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**Ruth Paul** is an award-winning author and illustrator, with titles *Stomp!*, *Bad Dog Flash*, *Bye-Bye Grumpy Fly*, *My Dinosaur Dad*, *My Meerkat Mum* and the popular *Mini Whinny* series among her collection. Her books have been published in NZ, Australia, the UK, the US, Canada, China and Korea. *The King's Bubbles* and *I Am Jellyfish*, have both won best Picture Book at the NZ Post Children's Book Awards.

Ruth lives at Makara, near Wellington, New Zealand, where she and her family reside in an environmentally friendly house, with straw-bale walls and watergenerated power.

ion Guards the Cake The Ruth Paul

## Will temptation get the better of Lion?

The house is quiet, no one is awake, and Lion guards the cake. Little by little the cake disappears ... but where does it go?

Lion is full of pride when it comes to guarding his home and when the birthday cake has been made for the next day's celebrations, he goes where he is needed most ... to guard the cake.

But in the morning, the household awakes to a chaotic scene. What happened when Lion was guarding the cake?

- Ruth Paul has written a clever rhyming story, peppered with onomatopoeia that will delight readers
- Her illustrations are full of joie de vivre, humour and visual delights
- Children will enjoy following the perseverance of the determined mice, a cat and a dog to get to the cake
- Relatable to any of us who find it hard to resist the temptation of a sweet treat in the house

## Praise for other stories by Ruth Paul

"A simple onomatopoeic text with a fabulous second story developing in the illustrations. [...] This is a beautiful read aloud/play along story that showcases Ruth Paul's considerable talent and growing international reputation." — *Magpies* (STOMP)

"The language is wonderful, it's fresh, it drives the story, the rhyme scheme gives it great oomph, (...) right through the rhyme scheme soars and it fizzes with fun." — John McIntyre, Radio New Zealand (*The King's Bubbles*)

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