

“Fairies can do anything,” Ellie whispered to her pet caterpillar Harley. “Why can’t I?”

Meet Ellie, a sick little fairy who has lost her beautiful hair and her magical powers. She doesn’t even have the strength to open her fairy wings. Come along with Ellie as she learns to be brave and strong through cancer, treatments, and loneliness. Discover how her baldness saves the village at a terrifying moment!

This heartfelt and inspiring story gives hope to children of all ages facing cancer and other childhood illnesses. With beautiful illustrations, Ellie’s story will gently remind a hurting child that they can be heroes to others.

Ellie The Brave, Bald Fairy is a character created by the author to show children dealing with pediatric cancer that despite the side effects that treatment brings, they have the capability to Be Brave and Be Strong.

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to childhood cancer research.





“This is a beautifully illustrated and well-paced book that perfectly explores and addresses the emotional challenges faced by children [diagnosed with cancer] on a deeply personal and social level.”

-TJ Hodkinson, CEO, Wilms Cancer Foundation



As a mother and grandmother, Mardie Caldwell Christensen saw firsthand the impact of a stage 3 cancer diagnosis on her seven-year-old granddaughter. After dedicating her life’s work to helping children and families come together through adoption, she found herself helping her own family as they navigated the realities and fears of pediatric cancer

Mardie is an award-winning author who spun tales at home to entertain and encourage little Ellie throughout her treatment. It is her sincere wish that these same magical stories will encourage other children facing similar diagnoses. Her previous books have won awards including the Benjamin Franklin Award and Publishers’ Weekly Rising Star Award.

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