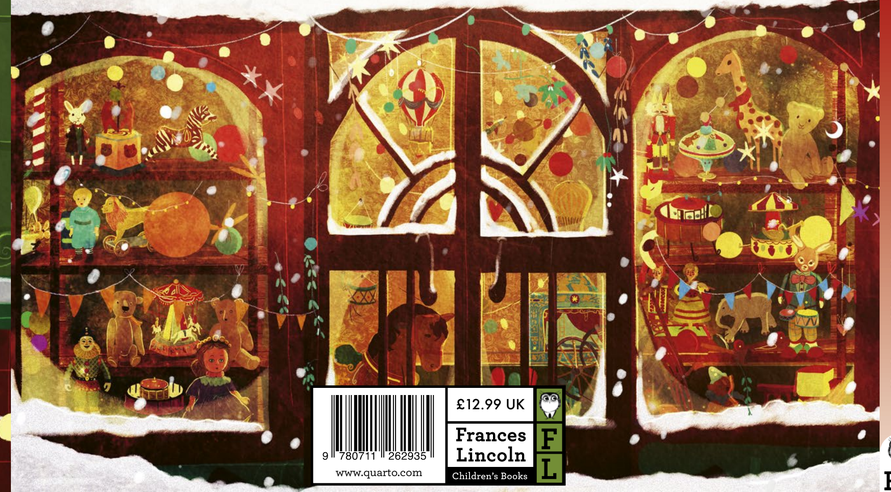
David Litchfield first began drawing when he was very young. His illustration heroes and biggest influences are Albert Uderzo, Sylvain Chomet and Raymond Briggs. He creates his unique, atmospheric artwork using a variety of traditional techniques, assembling the different elements together in Photoshop to create large-scale, dramatic scenes. *The Bear and the Piano*, David's first picture book, won the Waterstones Children's Book Prize 2016, Illustrated Book Category, and became an international bestseller.



This uplifting Christmas tale tells the story of young Nicky Claus who wanted to make every child in the city happy, even if it was for just for one day.



9 780711 262935
£12.99 UK
Frances Lincoln
Children's Books
www.quarto.com

KID CHRISTMAS

David Litchfield

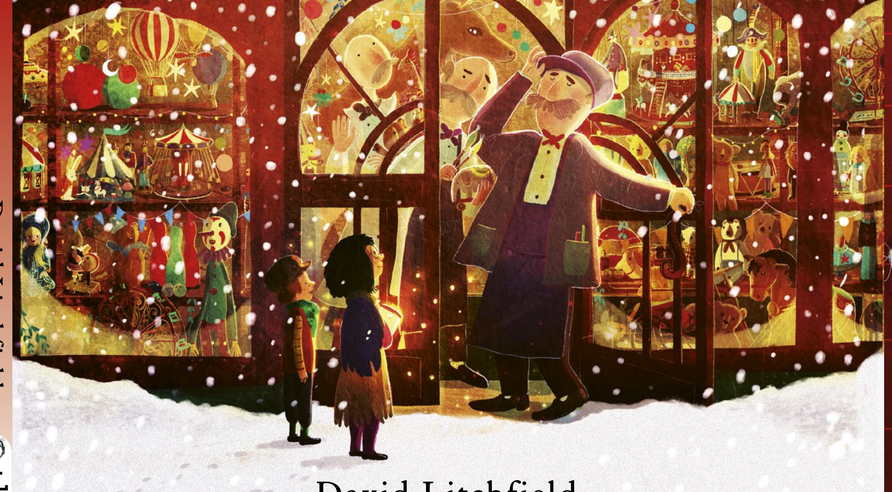
FL



KID CHRISTMAS

OF THE

CLAUS BROTHERS TOY SHOP



David Litchfield

Nicky Claus works with his three uncles in the Claus Brothers Toy Shop. Uncle Hanz makes the toys, Uncle Louis checks them and Uncle Levi adds the magic! For each toy made at the Claus Brothers Toy Shop has a special sparkle that means it will find the child it is perfect for.

One day, young Nicky notices a girl with her face pressed up to the window of the Toy Shop. When she disappears, he follows her and finds her living on the streets with lots of other children. None of whom have ever owned a toy. That night Nicky vows that every child will have the toy of their dreams and a brand-new legend of Father Christmas is born.

This magical story from bestselling author-illustrator David Litchfield is a festive treat centred on kindness, generosity and the true spirit of Christmas.

KID CHRISTMAS

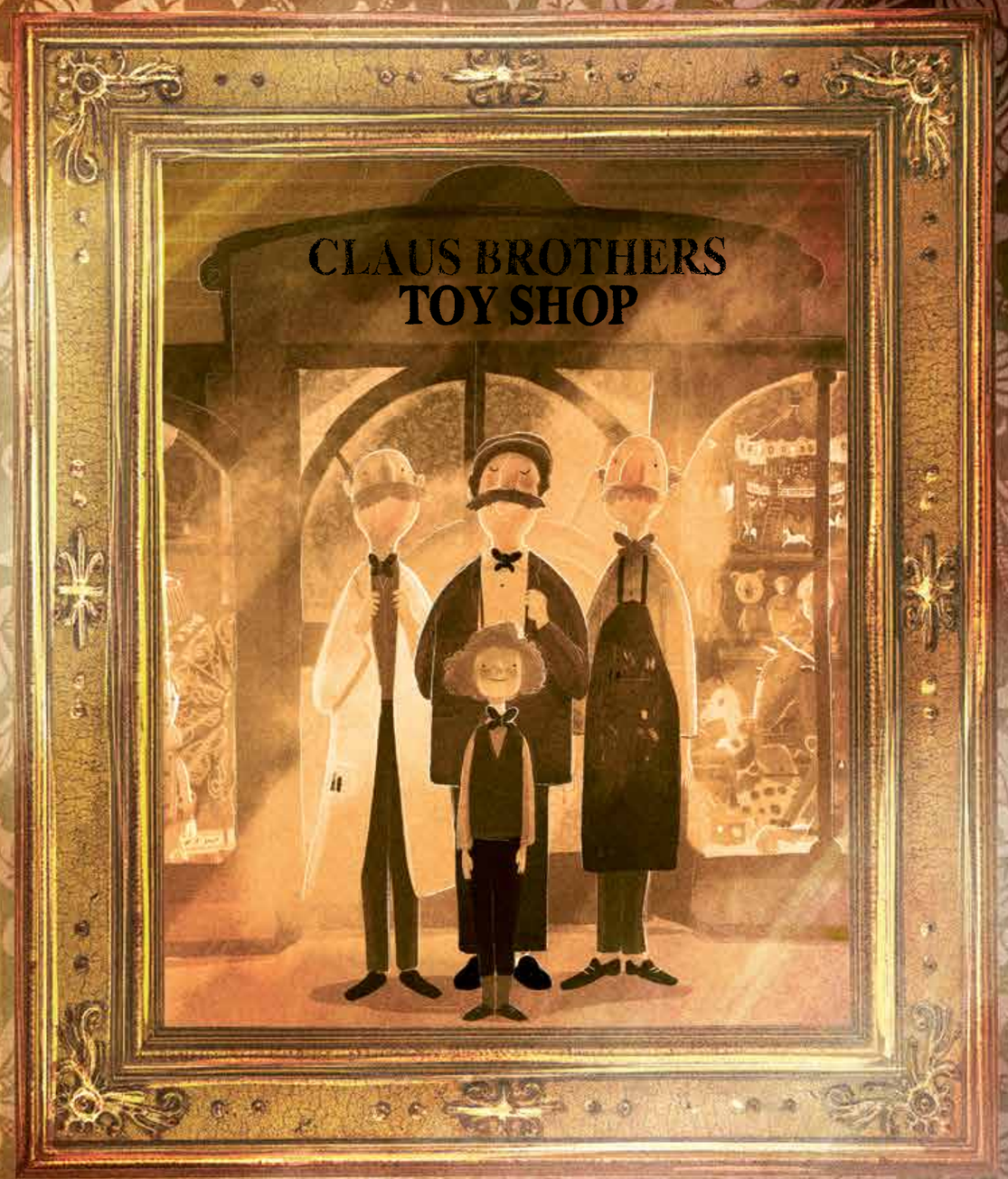
David Litchfield

FL

When Nicky was born
he was surrounded by love.

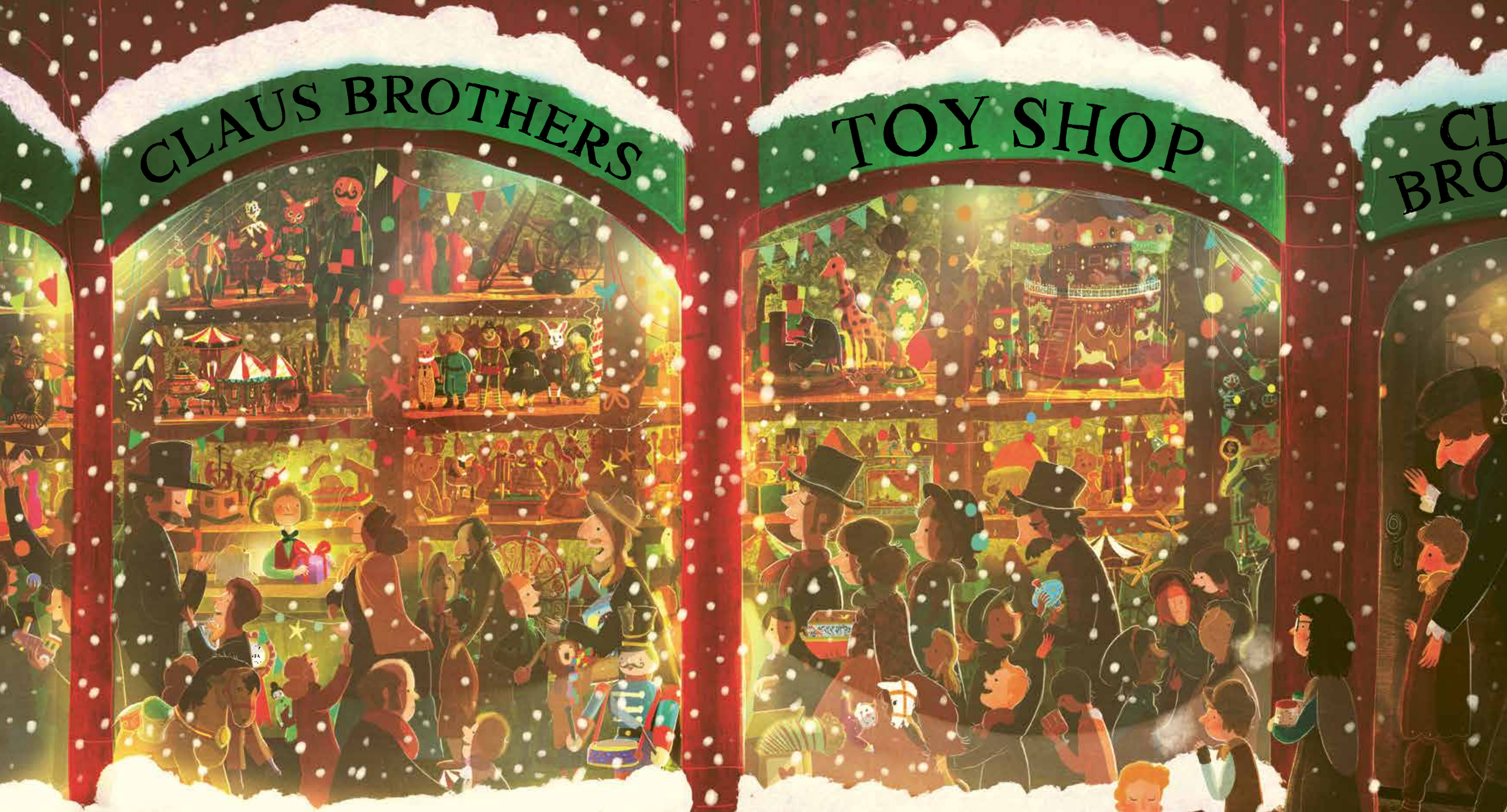






And toys, of course.
Lots and lots of toys.

He had three uncles: Louis, Hanz and Levi.
They were known as the Claus Brothers and were
the finest toy makers in the land.



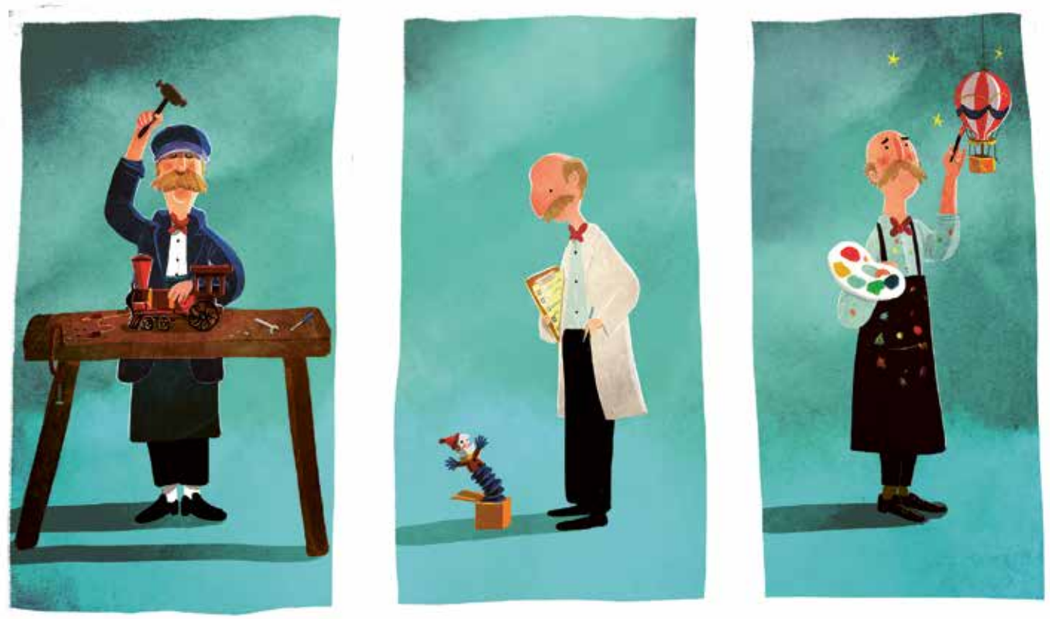
When he was old enough, Nicky worked in the Claus Brothers Toy Shop every day.

It was full of excited, happy children all wanting the latest Claus Brothers toys!

But little did they know that hidden away in a corner of the shop, behind a mysterious door, stood a mysterious workshop.



And if they snuck inside that mysterious workshop, they would find Uncle Hanz making the toys, Uncle Louis checking them, and Uncle Levi adding the… Oh, what's the scientific term for it? Ah, yes. *Magic*. Uncle Levi would be adding the magic.



Because every toy made by the Claus Brothers had a special sparkle that meant it would find the child it was perfect for. That was why every child in the city wanted one!



But, of course, not every child *could* have a toy.





Every so often, Nicky noticed another group of children outside the shop window.



Nicky would invite them inside, but they would always just run away.

One day, the Toy Shop shut early. It was Christmas Eve and everyone was going home to get ready. But instead of going home with his uncles, Nicky decided to follow the children.



They disappeared into a mysterious hole in a wall that led to a tunnel. The way was lit by hundreds of jars with buzzing fireflies inside them.







Eventually, Nicky came to a large room…

For Katie, Benny, George and Maggie May.
—D.L.



The Quarto Group
Inspiring | Educating | Creating | Entertaining

Brimming with creative inspiration, how-to projects, and useful information to enrich your everyday life, quarto.com is a favourite destination for those pursuing their interests and passions.

Text and illustrations © 2022 David Litchfield.

First published in 2022 by Frances Lincoln Children's Books, an imprint of The Quarto Group.
The Old Brewery, 6 Blundell Street, London N7 9BH, United Kingdom.
T (0)20 7700 6700 F (0)20 7700 8066
www.Quarto.com
The right of David Litchfield to be identified as the author of this work has been asserted by him in accordance with the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act, 1988 (United Kingdom).

All rights reserved.

No part of this publication may be reproduced, stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted, in any form, or by any means, electrical, mechanical, photocopying, recording or otherwise without the prior written permission of the publisher or a licence permitting restricted copying.
A catalogue record for this book is available from the British Library.

ISBN 978-0-7112-6293-5

The illustrations were created digitally
Set in Granjon LT and KG Midnight Memories
Published by Peter Marley
Designed by Andrew Watson
Edited by Katie Cotton
Production by Dawn Cameron

Printed in Guangdong, China TT072022

1 3 5 7 9 8 6 4 2