



Dear Parents and Carers,

28<sup>th</sup> February 2024

**Re: World Book Day Celebrations**

Next week is World Book Day, an opportunity to celebrate all the wonder and power of books - reading is a vital element of our community and so we have planned a range of activities detailed below.

**Tuesday 5th March:**

Joffe White, a local author of fantasy / dystopian books, will visit the school for a motivational talk on his reading and writing inspirations. He has written a range of books which he has and students may purchase these on the day:

Aura Boy £8.50

Frog Fantasy Series £7.50 (per book)

OR

Frog Trilogy (whole set) £21.00

Earthland £7.50

If you would like your child to be able to purchase a book and have it signed, please send your child into school with cash to do so.

**Thursday 7th March:**

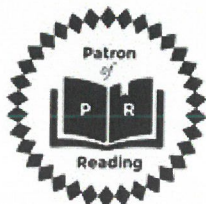
- World Book Day Dressing Up - students and staff are invited to dress as their favourite storybook character for the day. This is **NOT** a non uniform day and students are expected to dress as an obvious fantasy character and not a 'Wimpy Kid' or 'Muggle' in plain clothing. **We will ask students to change into uniform from the pastoral department if they arrive in 'non uniform' rather than as a character.**
- Storytelling - staff will tell a section of a story at the start of each lesson via a video. This will celebrate the art of storytelling.
- Design a new book cover competition for either a new fiction book or rebrand an old favourite. All entry forms can be collected and returned to English teachers.
- 'Share a Story' photo competition - students are invited to submit a photo of themselves reading with a pet / animal or soft toy. Students can 'borrow' pets from family members or grab a chance to read to some livestock on a family walk or a spider or snail from the garden! Send your photos to: [kgregory@stdunstansschool.com](mailto:kgregory@stdunstansschool.com)
- Who's Reading That? Treasure hunt - please see Miss Levy for details and an entry form on Thursday.

We hope that your child will enjoy participating in these activities and that you will have a chance, as a family, to discuss and celebrate the power of books.

Yours faithfully

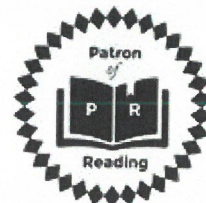
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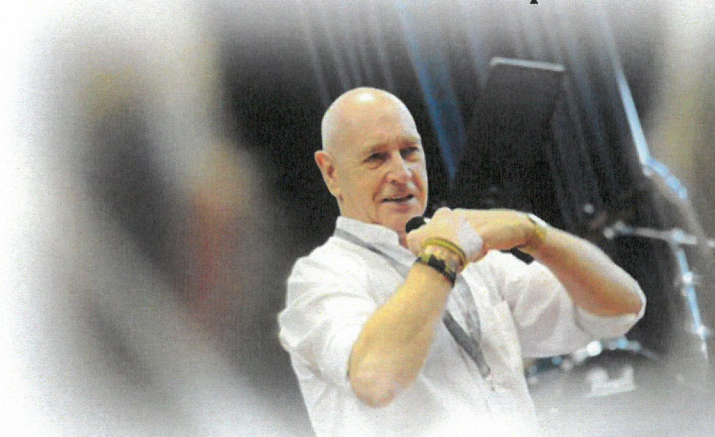
AUTHOR,  
A UK PATRON OF READING,  
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**'What can I say? – The response to your visit has been phenomenal! Never have I had so many teachers, parents and pupils say so many positive things about an author visit.'**

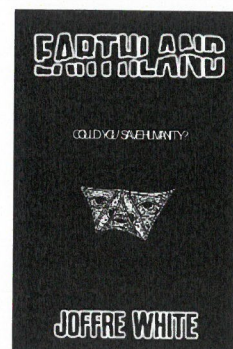
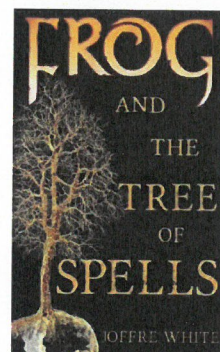
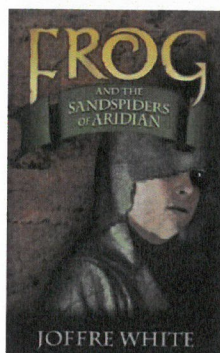
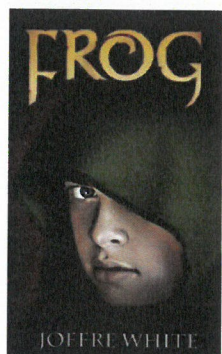
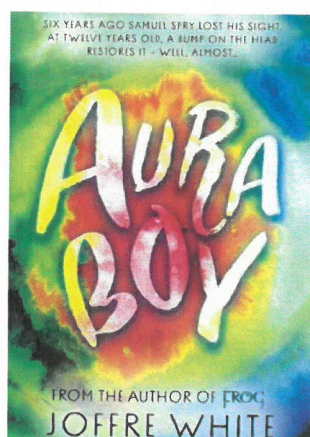
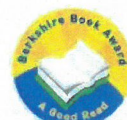
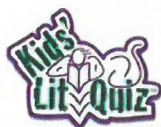
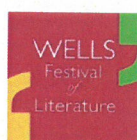
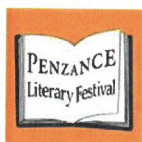
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A UK Patron of Reading and a member of the National Association of Writers in Education, he actively promotes the importance of reading, literacy and creative writing by visiting primary and secondary schools, colleges, libraries and literary events in the U.K. delivering his acclaimed, interactive, motivational and inspiring sessions designed to excite and energise young people's imagination and interest in the power of words.



Touring since 2010 and taking in venues across the UK, featuring on BBC Radio programmes, and appearing at events including, Appledore Book Festival, Hampshire Children in Care Awards, Furness LitFest, Penzance Literary Festival, International Kid's Lit Quiz Belfast, Swindon Youth Festival of Literature, The Berkshire Book Award, Wessex Amazing Book Award, The Concorde Book Award, Sherborne Literary Festival, The Earl's Court Literacy Festival, Wells Festival of Literature, and The Frome Festival.

Joffre has now made more than 1500 appearances with return visits requested regularly.



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