

Friday 22nd September 2023

National Poetry Day

Dear Parents/Carers,

On Thursday 5th October, the school will be celebrating National Poetry Day where the children will engage with various poems, reading and reciting them with intonation. Some year groups will even write their own versions. Ahead of this day, poet, writer and storyteller, Conrad Burdekin, will be visiting school on Tuesday 3rd October to help inspire the pupils with his poetry. He will have time with all year groups, performing some of his own poems as well as teaching them how to perform them themselves. Conrad has visited the infant and junior schools in the past and it is wonderful to welcome him back. He is extremely engaging and we are sure that the children (and staff) will thoroughly enjoy their time with him.

Conrad is the proud author of five books of poetry for children, with his fifth one (Space Café and other poems) being released most recently. His books are full of humorous poems for children and are appropriate for all primary school aged pupils. We would like to offer you the opportunity of buying any of Conrad's books. They would make a great present or indeed a memento of Conrad's visit. If you would like to have a look at some of Conrad's poems before buying, you can see them on his website, www.conradburdekin.com, and you can find him on Facebook at 'Conrad Burdekin Books'. You can also see him performing some of his poems on his YouTube Channel – just search for Conrad Burdekin. Every book bought will be signed by Conrad and will have a personalised message written inside to your child. Please send your **order form** (or a note with the information from the order form on if you don't have a printer) **with the correct money in a sealed envelope** to school by Tuesday 3rd October. If you would prefer to pay with a cheque, please make this payable to Conrad Burdekin. Alternatively, copies can be ordered through his website at a slightly higher price of £5.99 per book (plus postage and packaging).

Yours Sincerely,
Mrs Faye Pegg
(English Lead)

Order Form

Child's Name _____ Child's Class _____

| Title | Tick book(s) chosen |
|---|------------------------------|
| Space Café (Conrad's New Book) | |
| Supersonic Gran (The blue one) | |
| Baked Bean Queen (The Red One) | |
| Teachers Pick their Noses (The Green One) | |
| The Hungrumpious Blumpfh (The yellow one) | |
| 1 book = £5 2 books = £10 3 books = £15 4 books = £20 5 books = £25 | |
| | TOTAL AMOUNT _____ |