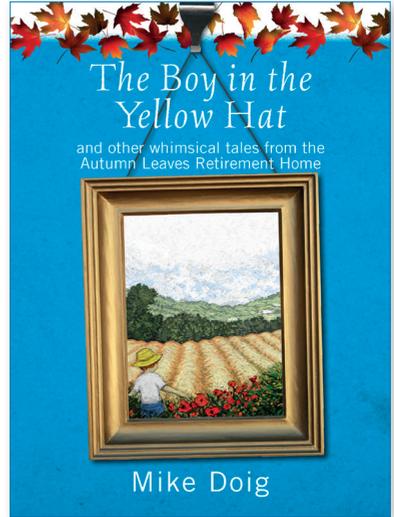


The Boy in the Yellow Hat

*and other whimsical tales from the
Autumn Leaves Retirement Home*

by Mike Doig, illustrated by Nick Antunovic

The residents are all of a flutter. The Prince and his Duchess are coming for a visit. Marxist sympathiser George the gardener promises to be on his best behaviour. But on the big day, it's Old Freddie who causes a stir. He challenges the Prince to a game of snooker and beats him hollow. Then there is the tragic mobility scooter race, and the time Edna returns from a mystery trip to Sydney. And what happens when Alfie takes a closer look at a Paris painting? Another problem arises regarding the rule about keeping pets. Just some of the many tricky moments and the charming but eccentric characters who brighten everyone's lives at the Autumn Leaves retirement home.



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