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I Am Fartacus (MAX)



Synopsis

It's jocks vs. nerds as a tween and his cadre of misfits go to hilarious lengths to bring down their enemies in this laugh-out-loud MAX novel. Chub is a short, accidentally bald, middle school outcast with no chance of ever becoming one of the popular kids. With help from his personal band of like-minded misfits (not to mention tactics gleaned from the Colonel, a US military vet with toenail issues), Chub is determined to bring down his nemesis, class hero and now potential class president, Archer, or the Arch—the very guy who betrayed Chub with the lice-killing potion that left him bald as a billiard ball. If the Arch gets to be president, Chub knows his life is officially over. Chub is got a lot of dirt on the Arch: embarrassing photos and underwear about to fly from the school flagpole, for starters. But then he discovers that there are some very dangerous skeletons in Archer's closet, and more at stake than just a few middle school reputations. With a lot of help from his friends, Chub sets off to bring down an evil empire—and inadvertently become the least likely hero that Alan Moore Middle School has ever seen.

Book Information

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Age Range: 9 - 13 years

Grade Level: 4 - 8

Customer Reviews

"For Diary of a Wimpy Kid fans looking for something a bit more complex." (School Library Journal) "A humorous and touching coming-of-age story." (Publishers Weekly) Maciejewski's

humorous debut features themes of honesty and humor, as well as well-developed characters, making this sixth-grade drama a welcome addition to the fiction shelves. (Booklist) --This text refers to the Library Binding edition.

Like Chub, Mark Maciejewski was one of the "usual suspects" throughout his grade school years. Mark's hair, however, didn't fall out until much later in life. In his spare time, he enjoys reading, gardening, watching movies, and napping. His love of comics and graphic novels is a major influence on his work. He lives in Seattle with his wife, four kids, two dogs, two frogs, six glow-in-the-dark fish, and a borrowed cat. He is the author of *I Am Fartacus* and *Electric Boogaloo*. You can find Mark online at MarkMaciejewski.com or on Twitter at @Magicjetski.

Perfect book for reluctant readers! *I Am Fartacus* has all the elements of timeless Middle Grade humor that crosses over into adult entertainment too. The main character Chub has "voice" that readers will both relate to and find completely entertaining in a laugh out loud way. Chub's "cadre" is filled with vivid characters with their own rich character arcs. Themes of acceptance of others, teamwork and forgiveness is not pounded into the reader, but delivered with humor and unique storyline.

I loved the voice of this self-deprecating, outrageous, perfectly potty-humored main character. He was so real and true, I still feel like I can hear his voice in my head. Actually, I think I knew him when I was eleven. His name was Clark and he lived down the street from me.... Like I said, "REAL!" Kids will relate. A fun read!

My tween girls old both loved this book! They are looking forward to more!

An absolute gem! This one is not to be missed. Maciejewski has nailed the middle-grade voice, weaving in the ultimate in humor with the biggest heart ever!

This is a fun read. Looking forward to the sequel.

Super Hilarious my son says. He's nine. The 1st page...wow.

I thought Mark nailed how boys would express their bodily functions. Really funny book.

Fantastic book!!!!

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