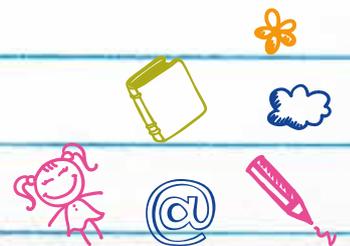




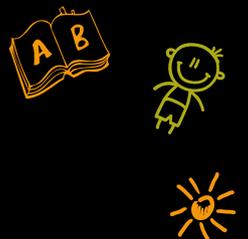
SCHOOLS  
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2019

# Glasgow's book

Festival  
for children  
and young people



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# Booking Information

All events can be booked from **Monday 28th January 2019**. All bookings must be made via email at [class.connections@glasgowlife.org.uk](mailto:connections@glasgowlife.org.uk) Telephone enquiries about the programme can be made on **0141 287 2863** Spaces are limited, so please book early to avoid disappointment. Please read through all terms and conditions before submitting your booking requests.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. All events have a charge of £1 per head for attendees for all Glasgow Schools.\*
2. Event bookings for non Glasgow schools will be charged at the rate of £3.00 per pupil.
3. Bookings will be accepted from Monday 28th January 2019. All booking forms must be completed with authorisation from the Head Teacher or Deputy Head Teacher to confirm agreement that the school has been approved to attend and can cover the costs of £1 per head for attendees. Booking forms without approval will not be accepted and will be returned for confirmation of approval.
4. All Glasgow Schools will be able to access free transportation to attend their events at the point of booking via Class Connections.
5. Cancellations of bookings by Glasgow Schools will be accepted, at no cost to the school, up to ten working days\*\* before the actual event date.
6. Any cancellations of bookings by Glasgow Schools, with less than ten working days' notice will incur a penalty charge of £50 for each class cancellation.
7. All cancellations of bookings made by all other schools, within and out with Glasgow, will still be charged at the rate of £3 per pupil, at any point of cancellation.

\*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 Saturdays and Sundays and Glasgow Life established Public Holidays.

## BUYING AND BORROWING BOOKS AT THE FESTIVAL

## Waterstones

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 their 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. Children will get to meet the author after the event and have the opportunity to have their book signed when collecting their books.

Waterstones have arranged a very special offer for all advance orders of books for all attendees. An early bird advance order will enable you to receive a **28% discount on your purchases**. **Orders must be received by Friday 15 February 2019** to enable the discount to be processed. All advance orders will be delivered to 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. Please see below how to access the early bird offer from Waterstones:

1. Any school with an account with Waterstones can send an official order for books by **Friday 15 February**.
2. If the school does not have an account one can be opened easily and quickly at [www.waterstonesaccountsales.com](http://www.waterstonesaccountsales.com)
3. All orders placed this way will have 28% discount applied to the RRP of the book. There is no delivery charge on these orders
4. Unfortunately no discount can be offered at the events on the day
5. If any school has any questions or to check if they have an account they can contact Waterstones direct via [accounts.glasgow@waterstones.com](mailto:accounts.glasgow@waterstones.com) or on **0141 333 1920**
6. All Secondary Schools must buy any books they wish for their pupils in advance by **Friday 15 February** as there will be no bookseller on site in the secondary school settings

Purchases made on the day by children will honour the redemption of £1 Word Book Day vouchers. Children can also borrow books from the library and collections of titles from all authors will be available.

# Friday 1 March 2019

## Guy Bass: Spynosaur: No More Mr Nice Spy!

10am – 11am & 1pm – 2pm

Primary 3 – 4

From a land before time comes a hero for today... *Spynosaur* - he's going to make crime extinct! A hilarious new series from award-winning author Guy Bass, perfect for fans of *My Brother is a Superhero*, *The Astounding Broccoli Boy*, *Darkmouth* and *Hamish and the Worldstoppers*. Guy won a Blue Peter Book Award in 2010 for *Dinkin Dings and the Frightening Things* and has won a number of local awards, including twice winning the Portsmouth Book award. So why not book in your primary class to hear his new book in the *Spynosaur* series - No More Mr Nice Spy!



## Lindsay Littleson: Guardians of the Wild Unicorn

10am – 11am & 1pm – 2pm

Primary 5 – 6

Lewis and Rhona are caught up in a dangerous adventure to save the world's last herd of wild unicorns. Fighting against dark forces, battling the wild landscape, and harnessing ancient magic. Can they rescue the legendary creatures in time?

Join author Lindsay Littleson for a thrilling extract from the story before discovering the real-life inspirations behind *Guardians of the Wild Unicorns*, uncovering some incredible unicorn facts and unleashing your artistic skills to design your own wild unicorn!



## Karen McCombie: Little Bird Flies

10.30am – 11.30am & 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Primary 6 – 7

It might be surprising to know, but highly-acclaimed author Karen McCombie struggled with reading as a young child. With help from school and her local library, she was guided towards books that might interest her, and once the book-bug bit, she was hooked!

Join Karen as she talks about the fun of writing in different styles - from her latest novel *Little Bird Flies*, set in the Scottish Highlands in Victorian times, to her fun, quick-read books for inclusive publisher Barrington Stoke - and how everyone can find a book that fits them, with a little help.



## David MacPhail: White Feather

10.30am – 11.30am & 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Primary 6 – 7

David left home at 18 to travel the world and have adventures. Some of his many jobs included working as a pool waiter on a tropical island, a chicken wrangler on a kibbutz, a door to door salesman and a ghost tour guide. He returned home knackered and now lives with his family in Perthshire, where he exists on a diet of cream buns and zombie movies.

*White Feather* is a powerful tale set soon after the end of World War One. One of the co-authors, David Macphail, talks about what inspired the book, and about getting into the minds of the people from the past.



# Friday 1 March 2019

## Alan Windram: One Button Benny (Winner of the Bookbug Picture Book Prize for 2019)

10am – 11am & 1pm – 2pm

Primary 1 – 2

Benny is different, Benny is special, Benny is a Robot. Benny has a big red button in the middle of his tummy with the words 'Only Press in an Emergency' on it. Benny has never pressed his button but one day something happens and he has to press it.

Join author Alan Windram in this highly interactive picture book event with sing-along songs, song writing, storytelling, visuals describing how illustrator Chloe Holwill-Hunter created Benny and his world. And some 'robot dancing' too! Find out what happened when Benny pressed his button.



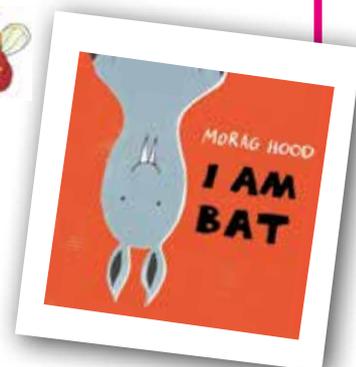
# Monday 4 March 2019

## Morag Hood: I am Bat (Shortlisted for the Bookbug Picture Book Prize 2019)

10am – 11am & 1pm – 2pm

Primary 1 – 2

Come and meet the amazing Morag Hood, writer and illustrator behind picture book favourites *I Am Bat*, *The Steves* and *Colin and Lee*, *Carrot and Pea*, as she talks about her new book featuring two very sweet aardvarks Aalbert and Aalfred. Recently nominated for the 2019 Bookbug Picture Book prize, Morag introduces you to all story book friends from bats to stubborn puffins called Steve in a fun hands-on creative storytelling event that is not to be missed!



## Roald Dahl's: The Twits with John Kirk

10.15am – 11.15am & 1pm – 2pm

Primary 4 – 5

*'If you have good thoughts they will shine out of your face like sunbeams and you will always look lovely.'* Roald Dahl.

Mr and Mrs Twit are perfectly vile and disgusting people who love to play tricks on innocent people and animals but when the Roly Poly Bird visits from Africa everything is turned upside down. Be prepared for silly behaviour in this highly interactive show which contains twits being vile to each other.

Roald Dahl's *The Twits* is performed by master storyteller John Kirk with the kind permission of Casarotto Ramsay and the Roald Dahl Estate.



# Monday 4 March 2019

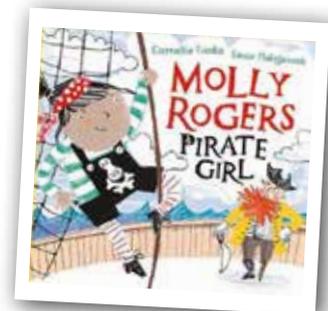
## Kasia Matyjaszek: Molly Rogers, Pirate Girl written by Cornelia Funke

10.30am – 11.30am & 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Primary 2

Ferocious Captain Firebeard and his crew love to cause trouble on the high seas. But they're in big trouble when they kidnap Molly, a small and fierce pirate girl who is scared of no one.

Join illustrator Kasia Matyjaszek for a fun interactive event with storytelling, drawing and crafts.



## Barry Hutchison: Revenge of the Living Ted

10.30am – 11.30am & 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Primary 3

What if your favourite teddy bear turned out to be an evil monster intent on taking over the world? That's what happens in Barry Hutchison's *Night of the Living Ted*, the sequel to which - *Revenge of the Living Ted* - was published recently.

Join Barry as he tells all about the terrifying teddies, and shares some funny stories about all the other silly things that scare him senseless...



## Mike Nicholson: Museum Mystery Squad and the Case of the Vanishing Viking

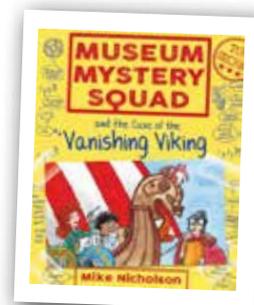
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Primary 2 – 3

Think museums are boring? Think again! In a hidden headquarters below the exhibits there's a gang ready to handle dangerous, spooky or just plain weird problems: the Museum Mystery Squad.

In this fun and interactive session, award-winning author Mike Nicholson introduces you to the squad's latest mystery: The Case of the Vanishing Viking.

Create your own mystery from any object, play with words, invent gadgets and face the ultimate challenge – trying not to laugh at his terrible jokes!



# Tuesday 5 March 2019

## Philip Ardagh: Secret Diary of Jane Pinny – Victorian House Maid and Accidental Detective

10am – 11am and 1pm – 2pm

Primary 3

A fantastic balance of great character, an exciting plot, and packed with interesting, accessible historical facts woven into the story, this is Gosford Park meets Horrible Histories. It's filled with fascinating historical detail and Victorian trivia – and with a gripping story, a mystery to solve, a wonderful hero.

Jane Pinny has moved to the very grand Lytton House to be a Maid of All Work. And being a Maid of All Work means that she has to do... well, ALL the work, obviously! Cleaning, dusting, scrubbing, washing – there's SO much to do in a Victorian country house. But when a priceless jade necklace belonging to the lady of the house disappears, Jane turns accidental detective (with the help of her best friend, a pigeon called Plump...) – can she solve the mystery of the missing jewels before it's too late?

## Alison Soye: Maggie's Monsters

10am – 11am & 1pm – 2pm

Primary 1

Alison Soye is the illustrator of children's picture books Maggie's Mittens and Maggie's Monsters. Alison studied illustration at the University of Dundee and not long after graduating, moved to Edinburgh where she currently lives and works as a freelance illustrator. Her day to day work consists of commissioned artwork, painting window designs and murals, and creating her own prints which are sold in shops and online. Her work is inspired by children's books, travel, nature and lots of random little 'things'.

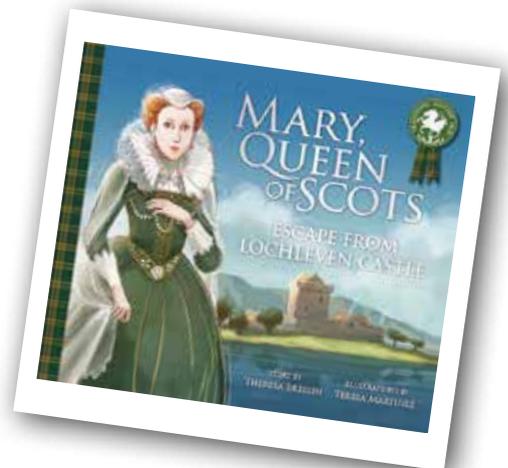


## Theresa Breslin: Mary Queen of Scots – Escape from Lochleven Castle

10am – 11am & 1pm – 2pm

Primary 4 – 5

Who was Mary, Queen of Scots and how did she end up imprisoned in Lochleven Castle? Discover the story of Scotland's most famous queen in this dramatic new picture book from Carnegie Medal winner Theresa Breslin. Children can travel back to the 15th Century as they experience the tension and excitement of Mary's daring escape across the water.



# Tuesday 5 March 2019

## Ross Collins: There's a Bear in my Chair – How to Make a Picture Book

10.30am – 11.30am & 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Primary 4 – 5

Ross Collins is the author and illustrator of 130 books for children, some of which have been put on stage or given enormous glittering awards.

Join Ross as he talks about how a picture book is created with his best-selling book *There's a Bear on My Chair*. Warning - this talk contains a mouse in underpants.



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## Chloe Homewood Allen: Mindfulness Session

10.30am – 11.30am & 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Primary 5 – 7

Come and join Chloe Homewood Allen for a fun, experiential and interactive workshop exploring the outlook of Mindfulness, the intention to live in the present moment.

This workshop introduces children to the concept of mindfulness, and the potential for it to enhance play, school work and friendship, exploring what it means to be mindful using mindful movement, games, mindful eating, and discussion. By the end of the workshop the children will know what mindfulness is, why it's beneficial, and how to settle their minds using the breath in a basic sitting meditation.



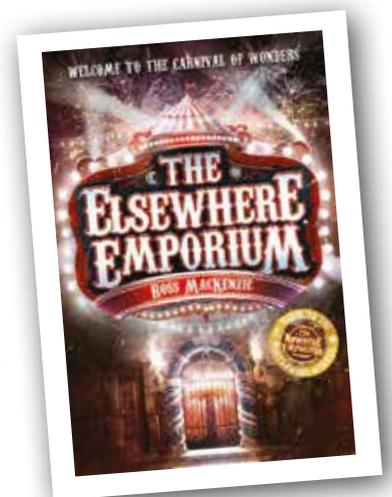
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## Ross MacKenzie: The Elsewhere Emporium

10.30am – 11.30am & 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Primary 6 – 7

The Nowhere Emporium has disappeared! An invisible criminal has stolen the legendary shop from nowhere. Can Daniel and Ellie save it before the mysterious culprit succeeds in their quest for revenge? Blue Peter Award-winner Ross MacKenzie will transport his audience to a magical realm where imagination is power and anything is possible. Discover the secrets and the inspiration behind *The Nowhere Emporium* and *The Elsewhere Emporium*, and stretch your imagination as you add your own ideas to The Book of Wonders!



# Wednesday 6th March 2019

## Joseph Coelho: A Year of Nature Poems

10am – 11am

Primary 4

Award-winning poet Joseph Coelho will perform poems from his latest collection *A Year of Nature Poems* and talk about what nature means to him. He will then invite the audience to create their own poem for the month of March.

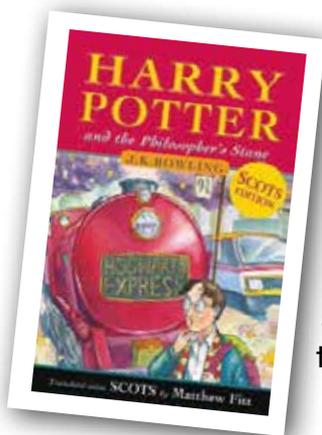


## Joseph Coelho: Luna Loves Library Day/If All The World Were?

1pm – 2pm

Primary 1

Hear picture book author and poet Joseph Coelho (who has been on Blue Peter! Woo Hoo!) share his magical story about a little girl and the worlds that hide in books. A fun-filled event for young bookworms, with bugs, dinosaurs and a rest on a beach. Hoorah for libraries!



## Matthew Fitt: Reekin Rhymes and the Philosopher's Stane

10am – 11am & 1pm – 2pm

Primary 6 – 7

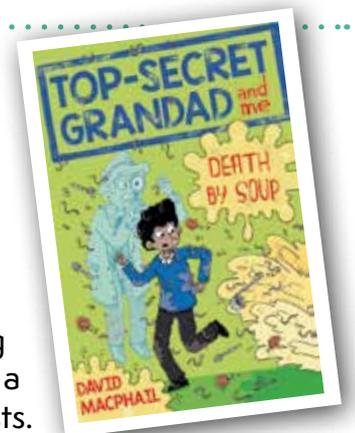
Have fun learning about the Scots language with writer Matthew Fitt. Matthew will be reading from his Scots translations of books by Roald Dahl, J.K. Rowling and many more. Find out who's reekin and what a bizzum really is and all about the best new books to read in Scots.

## David MacPhail: Top Secret Grandad and Me: Death by Soup

10.30am – 11.30am & 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Primary 5 – 6

Jay Patel turned detective after his magician dad mysteriously disappeared, (on stage, right in the middle of his favourite trick, the 'great vanishing act'). Jay solves mysteries with the help of his ghostly grandad! You'd think having a ghost as a sidekick would be pretty useful. Unfortunately, Jay's grandad is a bit rubbish – he hates walking through walls and he's terrified of other ghosts. In Jay's latest adventure, *Death by Soup*, someone is killing off the guests at a fancy hotel in the Scottish countryside. Jay must solve the case before he becomes the next victim!



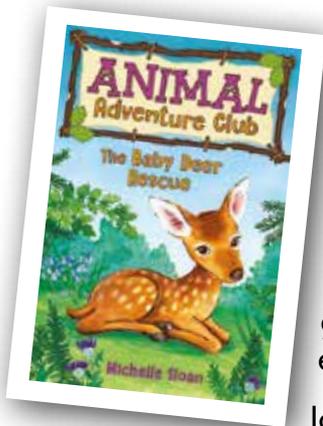
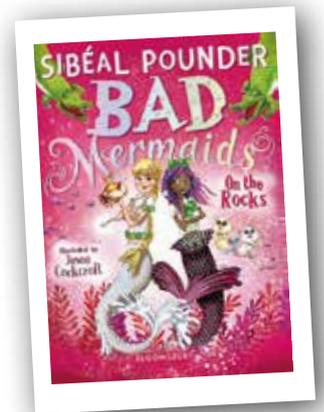
*Top-Secret Grandad and Me* is a laugh-out-loud, weird-and-wacky mystery series for younger readers by the author of *Thorfinn the Nicest Viking*.

## Sibéal Pounder: Bad Mermaid

10.30am – 11.30am & 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Primary 3 – 4

Think you know all there is to know about Mermaids? Let Sibéal Pounder set the record straight with her fantastic new series, Bad Mermaids. Mermaids Beattie, Mimi and Zelda return from their gap year on land to find something is rotten in the city of Swirlyshell. It's up to them (and talking seahorse Steve) to stop some seriously Bad Mermaids!



## Michelle Sloan: Animal Adventure Club: Baby Deer Rescue

10am – 11am & 1pm – 2pm

Primary 2 – 3

If there's a wild animal in trouble, the Animal Adventure Club are here to help! Isla, Buzz and Gracie love helping the rangers at their local nature reserve in Pittendooey, and most importantly, they love animals! So when a baby deer gets trapped, they're the first to the rescue. Can they save the little creature – even with new girl Lexi getting in their way?

Join author Michelle Sloan for a fun-packed, interactive event, meeting the *Animal Adventure Club* characters and the animals they rescue.



# Thursday 7 March 2019

## Amnesty International Session – Our World Our Rights

10am – 11am & 1pm – 2pm

Primary 3

Amnesty International's Human Rights Education Team present a creative interactive session to engage students with human rights using books including *Dreams of Freedom*. Through engaging activities children will gain an understanding of their rights and explore ideas of freedom, fairness and empathy for others.

For children to build their own capacity to make positive change, they need to feel empowered. Exploring other people's stories helps them make sense of the world and gives them confidence to express their own thoughts and opinions.

Teachers attending will receive human rights education resource packs for their school.



## Alex Milway: Hotel Flamingo

10am – 11am & 1pm – 2pm

Primary 1 – 2

Join Alex Milway for musical sing-alongs and live illustration from *Hotel Flamingo*, revealing hilarious behind-the-scenes secrets and tips and tricks for catering for all the hotel's very different animal guests. You'll even learn how to draw the characters along the way!

There's never a dull day at Hotel Flamingo, so come and join in the fun at the funniest and sunniest hotel in town.



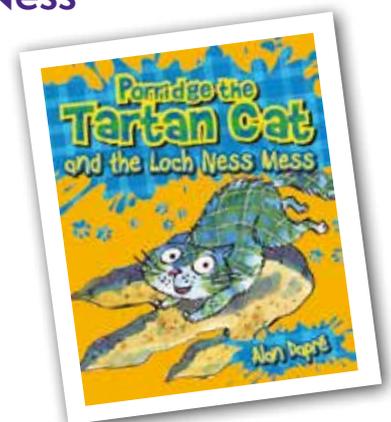
## Alan Dapre: Porridge the Tartan Cat and the Loch Ness Mess

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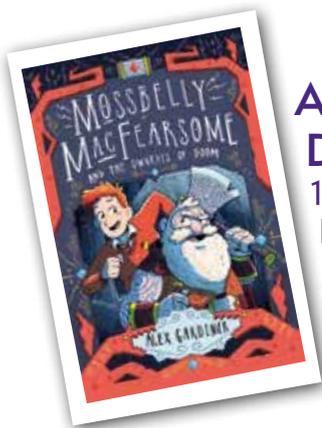
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Primary 3

Meet Porridge the (world's only) Tartan Cat. Alan Dapre's playful series is full of incredible characters, pacy plots, and browsome world-play. Using entertaining activities and excerpts, he explores what makes Gadget Grandad, Groovy Gran, Fergus McFungus, and (of course) Porridge himself, fly off the page. Or in Porridge's case, curl up on it. Drawing from his books – and his trusty typewriter – Alan and the audience have fun with puns, jokes and terrifically tongue-twisting wordplay.



# Thursday 7 March 2019



## Alex Gardiner: Mossbelly MacFearsome and the Dwarves of Doom

10am – 11am & 1pm – 2pm

Primary 4 – 5

Join Alex Gardiner as he introduces you to the newest Scottish hero around – Mossbelly MacFearsome! A rip-roaring, funny, fantasy adventure with dwarves, ogres and dragons!

Roger is just an ordinary boy, in an ordinary world – or so he thinks, until a grumpy dwarf warrior, Mossbelly MacFearsome, appears out of thin air and saves him from the school bully. If that isn't incredible enough, now Moss has decided that Roger is the perfect human companion for his daring quest to defeat the dwarves' arch-enemy Leatherhead Barnstorm and his horrifying horde of monstrous (but very polite) gorefiends. If Roger doesn't help Moss, the world as we know it will be destroyed by ogres and dragons and the race of humans will be annihilated. If he does help, he will be late for his tea and his mum will be going mad with worry...

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## Alex Nye: The Art of the Ghost Story

10.30am – 11.30am & 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Primary 6 – 7

Accompany award-winning author Alex Nye on a candlelit journey into Scotland's bloody past. Find out what makes a good ghost story, and travel back in time to the haunted mountains of Glencoe with the aid of spooky images and sounds, along with the characters in Alex's novels, *Chill*, *Shiver* and *Darker Ends*. Alex is also a teacher and previous winner of the Scottish Children's Book Award with her first novel *Chill*. She writes historical fiction for both adults and children, and has four books to her name.



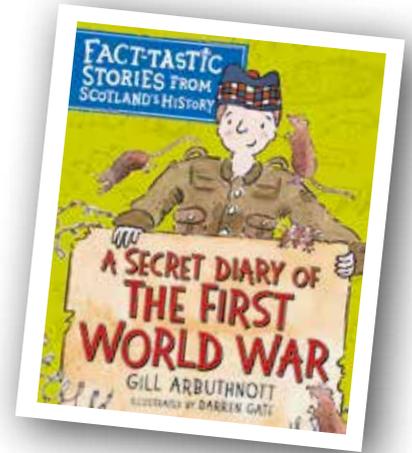
# Friday 8 March 2019

## Gill Arbuthnott and Darren Gate: A Secret Diary of the First World War (Fact-Tastic stories from Scotland's History)

10.30am – 11.30am & 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Primary 6 – 7

What was the First World War really like? Step into the boots of 14-year-old soldier James Marchbank and find out. Inspired by the real-life diary of a Scottish boy soldier, Gill Arbuthnott's latest book brings together the most important and incredible bits of the First World War. Also joining Gill is illustrator Darren Gate. Darren will enlighten your pupils on why rat hunting was a popular hobby in the trenches, how parachuting pigeons helped pave the path to victory, and what it really felt like to be a teenager at war.



## Matt Brown: Aliens Invaded my Talent Show!

10.30am – 11.30 & 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Primary 5 – 6

Matt is the hugely popular author of the *Compton Valance* series. His new hilarious book *Aliens Invaded my Talent Show!* was published in 2018 and the follow up *Mutant Zombies Cursed my School Trip!* will be published in March 2019 by Usborne Publishing.



## Bryony Thomson: The Wardrobe Monster

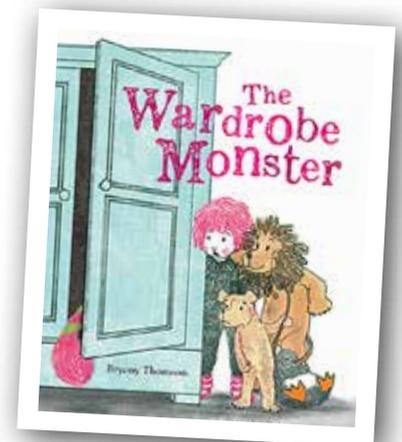
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Primary 1 – 2

*The Wardrobe Monster* is a reassuring story for all children who imagine monsters in the darkness.

What's that knocking sound coming from the wardrobe? Every night, it makes Dora and her toy friends afraid to go to bed and every morning they are grumpy through lack of sleep. Eventually they summon the courage to face their fear together and open the wardrobe door ...

Join Bryony to hear about the inspiration for her writing and illustration before she shares a taster extract from the book. In her brilliantly interactive event Bryony will lead the children with her live drawing as they make suggestions to build their very own wardrobe monster.



# Friday 8 March 2019

## Amnesty International Session – We Are All Born Free

10am – 11am & 1pm – 2pm

Primary 5

This year we celebrate the 30th anniversary of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of The Child. This interactive and informative session by Amnesty International's Human Rights Education Team introduces P5 students to the topic of children's rights.

Using videos, books and activities, students will understand their rights, have knowledge of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, and explore situations where children's rights are denied and enjoyed.

Schools attending will receive a resource pack and a plan for further activities in school. Amnesty International supports schools and their wider communities to build a positive culture of human rights through their programme of Human Rights Friendly Schools which aim to empower young people and promote the active participation of all members of the school community to integrate human rights values and principles into all areas of school life.



## Robin Etherington: Phoenix Comics Presents The Greatest Show in the World!

10am – 11am and 1pm – 2pm

Primary 4 – 5

Set your brains to inspire! During a high-energy show Robin Etherington will explain the processes behind creating original characters, worlds and stories through a wealth of examples, exercises and Q&A sessions improvised straight from your suggestions, which will bring the adventures to life!

Guaranteed to leave young and old minds alike whirring with creativity and enthusiasm, this interactive presentation empowers the storyteller and artist in all of us through humour and fun. No idea is too silly to inspire a great tale... or is it?!

Robin Etherington, as one half of The Etherington Brothers, has written three graphic novels that have been nominated for an array of awards. He has also produced comic stories for bestselling brands like *Star Wars*, *Transformers*, *Wallace and Gromit*, *The Dandy*, *Kung Fu Panda* and *How to Train Your Dragon* as well as writing for animation and film. Robin regularly tours schools and book festivals with events in the UK and abroad. Through energetic, laughter-filled Q&A sessions he loves to share his passion for reading, writing, art and the power of imagination.



# Wee Write 2019! – CPD Sessions

**Tuesday 5 March 2019**

***Developing Reading Cultures in Schools brought to you by Scottish Book Trust***

4pm – 6pm, The Mitchell Library. Max Participants: 40. Bookable through CPD Manager

If you want to get your whole school reading, we can help support you to build a reading culture! This session will outline the features of a reading culture, the programmes delivered by Scottish Book Trust to help you foster this culture in your school and practical examples to inspire you to get started, wherever you are on your reading journey. All staff working in a primary school setting are welcome to come along.



**Wednesday 6 March 2019**

***Bringing Picture Books to Life brought to you by Bookbug***

4pm – 7pm, The Mitchell Library. Max Participants: 40. Please send on a note of interest to Class Connections

This training session combines practical activities with best-practice academic research to support practitioners to bring picture books to life with children aged 3 to 5 years old.

**Course Aims and Objectives**

The variety of activities and information included in this course are designed to:

- Boost practitioner confidence with sharing picture books with groups of children
- Improve understanding of how to use the voice to engage parents and children
- Help practitioners consider different kinds of picture books and how these impact on various aspects of a child's language and literacy development
- Encourage practitioners to extend or embellish familiar stories
- Explain the difference between storytelling and reading aloud



**Thursday 7 March 2019**

***Explorer Pack Training brought to you by Bookbug***

4pm – 6pm, The Mitchell Library. Max Participants: 40. Please send on a note of interest to Class Connections

The Bookbug Explorer Bag is gifted to every three-year-old in Scotland in their ante-preschool year. The free Explorer Bag is packed with books, music, drawing materials and other resources to encourage parent and child interaction.

Research shows us that the bags are most effective when parents and children are involved in the gifting process. This training session offers staff ideas on how to make best use of this resource. The training includes a Bookbug Explorer Bag gifting handbook and an Explorer Bag for each setting to take away and use to prepare their gifting events.

**Course Aims and Objectives**

The variety of activities and information included in this course are designed to:

- Give practitioners an understanding of how to gift the Explorer Bag effectively, including how to integrate the bag into their setting to excite children about books, stories and reading
- Improve understanding of how to engage parents in Bookbug bag gifting and why this is important
- Give ideas of practical activities that can be done in a setting that will build excitement before gifting the bags
- Highlight key messages about book sharing to pass on parents
- Show how the Explorer bag links to GIRFEC and Curriculum for Excellence



# Wee Write Schools Programme Key 2019

Date	Author	Session Time	Age Range
1 March	Guy Bass	10.00am – 11.00am	Primary 3 – 4
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1 March	Guy Bass	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 3 – 4
1 March	Lindsey Littleson	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 5 – 6
1 March	Alan Windram	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 1 – 2
1 March	David MacPhail	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Primary 6 – 7
1 March	Karen McCombie	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Primary 6 – 7
4 March	John Kirk	10.15am – 11.15am	Primary 4 – 5
4 March	Mike Nicholson	10.00am – 11.00am	Primary 2 – 3
4 March	Morag Hood	10.00am – 11.00am	Primary 1 – 2
4 March	Barry Hutchison	10.30am – 11.30am	Primary 3
4 March	Kasia Matyjaszek	10.30am – 11.30am	Primary 2
4 March	John Kirk	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 4 – 5
4 March	Morag Hood	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 1 – 2
4 March	Mike Nicholson	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 2 – 3
4 March	Barry Hutchison	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Primary 3
4 March	Kasia Matyjaszek	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Primary 2
5 March	Theresa Breslin	10.00am – 11.00am	Primary 4 – 5
5 March	Philip Ardagh	10.00am – 11.00am	Primary 3
5 March	Alison Soye	10.00am – 11.00am	Primary 1
5 March	Chloe Homewood Allen	10.30am – 11.30am	Primary 5 – 7
5 March	Ross MacKenzie	10.30am – 11.30am	Primary 6 – 7
5 March	Ross Collins	10.30am – 11.30am	Primary 4 – 5
5 March	Philip Ardagh	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 3
5 March	Alison Soye	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 1
5 March	Ross MacKenzie	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Primary 6 – 7
5 March	Theresa Breslin	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 4 – 5
5 March	Ross Collins	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Primary 4 – 5
5 March	Chloe Homewood Allen	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Primary 5 – 7

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Date	Author	Session Time	Age Range
6 March	Joseph Coelho	10.00am – 11.00am	Primary 4
6 March	Matthew Fitt	10.00am – 11.00am	Primary 6 – 7
6 March	Michelle Sloan	10.00am – 11.00am	Primary 2 – 3
6 March	David MacPhail	10.30am – 11.30am	Primary 5 – 6
6 March	Sibeal Pounder	10.30am – 11.30am	Primary 3 – 4
6 March	Joseph Coelho	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 1
6 March	Matthew Fitt	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 6 – 7
6 March	Michelle Sloan	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 2 – 3
6 March	David MacPhail	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Primary 5 – 6
6 March	Sibeal Pounder	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Primary 3 – 4
7 March	Alex Milway	10.00am – 11.00am	Primary 1 – 2
7 March	Amnesty International	10.00am – 11.00am	Primary 3
7 March	Alex Gardiner	10.00am – 11.00am	Primary 4 – 5
7 March	Alan Dapre	10.30am – 11.30am	Primary 3
7 March	Alex Nye	10.30am – 11.30am	Primary 6 – 7
7 March	Alex Milway	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 1 – 2
7 March	Amnesty International	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 3
7 March	Alex Gardiner	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 4 – 5
7 March	Alan Dapre	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Primary 3
7 March	Alex Nye	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Primary 6 – 7
8 March	Robin Etherington	10.00am – 11.00am	Primary 4 – 5
8 March	Amnesty International	10.00am – 11.00am	Primary 5
8 March	Bryony Thomson	10.00am – 11.00am	Primary 1 – 2
8 March	Matt Brown	10.30am – 11.30am	Primary 5 – 6
8 March	Gill Arbuthnott and Darren Gate	10.30am – 11.30am	Primary 6 – 7
8 March	Robin Etherington	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 4 – 5
8 March	Amnesty International	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 5
8 March	Bryony Thomson	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Primary 1 – 2
8 March	Matt Brown	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Primary 5 – 6
8 March	Gill Arbuthnott and Darren Gate	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Primary 6 – 7

# Wee Write! Early Years Programme

**Tuesday 5, Wednesday 6, Thursday 7 March 2019 (all at Parkhead Library)**

## **Mrs Mash the Storytelling Cook: Cake for the Fairies**

9.30am – 10.15am, 10.45am – 11.30am and 1.30pm – 2.15pm

Max Capacity: 35 per session

Mrs. Mash the Storytelling Cook loves food and she loves stories! Join her for songs, stories, rhymes and food fun that will get you in the mood for good food. She has also created a lovely illustrated book called "Cake for the Fairies" and a CD of catchy Scottish and food related songs called "Smashing Songs". Perfect for younger children and their families.



**Friday 1 March (Knightswood Library), Monday 4, Friday 8 March (Parkhead Library)**

## **Marie Claire James: The Very Hungry Caterpillar**

9.30am – 10.15am, 10.45am – 11.30am and 1.30pm – 2.15pm

Max Capacity: 35 per session

To help celebrate 50 years of the very Hungry Caterpillar, Marie Claire James is going to help you explore the food that he eats at this session. You will get the chance to taste and learn about his food journey live at the event.



Marie Claire James works for Chefs@school which is an initiative supported by Scottish Government which brings food education to children across Scotland. Since our inception in September 2013 we have worked with over 35,000 children.

# Wee Write! Early Years Programme Key

Date	Library	Time	Session
1 March	Knightswood Library	9.30am – 10.15am	The Very Hungry Caterpillar
1 March	Knightswood Library	10.45am – 11.30am	The Very Hungry Caterpillar
1 March	Knightswood Library	1.30pm – 2.15pm	The Very Hungry Caterpillar
4 March	Parkhead Library	9.30am – 10.15am	The Very Hungry Caterpillar
4 March	Parkhead Library	10.45am – 11.30am	The Very Hungry Caterpillar
4 March	Parkhead Library	1.30pm – 2.15pm	The Very Hungry Caterpillar
5 March	Parkhead Library	9.30am – 10.15am	Mrs Mash
5 March	Parkhead Library	10.45am – 11.30am	Mrs Mash
5 March	Parkhead Library	1.30pm – 2.15pm	Mrs Mash
6 March	Parkhead Library	9.30am – 10.15am	Mrs Mash
6 March	Parkhead Library	10.45am – 11.30am	Mrs Mash
6 March	Parkhead Library	1.30pm – 2.15pm	Mrs Mash
7 March	Parkhead Library	9.30am – 10.15am	Mrs Mash
7 March	Parkhead Library	10.45am – 11.30am	Mrs Mash
7 March	Parkhead Library	1.30pm – 2.15pm	Mrs Mash
8 March	Parkhead Library	9.30am – 10.15am	The Very Hungry Caterpillar
8 March	Parkhead Library	10.45am – 11.30am	The Very Hungry Caterpillar
8 March	Parkhead Library	1.30pm – 2.15pm	The Very Hungry Caterpillar

# Wee Write! Secondary Schools Programme

The following programme can be booked to be hosted in Secondary School settings.

## Friday 1 March 2019

### **L J MacWhirter: *Black Snow Falling***

Am and Pm Session

Age Range S 1 – 3. Audience Capacity: 200

CILIP Carnegie-nominated *Black Snow Falling* launched to critical acclaim. Discover how this engaging author 'found' the idea in Glen Etive and created a thrilling new mythology by weaving together strands from history and science. Her dramatic presentation with readings takes young people through the fascinating story creation, encouraging readers to listen to themselves and their own stories.

'A captivating author, who engages young people from the second she starts talking.' *Boroughmuir High School*



## Monday 4 March 2019

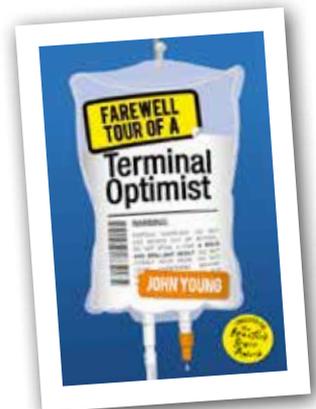
### **John Young – Shortlisted Scottish Teenage Book Prize\* *Farewell Tour of a Terminal Optimist***

Pm Session

Age Range S 1 – 3.

Connor Lambert won't take it any longer: the bullying, the secrets, the sympathy. He's been dying from cancer for years, but he's not dead yet. He's going down fighting. Forming an unlikely friendship with fellow juvenile delinquent Skeates, the pair stage a break out and set off on a crazy tour across Scotland to find Connor's jailbird dad. Drawing on his bold and gutsy novel, John Young discusses inspiration, creativity and making the most of what we have. Side effects may include: compulsion to travel, inappropriate laughter, rethinking your life.

"Hearing that *Farewell Tour of a Terminal Optimist* was shortlisted for Scottish Teenage Book Prize makes me feel as thrilled as Potter finding a Horcrux, as excited as Ishmael sighting a whale and as chirpy as Katniss Everdeen's mockingjay. I am stoked, thank you."



# Tuesday 5 March 2019

## **Beerjacket: Silver Cords**

Am session

Age Range S 4 – 6.

Having been nearly five years since the release of his last album, Glasgow artist Peter Kelly – aka Beerjacket – has now returned to captivate our ears with an innovative new project.

A collection of twelve songs, Silver Cords is more than just your average album. Accompanied by twelve short stories that go hand in hand with each track, it's been three years in the making; and it was certainly worth the wait. Of the project, Kelly explains:

“At some point in the writing of Silver Cords, I decided the record would live in a book and that each song would be accompanied by a short story inspired by its lyrics. Story by story, approximately once a month, the songs’ siblings entered the room. My imagination has superimposed details on the real-life buildings that inspired settings and, in some way, the stories play out there interminably now on three to five minute loops.”

A truly unique concept, Silver Cords will cause you to stop in your tracks, reflect on life’s meaning and become utterly immersed in its raw, honest emotion.

Silver Cords is released as a hardback book with accompanying CD, via Scottish Fiction Records. (Adapted from Fortitude Magazine, December 2018)

## **Songwriting workshop**

A song is like a dream. It appears in your subconscious like magic and the role of a songwriter is to capture it before it leaves forever. This hands-on workshop will explore the practice of writing melodies and lyrics, sharing techniques to help encourage confidence in expression. Young people will discover how a song is built from an idea and learn practical methods to develop their writing skills. This interactive workshop will explore elements of live performance, analysis of song structures and collaborative lyric writing over the course of an interactive hour celebrating creativity through words and music.



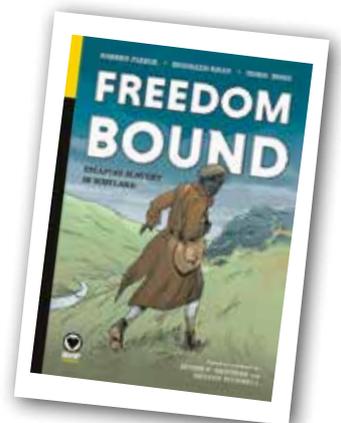
## **Sha Nazir and Nelson Mundell: Freedom Bound**

Pm session

Age Range S 1 – 3.

Freedom Bound The story behind making the book.

Join Nelson Mundell and Sha Nazir as they discuss the research and development process of making Freedom Bound, the ground breaking Graphic novel telling the true story of 3 enslaved people brought to Scotland and there journey to freedom.



# Wednesday 6 March 2019

## Neil Slorance: *Dungeon Fun*

Pm session

Age Range S1 – 3.

Neil Slorance is a Glasgow based illustrator and comic artist. Best known for his work on the award winning all ages comic *Dungeon Fun* as well as his work with *Doctor Who* comics.

Neil has been illustrating and self-publishing his own comics for 10 years as well as working as a political cartoonist for STV and *The National Newspaper* since 2015.

Neil has worked with such clients as The BBC, STV, Titan Comics, *The National*, Hachette Children's Group and the Scottish Book Trust.



# Thursday 7 March 2019

## Susan Wilson – Shortlisted Scottish Teenage Book Prize\*: *The Extinction Trials*

Am Session

Age Range S1 – 3.

S.M. Wilson lives on the west coast of Scotland with her fiancé and two sons. Her day job is as a nurse in public health – and her dream job is writing fiction. Her love of YA fiction started as a teenager and has never stopped. She wrote *The Extinction Trials* to try and infect her sons with the same love of reading that she has – watch out, she's hoping it's contagious!

"I was surprised and really delighted to be shortlisted for the Scottish Teenage Book Prize this year. This is my first YA book, so having it read and recognised by Scottish readers means the world to me."



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## Kerr Thomson – Shortlisted Scottish Teenage Book Prize: *Rise of the Wolves*

Pm session

Age Range S1 – 3.

Kerr Thomson is a teacher and author of children's fiction. His first novel, *The Sound of Whales* won the Times Children's Fiction Prize 2014. His second book *The Rise of Wolves* has been shortlisted for the Scottish Teen Book Award 2019. Kerr Thomson writes adventure stories for children with a backdrop of wild Scottish landscapes and the people and creatures that live within them.

"To be shortlisted for any book award is a great honour but it is particularly special to be up for the Scottish Teenage Book Prize 2019. The story in *The Rise of Wolves* is set on a Scottish island and involves the adventures of three Scottish teenagers. I like to think that Innis, Kat and Lachlan would themselves read all the shortlisted books and cast their own vote for the Scottish Teenage Book Prize!"

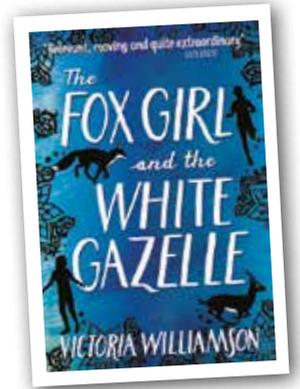
# Friday 8 March 2019

## Victoria Williamson: *The Fox Girl and the White Gazelle*

Am and Pm Session

Age Range Pr 7 – S 1 (This can be a transition event with your local feeder Primary Schools)

Reema feels completely lost. She'll never call this strange country, with its grey skies and boring food, 'home'. Caylin feels completely alone. She's stuck looking after her useless mum. The Syrian refugee and the Scottish bully — Reema and Caylin can't imagine being friends, until a shared secret brings them together. Join author Victoria Williamson for an interactive event exploring the characters and refugee issues in *The Fox Girl and the White Gazelle*. With book readings, group activities and a writing competition to enter, this session promises to be both fun and thought-provoking.



<http://www.scottishbooktrust.com/blog/press-releases/2018/08/2019-scottish-teenage-book-prize-shortlist-announced>

## Wee Write! Secondary School Programme Key

Date	Session	Time	Age
1 March	L.J MacWhirter: Black Snow Calling	Am and Pm	S1 - S3
4 March	John Young: Farewell Tour of a Terminal Optimist	Pm	S4 - S6
5 March	Beerjacket: Silver Chords	Am	S4 - S6
5 March	Sha Nazir & Nelson Mundell: Freedom Bound	Pm	S1 - S3
6 March	Neil Slorance: Dungeon Fun	Pm	S1 - S3
7 March	Susan Wilson: The Extinction Trials	Am	S1 - S3
7 March	Kerr Thomson: Rise of the Wolves	Pm	S1 - S3
8 March	Victoria Wilson: The Fox Girl and the White Gazelle	Am and Pm	P7 - S1



# Wee Write! Storytelling Outreach

In Association with Wee Write and in Collaboration with The Language Hub. We are happy to bring to you tailor made Bi-Lingual Storytelling and Craft Workshops

This year Wee Write! would like to bring something to your doorstep. Why not book in your class to visit your local library for a bi-lingual story time and craft session.

This is your chance to tailor make your own sessions. Select which story and what language you would want and we will organise the rest!

Please find the titles of the books and what language they can be told in below:

Story	Languages Available
The Very Hungry Caterpillar	Arabic, French, Italian, Polish, Portuguese and Spanish
We're Going On A Bear Hunt	Arabic, German, Portuguese and Spanish
The Gruffalo Gaelic,	German and Spanish
Room On The Broom	Gaelic, German, Italian, Russian and Spanish
A Colour Of Its Own	French only
Little Blue...	French, German and Italian
Gruffalo's Child	French, Gaelic and Russian
The Stick Man	Russian and Gaelic
Rainbow Fish	French, Spanish and German
Wild Things...	French, German, Italian and Spanish
Elmer	French, German, Italian and Spanish
The Giant Turnip	Arabic, French, Polish, Portuguese and Russian
Ladybird	Italian and Russian
Goldilocks and the Three Bears	Arabic, French, German and Italian
The Pied Piper	French and German
The Bear On My Chair	French, German and Italian
Polar Bear What Do You Hear?	French and Spanish

Sessions bookable through Class Connections – all bookings must be made via email at [class.connections@glasgowlife.org.uk](mailto:class.connections@glasgowlife.org.uk) Telephone enquiries about the programme can be made on **0141 287 2863**. Please fill in Wee Write! Booking Request Form in full.

Sessions can be facilitated on Friday 1st – Friday 8th March inclusive

- These sessions will take place at your local library and are subject to availability
- Sessions are suitable for Pre 5 and Primary 1 – 4
- Maximum number attending the Pre 5 session is 12
- Maximum number attending the Primary age level is one class
- Transport will not be available for these sessions
- Timings will be flexible and agreed by School, Library and Language Hub