

**Sat 15th & Sun 16th Oct**  
**10am – 5:30pm**  
**Royal Seven Stars Hotel**  
**The Plains, Totnes, TQ9 5DD**  
**Tickets on sale now**

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**Welcome to Turn the Page Totnes 2016**

**This year we welcome 15 great authors and illustrators to Totnes: both well known names and rising stars!**

We have expanded to take over a whole weekend and there are two extra events at the Totnes Library in the week leading up to the festival, as well as visits from festival authors and illustrators to three local primary schools.

This year the age range covers toddlers to 11 year olds as we have storytelling sessions for very young children in the library and two events with new stars of 'middle grade' books from aged 9 upwards.

Spend the day or the weekend in Totnes where there is lots to do and see! We hope that you and your families enjoy the festival and that your children are encouraged to love reading.

**Tickets**

Tickets are on sale online at [www.turnthepagetotnes.org.uk](http://www.turnthepagetotnes.org.uk) and at the Totnes Bookshop and the Royal Seven Stars Hotel. Tickets are £3.50 and all children must be accompanied by a ticket-holding adult. All online bookings incur a transaction charge of £1. Offers are available for multiple purchases: see online for details. Email [info@turnthepagetotnes.org.uk](mailto:info@turnthepagetotnes.org.uk) if you have any queries.

**Events**

Events last for about 50 minutes. Event times may vary by a few minutes.

**Book Sales**

Authors will be signing books after all events and books will be sold by the Totnes Bookshop at £1 discount for ticket holders. Signed books make lovely gifts! Sales are cash only and there are cash points nearby.

**See over for programme**

**Thank you**

Thank you to everyone else who helped with the festival including all our volunteers.

**Organiser** Nikki Marsh  
**Publicist/assistant organiser** Virginia Marsh  
**Graphic designer** Tom Blaker

Owls courtesy of Totnes Rare Breeds Farm

**Disability access**

We regret that there is no disability access to the Ballroom where the events take place as the Royal Seven Stars Hotel is a very old building. There is good disability access at the Totnes Library for the events that take place there.

**Transport and parking**

Totnes is likely to be very busy over the weekend. We suggest the Longmarsh car park on the Bridgetown side of the river, five minutes walk from the venue. The train station is ten minutes walk and buses stop outside the Seven Stars. [www.southhams.gov.uk/article/1711/](http://www.southhams.gov.uk/article/1711/) Car-Park-Locations

**Food and Drink**

Accompanied children can go into the bars in the Seven Stars where there is a children's menu. There are cafes and delis nearby including sponsors The Curator Café, Destination Annes and the Waterside Bistro.

**Partner organisations**



**New This Year : pre-festival events in Totnes Library 8th & 12th October**



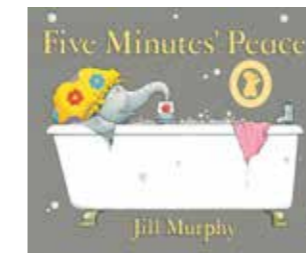
**Peter Bently Potion Commotion and festival preview**  
**Age 4 +**  
**Saturday 8th Oct 11am Totnes Library**

Start your festival week with a bang with Totnes author Peter Bently and his new book *Potion Commotion*.

Little witch Betty makes a big mess when she tries her hand at cooking. Into the cauldron goes everything from strawberry jam to slices of ham! Betty's potion keeps on growing and growing and soon it's spreading all over town. But when a hungry dragon arrives on the scene, can Betty's brew save the day? Includes a craft activity for children.

The Totnes librarians will introduce other festival books as part of this event.

**Tickets £2.50 per child, accompanying adult free. Book online or at the library**



**Five Minutes Peace by Jill Murphy: special 30 year anniversary edition**  
**Age 2+**  
**Wednesday 12th October Totnes Library**  
**Sessions at 11am, 12.30pm, 2pm and 3pm**

Mrs Large the elephant just needs five minutes peace and quiet away from her boisterous children. But there's never a dull moment in the Large family and it soon becomes clear that her quiet time will be short-lived.

Sensory interactive storytelling sessions with music, singing, and fun activities by fabulous storyteller Vanessa Woolf, based on Jill Murphy's much loved classic: bring your toddlers, buggies welcome.

**Tickets £2.50 per child, accompanying adult free. Book online or at the library**

**Books on sale at both of these events at £1 discount for ticket holders**

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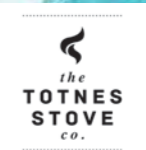
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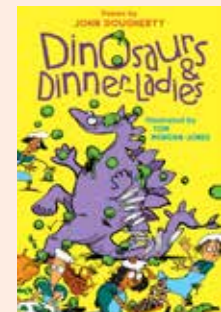
All events are followed by book signings in the Assembly Room. The bookshop is located at the back of the Ballroom.

9.55 Official opening with Nick Sharratt



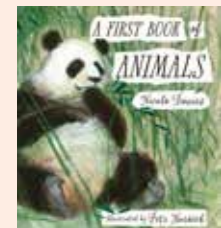
10.00 Nick Sharratt **Shark in the Park on a Windy Day, Vikings in the Supermarket, The Cat and the King** Age 4 +

Join top children's illustrator and author Nick Sharratt as he introduces his latest Shark in the Park adventure and his book of nonsense poetry, *Vikings in the Supermarket*. Highly interactive, with lots of live drawing and rollicking rhymes, this event is guaranteed to be fantastic fun for fans old and new. Nick will also talk about his first novel, *The Cat and the King*.



11.30 John Dougherty and Tom Morgan-Jones **Dinosaurs and Dinner Ladies** Age 6 +

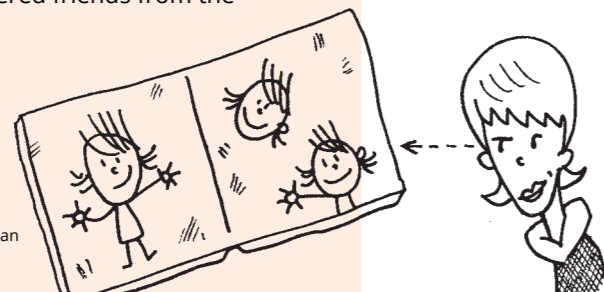
In dining halls of long ago, when dinosaurs sat down to dine, did prehistoric dinner-ladies keep them all in line? What's the REAL reason the dinosaurs died out? Can anyone rescue Class 2M from the wild dinner-ladies? A sparkling debut poetry collection from the author of the bestselling *Stinkbomb* and *Ketchup-Face* books. Live drawing, poetry performances and specially written songs.



12.45 Nicola Davies and Petr Horacek **A First Book of Animals** Age 5 +

Join acclaimed author and zoologist Nicola Davies and Czech illustrator Petr Horacek, as they wow and dazzle with spellbinding illustrations and fascinating facts about the animals of the world. With live painting and a chance to sing a whale song, this is an interactive event with a special appearance by feathered friends from the Totnes Rare Breeds Farm!

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2.00 Rebecca Cobb **Lunchtime, The Something, Paper Dolls, It's A Little Baby!** Age 4 +

Following her sell-out event in Totnes last year Falmouth-based Rebecca Cobb, one of the most talented new names in children's books, returns with a brand new event. Storytelling, puppets, live drawing including an activity for all the children and a sneak preview of her forthcoming book with Gruffalo author Julia Donaldson.



3.15 Knife and Packer **Badly Drawn Beth** Age 6 +

Author and illustrator team Jem Packer and Duncan McCoshan won the 6 - 8 category of the Laugh Out Loud Awards this year with *Badly Drawn Beth*, the first of a series. They will talk about their books and how they work together and then get children drawing Beth and her crazy imaginary world. Beth lets her imagination run riot - children will be encouraged to do so too!



4.30 Claire Barker **Knitbone Pepper Ghost Dog: A Horse Called Moon** Age 6 +

Come and meet Barnstaple-based Claire Barker, author of the critically acclaimed Knitbone Pepper Ghost Dog series. A fun, inspirational session for young readers, full of hats, pets and spooktacular high spirits. There's even a tiger too. The Knitbone Pepper books are funny, wonderfully imaginative and beautifully illustrated.



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11.00 Philip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre **Jinks and O'Hare: Funfair Repair!** Age 7 +

Join award-winning writer and illustrator double-act Reeve and McIntyre on a trip to Funfair Moon, the biggest funfair in the galaxy. Find out how repair men Jinks and O'Hare, with the help of their young friend Emily, save the day when things go wrong with the Haunted House and the seven-storey merry-go-round. Help design a roller coaster, and learn to draw our heroes the Sarah McIntyre way. One of the first performances of their new show.



12.30 Lucy Letherland **Atlas of Miniature Adventures** Age 7 +

Discover the world's smallest adventures with this event based on a new beautifully illustrated journey around the world from the award-winning team behind *Atlas of Adventures*. Featuring a miniature railway, the world's smallest post office and a tiny seahorse! Join Lucy Letherland to find out how the book was made, watch her draw the characters, and help her put together a huge adventure world map of everyone's drawings.



1.45pm Josh Lacey **The Dragonsitter: Trick or Treat? Grk series** Age 7 +

Have you got what it takes to be a Dragonsitter? Author of the Roald Dahl Funny prize shortlisted *Dragonsitter* series introduces you to Eddie and Emily and their Uncle Morton's pet Dragon Ziggy in his event, based on the fourth book in the series. Hear all about their escapades and adventures in this fun-filled event. Josh also wrote the seven hilarious *Grk* books about a lovable dog called Grk.



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3.00 Katherine Woodfine **The Mystery of the Jewelled Moth, The Mystery of the Clockwork Sparrow** Age 9 +

Grab your super-sleuthing kits and join author Katherine Woodfine for an exciting, mysterious romp through Edwardian London. Learn how Katherine created the sumptuous world of Sinclair's Department Store, what it takes to write a historical mystery adventure, and hear about the disappearance of the priceless Clockwork Sparrow. Follow the trail of the coveted Jewelled Moth from Mayfair to the East End. You may even have the chance to solve a mystery puzzle of your own! Katherine will also talk about the new anthology, *Magic and Mayhem*, by 12 great authors.



4.15pm Ross Montgomery **Perjee and Me** Age 9 +

Have you ever wondered what aliens might look like? Ross Montgomery's latest book, *Perjee & Me*, tells the story of a girl who finds and secretly raises her very own alien as a little brother. There's only one problem - Perjee won't stop growing! Join Ross as he talks all about good aliens, bad aliens, weird aliens, and how you can use descriptive language to create an alien of your own! A new comic voice in children's books from an author who tried pig farming and teaching before writing full time. Ross's other books are *Alex, the Dog* and *The Unopenable Door* and *The Tornado Chasers*.

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