



DADDY'S SCARED OF BEASTIES

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Breaking stereotypes with a fresh and hilarious picture book

Daddy's Scared of Beasties is an **entertaining story about a dad's fear of minibeasts** (beasties) and has an overarching theme that it's OK for grown-ups to be scared of things too.

Full of hilarious and **colourful illustrations**, our big and burly ginger-bearded dad encounters different minibeasts, trying to hide his fear from his children, who don't mind them at all.

Daddy's Scared of Beasties is a story that **breaks cultural stereotypes** while celebrating diversity across families and in nature, featuring an LGBTQI+ mixed-race family and plenty of (not very scary) minibeasts.



The perfect book for Fathers Day



Kirstin is a Scottish writer and mother of two. She is passionate about the benefits of early reading and writes rhyming inclusive picture books.

Kirstin has been a **featured author** at Barnes Children's Literature Festival and is stocked in Waterstone's & independent stores across the UK. Her book 'My Family is So Scottish' has been **shortlisted** for the 2023 Selfies awards.



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My Brother is a Vampire

Ages 3-6, EYFS

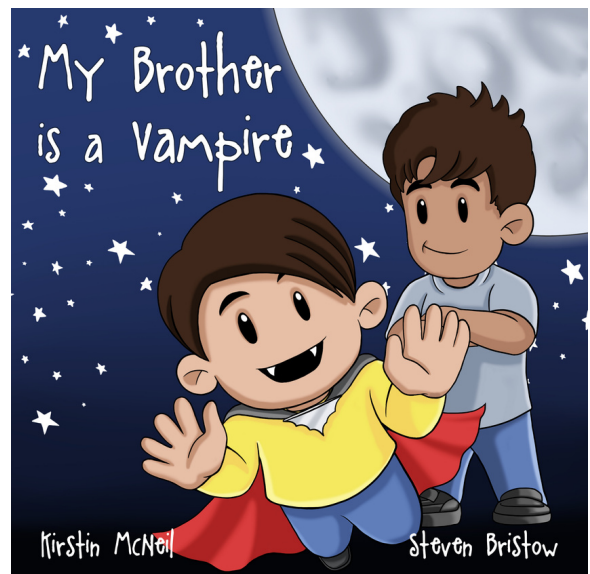
A fun and memorable rhyming story (and song) about an older brother who is convinced that his younger brother is a vampire. Inspired by my own children, this light-hearted story shares how things aren't always as they seem. Coupled with an original song, your kids will love guessing whether their own siblings are vampires too.

What kids say: "I think the little brother is cheeky like my sister and I am like the werewolf brother"

What teachers say: "We loved how fun and engaging this book is. The illustrations are very appealing to the younger children, and especially love the repeated sections in the book. It is a firm favourite in our school library"

Key Themes: Siblings, Make-believe, Hallowe'en, Family, Rhyming & repetition, expressing emotions

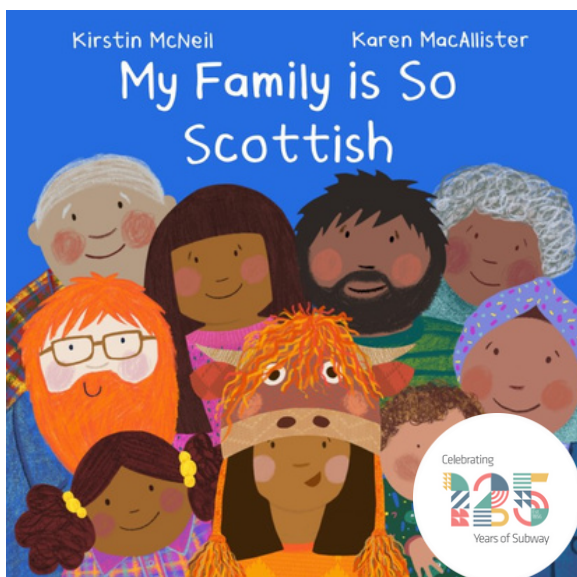
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The perfect bedtime story for early readers

My Family is So Scottish

Ages 5-7, KS1



A fresh and exciting picture book celebrating Scottish culture

Written in joyful rhyme, My Family is so Scottish includes over 40 references of Scottish traditions, words and food. Meet this very Scottish family through an inclusive and colourful representation of what it is to be Scottish.

What kids say: "The family looks like they have so much fun together" "I loved learning about the different Scottish things"

What teachers say: "An excellent and fun way of showing pride in your culture and heritage. Our children really enjoyed the story and we discussed many themes from the book about what makes them proud about their own families."

Key Themes: Families, culture, traditions, siblings, pride.

