

Caitlin's Wish Second Edition

Endorsements.

“Caitlin's Wish is an imaginative book beautifully illustrated that can be a fun family read and a terrific resource in schools and youth settings to ensure that all young people have a better understanding of the road travelled by young people with caring responsibilities.

Crossroads Care is delighted to be linked to this publication and would encourage everyone to buy their own copy and then get one to pass on to friends and family”

Angela Roberts,

Director Crossroads Care Wales.



“What happens when a parent becomes ill? Victoria Taylor has taken her own family's experiences with chronic intracranial hypertension (IH) and written an imaginative tale, with love, insight, and gentle reassurance.

Caitlin's Wish is a delight to read and look at, with watercolor illustrations of a magical world. It helps families and educators navigate the uncertainty of chronic illness and guide children in a creative and loving way. Add Caitlin's Wish to your gift list; it should be part of every child's library.”

Emanuel Tanne, M.D. Co-Founder and President,

Intracranial Hypertension Research Foundation, USA.





"Caitlin's Wish is a beautifully illustrated, inspirational book written by a lady devoted to her family and determined to help others. Having known the family personally for many years, long before Rob was diagnosed with IH, I've seen how they've come to terms with this life changing illness, now turning it into something so positive to help others.

I am happy to endorse 'Caitlin's Wish' as a book that will support many families facing the uncertainty that disability and illness brings. All too often the children are overlooked and the focus is on the disabled/ sick family member. Caitlin's Wish helps those children to look for the positives in their lives and understand that they're not alone."

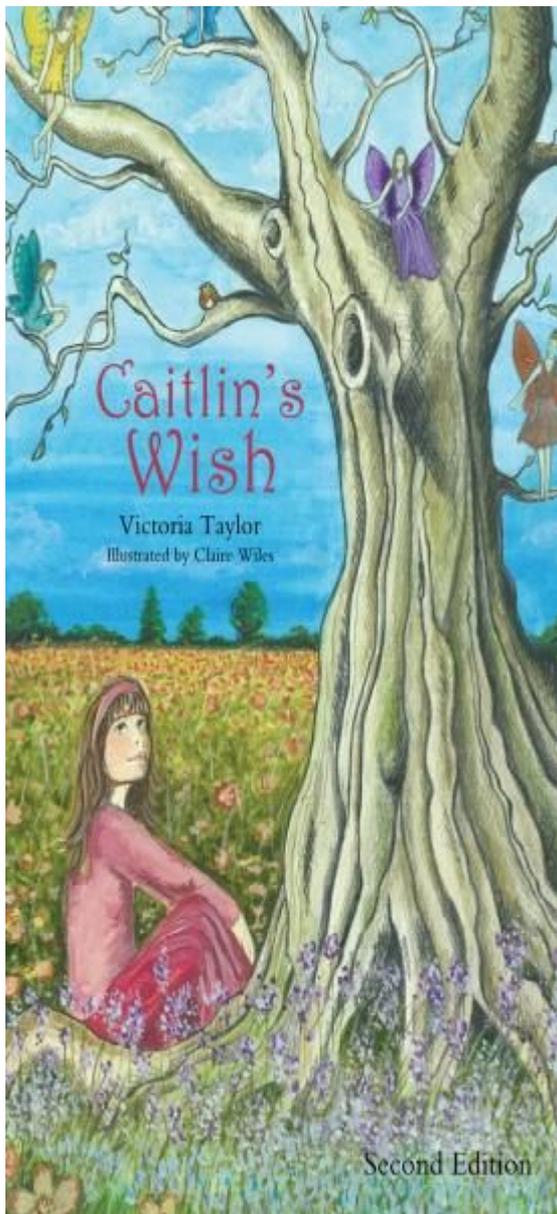
Bonnie Tyler.

“Caitlin’s wish is an imaginative, thought provoking book which is beautifully illustrated. It makes a perfect resource for schools to use in conjunction with the ‘Princess Royal Trust for Carers’ schools resource pack.

Reading Caitlin’s wish will enable young people to gain a better understanding of what being a young carer is really like. Furthermore reading it will encourage greater empathy, respect and tolerance from all ages who are not personally affected by illness or disability themselves.

I am delighted to say that Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council has ordered copies of this book for circulation in its libraries and schools.”

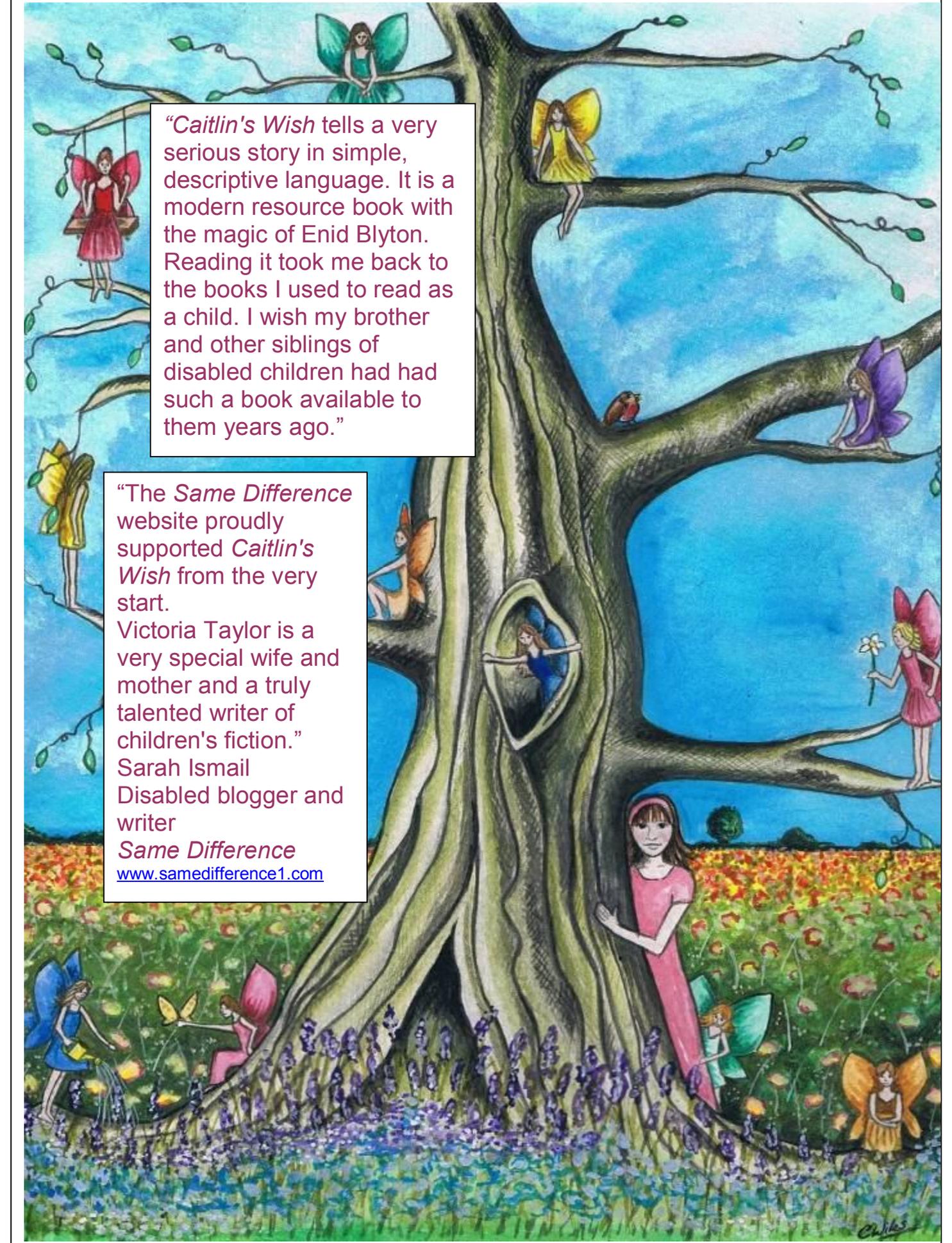
Karl Napieralla OBE, Director of Education, Leisure and Lifelong Learning,
Neath Port Talbot, Wales, UK.



“Caitlin’s Wish is an enchanting and very moving story which really engages the reader and is appealing on many different levels. It is a good starting point for discussion with older children on the topics of having an optimistic outlook on illness and disability within the family and of course being a young carer. For young carers or those living at home with a disabled person it highlights that they are not alone, other families face similar situations. Equally, it is a lovely gentle tale to have read out loud at story time to younger children who will enjoy the colourful illustrations. Children of all ages who hear or read this story will remember it and the messages it conveys for a very long time.

The Neath Port Talbot Young Carers Forum which is made up of representatives from agencies that are concerned with the issues facing young carers and their families, whole heartedly supports Caitlin’s Wish as a resource that raises awareness of the needs of young carers and issues of disability.”

Neath Port Talbot Young Carers Forum
Wales, UK.



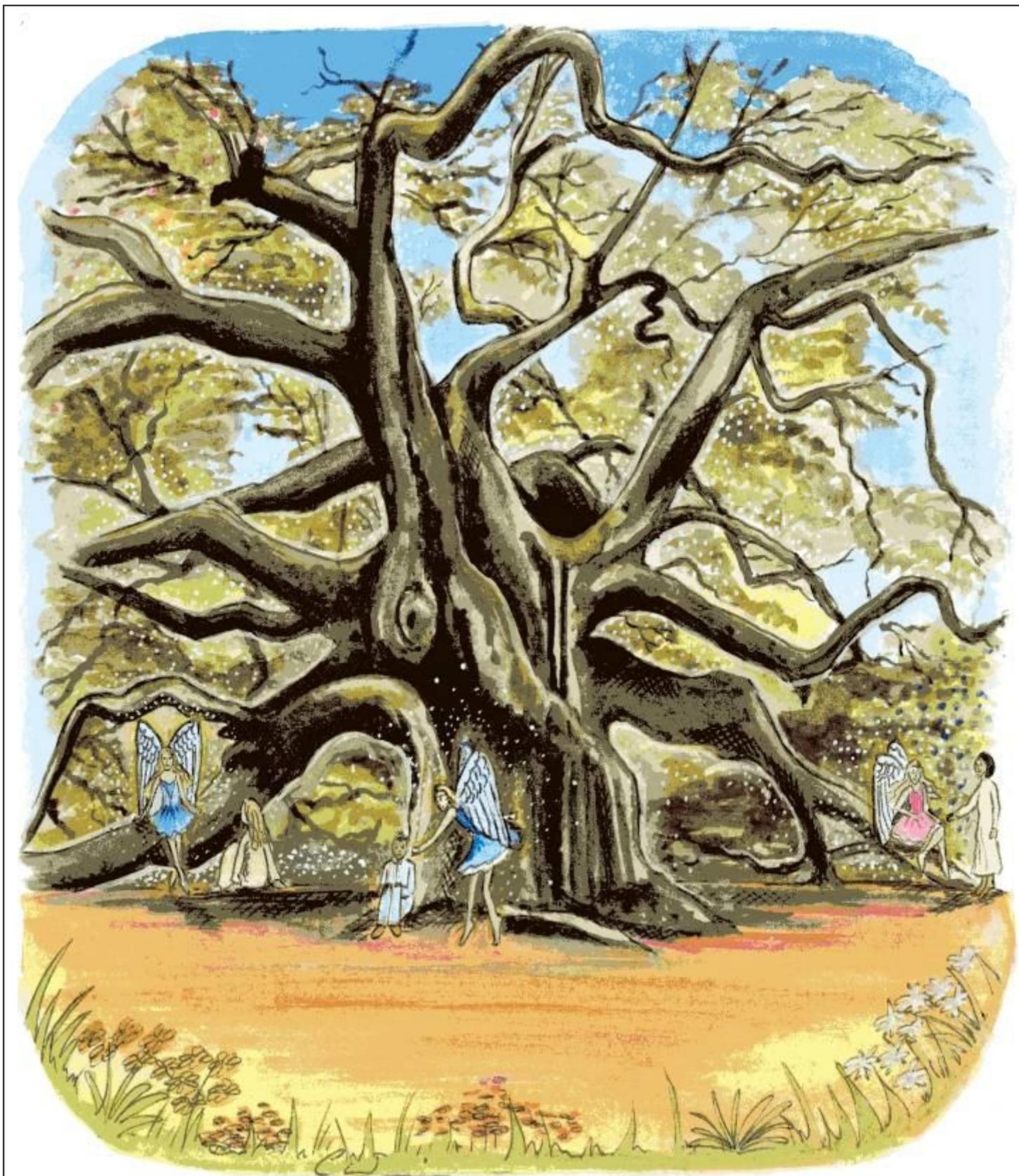
“Caitlin's Wish tells a very serious story in simple, descriptive language. It is a modern resource book with the magic of Enid Blyton. Reading it took me back to the books I used to read as a child. I wish my brother and other siblings of disabled children had had such a book available to them years ago.”

“The Same Difference website proudly supported Caitlin's Wish from the very start.

Victoria Taylor is a very special wife and mother and a truly talented writer of children's fiction.”

*Sarah Ismail
Disabled blogger and writer*

*Same Difference
www.samedifference1.com*



“Goldie Hawn recently said in an interview that 'life is a wave and you have to take the rough with the smooth, you cannot take the world with you and you certainly should not take your children' – Caitlin’s wish is testament to a mum who has made sure she has done all of this and more and the world is a better place thanks to people like Victoria and her family. Caitlin’s wish teaches us all the importance of empathy and understanding; something we are never too old or young to learn!”

Lucy Batham-Read
Founder & Managing Director
Love ur Soul.



“Seeing someone become ill, whom you love dearly, can be extremely frightening, sad, painful and very confusing. It is even harder if you are a child. There are so few resources available that give a true life reflection of how it feels to become a young carer, and how this impacts on your daily life, and changes everything, often for ever. Young Carers feel unable to talk to those that they are close to, for fear of causing further pain and upset. However, it is vital that Young Carers can talk openly; understand that they are not alone, and most importantly be given support to know they are not to blame for the illness of their loved ones.

‘Caitlins Wish’ is an imaginative, clever, honest and beautiful story that addresses these issues. It gives a strong, clear and supportive message to young carers, whilst assisting and teaching them to understand the true implications of their role, and the impact of the illness on their family. It is an inspirational read, that must be made available to Young carers of all ages. A truly remarkable story. Thank-you to Caitlin and her family for sharing this story with us.”

Sonia Binge,

Children with Disabilities service, Berkshire, England, UK.