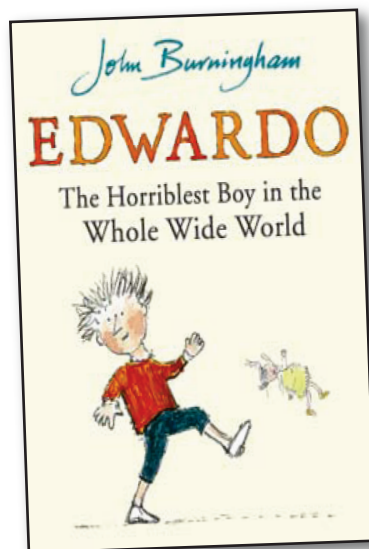


Children's Book Review

It's over forty years since John Burningham burst onto the literary scene with *Borka*, the story of the featherless goose, becoming Jonathan Cape's first ever picture book and winning the Kate Greenaway Prize for his simple yet expressive illustrations.

Following his fantastic, *The Magic Bed*, *Edwardo the Horriblest Boy in the Whole World* shows yet again his understanding of the mind of the child. Edwardo is an ordinary boy. He is messy, noisy and sometimes naughty and when grown-ups tell him how awful he is he just gets worse. Then one day people start to tell him how great he is and then he just gets better and better: a sharply concise cautionary tale for parent and child alike about learning to encourage not criticise.

Burningham's illustrations use space as expressively as his pen and ink. At the beginning small, single sketches of Edwardo face much larger, exuberant ones of critical adults on the opposing page. As Edwardo is encouraged he begins to share his page with other people, the drawings become more colourful, more plentiful and he appears to visibly grow with confidence. The text is rhythmically repetitive which children will love to hear read aloud and to join in with, making *Edwardo* another mark on Burningham's long list of achievements.



John Burningham *Edwardo the Horriblest Boy in the Whole Wide World* (Red Fox, 2007, pbk)

Ice Cream Flavours

Everybody loves ice cream - find all your favourites in the grid, plus there's an extra hidden flavour which isn't listed.



Banana
Black Cherry
Choc Chip
Chocolate
Coconut
Cookies N Cream
Fudge
Mint

Orange
Pistachio
Raspberry
Rum N Raisin
Strawberry
Tiramisu
Tutti Frutti
Vanilla

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