**Girl Skate Synopsis**

Molly loves drawing, creating comic books and building tree houses with her best friend Sophie. However when she returns from her summer holidays, she finds all that has changed. Sophie and the other girls at school have been busy playing football, and even joined the new local girls team. Anxious to keep her best friend, Molly signs up for the team.

Now everything is wrong. Molly is the worst player ever, and feels she is ruining it for everyone else. Even Sophie acts like Molly is in the way. The former friends no longer walk to school together. They no longer hang out at break time anymore or spend their evenings in the tree house they built together. Even though Molly tells her parents that football is not for her, they pressure her to keep playing for the rest of the season, “to give it a real chance.”

Life is hard when lifelong friends turn their backs on each other. Molly is feeling hopeless until one day when she hears something on the way to football training. The sound of rolling wheels …

Not far from the football ground is an indoor skatepark where Girl Skate hold sessions once a week. The skater girls persuade Molly to try standing on a board, and it turns into the best fun she’s had in a long time. The problem is, she should be playing football together with her team, training towards an important cup match. Molly attempts to juggle short sessions with Girl Skate, and turning up late to football training. That must be okay, right?

Soon Molly is tangled up in a web of secrets and lies. Money raised for a new football strip is used to buy protective gear for skating. Practicing her ollies in secret, she dents the family car. All her time skating, Molly’s parents think she is at football practice, and praise her for her new found dedication. As the all important cup match approaches, Molly continues to drop training. She then discovers the girls are hosting a skate comp on the very same day as the big cup match. What will she do?

Girl Skate is about best friends growing apart, learning to be honest with yourself, daring to try out new things and lots of skating!

The authors and illustrator are passionate skateboarders themselves. Check out @girlskate.no on instagram where they post tutorials and other skateboard news!