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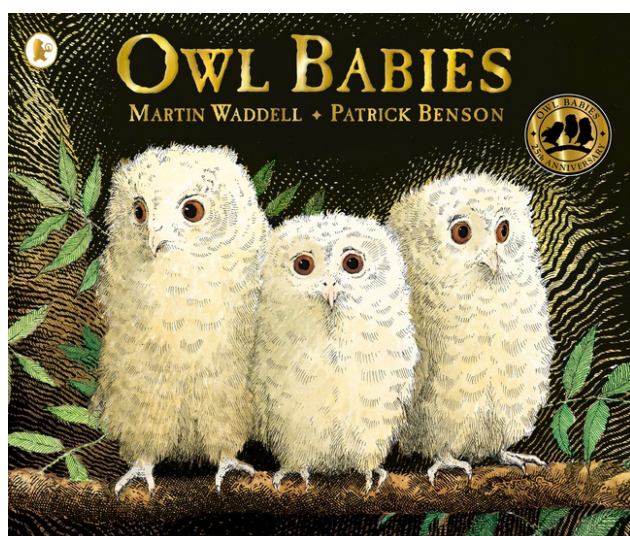
BOOKS, CAFÉ, DELI & HOME



We are lucky enough to be joined by **Patrick Benson** as our illustrator-in-residence for **Bookshop Day on Saturday 7th October**. As well as spending the day in the shop, Patrick will be giving a talk on his work, followed by a workshop. Numbers are limited, so do please book early to avoid disappointment.



OWL BABIES TALK & WORKSHOP



'The challenge for me, when illustrating Martin's wonderful words, was the need to create a moonlit world which was realistically dark, but ultimately unthreatening. I hope it's a world which helps children become less afraid of the night, and a world which reassures children that, no matter how far away, Mum will always be a comforting, protecting light in the darkness; Mum will always come back home.'
PATRICK BENSON

'This story came when I met a lost child at a supermarket counter, eyes round with fear, repeating again, and again, and again, "I want my mummy! I want my mummy! I want my mummy!" Every child understands the fear behind those words and the relief that comes with Patrick Benson's extraordinarily powerful "AND SHE CAME" illustration. And I hope that every child can take away a feeling of warmth and reassurance from *Owl Babies* – that they understand that their fears are reasonable, and that the people who love them will always be here for them. I love my owls... particularly Bill.' MARTIN WADDELL

EVENT Celebrate 20 years of *Owl Babies* with illustrator, Patrick Benson. Patrick will give a talk on his work, followed by a workshop

DATE Sat 7th October 2.30-4pm

TICKETS £8

VENUE The Mainstreet Trading Company, St Boswells, TD6 0AT

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