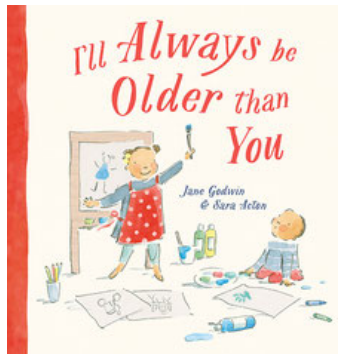
Enter your answer (or ask a parent to) by 5pm Tuesday 19th May 2020 to be in the running.

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## Other Bits & Pieces

This episode we talked about a bunch of super cool online things people from the kidlit community are doing during these times of Stay Home, Stay Safe. Here are links to the ones we mentioned...

**Jane Godwin** reading her picture books on her Instagram, including her latest release 'I'll Always be Older than You': [instagram.com/janiegodwin/](https://www.instagram.com/janiegodwin/)  
And **Gus Gordon** reading his PBs at: [instagram.com/gusgordonbooks](https://www.instagram.com/gusgordonbooks)



**Adrian Beck's** Author Hangout: [facebook.com/AdrianBeckBooks/](https://www.facebook.com/AdrianBeckBooks/)



**Dee White's** virtual launch of her new middle grade novel 'Beyond Belief' - event was held on Facebook, now available via YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S06UkQDI7CY>

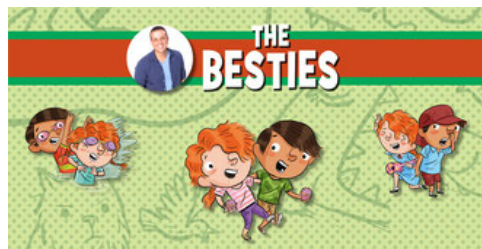


Book'N'Boogie book-themed dance fitness with **Nat Amore**  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCHgwii88vgnhY7HfRuPZs0A>

Nat Amore presents BOOK'...



'The Besties' Ukulele Fun with **Felice Arena**  
[felicearena.wixsite.com/thebestiesworld/play-the-ukulele-like-ruby](https://felicearena.wixsite.com/thebestiesworld/play-the-ukulele-like-ruby)



Bedtime Stories with **R.A. Spratt** Podcast  
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