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Dear Parents and Carers,

AUTHOR VISIT FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS- OPPORTUNITY TO PRE-ORDER BOOKS

We are really excited to announce that we will be welcoming the incredibly talented, award-winning children's author **M.G. Leonard** on **Tuesday 6th October**. M.G. Leonard will be presenting a fun, history-packed assembly to children in **all year groups** about her ingenious, thrilling time travel series *The Time Keys* and introducing *The Attack of the Sea Dogs* - the fourth book in the series.

This exciting visit has been arranged with **The Steyning Bookshop**, and we are delighted that you have the opportunity to purchase a range of her books via their online store. These books will be signed by the author and delivered to your child on the day of her visit. The deadline for pre-orders is **4pm on Friday 2nd October**. To pre-order the books, visit the link on the attached information sheet.

With previous author visits, we have been able to sell books in the library at the end of the school day. Although we hope that M.G Leonard will be able to stay for a book sale and signing, this has not been confirmed at the time of writing, so we do recommend pre-ordering if you are able to, to avoid disappointment.

About M.G. Leonard

M.G. Leonard is the award-winning and bestselling author of highly acclaimed children's books, including the Beetle Boy trilogy, the Adventures on Trains series, The Twitchers series and The Time Keys series. Her books have been translated into over forty languages and have won major national and international prizes, including the Branford Boase Award, the Sainsbury's Children's Book Award and the British Book Award for Children's Fiction.

In addition to writing, she is a vice president of the insect charity Buglife and a founding author of #Authors4Oceans.

Yours sincerely,

R. Watson *N. Parker*

Mr. R. Watson and Mrs. N. Parker
English Subject Leaders



Dear Parents & Carers,

We are delighted to announce that the incredibly talented, best-selling children's author **M.G LEONARD** will visit Thomas a Becket Junior School on **TUESDAY 6th OCTOBER**.

Maya will be presenting a fun, history-packed assembly to the children about her ingenious, thrilling time travel series *The Time Keys*, and introducing *The Attack of the Sea Dogs*, the fourth book in the series.

The Steyning Bookshop have organised this visit for your school, and it includes the chance for children to get a signed book! To order a book for the special event price of £7 (RRP £7.99) for your child to receive and get signed on the day, follow the instructions below:

- 1) Follow this link to click through to the school event area of the Steyning Bookshop website.
<https://www.steyningbookshop.co.uk/product-category/school-author-events/m-g-leonard-books/>
- 2) Add the book/s to your shopping basket
- 3) Go to 'View Basket' and make sure that 'Local Pickup' is selected – no postage needed – Steyning Bookshop will bring books to school on the day!
- 4) At 'Checkout' enter billing name and address as normal. In 'Additional Information / Order Notes' enter TAB SCHOOL plus your child's name, class and year group.
- 5) Proceed to pay by credit / debit card or by Paypal.

Your child will receive their book on the day of the author visit and M.G Leonard will personally sign & name dedicate it. ***If you have trouble ordering online or prefer not to, you can call Steyning Bookshop on 01903 812062 to order by phone – BOOKS WILL ALSO BE ON SALE AFTER SCHOOL – WHILE STOCKS LAST!***

PRE-ORDER DEADLINE FRIDAY 2nd OCTOBER 4pm!

ABOUT M.G LEONARD

M.G Leonard is the bestselling author of the *Beetle Boy* series, the *Adventures on Trains* series and *The Twitchers* series, plus a standalone novel, *The Ice Children* and a picture book about ocean plastic pollution. Before becoming a fulltime children's author, she worked in the music industry and in theatre. Her books have been translated into over forty languages and won many awards. She lives in Sussex, by the sea, with her husband, two sons, a dog called Nell, and a variety of exotic beetles.



ABOUT THE TIME KEYS BOOKS 'The action of Indiana Jones meets the time travel of Dr Who'

Thrilling, fast paced and cleverly plotted time travel adventures which can be read in any order.

EVENT PRICE: All books on sale for £7 per copy (RRP £7.99)

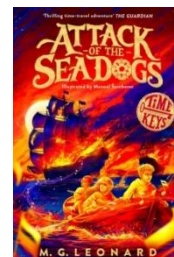
About Book 4: *Attack of the Sea Dogs*

Sim, Jeopardy, and Nelson are supposed to be in Tudor London. Thanks to Uncle Emmett, however, they're in the right time, but the wrong place: aboard the ship of infamous privateer and explorer Sir Francis Drake, setting sail to raid Cádiz. Trapped, Sim and his friends must navigate explosive sea battles and a mysterious masked mercenary before they can attempt to return to London and their mission to save Sim's father.

Book 1: *Hunt for the Golden Scarab*

Book 2: *The Legend of Viking Thunder*

Book 3: *The Impossible Gladiator*



Free author visits like this one cannot take place without the book-buying support of parents. Please support the work of the Steyning Bookshop in bringing FREE author visits to children in West Sussex by purchasing a book, if you can.



COMING SOON TO THIS SCHOOL!

**AMAZING AUTHOR
M.G. LEONARD**



Author of the *Time Keys* series,
The Adventures on Trains series,
The Twitchers series and the
Beetle Boy series!

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See school emails for details of how to pre-order a signed book via the
STEYNING BOOKSHOP'S WEBSITE for your child to receive on the day of
the author visit. Or scan this bar code to order- add child's name, year
group and school in **ORDER NOTES**

FREE author visits depend on book sales to be sustainable

