

# recommended read of the month...

## WELCOME TO LIFE

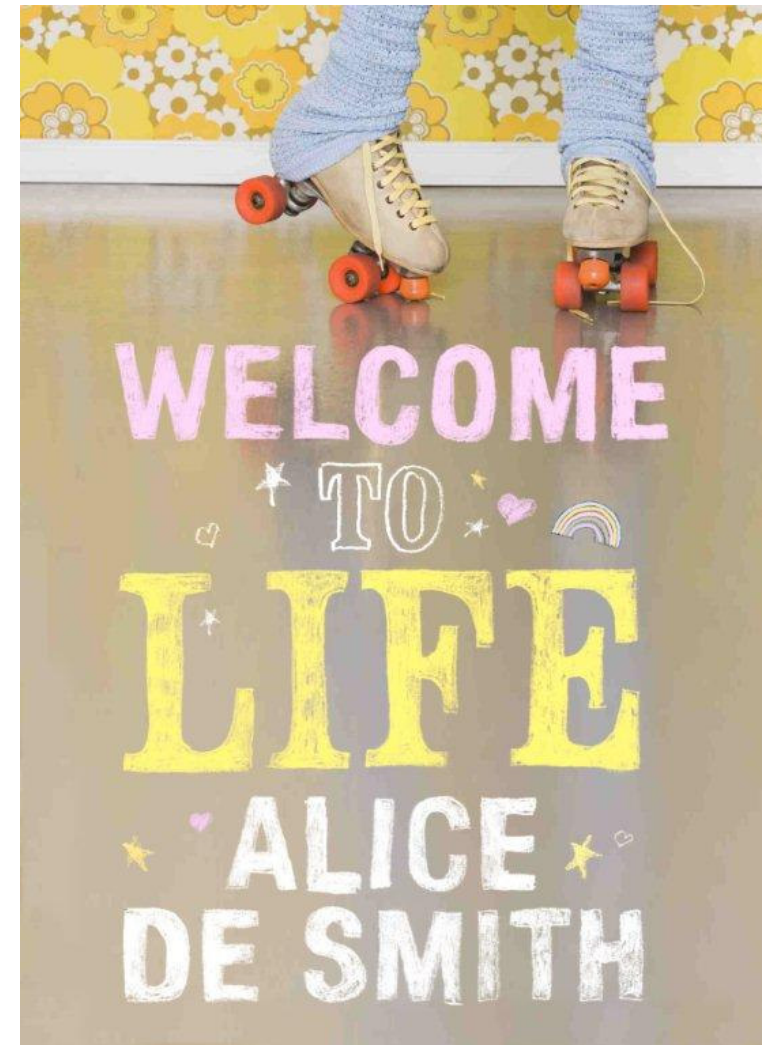
Alice De Smith

A blackly funny debut, sparkling with wit and sophistication, a provocative novel about family, class, friendship and becoming a grown-up.

Alice de Smith has perfectly captured the dark inner life of her clever fourteen-year-old heroine, Freya – a girl from a functioning dysfunctional family, as keen to grow up as she is to be looked after, who at once knows everything and nothing.

*Welcome to Life* is also a searing comedy of manners and mores, which pin-points the nuances of British class in the eighties with exquisite and excruciating accuracy.

*Welcome to Life* will appeal to readers of Catherine O'Flynn , M J Hyland and Joe Dunthorne.



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