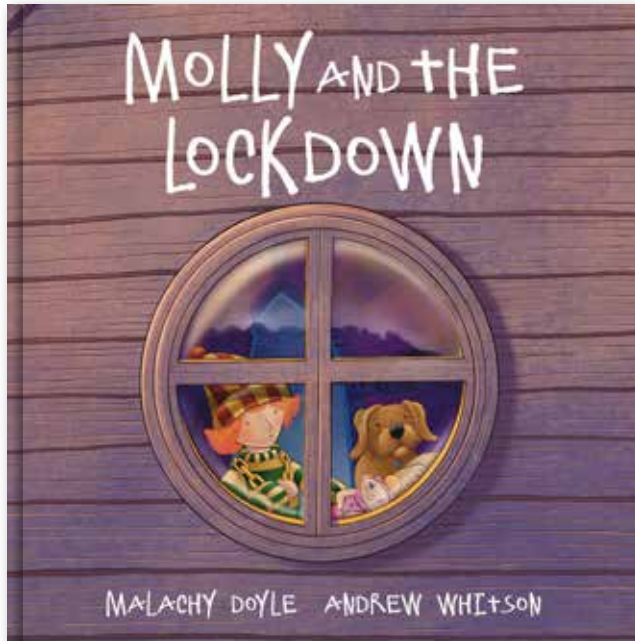


Molly and the Lockdown by Malachy Doyle

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Molly and her friends are suddenly plunged into a lockdown and have to adapt to a new way of living.

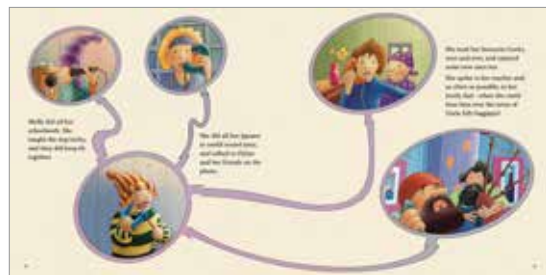
Molly completes jigsaws, plays her fiddle, and looks after her pets, whilst her mother helps others on the island and her father is stuck far away on the mainland. With a vaccine on the horizon, this story ends with a message of hope. In collaboration with Irish publisher An tSnáthaid Mhór, the story will be released simultaneously in three languages: English, Irish and Welsh. A great resource for people home-schooling, it helps educate children about the challenging circumstances surrounding COVID-19, UK-wide lockdowns and the vaccine, as well as providing a hopeful message for both children and adults.

Malachy Doyle has over 100 children's books published by leading English, Welsh and Irish publishers, from picture books to teenage novels. His work has been translated into 27 languages and he is a previous winner of the Tir na n-Og Award (*Georgie*), the Nestle Children's Book Award (*The Dancing Tiger*), the English Association Award for Non-Fiction (*Cow*) and many other awards in the UK and USA.

Andrew Whitson has illustrated books on various aspects of Irish mythology, including *The Creatures of Celtic Myth*, *The Field Guide to Irish Fairies* and *The Dark Spirit*. In 2011, Andrew received the Bisto honorary award for book illustration. Andrew is based in Belfast, Northern Ireland.

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'A treat for children and the adults who share it with them, *Molly and the Stormy Sea* shows writer Malachy Doyle and illustrator Andrew Whitson at their very best.'

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'This is a timeless and enchanting fable about the power of faith, the price of sacrifice, and the joy of hope which will be read endlessly by children and adults alike.'

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