

## WHITMORE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Halford Lane

Coventry

CV6 2HG

Telephone: 02476335697

Headteacher: Mrs McGibney

Email: [admin@whitmorepark.org](mailto:admin@whitmorepark.org)

Website: <http://www.whitmorepark.org/>

Twitter: @whitmore\_park

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023

### Author Visit at Stoke Heath Primary School – Derek Keilty

Dear Parent/Carer,

On Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2023, the children will be visiting Stoke Heath Primary School to attend a talk delivered by published author Derek Keilty. We will be leaving school at 1pm and returning before the end of the day. Your child will need to be in full uniform not PE Kit for this trip.

They will have their usual Art, PE and Computing lessons on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October instead for this week only.

### About the Author

Derek Keilty lives in Belfast and is the author of over ten books for children, including previous popular series' Flyntlock Bones and Will Gallows. His work has been translated into many different languages, selected for the Richard and Judy Club and shortlisted for the Children's Books Ireland Book of the Year.



### About the Books

Derek will be talking about his new magical series perfect for 7-9 year olds.

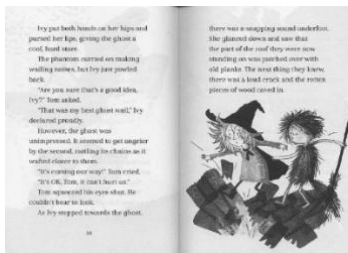


### Ivy Newt and the Storm Witch

This is the first book in the series. Ivy's parents, the king and queen of the sand witches, have prepared her a show-stopping birthday present - a magic act where they disappear! But hold on, they really have disappeared! Foul work is at play, and to rescue Ivy's parents, she and Tom must travel all over Miracula on broomsticks and flying carpets, making friends along the way, and pulling together to defeat Clawdelia Thorn, evil Queen of Grotland.

## Ivy Newt and the Time thief

Every Halloween at sunrise, a spooky haunted house appears near Newt Castle, only to disappear again at the stroke of midnight. Ivy and Tom set out to solve the mystery, stumbling upon an imprisoned witch, a powerful sorcerer and a curse they must break before time runs out. This is the second book in the series but you don't need to read them in order.



"Perfect for those becoming independent readers and a sweet, engaging, mystery story with light humour. Likeable characters, even the baddies as you find out why they are bad! Lovely illustrations and a popular theme. Great series & will be popular." Review by Peters Books

**Both books will be available to buy at the discounted price of £7 each (RRP £7.99) and Derek will be happy to sign them for the children on the day.**

We are requesting a voluntary contribution of £5.80 per child to cover the cost of the coach. If voluntary contributions do not meet the cost of the trip then it may be cancelled. Payment can be made online via the new school App My Child at School (MCAS) or via the office.

Please complete the consent form below and return by October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Please indicate which books (if any) you would like to order and have signed by Derek. We will not have the opportunity to buy books on the day due to time and number of children in attendance.

If you need any assistance with this, please contact the school office. We will not exclude any pupils from taking part in the trip because their parents cannot afford to contribute at a particular time. If this is the case, please make a telephone appointment to speak with Mrs McGibney in confidence.

To ensure the smooth running of the trip, we need additional adult volunteers in each class. If you are available and would like to join us on this educational excursion, please let your child's class teacher know as soon as possible. Your help and supervision will be greatly appreciated throughout the visit.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Payne

Year 3 Year Lead and Assistant Head Teacher

## Year 3 – Author Visit

<b>Child's name:</b>		<b>Class:</b>
YES	NO	I give my permission for my child to take part in the educational visit detailed above. <i>Please pay for the trip using My Child at School app or in cash at the Office.</i>
YES	NO	My child has a medical condition (please include asthma) requiring regular medical treatment or medication. <b>If yes, give brief details:</b>
YES	NO	In the event of an emergency, I agree to my son/daughter receiving emergency dental, medical or surgical treatment, including anaesthetic or blood transfusion, as considered necessary by the medical authorities present.
<b>Pre-orders.</b> <i>Please send the cash in a named envelope to be taken on the trip.</i>		
		I would like to order a copy of Ivy Newt and the Storm Witch
		I would like to order a copy of Ivy Newt and the Time Thief
<b>EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME (please list in order you wish them to be contacted in the event of an emergency)</b>		<b>Relationship to child:</b>
1.		
2.		
<b>Signed (parent or legal guardian):</b>		<b>Date:</b>