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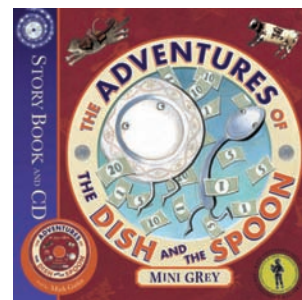
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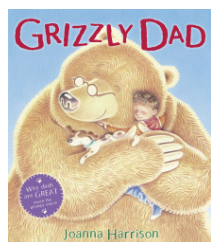
In October's edition of *Junior Magazine*, **Mini Grey's Adventure's of the Dish and the Spoon** is chosen as the book that every bookshelf should have "This is brilliant fun."

**Box of Tricks** is reviewed in the magazine's book club "The predominantly black-and-white pictures are punctuated with flashes of red on Eva's top and cheeks and bold flourishes of rainbow splatters and blotches that add to the lively fun and vibrant carnival feel."

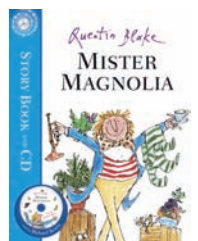
**Super Daisy and the Peril of Planet Pea** is also reviewed "With characteristic drama and cheeky aplomb, combined with interactive flaps and tabs, this is another rollicking romp with the feisty modern-day heroine, thanks to witty text and Sharratt's typically brilliant images."



*Homes and Lifestyle* magazine reviews **Jacqueline Wilson's Cookie** in their September issue recommending it as a great read for kids.



*Unison Magazine* reviews **Grizzly Dad** by **Joanna Harrison** "This is a cunning book to read to your pre-school child...Joanna Harrison's boisterous picture book charts in a few engaging pages the relationship between a young boy and his father, cleverly taking the notion of the grumpy parent to its logical conclusion."



The magazine also reviews **Mister Magnolia** Story Book and CD "Blake's fine drawings flow across the pages, defining fantastic individual characters and capturing the balletic movement of Mister Magnolia as he searches for his missing boot...Each picture has plenty of amusing detail for children to explore."

*Junior Education Plus* reviews **George's Cosmic Treasure Hunt** by **Lucy and Stephen Hawking** "an effective marriage of story and facts about the cosmos."



## Website Reviews

**Tender Morsels** has recieved some strong reviews over the last week:

### *Fantasy Book Review*

"Tender Morsels is an intelligent book, often heartbreaking, on occasion gentle and always beautifully told. The style of narrative appears to be very much the author's own; it shouldn't work, but it does, and it is delightfully rustic."

### *My Favourite Book*

"Tender Morsels is a book not to be tackled lightly - it has some of the most beautiful and disturbing imagery I have ever read."

### *Falcatta Times*

"Well written, inspirational and a tale that whilst I'd only pass on to the older end of the teen market due to content is definitely something that should be read by all."



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The *Falcatta Times* also review Oisín McGann's *The Wisdom of Dead Men* saying, "Its definitely one of my favourites of this YA year so far and I really will have a hard time waiting for the next instalment. Great stuff."



## Regional coverage

*The Chichester Observer* reviews a mammoth number of RHC titles on their website this week, including; Philip Caveney's *Alec Devlin: Empire of the Skull*, *Dragon Whisperer* by Lucinda Hare, *Double Cross* by Malorie Blackman, *Superstar High: The Time of Your Life* by Isabella Cass, *Ranger's Apprentice: Oakleaf Bearers* by John Flanagan, *Tracy Beaker Quiz Book* by Jacqueline Wilson, *Charlie Small: The Mummy's Tomb* by Nick Ward and *Cows In Action: The Moo-gic of Merlin* by Steve Cole.

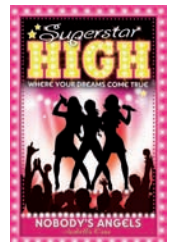
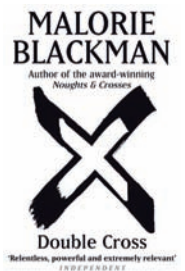
Here is what the paper said about just some of them:

**Double Cross** "Definitely one for the teenagers, it fizzes with strong emotion and grips with its authenticity, a highly-skilled piece of writing by a writer with all the right instincts."

**Superstar High** "Very much one for the girlies, but certainly not all pink and fluffy. It comes with just the right amount of bite."

**Dragon Whisperer** "Don't pick up this book unless you've definitely got time to finish it. It demands to be read at one sitting. Adventures don't come much more gripping than this."

**Alec Devlin Empire of the Skull** "A cracking tale which combines sureness of touch with a great sense of timing."



The new Booked Up DVD is now online, the DVD is introduced by our very own Catherine Johnson, and you'll spot Jack Gantos about half way through with Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key. Jack is very good in front of the camera and he is followed by a kid doing a brilliant review of the book (even if he does look petrified!) <http://www.bookedup.org.uk/Booked-Up-DVD>