

Pie oh pie, what a delicious new book!



As Nice as Pie, by debut author Gary Sheppard will be published in November 2016 by Maverick Arts Publishing. With illustrations by Tim Budgen, *As Nice as Pie* is a warm and funny story, perfect for the cold winter months ahead.

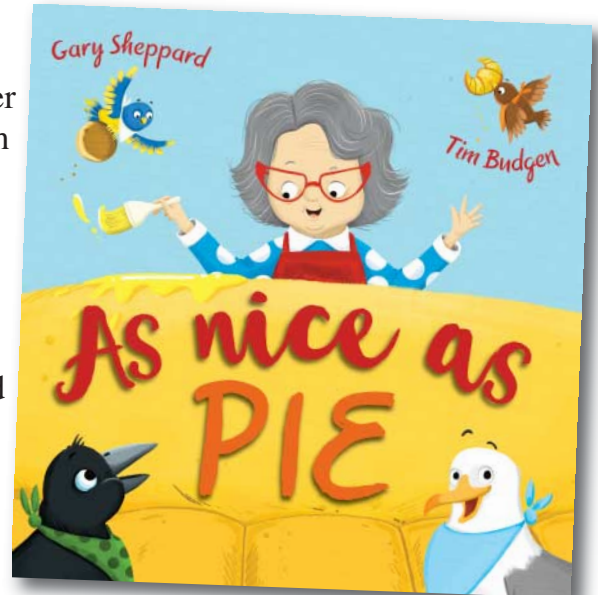
The book focuses on Mavis, a kindly and caring person who loves baking and sharing. As such, when a little bird is after a few crumbs, she's happy to help.

As more birds get wind of her generosity, however, Mavis finds herself run ragged! In all of a flap she cooks up a plan to get the greedy birds to help her achieve her dream.

As Nice as Pie would make a wonderful gift from a grandparent to a child this Christmas season. It would make a perfect bedtime story to be shared between a child and parent but it will also be a useful tool in the classroom. With references to popular nursery rhymes and opportunities to count the mass of birds, *As Nice as Pie* would suit both literacy and numeracy lessons.

Gary spends his days as a copy writer but by night and any other free minute, he writes children's books. He is also a proactive member of SCBWI. *As Nice as Pie* will be published Monday 28th November and is available for pre-order now.

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