

## CBCA BOOK REVIEW

PAPERBOY : a patchwork of memories. Danny Parker & Bethany Macdonald

This is a beautiful story. It is about a boy and when his family moves house, he notices that not everything is unboxed, and that some items have small cracks in them. He wants to mend them, fix the walls and the floors of his new home. He also wants to mend his parents' unhappy relationship. He learns though that he can't fix everything around him, but learns to create his own 'happiness tree.' Paperboy would be a good book for any child whose parents are separating, who think they have to try and mend the family. The collage artwork is stunning and, as in all good picture books, adds so much depth to the story. The book would also be a good way to introduce artwork such as collage and inspire creativity.