

16th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year R Meet the Author - Wednesday 24th September at 2.30pm.

We are delighted to say that on Wednesday 24th September you and your child will have the opportunity to meet children's author Simon Philip. Simon is the author of many popular children's books such as **I Have to Start at School Today** and the **I Really Want to...** series. He will be in school to talk to the children and read some of his stories.

Parents and carers of Year R children are also invited to this story session which will start at 2.30pm. This is a special chance for you and your child to enjoy a story together, helping them to settle in their new school surroundings. Unfortunately due to limited space, we are only able to invite one parent or carer per child and we do not have room for pushchairs. If you would like to come to this session please complete the form using the link below by Monday 22nd September.

<https://forms.office.com/e/QpttkN7k3h>

There will be an opportunity for your child to buy their own copy of one of his books and have it signed by Simon on the day if you wish. The Hayling Island Book Shop will be located in the hall on the day selling Simon's books at a reduced price of £7. They accept cash, card and apple pay.

We look forward to Simon's visit and hope you and your child will thoroughly enjoy the experience to listen to and meet with this well-known author.

Kind regards

Mrs K Cobb
Literacy Support /Library Leader



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