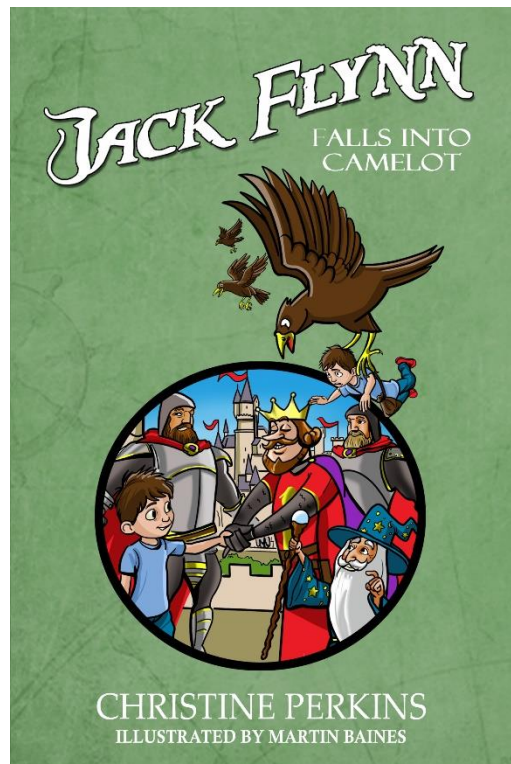




**NEW CHILDREN'S BOOK BRINGS**  
**KING ARTHUR'S LEGENDS TO A NEW GENERATION**

As timeless tales of King Arthur and Camelot continue to captivate readers across generations, Warwickshire-based author Christine Perkins revives the legendary stories for today's young readers in her new book *Jack Flynn Falls into Camelot* – an exhilarating time-travel adventure.

In an era where fantasy novels such as *Harry Potter* and *Percy Jackson* have reignited interest in myth and magic, this new release by independent publishing house Candy Jar Books taps into this growing trend. Christine combines a deep interest in King Arthur's mythology with fast-paced storytelling to create an adventure that bridges the gap between ancient folklore and twenty-first century storytelling.



Following on from meeting pirates in her first book, this time Jack is transported to the court of King Arthur, where he must use his wits and bravery to help the legendary knights defend Camelot from fierce dragons and dangerous sorcery.

Keren Williams, Head of Marketing at Candy Jar Books, says: "The *Jack Flynn* series is ideal for young readers just beginning their reading journey. Both books are engaging and easy to follow, with exciting pop-out words. Our talented illustrators have truly brought the adventures to life, making the stories even more captivating."

Author Christine Perkins, born in Sutton Coldfield, has always had a love of writing stories and poetry. From the moment she started school, she was fascinated by words – how they fit together, how they sounded – and as she grew older, she developed a deep interest in their etymology. She

began her career as a deputy head teacher, before transitioning into an educational consultancy, where she supports schools in developing early reading skills for children. Her expertise in childhood literacy and her passion for storytelling make her a natural fit for crafting engaging books for young readers.

"I've always been fascinated by the legends of King Arthur and Camelot, and I wanted to bring these stories to life in a way that's fun and exciting for children," Christine explains. "I hope that *Jack Flynn Falls into Camelot* will inspire young readers to explore the magic of history and mythology, just as I did when I was younger."

The inspiration for *Jack Flynn Falls into Camelot* stems from Christine's academic journey, where she wrote her university dissertation on the Knights of the Round Table. This began her fascination with the Arthurian legend, but this was not the only inspiration behind her new book.

Christine continues: "My mum was my biggest inspiration. She was a wonderful storyteller – no books needed at times! She had a super imagination and loved a good mystery. She also shared my love of history, especially visiting castles and stately homes. I have fond memories of holidays with my mum and brother, where we always made time to explore a new castle!"

Her first book in the series, *Jack Flynn and the Pirate Porthole*, was inspired by her children and their love for pirate adventures as youngsters. Now, with *Jack Flynn Falls into Camelot*, Christine is blending her love for history and castles with her passion for writing, crafting an adventure that introduces young readers to these classic tales.

*Jack Flynn Falls into Camelot* is being distributed by the Books Council of Wales, alongside the first book in the series and is available at all good bookshops from the 24<sup>th</sup> of October.