

Rooted on the farm in autumn



Canada Day celebrations have come and gone, but Carolyn J Morris from Railfence Books has not! From school and library visits, farmer markets, and agricultural events to the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair, Morris maintains her vision and timeless tagline, "Read your way back to the country."

Carolyn J Morris' January release, *Happy Birthday Canada*, continues to capture the book enthusiast's attention. "Morris adeptly uses Canada's national hymn and famous attractions to explain our proud heritage to children. The underlying theme of national unity is exemplified by remembrances of the steam train and the importance of railway construction to our nation building," says one educator and reviewer, Deborah Vereecke. "*Happy Birthday Canada* is an out-

standing nod to Canada's history, geography and peoples, and a welcome addition to the thoughtful children's library."

School Day, is just as close to her heart; she's been teaching over thirty years with a desire to engage her young audience with rhyme, rhythm, and repetition. "I want children to be strong, confident readers," Morris states. "If you can read you can do almost anything: read a map, read instructions, travel and experience the world, by simply opening a book, and then another and then another, and so on!"

Reviewer Vereecke writes, "Carolyn is a master of rhyme, and your little ones will be captivated by the musicality of the English language, as Chick and Duckling explore school rooms and activities in their own endearing ways.

Brightly-coloured illustrations by Richard McNaughton bring a smile and provide ideas for continuing conversations with children. Even the book cover is a school-bus yellow!"

Before heading into Christmas events, Morris is again scheduled this year at the Royal Agriculture Winter Fair, November 3-12. In addition to showcasing Railfence Books, Morris is presenting daily at Ag-Tivity Central. Her Railfence Bunch children's books, finger puppets, and rhythm sticks are sure to keep the young audience involved and entertained.

"Autumn is a fabulous season in my life!" Morris enthuses with a smile.

For more details on events, reviews and articles, check out www.railfence-books.com.