

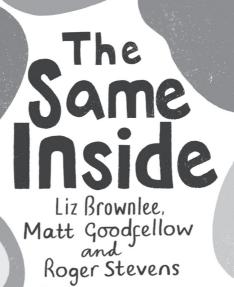
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For Lola, assistance dog, lifesaver and friend LB

For my best friends: Joanna, Daisy and Will MG

For Joe, Steph and Sam RS

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The Same Inside

Red perfumed apples and crunchy, crisp green, used straight from the tree or in tasty cuisine, like honey nut charoset and pies with ice cream.

In Fujis from Co-ops and Cox's from Spar, or Java apples from far Zanzibar; look inside any apple and there is a star!

Liz Brownlee

What's My Name?

- I'm the sun that lights the playground before the work begins
- I'm the smile when teacher cracks a joke. I'm the giggles and the grins
- In assembly I'm the trophy that the winning team collects
- In your maths book I'm the page of sums where every one's correct
- I'm the pure blue sky and leafy green that wins the prize in art
- I'm steamy, creamy custard dribbling down the cook's jam tart
- I'm the noise of playtime rising through the stratosphere
- I'm the act of kindness when you lent your kit to Mia
- I'm the star you were awarded for your startling poetry
- I'm the school gates swinging open on the stroke of half past three

If you look for me, you'll find me. What's my name? Can you guess?

I live just round the corner and my name is happiness

Roger Stevens

Being Human

So many pupils in our school
So many hands to hold
So many languages spoken
All with stories to be told

So many ways to look at life So many jokes and laughs So many dreams to follow All with different paths

So many journeys started All out for a happy end So many types of human So many words for friend

Liz Brownlee

Fingerprints

I try to find where mine begin and end

frustratedly, I check those of my friend

she watches, gentle-eyed starts to speak:

don't try to understand what is unique

Matt Goodfellow

Puzzle

we are

all jigsaw pieces

before we are gone

we must find a way to

fit

together

as

one

Matt Goodfellow