

### **A Spooky Wish: A Magic Islands by Irene Edwards**

**A Spooky Wish is book 1 in the Magic Islands series.**

Centuries ago, there were a group of mysterious, some say magical islands, which fell victim to a monsters' curse, making them unreachable by sea. The islands were all but forgotten.

But now a group of wicked, exiled Purple Wizards, led by the horrid Izzy Odorous, have found their way to the Magic Islands, and immediately make their evil plans to rule it and its people.

Meanwhile, on a beach in Wales, two friends on a school project have found some very strange items, including a Book of Spells and a magic shell. Wishing they could learn where the items came from, Megan and Stefan are suddenly themselves whisked away to the Magic Islands, where they meet a collection of bizarre characters, including a silly jester, a pair of mean witches, a friendly dragon, a kidnapped king and a powerful, ancient magician. Soon they are all joining forces to stop the Purple Wizards' wicked plan and lift the islands' curse forever – and hopefully get the children back home!

A fun and exciting magical adventure for 8-12-year-olds, with an important environmental message.



### **5 Stars: Magical Read for Children 8-12 Years!**

**Prologue:** Magic Islands (Book One): “Somewhere along the coast of Wales, there once existed a small group of islands. They were mysterious islands, often believed to be magical islands. Some were mountainous and craggy, others only undulated from high to low levels, from hillside to valley.

...The islands had few visitors, for the journeys across the seas to these islands were often treacherous, the seas around them being moody and the pathways unclear.

...It is said many ships had vanished in the rough waters and never returned home to Wales. When ships returned homewards, their sailors refrained from venturing again to the islands for they feared the mighty waves and great anger of the choppy seas.

...Ancient mariners often returned telling mystical and magical tales of having spied from a distance a curious clan of magical dwellers on the islands.

...But there was never any proof of such tales.

...As time went by the islands faded and vanished and the tales of the magical islands were soon forgotten, seemingly forever...”

Forgotten until now! Author Irene Edward unlocks the mysteries of these fictitious Islands.

#### **Let me quote from Part 11- ‘A Call for Help’:**

... “Come on, Megan, let’s become invisible.”

... “This Magical Enchanted Forest is the strangest of places,” Megan glanced through the trees as she spoke. Hundreds of cuckoos called out their cuckoo songs tunefully. The woodpeckers were hammering at branches with their sharp beaks.”

...” Rata-tat! Rata-tat! Rata-tat!”

...Above the children’s heads, hawks and eagles squawked eerily. But although the forest was oddly noisy, the children became alarmed by the trees, for they were not standing still and rooted, but were moving around in the forest, hovering and swaying, pushing, and shoving, falling, or rushing around in all directions.”

... “It would help us if the trees stayed in one place,” Stefan said nervously. “How on earth can we keep away from the paths, when the paths keep moving around everywhere?”

**My Thoughts:** This is a fun read, where character Stefan and Megan make a wish on a Conch shell found on the Welsh coastline. Transported to the 'Magic Islands' by their wish, the story-line and beautiful hand-drawn illustrations come to life on the pages.

Never a dull moment as wizards, witches, elves, dragons, castles, and a magical enchanted forest fills the readers imagination.

Children eight to twelve will enjoy reading with an adult or alone. This book will make a great gift, bedtime story, library book, or a summer reading adventure.

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**Review by: Gigi Sedlmayer, Book Excellence Award Finalist winning author of the Talon series.** 5.0 out of 5 Stars. What an amazing magical read. I have read other magical books before, but that one tops them all. It is very different but just fantastic. With great illustrations. loved them to see all now then, as they pop up between.

**Review by Elizabeth Rees:** 5.0 out of 5 Stars. Lovely read. Bought this book for my Grandsons, they loved it and can't wait for grandma to buy them the next 2 books. Well done Irene Edwards look forward to reading more of your lovely easy to read books to my grandsons.

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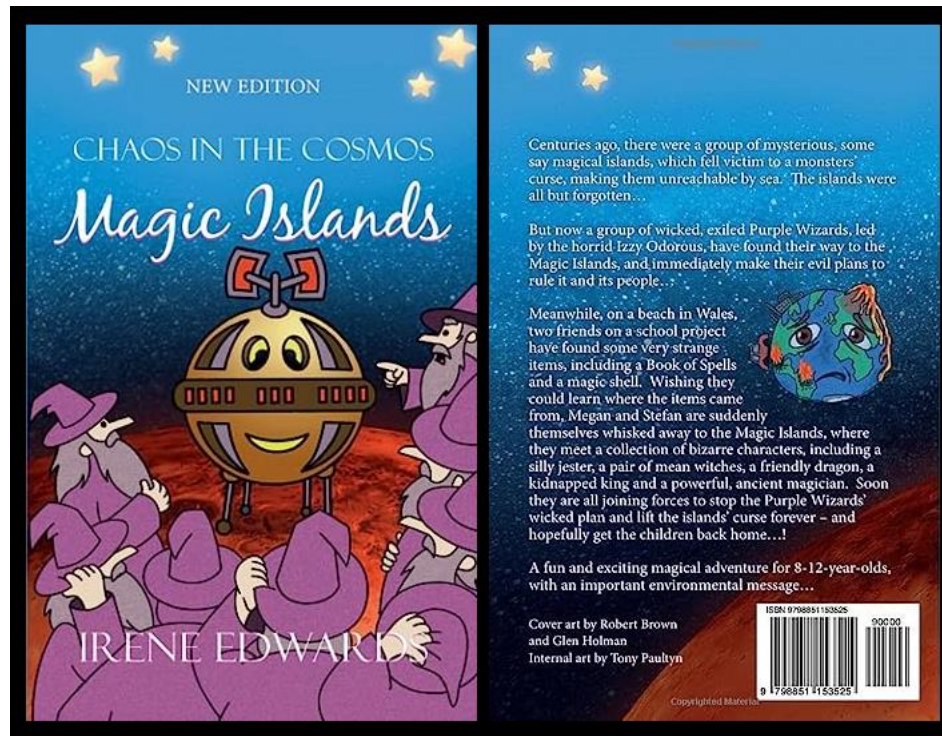
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### Chaos In The Cosmos: A Magic Islands Story by Irene Edwards

**Chaos In The Cosmos is book 2 in the Magic Islands series.**

The second instalment in the fun and exciting Magic Islands fantasy-adventure series for younger children picks up where A Spooky Wish left off – and an even more important environmental message.

Far off the coast of Wales are the mysterious, legendary Magic Islands. Once hidden and inaccessible by the treacherous seas surrounding them, the curse of the Hook-Eyed Cyclops Monsters has now been lifted by Ambrosious, Wizard of the Magic Forest. Now Cyclops leader Domadron is worried that people will come; they will bring their pollution and ruin the beautiful seas he calls home.

But an even bigger threat is brewing, out in the cosmos!

For, exiled into space for their wicked deeds on the Magic Islands, the evil Purple Wizards, and their boss Izzy Odorous are up to their usual evil scheming. And this time their actions threaten the whole of Planet

Earth! Because, in their vengeance against Ambrosious and his friends Megan and Stefan, they've ended up creating an environmental catastrophe! Can enemies and friends alike put differences aside to stop them?

Chaos in the Cosmos is a fantasy narrative for children aged between 8 to 12 years.



### **5 Stars: Fun, Educational Action Adventure for Kids 8-12!**

Chaos In The Cosmos (Magic Island Story) is book two in the Magic Island series. In this wonderful learning adventure, Author Irene Edwards uses the fun and games of the Purple Wizard to bring children back to the Magic Islands. As we learned in book one Magic Island, somewhere along the coast of Wales, there once existed a small group of islands. They were mysterious islands, often believed to be magical islands.

Your child will enjoy the familiar characters Stefan and Megan, if he or she has read Magic Islands. Some of the chapter titles include Hook Eyed Monsters, The Spacecraft, Landing on Mars, Morning on the Red Planet, Volcano Olympus Mons, Let's Explore the Underworld, Domadron, and the Cyclops, The Golden Puddle, Merlin's Cave, The Red Wizards Tower, A Hiding Place, and Believe It or Not to name a few.

**The Story Begins:"** The story begins when the "Magic" happens, and the Purple Wizards are sent spinning from the Magic Islands to the Red Planet, Mars, where they experience a Space adventure on the mystic planet and its hidden Underworld.

...In order to escape from the Underworld and from Planet Mars, Izzy Odorous and his gang of Purple Wizards are faced with having to regain their own powerful magical strengths. With newly regained powers, they mischievously venture out on a magical mystery tour and later threaten danger to the well-being of the entire Planet Earth.

...Scratchit is the much feared, adorable, baby Hook-Eyed Cyclops Monster, who creates havoc by way of his very own busy magical mischief, as he whisks the children, Stefan, and Megan, on a terrifying journey to the Magic Islands.

...But when the children are confronted with the impending perils of global warming, they are also faced with having to help the magical inhabitants of the Magic Islands in their fight for survival during a rapidly changing climatic crisis.

### **Let me bring you into the story here:**

... "Cheer up, Megan. Let's get away from these sand dunes and shelter somewhere cool, such as the caves," Stefan said briskly.



...How could she feel cheerful? She stood up and trailed after Stefan as he headed for the caves at the Land of Rocks.

... "Do you think the caves will be a safe place for us?" Megan frowned. "They can't be. Some of the rocks on the coast are tumbling into the sea?"

... "Perhaps they may be safe enough, but I'm not really sure. At least the caves will offer shelter from the sun. I feel so cross with Scratchit today. The silly little Cyclops has brought us here and dumped us on these islands," Stefan mumbled in annoyance.

... "But, I'm seriously worried, Stefan." Megan sighed in despair, "What if...we really are alone on these Magic Islands, and there is no one here, to help magic us back to Wales? What if...there is no food for us to eat... or fresh water to drink, and we dehydrate?"

...What if...the Magic Islands flood over?

...What if...?"

**My Thoughts:** Author Irene Edwards teaches children about planet earth and the cosmos in this fun, adventurous, action-adventure, using words and beautiful hand-drawn illustrations.

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