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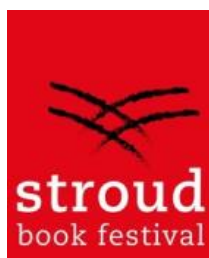
Inspiring everyone to **REACH** through
Faith, Hope, and Love

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With St Therese as our guide we do little things with much love to make a big difference for everyone.



Stroud Book Festival 9th and 10th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

After the success of the last few years and the enjoyment that the children got from the sessions, I am excited to tell you that we have again booked virtual sessions at the Stroud Book Festival on 9th and 10th November 2023. Children from Year 1 to Year 6 are going to be watching a variety of digital workshops. Here is a little bit of information about the exciting sessions...

Year 1 and 2 – will have a session called '**BIG BRIGHT FEELINGS**' With **TOM PERCIVAL**

Be open, be honest, be YOU! Stroud author/illustrator Tom Percival's "Big Bright Feelings" series (including "Perfectly Norman", "Ravi's Road" and "Finn's Little Fibs") is the perfect springboard for conversations about empathy, positive self-image and building self-confidence. Through live drawing and music, Tom will share the craft of creating picture books, as he shows that even little people can have big feelings.

Year 3 – will have a session called **ECO GIRL AND ASTRO GIRL** With **KEN WILSON-MAX**

They will join award-winning Zimbabwe-born children's author and illustrator Ken Wilson-Max as he takes us on two exciting journeys through his fantastic picture books, "Astro Girl" and "Eco Girl". Ken will be drawing live on stage, giving the audience a chance to take charge of both stories with a fun, interactive game of 'And Then What Happened?'. So where will you decide to take Astro Girl and Eco Girl for their next adventures?

Year 4 – will have a session called **THE RESCUE OF RAVENWOOD** With **NATASHA FARRANT**

To Bea and Raffy, Ravenwood is home. To Noa, it's a welcome refuge. But now they're about to lose it and there is nothing the children can do....or is there? The award-winning author of "Voyage of the Sparrowhawk" takes us on an epic adventure in which three extraordinary children fight to save the precious things on our planet.

Year 5 - will have a session called **OH MAYA GODS!** With **MAZ EVANS**

Come and celebrate the next generation of Maz Evans' fantastic "Who Let the Gods Out?" adventures as she takes us on a hilarious historical voyage through the Mayan underworld. Learn the mysteries and magic of Mesoamerica, while being introduced to the ancient sport of Pok-a-Tok....all with the usual dose of Maz's mythological mayhem.

**Year 6 – will have a session called POETRY PROMPTS: ALL THE WAYS TO START A POEM
With JOSEPH COELHO**

Joseph Coelho, our brilliant Children's Laureate is on a mission to make poetry accessible to everyone. So we're thrilled to welcome performance poet, playwright and children's author Joseph back to Stroud Book Festival. This time, he'll be presenting a wealth of tips and tricks on starting to write, perform, and enjoy poetry.

The digital sessions will be taking place on Thursday 9th and Friday 10th November 2023 and the cost per child will be £2.50. In order to confirm this exciting opportunity for your child/children, we need both consent and payment (both via ParentPay) by Friday 27th October.

We cannot wait to once again, be part of this brilliant local event.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Knight

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