

# St Michael's CE (VA) Primary School



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Dear Parents,

## Lyme LitFest

Lyme Regis is hosting its first literary festival this week, and aims to showcase internationally-established and up-and-coming authors who embrace a multitude of genres, as well as celebrating the town's literary heritage.

The event started yesterday, Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February and finishes on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February. It aims to offer a diverse programme of events, including a "literary extravaganza" on Saturday, February 14<sup>th</sup> when eight authors will launch their latest books at The Hub between 11am and 2pm.

The author Sue Hampton will be visiting us this **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February**.

*"With twenty-two titles, Sue writes for all ages (6 to adult) and across many genres. Her work includes historical, futuristic and contemporary stories as well as fantasy, humour, adventure and mystery novels.*

*Michael Morpurgo, who inspired Sue, has praised her writing three times: "Terrific" (JUST FOR ONE DAY) "enthalling" (SPIRIT AND FIRE) and "beautifully written" (THE WATERHOUSE GIRL). TRACES made the top three in the People's Book Prize 2012 and FRANK earned Bronze in the Wishing Shelf Awards 2013.*

*Sue is an ex-teacher, once nominated for Teacher of the Year, and believes in the power of stories to inspire young people. There will be an opportunity to buy signed copies of her books on the day. Prices range from £5.99 to £8.99 but you can find out more on [www.suehamptonauthor.co.uk](http://www.suehamptonauthor.co.uk)."*

Sue will be in to talk to the whole school during Friday's celebration assembly, then will be holding a writing workshop for children in Belemnite class.

Children in Nautilus class will then be visiting Lyme Regis Library **tomorrow, Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February** to work on a poem based activity. Jurassic class will be visiting on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February.

Please could you complete and return the slip below if your child is in Jurassic or Nautilus and going to the library. If after looking at her website, you are interested in buying any of Sue Hampton's books, please could you return any payments in a named envelope. There will also be an opportunity to buy books directly from her before school.

**As always with this type of activity, we need parental help. Please could you state if you are able to help on the slip below. You would need to be available to walk the children to the library leaving school at 9.30am, returning from the library at 11am.**

Yours sincerely,

Miss Annabelle Grose  
Headteacher

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I give permission for my child, ..... to go to Lyme Regis Library.

I am able to help YES / NO

Signed: ..... Date: .....  
Parent/Carer)

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