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## **Local Author Celebrates the Release of “Jungle Buddyz: The Surprise Party” with a Heartwarming Message of Inclusion**

**Thunder Bay, ON, December 7, 2024** - Local author and elementary school teacher, Dave Mossman, is thrilled to announce the launch of his second illustrated children's book, *Jungle Buddyz: The Surprise Party*, co-authored with Brian Nolet. Set to enchant young readers on December 7, 2024, this exciting addition to the Jungle Buddyz series features vibrant illustrations by Chris Rose and follows the uplifting tale of Milo the Monkey, who learns the true value of friendship and inclusion.

As Milo grapples with feelings of exclusion after not being invited to a big birthday party in the jungle, his friends—the lovable Jungle Buddyz—band together to create a surprise celebration just for him. In doing so, they impart essential lessons about empathy and the importance of making someone feel included.

“The heart of the story is about lifting one another up,” Mossman said. “The world can be a challenging place for children, and I want *Jungle Buddyz: The Surprise Party* to remind them that everyone deserves to feel included and celebrated. It’s a beautiful reminder of how friendship can heal and bring happiness, especially when someone is feeling left out.”

Mossman and Nolet first captured the hearts of readers with their debut title, *Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember*, which became an Amazon Best Seller and earned them a nomination for a Canadian Choice Award. The duo, under

the brand The Buddyz, has since developed emotion journals for youth and launched various Jungle Buddyz products such as stuffed animals.

Parents and educators alike are encouraged to explore the exciting and educational world of Jungle Buddyz. The authors are committed to nurturing emotional well-being among children through relatable storytelling and engaging materials.

Jungle Buddyz: The Surprise Party will be available for purchase at [www.thebuddyz.ca](http://www.thebuddyz.ca) and on Amazon, making it the perfect Christmas gift for young readers that will inspire joy, kindness, and the spirit of inclusion during the holiday season.

**About The Buddyz:** The Buddyz consist of Brian Nolet and Dave Mossman, two authors who have created a beloved children's book series, Jungle Buddyz, known for its empowering messages and addressing social-emotional issues. Through their carefully crafted books and educational tools, The Buddyz strive to create a safe space for children to explore their emotions, ask questions, and learn important life lessons.

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1. Cover photo of *Jungle Buddyz: The Surprise Party*

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