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Welcome

to the Wee Write Schools Programme
2 – 9 June 2023



The 2023 edition of Wee Write will bring you a fantastic array of the very best children's authors, illustrators and more, in an eclectic, diverse and inclusive jam-packed programme.

Award winning authors, Wee Write favourites and brand-new faces will bring books to life at Glasgow Royal Concert Hall/The Mitchell Library (some events may take place in local libraries and schools). Inspiring a lifelong love of reading in Glasgow's children will be World Book Day 2023 author Sophy Henn, Children's Laureate Joseph Coelho, Yoto Carnegie Nominees Patrice Lawrence and Danielle Jawando and many more. There are Gaelic language sessions to be enjoyed too.

We look forward to welcoming you to another wonderful Wee Write Schools programme.

And don't forget to check out the Wee Write Family Day programme on Saturday 3rd June 2023. www.weewrite.co.uk

How to book

- Please fill in the attached Wee Write Booking Request Form.
- Please ensure the form is completed in full including cost centres and internal order numbers. Incomplete forms will result in delay in booking, and we are unable to provisionally hold sessions without all your details.
- Please state if you would like us to organise transport as this is not included (charges will be applied or see how to get there (page 7) for transport assistance)
- Please email all requests to: ayewrite@glasgowlife.org.uk
- If you wish to discuss any additional details, please call on: **0141 287 2869** (this is not a booking line all booking requests should come via email).



Here's what you have been telling us about Wee Write

I have come away with lots of ideas for follow up lessons that will cover E&O's

Our entire school came to the festival over the week, the teachers/pupils felt this was an integral part of building a reading culture, which has not existed before in their school

Writing creatively helps develop language skills

I think it is a great way to expose pupils to more authors and ideas

Our Primary is all about engaging children with reading and literacy and we try at every turn to do this

It developed pupils' literacy skills

Resources useful for developing reading strategies, events useful to encourage reading for pleasure

Linked to library and expressive arts outcomes

Very relevant to literacy and geography/social studies outcomes

Aye Care

Aye Write and Wee Write are a celebration of the power of words and stories. Every year we help thousands of children fall in love with the wonderful world of reading at our author talks and literacy workshops.

We know that when a child reads, they succeed, which is why we work hard throughout the year to deliver programmes that help young readers of all ages and skills to improve their reading and writing confidence.

As a charity, we rely on the generosity of our supporters to reach as many children and young people as possible. Every donation makes a difference and helps us to continue to deliver these life changing programmes. A gift of £5 could pay for a child's ticket to a festival event, introducing them to the world of reading through the eyes of an author!

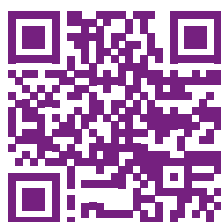
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Scan to donate or visit
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How to get there:

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

2 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow, G2 3NY

By Bus: Buchanan Bus Station is directly across the road from the Killermont Street entrance to the venue. This hub is used by both local buses and national stagecoach companies and can provide you with up-to-date details on bus schedules, route, and ticket prices.

By Train: Queens Street Station.

By Subway: The nearest subway station is Buchanan Street.

The Mitchell Library

201 North Street, Glasgow, G3 7DN

By Bus: 57, 18, 3, 4, 500, 77, X25A and X4

Train: Scotrail to Charing Cross Station

Subway: The nearest Subway Station is St George's Cross.

Transportation Assistance

If required, we can arrange transport for you at the following costs. Please indicate this on your event booking form.

Glasgow City School to the Mitchell Theatre/Glasgow Royal Concert Hall and Return

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|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| 19 Seater Coach | £155.00 - £200.00 Total Return |
| 36 Seater Coach | £175.00 - £200.00 Total Return |
| 53 Seater Coach | £180.00 - £210.00 Total Return |
| 72 Seater Coach | £203.00 - £230.00 Total Return |

Terms and Conditions

- 1 All Schools programme events are £2.00 per pupil for attendees from all Glasgow Schools.*
2. Event Bookings for non-Glasgow schools will be charged at the rate of £5.00 per pupil.
3. Bookings will be accepted from Thursday 27th April at 9.00am. All booking forms must be completed with authorisation from your Head Teacher/Depute Head Teacher to confirm agreement that the school has been approved to attend. Booking forms without approval will not be accepted and will be returned for confirmation of approval. Please also ensure that your schools' cost centre and internal code is completed on the form. Incomplete forms will not be accepted, and you could miss out on the event that you want.
4. Any cancellation received with less than ten working days notice will be charged at £75.00 or for non-Glasgow schools at the per head charge of £5.00 per pupil.
5. Any cancellations that involved Glasgow Life booking transportation, can be cancelled at no charge with ten working days' notice.**

*Glasgow Schools are defined as any establishment directed and delivered by Glasgow City Council, Education Services.

**Working days are defined as Glasgow Life allocated working days, in this instance defined as Monday – Friday. Non-working days will be defined as Saturday and Sundays and Glasgow Life established Public Holidays.

Waterstones

30% off all advance orders

Books are at the heart of any visit to the Wee Write Children's Book Festival. There are several ways for your pupils to access the fantastic titles available in the Book Festival programme and bookshop.

Waterstones, our festival bookseller, will have an onsite book shop at each event where children can purchase books by the author they have seen. We ask you to encourage children and families to purchase books at these sessions or your staff to buy titles for the classroom library.

Without the support of our sponsors such as Waterstones we would be unable to bring the festival to the city.

Waterstones have arranged a very special **30% discount off all advance orders only**. All advance orders will be delivered to the Royal Concert Hall/The Mitchell Library prior to your event so that the children can collect them on the day and meet the author to get their book signed. Children purchasing books on the day will receive a discount (varies according to book title).

Please see below how to order your books from Waterstones.

- Any school with an account with Waterstones can send an official order for books no later than **Friday 5th May 2023**.
- If the school does not have an account one can be opened easily and quickly at **www.waterstonesaccountsales.com**
- All orders placed this way will have an automatic 30% discount applied to the RRP of the book. Books will be delivered to your school with no delivery charge.
- If any school has any questions or to check if they have an account, they can contact Waterstones direct via **accounts.glasgow@waterstones.com** or on **0141 333 1920**. Please ask for Jane or Lindsie.
- All Secondary Schools must buy any books they wish for their pupils in advance as there will be no bookseller on site in the secondary school settings.

What you need to know about CfE – Experiences and Outcomes

Coming to our Wee Write sessions is a great experience for your pupils – hopefully that goes without saying! It is also a brilliant opportunity to meet Curriculum for Excellence experiences and outcomes and to develop the four capacities.

Pupils will be enthused about reading books; motivated to create their own stories, poems, plays and comics through writing and drawing; and empowering them to share options and ideas through talking and listening. And beyond literacy, there are many other curriculum links. Here is a small section:

Festival attendance involves...

- Travelling to Glasgow Royal Concert Hall/The Mitchell Library = route (SOC 0-09a/1-09a/2-09a), transport (SCN energy sources and sustainability)
- Being part of an audience = EXA 0-01a/1-01a/2-01s and HWB 0-02a/1-02a/2-02a and HWB 0-12a/1-12a/2-12a
- Learning about being a writer = HWB 0-20a/1-20a/2-20a
- Find information about the author or explore specific aspects of the book = TCH 0-02a/1-02a/2-02a

The book that is the focus of the session you attend will open opportunities too. The circumstances of the characters, the historical and geographical setting and technology (real and/or imaginary) can all be explored so there is plenty of scope to build in social studies, health and wellbeing, science and technology.

Example projects in digital literacy include...

- Create a radio advert for the book or film pupils giving their options of the book and/or session (TCH 0-01a/1-01a/2-01a)
- Send a social media message to the author after the event to thank them (TCH 0-03a/1-03a/2-03a)

Example projects in expressive art include...

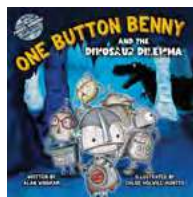
- Draw a character from the book (EXA 0-02a/1-02a/2-02a)
- Act out a scene (EXA 0-01a/1-01a/2-01a and EXA 0-12a/1-12a/2-12a) Making props is also an option
- Design an alternative book cover (EXA 1-02a/2-03a)
- Drawing/designing/animating can also be digital

To make your Wee Write visit the best it can be for your pupils, we recommend preparing by:

- Reading the book – or at least as much as possible if it is a longer novel – before the session.
- Building interest in the author and the book.
- Thinking of questions the pupils would like to ask the author.

and following up the session by:

- Checking if those questions were answered. If not, contact the author to ask.
- Talking about the book (or finish reading it).
- Read other books by the author.
- Spark discussion about what book each pupil would like to read next.



MONDAY 5 JUNE 2023

Alan Windram

One Button Benny and the Dinosaur Dilemma

Morning Sessions at The Mitchell Library

Afternoon Session at Maryhill Library

Session Times: 9.30am – 10.15am,

10.45am – 11.30am and 1.45pm – 2.30pm

Suitable Age: 3 – 5 years

Cost: £2.00 per person

Session Capacity: 35 including adults

One Button Benny is back with a fantastic new picture book adventure. In this third book, *One Button Benny and the Dinosaur Dilemma*, Benny and his friends are trapped underground with a hungry dinosaur on the loose.

Will Benny have to press his 'Emergency Button'? Can they escape being crushed and eaten by the dinosaur? Will they make it back in time for the Friday dance party?

Join award-winning author Alan Windram for this fantastic, interactive, fun-filled picture book event, with stories, specially written songs and even some robot dancing.

You heard it here first *One Button Benny* coming in amination soon!!



<https://alanwindram.weebly.com/>

https://www.scottishbooktrust.com/authors/alan-windram?gclid=EALaIQobChMI6bqbp t3x_AIVBrTtCh3UowOQEAAAYASAAEgKL3_D_BwE



TUESDAY 6 JUNE 2023

Kate McLelland

Hello Scottish Birds!

Morning Sessions at The Mitchell Library

Afternoon Session at Library at the Bridge

Session Times: 9.30am – 10.15am,

10.45am – 11.30am and 1.45pm – 2.30pm

Suitable Age: 3 – 5 years

Cost: £2.00 per person

Session Capacity: 35 including adults

Learn how to draw some of Scotland's most recognisable birds and animals with author and illustrator, Kate McLelland. Get crafty in this draw-along, fun-filled session and say *Hello Scottish Birds!* and *Hello Scottish Animals!* Children will also love meeting some of the beloved characters from the bestselling *There Was a Wee Lassie Who Swallowed a Midgie*, as well as the adorable Shetland pony from *Isla and Pickle*.



<https://katemclelland.com/>

<https://www.scottishbooktrust.com/authors/kate-mclelland>



WEDNESDAY 7 JUNE 2023

Meg McLaren

Wee Unicorn

Morning Sessions at The Mitchell Library
Afternoon Session at Cardonald Library

Session Times: 9.30am – 10.15am,
10.45am – 11.30am and 1.45pm – 2.30pm

Suitable Age: 3 – 5 years

Cost: £2.00 per person

Session Capacity: 35 including adults

Far away in the north, at the edge of the Ancient Forest, lives a little unicorn.

Wee Unicorn is very small, and she's very loud . . . but she's not magic (and everyone knows unicorns are supposed to be magic!). Wee Unicorn would love to find friends to play with, but how can she fit in when she feels so different?

A fun-filled tale of adventure, friendship . . . and the magic of being YOU by Meg McLaren, winner of the Scottish Bookbug Picture Book Prize and shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize.



<http://megmclarenillustrates.blogspot.com/>
<https://www.alicewilliamsliterary.co.uk/meg-mclaren>



THURSDAY 8 JUNE 2023

Emily Dodd

Tell Me About: Plants

Morning Sessions at The Mitchell Library
Afternoon Session at Castlemilk Library

Session Times: 9.30am – 10.10am,
10.45am – 11.25am and 1.45pm – 2.25pm

Suitable Age: 4 – 5 years

Cost: £2.00 per person

Session Capacity: 35 including adults

Explore the story of science inside plants in this interactive event based on the exciting new first science book *Tell Me About: Plants*.

Discover how bees help plants and how plants help us. Hear more about some of the weird and wonderful plants we have.

Emily Dodd loves science and nature. With a background in science and museum education, Emily is the author of over twenty books including picture books, chapter books and non-fiction science books. Emily is also a screenwriter for CBeebies and a writer of BBC radio plays for children.



<https://www.scottishbooktrust.com/authors/emily-dodd>
<https://auntyemily.wordpress.com/about/>



FRIDAY 9 JUNE 2023

Corrina Campbell

The Boy Who Rescued a Rainbow

Morning Sessions at The Mitchell Library

Afternoon Session at Knightswood Library

Session Times: 9.30am – 10.15am,
10.45am – 11.30am and 1.45pm – 2.30pm

Suitable Age: 3 – 5 years

Cost: £2.00 per person

Session Capacity: 35 including adults

Join children's author and illustrator, Corrina Campbell, to hear the stories of *The Boy who Rescued a Rainbow* and *The Girl who Stole the Stars*. You'll also be learning how to draw animals using basic shapes and singing along in this fun and magical Early Years workshop. Don't forget to bring a big smile!



<https://www.scottishbooktrust.com/authors/corrina-campbell>

**FRIDAY 2 JUNE 2023**

The Jhalak YA Children's Book Prize Panel Event hosted by Maisie Chan

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Session Time: 10.30am – 11.30am**Suitable Age:** Pr 7 – S1**Cost:** £2.00 per person**Session Capacity:** 332

Children's author Maisie Chan winner of the Jhalak Prize 2022 will host a panel consisting of the prize shortlisted authors. The Jhalak Prize seeks to celebrate and recognise books by British Writers of Colour.

<https://www.jhalakprize.com/>

**MONDAY 5 JUNE 2023**

Horrible Histories 30th Anniversary with illustrator Martin Brown

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Session Times: 10.00am – 11.00am

and 1.00pm – 2.00pm

Suitable Age: Pr 5 – 7**Cost:** £2.00 per person**Session Capacity:** 332

Join illustrator Martin Brown to celebrate 30 Horrible Years of the world's bestselling children's history series! Expect savage stories, gruesome games, foul facts and deadly drawing. Find out the best worst bits of history from brand new book *Horrible Histories: The Worst in the World* and pick up some wicked drawing tips.



<https://martinbrownillustrator.co.uk/>

<https://martinbrownillustrator.co.uk/resources/>

**MONDAY 5 JUNE 2023**

Parinita Shetty

A Birthday Present for Aaji

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Session Times: 10.15am – 11.15am

and 1.15pm – 2.15pm

Suitable Age: Pr 1 – 2**Cost:** £2.00 per person**Session Capacity:** 120

A Birthday Present for Aaji is about a girl's VIQ* to find the perfect gift for the most important grown-up in her life – her grandmother.

Parinita Shetty is from a very big city in India, and she wrote a story set in a small coastal village she once visited for her mother's birthday. In this session, she'll talk about both the city and the village and read from her book which explores favourite people and favourite places, delicious food and seaside adventures – and even a ghost (of sorts)! We'll finish with an art activity where you can come up with the perfect birthday party for the VIP** in your own life.

*VIQ = Very Important Quest

**VIP = Very Important Person



<https://www.penguin.co.uk/authors/293569/parinita-shetty>

**MONDAY 5 JUNE 2023**

Steve Lenton

Genie and Teeny: Wish Upon a Star

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Session Times: 10.30am – 11.30am

and 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Suitable Age: Pr 2 – 4**Cost:** £2.00 per person**Session Capacity:** 300

Meet Grant the exiled Genie, and his best friend – the puppy Teeny in this magical series from the renowned illustrator, Steven Lenton.

Make every wish come true and be schooled in magic and wonder by award-winning author and illustrator Steven Lenton. Packed to the brim with humour, life lessons and lots of adventure. Budding writers and artists can find out how Steven became an illustrator and everyone can join in when he draws Genie and Teeny and listen as he gives an exclusive reading from the book. Steven's events are fun-filled, informative and pun-tastic!



<https://www.stevenlenton.com/>

**TUESDAY 6 JUNE 2023****Patrice Lawrence MBE****YOTO Carnegie Shortlist
Nomination 2023****The Elemental Detectives**

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Session Times: 10.00am – 11.00am
and 1.00pm – 2.00pm**Suitable Age:** Pr 5 – 7**Cost:** £2.00 per person**Session Capacity:** 332

Welcome to 1764 London... our heroes Marisee and Robert are the Elemental Detectives, chasing clues across the city to stop the vengeful shepherdess and prevent London slumbering for all eternity. Get ready to enter a world where magic sparks just beneath the surface! Can we solve the mystery of the millennium?

Join award-winning author Patrice Lawrence to discover her incredible stunningly imagined, page-turning and inclusive middle-grade fantasy series *The Elemental Detectives*.

Patrice Lawrence MBE is the author of nine books including *Eight Pieces of Silva* and *Orangeboy*. Her Tudor story *Diver's Daughter* was one of the launch titles for Scholastic's widely acclaimed *Voices* series. Lawrence's work has won the Waterstones Prize for Older Children's Fiction, the Jhalak Prize for children's and YA and the Bookseller YA Prize among other awards.



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Patrice_Lawrence

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/authors/l/lawrence-patrice/>

<https://www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk/author/4393/Patrice-Lawrence.html>

**TUESDAY 6 JUNE 2023****Alastair Chisholm****Dragon Storm! – Connor and
Lightspirit**

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Session Times: 10.15am – 11.15am
and 1.15pm – 2.15pm**Suitable Age:** Pr 4 – 6**Cost:** £2.00 per person**Session Capacity:** 120

"In the land of Draconis, there are no dragons ... until now."

Follow award-winning author Alastair Chisholm into the magical land of Draconis for an exciting event based on his new fantasy series *DRAGON STORM!* Learn about the weird and wonderful dragon myths from around our world, how to draw dragons, and how to give them dragon names. Then help Alastair create a brand-new dragon – and choose its special dragon powers!



<https://alastairc.com/>

<https://nosycrow.com/contributor/alastair-chisholm/>

**TUESDAY 6 JUNE 2023**

Jonathan Meres

Scaredy Bat!**Bookbug Picture Book Nomination**

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Session Times: 10.30am – 11.30am

and 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Suitable Age: Pr 1 – 2**Cost:** £2.00 per person**Session Capacity:** 300

Little Bat doesn't like the light. But when the other bats call him a Scaredy Bat, he has to prove them wrong. Will Little Bat leave the old oak tree and face the things that go bump in the day? Find out by joining best-selling author of the hugely successful *World of Norm* series, Jonathan Meres, as he talks and sings about Little Bat's story of letting go and conquering your fears. Suitable for P1s, P2s and Scaredy Bats of all ages.



<https://www.jonathanmeres.co.uk/>
<https://www.scottishbooktrust.com/authors/jonathan-meres>

**WEDNESDAY 7 JUNE 2023**

Nick J Sheridan

The Case of the Phantom Treasure

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Session Time: 10.00am – 11.00am**Suitable Age:** Pr 4 – 5**Cost:** £2.00 per person**Session Capacity:** 300

Join journalist and author Nick Sheridan for a fun-packed adventure with human eating octopi and a ghostly pirate. Pupils will use their detective skills to help catch the ghoul which has infiltrated Nick's presentation, using their skills of deduction and curiosity to solve the mystery!





WEDNESDAY 7 JUNE 2023

Sophy Henn

**Lifesize: Deadly Animals –
Creepy Crawly**

World Book Day Title for 2023

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Session Time: 1.00pm – 2.00pm

Suitable Age: Pr 1 – 3

Cost: £2.00 per person

Session Capacity: 300

How do you measure up against the world's most amazing creepy crawlies, deadly animals, and dinosaurs? Join award-winning World Book Day author and illustrator Sophy Henn for a journey through her *Lifesize* series. See how you measure up against some of the world's most amazing creatures and discover mind-blowing animal facts. A fun packed, informative, interactive event, including a draw-along.



<https://www.simonandschuster.co.uk/authors/Sophy-Henn/171204247>
<https://www.penguin.co.uk/authors/117090/sophy-henn>



WEDNESDAY 7 JUNE 2023

Breanna J McDaniel

**Hot off the plane from the US
and back by popular demand!**

Impossible Moon

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Session Times: 10.15am – 11.15am

and 1.15pm – 2.15pm

Age Range: Pr 1 – 3

Cost: £2.00 per person

Session Capacity: 120

Journey with author Breanna J. McDaniel through the night skies on a quest to touch the moon!

Mable loves her Grana's stories, but lately Grana hasn't had the strength to share them with her like she used to. One evening Mable gets inspired by the moon outside her window and decides to do the impossible. Mable decides to jump into the night sky and try to touch the moon. If she can do the impossible by touching the moon, maybe she can help her Grana get better too. Up, up and away Mable goes traveling through constellations and galaxies. You'll have to join us for the story time to find out if she finishes her quest to the moon!



<https://www.breannajmcdaniel.com/>
<https://www.simonandschuster.com/authors/Breanna-J-McDaniel/171862646>

**WEDNESDAY 7 JUNE 2023**

Tom Palmer

Resist

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Session Times: 10.30am – 11.30am
and 1.30pm – 2.30pm**Suitable Age:** Pr 6 – 7**Cost:** £2.00 per person**Session Capacity:** 332

Tom Palmer is the author of 57 children's books including six highly praised super-readable historical fiction titles. Tom's books have won a multitude of awards including the FCBG Children's Book Award and the 10-13 Young Quills Award and have been nominated and longlisted for the CILIP Carnegie Medal. Tom's latest novel, *Resist*, shines a light on the incredible work of the WWII Dutch resistance, in a story inspired by the childhood of Hollywood legend Audrey Hepburn. Come and learn more about this fascinating period of history and how Tom brings it to life for young readers.

**YouTube**<https://tompalmer.co.uk/>[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tom_Palmer_\(author\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tom_Palmer_(author))**THURSDAY 8 JUNE 2023**

The Brothers McLeod

Knight Sir Louis and the Sorcerer of Slime

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Session Times: 10.00am – 11.00am
and 1.00pm – 2.00pm**Suitable Age:** Pr 3 – 5**Cost:** £2.00 per person**Session Capacity:** 332

The Brothers McLeod are author and screenwriter Myles McLeod, and illustrator and animator Greg McLeod – creators of the hilarious *Knight Sir Louis* series of books. The Brothers have also won a Children's BAFTA and have a brand-new animated series *Circle Square* coming out soon on Channel 5.

Join Myles and Greg to celebrate Knight Sir Louis with an interactive event packed with drawing, comics, reading aloud in silly voices, and lots and lots of laughs.

<https://www.bromc.uk/>

**THURSDAY 8 JUNE 2023****Justin Davies****Haarville**

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Session Times: 10.15am – 11.15am
and 1.15pm – 2.15pm**Suitable Age:** Pr 6 – 7**Cost:** £2.00 per person**Session Capacity:** 120

Back by popular demand with his new book!

Welcome to Haarville – if you've arrived, you've survived. Off the grid and not on the maps, it's a place shrouded in fog and steeped in pungent pongs. Journey with author Justin Davies into the mysterious world of Manx Fearty, a twelve-year-old orphan who is about to lose his family's perpetual device shop to some sinister, suspicious newcomers.

Justin shares how and why he became a children's author and explains some of the ways he created the mysterious, murky world of his new book, *Haarville*. You'll also learn how you can use all of the senses to create exciting story settings of your own. There'll even be a chance to devise your very own fishy, sea-weedy menu – hope you're feeling hungry!



<https://justindaviesauthor.com/>

**THURSDAY 8 JUNE 2023****Jenny Pearson****The Boy Who Made Monsters**

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Session Times: 10.30am – 11.30am
and 1.30pm – 2.30pm**Suitable Age:** Pr 5 – 7**Cost:** £2.00 per person**Session Capacity:** 300

From Jenny Pearson, Laugh Out Loud Book Award-winning author of *The Super Miraculous Journey of Freddie Yates*, *The Incredible Record Smashers* and *Grandpa Frank's Great Big Bucket List*, comes another hilarious, heart-warming adventure about family, friendship and finding happiness, *The Boy Who Made Monsters*. Discover how hard or easy it is to be funny writer like Jenny. Be amazed at the fascinating facts, wondrous World Records and incredible achievements of old people that Jenny packs into her stories. And journey with Jenny to the Loch Lochy holiday park in Scotland to help Benji, Stanley and Murdy prove the existence (or not) of the monster who lurks in the loch!



<https://usborne.com/gb/books/series/books-by-jenny-pearson>

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jenny_Pearson

<https://www.readingzone.com/authors/jenny-pearson/>

**FRIDAY 9 JUNE 2023****Joseph Coelho****Waterstones Children's Laureate
2022 – 2024**

The Mitchell Library – Baillies Room

Session Times: 10.00am – 11.00am (Pr 1 – 4)
and 1.00pm – 2.00pm (Pr 5 – 7)**Suitable Age:** Pr 1 – 4 and Pr 5 – 7**Cost:** £2.00 per person**Session Capacity:** 190

Award winning performance poet, playwright and children's author Joseph Coelho is passionate about highlighting the power of poetry and reading. A great opportunity to meet the current Laureate inspire pupils and promote creativity.



<https://www.thepoetryofjosephcoelho.com/>
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Joseph_Coelho
<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/what-we-do/childrens-laureate/joseph-coelho-biography/>
<https://authorsalouduk.co.uk/speaker/joseph-coelho/>
<https://childrens.poetryarchive.org/poet/joseph-coelho/>

**FRIDAY 9 JUNE 2023****Alex Willmore****I Did See a Mammoth**

The Mitchell Library – Moir Dyer Room

Session Times: 10.15am – 11.15am
and 1.15pm – 2.15pm**Suitable Age:** Pr 1 – 2**Cost:** £2.00 per person**Session Capacity:** 80

Welcome to the Antarctic, where an intrepid bunch of explorers is making an in-depth study of penguins. Penguins. Penguins. Penguins. So many penguins ... But one young explorer has discovered something different. Something totally wild, spectacularly cool and quite a lot ... EXTINCT. Alex Willmore's hilariously funny picture book brings the prehistoric woolly mammoth dancing, swimming and SKATEBOARDING back to life. But will anyone believe it? Would YOU?!

Plus, FREE Book – *The Runaway Pea* for every chid attending.



<http://www.alexwillmore.co.uk/>

**THURSDAY 8 JUNE 2023**

Gillebride MacMillan

Captain Bobo

Gaelic Outreach

Session Times: To be decided by Primary School
(am and pm session available)

Suitable Age: Pr 1 – 3

Session Capacity: To be decided by Primary
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Ann an dòigh air choireigin, bidh Caiptean Bobo, a chriubha agus am bàta-pleadhaige *Red Gauntlet* daonnan a' dèanamh a' chùis. Ann am *Bananathan!* bidh spòrs ann le aillbhean a tha a dhìth agus cnap de bhananathan. Tha an leabhar stèidhichte air a' chosta an iar is a' togail air eachdraidh mara na h-Alba. Air a chur dhan a' Ghàidhlig le Gillebride Mac 'IleMhaoil.



MONDAY 5 JUNE 2023

Alexandra Sheppard

Friendship Never Ends

Secondary School Outreach

Session Times: To be decided by Secondary School (am and pm session available)

Suitable Age: S1 – 2

Cost: £2.00 per person

Session Capacity: To be decided by Secondary School

So You Want to Be a Writer? Join Alexandra Sheppard as she talks about her childhood experiences that shaped her as a writer. Alexandra will deep dive on writing her new book *Friendship Never Ends* about four besties and growing up. Plus, loads of handy tips and tricks for any budding writers among you.



<https://www.alexandrasheppard.com/>
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https://www.goodreads.com/author/show/17328096.Alexandra_Sheppard
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TUESDAY 6 JUNE

Amara Sage

Influential

Secondary School Outreach

Session Times: To be decided by Secondary School (am and pm session available)

Suitable Age: S2 – 3

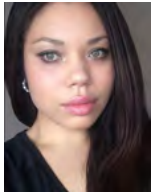
Cost: £2.00 per person

Session Capacity: To be decided by Secondary School

Join Bristolian author Amara Sage as she introduces her debut YA novel, *Influential*, a whip-smart deep dive into what it would really be like to be internet famous at 17. Shooting straight to the heart of the modern-day teenage experience, both online and offline, Amara will discuss themes of social media, cancel culture, online trolling, body image and more.



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WEDNESDAY 7 JUNE 2023

Danielle Jawando

**YOTO Carnegie Longlist
Nomination 2023**

When Our Worlds Collided

Secondary School Outreach

Session Times: To be decided by Secondary School (am and pm session available)

Suitable Age: S1 – 3

Cost: £2.00 per person

Session Capacity: To be decided by Secondary School

When Our Worlds Collided has been described as 'a powerful coming-of-age story about chance encounters, injustice and how the choices that we make can completely change our future.' Come and hear all about Danielle's journey to becoming an author, the inspiration behind her books, writing for television and how growing up in Manchester has influenced the stories that she tells. Danielle will share some writing tips for budding authors and this interactive session will be followed by a Q&A.

Danielle Jawando is an author and screenwriter. Her debut YA novel, *And the Stars Were Burning Brightly*, won best senior novel in the Great Reads Award, and was shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize, the YA Book Prize, the Jhalak Children's & YA Prize, the Branford Boase Award and was long-listed for the CILIP Carnegie Medal, the UKLA Book Awards and the Amazing Book Awards.



<https://www.simonandschuster.co.uk/authors/Danielle-Jawando/147389230>

<https://contactanauthor.co.uk/author/2294/danielle-jawando>



THURSDAY 8 JUNE

Kate Wiseman/ Zelda Conway

Evolution

Secondary School Outreach

Session Times: To be decided by Secondary School (am and pm session available)

Suitable Age: S1 – 3

Cost: £2.00 per person

Session Capacity: To be decided by Secondary School

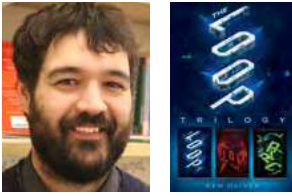
Evolution, a contemporary novel about gender, identity, loss, love and acceptance, was not an easy book for 'Zelda' to write, although the simple yet elegant prose, can give the impression to the reader that it was!

Based on her own family's experience, Zelda wanted to tell the story of gender transitioning from the perspective of a teenage boy watching his father taking the journey. Max, our protagonist is a very ordinary 13-year-old boy, navigating the jungle that is adolescence, when he discovers his dad's well-kept secret. Dad has another identity called Dawn and Dad wishes to evolve to become Dawn forever whilst still wanting to be Dan's parent. The novel follows the ups and downs of this journey and the implications it has on Dan's life. It pulls no punches but is incredibly sensitive and beautifully written. Ultimately it is an insightful and heart-warming story about love and acceptance.



https://www.zuntold.com/index.php?route=information/information&information_id=23

<https://www.waterstones.com/author/kate-wiseman/3854064>



FRIDAY 9 JUNE 2023

Ben Oliver

The Loop Series

Secondary School Outreach

Session Times: To be decided by Secondary School (am and pm session available)

Suitable Age: S1- 3

Cost: £2.00 per person

Session Capacity: To be decided by Secondary School

Perfect for fans of *The Hunger Games* and *The Maze Runner*! Join Glasgow author Ben Oliver for an interactive event around THE LOOP series: A high octane sci-fi must read for teens. Readers will find out about the inspiration behind the series, Ben's journey to becoming a writer, and get the chance to purchase their own signed copy.

SCHOOLS PROGRAMME 2023 KEY

| AUTHOR/SESSION | VENUE | TIME | AGE |
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| Friday 2 June 2023 | | | |
| The Jhalak Prize | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 10.30am – 11.30am | Pr 7 – S1 |
| Monday 5 June 2023 | | | |
| Alan Windram | The Mitchell Library | 9.30am – 10.15am | 3 – 5 years |
| Alexandra Sheppard | Secondary Outreach | TBC | S1 – 3 |
| Martin Brown | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 10.00am – 11.00am | Pr 5 – 7 |
| Parinita Shetty | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 10.15am – 11.15am | Pr 1 – 2 |
| Steve Lenton | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 10.30am – 11.30am | Pr 2 – 4 |
| Alan Windram | The Mitchell Library | 10.45am – 11.30am | 3 – 5 years |
| Alexandra Sheppard | Secondary Outreach | TBC | S1 – 3 |
| Martin Brown | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 1.00pm – 2.00pm | Pr 5 – 7 |
| Parinita Shetty | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 1.15pm – 2.15pm | Pr 1 – 2 |
| Steve Lenton | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 1.30pm – 2.30pm | Pr 2 – 4 |
| Alan Windram | Maryhill Library | 1.45pm – 2.30pm | 3 – 5 years |
| Tuesday 6 June 2023 | | | |
| Kate McLelland | The Mitchell Library | 9.30am – 10.15am | 3 – 5 years |
| Amara Sage | Secondary Outreach | TBC | S2 – 3 |
| Patrice Lawrence | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 10.00am – 11.00am | Pr 5 – 7 |
| Alastair Chisholm | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 10.15am – 11.15am | Pr 4 – 6 |
| Jonathan Meres | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 10.30am – 11.30am | Pr 1 – 2 |
| Kate McLelland | The Mitchell Library | 10.45am – 11.30am | 3 – 5 years |
| Amara Sage | Secondary Outreach | TBC | S2 – 3 |
| Patrice Lawrence | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 1.00pm – 2.00pm | Pr 5 – 7 |
| Alastair Chisholm | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 1.15pm – 2.15pm | Pr 4 – 6 |
| Jonathan Meres | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 1.30pm – 2.30pm | Pr 1 – 2 |
| Kate McLelland | Library at the Bridge | 1.45pm – 2.30pm | 3 – 5 years |
| Wednesday 7 June 2023 | | | |
| Meg McLaren | The Mitchell Library | 9.30am – 10.15am | 3 – 5 years |
| Danielle Jawando | Secondary Outreach | TBC | S1 – 3 |
| Nick J Sheridan | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 10.00am – 11.00am | Pr 4 – 5 |
| Breanna J McDaniel | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 10.15am – 11.15am | Pr 1 – 3 |
| Tom Palmer | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 10.30am – 11.30am | Pr 6 – 7 |
| Meg McLaren | The Mitchell Library | 10.45am – 11.30am | 3 – 5 years |
| Danielle Jawando | Secondary Outreach | TBC | S1 – 3 |

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| AUTHOR/SESSION | VENUE | TIME | AGE |
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| Sophy Henn | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 1.00pm – 2.00pm | Pr 1 – 3 |
| Breanna J McDaniel | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 1.15pm – 2.15pm | Pr 1 – 3 |
| Tom Palmer | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 1.30pm – 2.30pm | Pr 6 – 7 |
| Meg McLaren | Cardonald Library | 1.45pm – 2.30pm | 3 – 5 years |

Thursday 8 June 2023

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| Emily Dodd | The Mitchell Library | 9.30am – 10.10am | 4 – 5 years |
| Gillebride MacMillan | Gaelic Outreach | TBC | Pr 1 – 3 |
| Kate Wiseman | Secondary Outreach | TBC | S1 – 3 |
| The Brother's McLeod | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 10.00am – 11.00am | Pr 3 – 5 |
| Justin Davies | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 10.15am – 11.15am | Pr 6 – 7 |
| Jenny Pearson | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 10.30am – 11.30am | Pr 5 – 7 |
| Emily Dodd | The Mitchell Library | 10.45am – 11.25am | 4 – 5 years |
| Gillebride MacMillan | Gaelic Outreach | TBC | Pr 1 – 3 |
| Kate Wiseman | Secondary Outreach | TBC | S1 – 3 |
| The Brother's McLeod | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 1.00pm – 2.00pm | Pr 3 – 5 |
| Justin Davies | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 1.15pm – 2.15pm | Pr 6 – 7 |
| Jenny Pearson | Glasgow Royal Concert Hall | 1.30pm – 2.30pm | Pr 5 – 7 |
| Emily Dodd | Castlemilk Library | 1.45pm – 2.25pm | 4 – 5 years |

Friday 9 June 2023

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| Corrina Campbell | The Mitchell Library | 9.30am – 10.15am | 3 – 5 years |
| Ben Oliver | Secondary Outreach | TBC | S1 – 3 |
| Joseph Coelho | The Mitchell Library | 10.00am – 11.00am | Pr 1 – 4 |
| Alex Willmore | The Mitchell Library | 10.15am – 11.15pm | Pr 1 – 2 |
| Corrina Campbell | The Mitchell Library | 10.45am – 11.30am | 3 – 5 years |
| Ben Oliver | Secondary Outreach | TBC | S1 – 3 |
| Joseph Coelho | The Mitchell Library | 1.00pm – 2.00pm | Pr 5 – 7 |
| Alex Willmore | The Mitchell Library | 1.15pm – 2.15pm | Pr 1 – 2 |
| Corrina Campbell | Knightswood Library | 1.45pm – 2.30pm | 3 – 5 years |