# Media Kit - Jackie Burke

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# **About the Author**

Jackie grew up with her sister and three brothers in Dublin, Ireland. She has dreamed of becoming a writer since she was a little girl but other things (like work, sport and baking cakes) kept getting in the way. So she sat down one day and started writing Grindlewood, and she hasn't stopped writing since.

"The Secrets of Grindlewood" is inspired by all that Jackie loves in nature; gardens, forests, wildlife and especially cats and dogs. Book 1 in the "Grindlewood" series was her first outing as an author. Book 2 was published in 2014 and Book 3 in 2015. Book 4 will be available in Autumn 2016.

Jackie and her husband live in Bray, County Wicklow, where they share their home with a big fluffy cat called Millie.

# **About Book 1: The Secrets of Grindlewood**

## Tagline

A spell, a quest and the bravest dog in the world.

# Logline

Caught up in an ancient magical feud, two children and their pets must join an army of enchanted animals to save their home and defeat a wicked warlock once and for all.



## Description

With Wanda the good witch defeated, all that stands between Worfeus the warlock and ultimate power is just one spell. That is, until the Grindles arrive on the scene. The children and their pets move into an old rambling house and discover a collection of enchanted animals in their garden. Now Jamie, Jemima, Timber and Teddy must take up the witch's quest and succeed where all others have failed. But can they match the warlock's power? And who will uncover the hidden spell first?

For Details of Books 2 and 3 and reviews please visit <u>http://www.grindlewood.com/books/</u>





# **TV/Radio**

*RTE Radio 1: 19 Dec 2013* <u>Liveline</u> with Joe Duffy (From 57 minutes 20 seconds) **RTE Radio 1: 21 Dec 2013** <u>The Business</u> with George Lee (From 30 minutes)

*KCLR96FM: 19 Oct 2013* <u>Saturday Brunch</u> with John Masterson

*East Coast FM: 25 Sept 2013* Morning Show with Declan Meehan

*East Coast FM: 25 Oct 2015* Morning Show with Declan Meehan

*Clare FM: 11 Feb 2016* Morning Focus with Gavin Grace

*Liffey Sound FM: 21 Feb 2016* Bookline with Teresa Quinn

Web *The Telegraph* Christmas Gift Ideas for 2013

# **Print Media**

*The Wicklow People: 07 Aug 2013* "Dark magic at work in Jackie's new book" <u>http://bit.ly/13IRHM4</u>

Primary Times: Autumn Issue, Sept 2013 "Creative Writing" www.primarytimes.net

*Writing.ie: 26 Sept, 2013* "Writing and me" www.writing.ie

*Dublin People, 30 Sept, 2013* "Jackie's dream realized as first book is published" <u>http://bit.ly/19UNELs</u>

*Bray People, 2 Oct, 2013* "Secrets of Grindlewood hits shelves"

*Woman's Way: 07 Oct 2013* "Writing for young readers"

#### www.womansway.ie

## Bray People, 26 Mar 2014

"Second in series of Grindlewood books." <u>http://www.independent.ie/regionals/braypeople/news/second-in-series-of-grindlewood-books-30126244.html</u>

# Irish Examiner, Jan 11 2014

"Beginner's pluck" <u>http://www.irishexaminer.com/lifestyle/artsfilmtv/books/beginners-pluck-jackie-burke-254919.html</u>

# Bray People, 11 June 2014

"Author cuts ribbon on school library" http://www.independent.ie/regionals/braypeople/news/author-cuts-ribbon-on-schoollibrary-30345346.html

## Bray People, 26 Sept 2015

"Jackie to launch new children's book next month" <u>http://www.independent.ie/regionals/braypeople/entertainment/jackie-to-</u> launch-new-childrens-book-next-month-31549419.html

## Bray People, 24 Oct 2015

"Jackie launches third Grindlewood adventure" <u>http://www.independent.ie/regionals/braypeople/localnotes/jackie-launches-</u> <u>third-grindlewood-adventure-34125369.html</u>

# Bray People, 12 Mar 2016

"Fun events mark World Book Day" <u>http://www.independent.ie/regionals/braypeople/lifestyle/fun-events-mark-world-book-day-34521918.html</u>

# **Blogs/Reviews**

*The Lady Loves Books* "New fantasy series for children 7+" http://theladylovesbooks.com/new-fantasy-series-for-children-7/

# My First Book Deal

Interview with Jackie http://myfirstbookdeal.com/2016/03/16/my-sales-and-readership-are-continuing-togrow/#more-289

See <u>http://www.grindlewood.com/reviews/</u> for more.