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# PROGRAMME FOR SCHOOLS

KEY STAGE 2  
KEY STAGES 3 & 4

Thursday 23 May 2019  
Friday 24 May 2019







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## WELCOME

We are delighted to announce the 2019 Hay Festival Programme for Schools, with a stellar line-up of diverse speakers offering an inspirational range of events. Headliners on primary day include Ade Adepitan with his amazing adventures, storytelling with Cressida Cowell, how to detect fake news with NewsWise and the magic of science with Steve Mould. On secondary day we have Sarah Crossan discussing her new book *Toffee*, Amy Lamé's LGBTQ+ history, Michael Rosen's poetry and life-writing with Alex Wheatle.

Offering 12 fantastic events to choose from each day, the programme will inspire and entertain pupils in Key Stages 2, 3 and 4. Generously funded by the Welsh Government and the Hay Festival Foundation, the events are free for all state schools.

Schools can arrive at 10am or 11.15am. Both start times offer the same opportunities for pupils to see the authors and to browse and buy books to have signed in the enormous Hay Festival Bookshop.

We look forward to welcoming your school to Hay Festival for a wonderful day of inspiration, storytelling and entertainment.

Hay Festival's Programme for Schools is curated by Children's Director Julia Eccleshare and Education Manager Aine Venables.

*Julia Eccleshare*

*Children's Director at Hay Festival Wales*

*Aine Venables*

*Education Manager at Hay Festival Wales*

## HOW TO BOOK FOR THE PROGRAMME FOR SCHOOLS

1. Select a 10am or 11.15am arrival time. Arriving later gives you plenty of time for travelling to Hay. Both start times offer the same opportunities to see the authors, browse the bookshop, etc.
2. Browse this programme and select your events. You can split your group into different events for each timeslot, as long as they are supervised, and you can bring as many pupils as you like. The timeslots are 10am, 11.15am & 1pm **OR** 11.15am, 1pm & 2.15pm.
3. Book using the online booking form at: [hayfestival.org/wales/schools-programme](https://hayfestival.org/wales/schools-programme).
4. Visit [hayfestival.org/wales/accessibility](https://hayfestival.org/wales/accessibility) to see how we can help with accessibility, including provision for neurodivergent pupils.
5. We'll contact you to confirm your booking as soon as possible. For schools in Wales, we recommend you apply for the Arts Council Wales Go and See travel bursary as soon as your booking is confirmed and at least four weeks before your trip.
6. We will be in touch closer to the time to confirm parking arrangements.

If you have any queries please contact [schools@hayfestival.com](mailto:schools@hayfestival.com).

PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

KEY STAGE 2

THURSDAY 23 MAY 2019

10am start...

10am	FAKE NEWS DETECTIVES	CRESSIDA COWELL	STEVE MOULD	HARRY HILL
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10.45am Break

11.15am	CHRIS BRADFORD	CAROLINE LAWRENCE	ABI ELPHINSTONE	KIRAN MILLWOOD HARGRAVE
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12pm Lunch

1pm	ADE ADEPITAN	GARY NORTHFIELD	CHITRA SOUNDAR	KATE DICAMILLO
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1.45pm Finish

11.15am start...

11.15am	CHRIS BRADFORD	CAROLINE LAWRENCE	ABI ELPHINSTONE	KIRAN MILLWOOD HARGRAVE
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12pm Lunch

1pm	ADE ADEPITAN	GARY NORTHFIELD	CHITRA SOUNDAR	KATE DICAMILLO
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1.45pm Break

2.15pm	FAKE NEWS DETECTIVES	CRESSIDA COWELL	STEVE MOULD	HARRY HILL
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3pm Finish

PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

KEY STAGES 3&4

FRIDAY 24 MAY 2019

10am start...

10am	I'M A JOURNALIST...	CANDY GOURLAY	MARCUS SEDGWICK	HOLLY BOURNE
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10.45am Break

11.15am	ADE ADEPITAN	MAE MARTIN (13+)	YABA BADOE	DAVID BADDIEL
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12pm Lunch

1pm	MICHAEL ROSEN	AMY LAMÉ	ALEX WHEATLE	SARAH CROSSAN
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1.45pm Finish

11.15am start...

11.15am	ADE ADEPITAN	MAE MARTIN (13+)	YABA BADOE	DAVID BADDIEL
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12pm Lunch

1pm	MICHAEL ROSEN	AMY LAMÉ	ALEX WHEATLE	SARAH CROSSAN
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1.45pm Break

2.15pm	I'M A JOURNALIST...	CANDY GOURLAY	MARCUS SEDGWICK	HOLLY BOURNE
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3pm Finish



## YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

“Our pupils had such an amazing experience at Hay. Most of them are reluctant readers and it was so exciting to see how engaged they were listening to authors, asking questions and meeting them in the bookshop. We are so grateful for the opportunity to take them free to such an event. The trip will remain etched in the memories of our pupils forever.”

*Teacher comment, Hay Festival 2018*

### Is there a travel bursary?

Schools in Wales can apply for the Arts Council Wales ‘Go and See’ fund to cover travel costs – you must apply four weeks before your visit. It is a good idea to apply as soon as you send in your booking form. You can also use the Pupil Deprivation Grant to cover travel costs.

### How do I book tickets?

All bookings are done digitally. You can request tickets by submitting the booking form online. The closing date for applications is 30 April 2019. If you have any queries, email [schools@hayfestival.com](mailto:schools@hayfestival.com).

### Can pupils buy books at the Festival?

Yes, the Festival bookshop will have books by all the authors on sale at a discounted price. Pupils can have their books signed on the day and are also welcome to bring their own books to be signed.

### Can we go to more than one event?

You can attend as many events as you wish, as long as there is space available, but you can only select events from your chosen arrival time: either 10am start (for any events at 10am, 11.15am and 1pm – finish time 1.45pm) or 11.15am start (for any events at 11.15am, 1pm and 2.15pm – finish time 3pm).

### Can we bring a large group of children to the Festival site?

Yes, the site is designed for safety and comfort. Each school will be greeted on arrival and guided to their first venue. Festival staff will be on hand throughout the day to answer queries. The site has full security, with a comprehensive lost child procedure.



### Are the events accessible?

Yes, our venues are wheelchair-accessible and have infra-red audio loops for students with hearing difficulties. We can also make arrangements for neurodivergent visitors; for more information please visit [hayfestival.com/wales/accessibility](https://hayfestival.com/wales/accessibility).

### Can we bring packed lunches?

Yes, there is plenty of space on site for pupils to relax and enjoy themselves during the lunch break. In the event of rain, everyone will stay dry inside the tents.

### Is there anywhere we can buy tea and coffee on site?

The Friends Café will be open throughout the two Schools Programme days, serving tea, coffee, drinks and snacks.

### Where should we park?

The Festival has parking on site for minibuses. Coaches may pull into the lay-by outside the site on Brecon Road for drop-offs but must leave the site via Glasbury. Drivers may then park free of charge in the designated coach area at Baskerville Hall Hotel. You will be given a time slot to depart from the site at the end of the day. There is a compulsory one-way system in operation travelling from Baskerville Hall Hotel car park through Hay town to the site. Coaches must depart via Glasbury. A letter with further information will follow when you book.

### Who funds the events?

Our Programme for Schools is funded by the Welsh Government and Hay Festival Foundation, as part of our commitment to education and the community.





Teaching materials for these events available online ► [hayfestival.org/teaching-materials](http://hayfestival.org/teaching-materials)

**BECOME A FAKE NEWS DETECTIVE!**  
*The Guardian Foundation and NewsWise*



What is news? Is all news fake? Who can you trust? Join the NewsWise team for a fun, interactive investigation into the news... find the clues to help you spot fake news, and understand why this matters!

NewsWise is a free project from the Guardian Foundation, National Literacy Trust & PSHE Association.

**CRESSIDA COWELL**  
*Dragons and Wizards*



Meet multi-million-copy selling, award-winning author Cressida Cowell, creator of *How to Train Your Dragon* (also a DreamWorks film and TV franchise) and *The Wizards of Once* series. Cressida will talk about her latest book, *The Wizards of Once: Twice Magic*, as well as *How to Train Your Dragon*, her inspiration and give tips on becoming an author or illustrator.

**STEVE MOULD**  
*Science is Magic*



Steve Mould is a science presenter who encourages kids, with his bold and playful approach, to discover the amazing science all around them. Lots of science can seem like pure magic and lots of magic tricks can be explained with science. Marvel at Steve's mysteries in this interactive show full of peculiar demos and find out how they work!

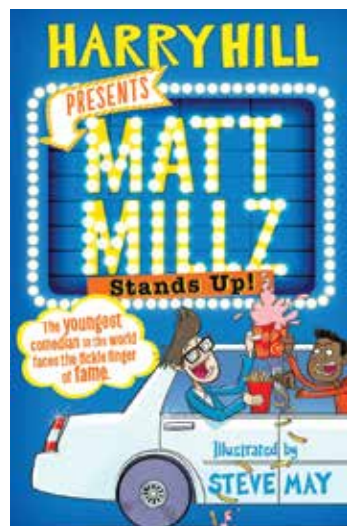
**HARRY HILL**  
*Matt Millz*



Join Harry Hill as he introduces you to his character Matt Millz, a young boy determined to be a stand-up comedian. This show will offer a hilarious introduction to comedy, with Harry explaining his dos and don'ts, demonstrating some techniques, as well as offering kids the chance to try out their comedy skills. So kids – bring your best jokes!



**NewsWise**  
The Guardian Foundation

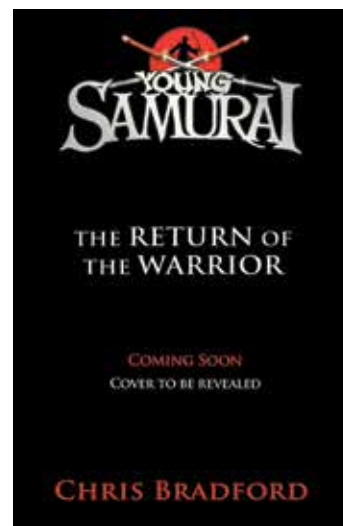


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**CHRIS BRADFORD**  
*Young Samurai: The Return of the Warrior*



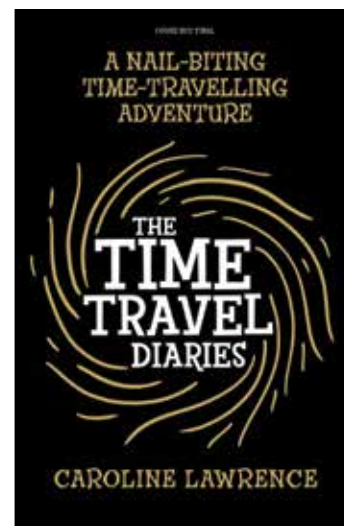
Top Ten bestselling author Chris Bradford launches his new book from the Young Samurai series, *The Return of the Warrior*. Join our hero Jack as he searches for his sister, having been shipwrecked off the coast of Japan. You can expect a live event experience like no other from Chris who is trained in karate, kickboxing and Samurai swordsmanship – find out if you have what it takes to become a Samurai...



**CAROLINE LAWRENCE**  
*The Time Travel Diaries*



Million-selling author Caroline Lawrence writes history-mystery stories. Caroline says, "I want to know everything about the past; I essentially write historical novels because nobody has invented a Time Machine." Fittingly, her latest project is about a London schoolboy who travels back in time to Roman London. Expect props, facts and LOLs in this exciting new event.



**ABI ELPHINSTONE**  
*The Unmapped Chronicles*



From chasing the northern lights across the Arctic to living with the Kazakh Eagle Hunters in Mongolia, author Abi Elphinstone will be talking about the real-life adventures behind her books as well as the accidental daydreams that sparked her brand new series, *The Unmapped Chronicles*. She'll reveal a variety of exciting and unusual objects and show children just how easy it is to find magic in their everyday lives.



**KIRAN MILLWOOD HARGRAVE**  
*The Way Past Winter*



Join Kiran Millwood Hargrave, award-winning poet, playwright and author of the bestselling *The Girl of Ink & Stars* and *The Island at the End of Everything*. Kiran will introduce her latest book *The Way Past Winter*. Learn about the inspiration behind the book, Kiran's incredible journey to becoming an award-winning writer, and hear Kiran read a snippet from her story.



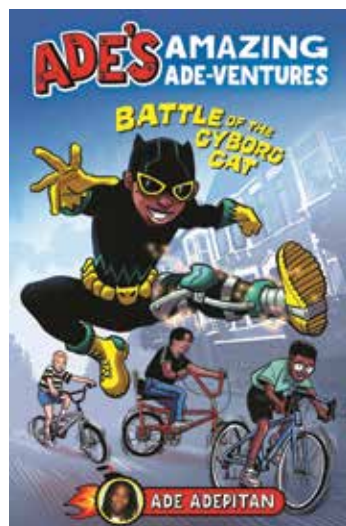


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**ADE ADEPITAN**  
*Ade's Amazing Ade-ventures: Battle of the Cyborg Cat*



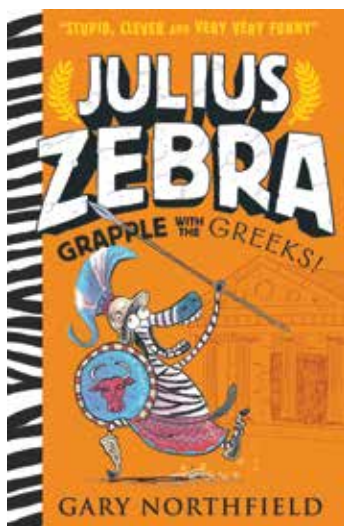
Ade is the new kid on Parsons Road and it's not easy to make friends when you look different to everyone else... Meet Paralympian and TV presenter Ade Adepitan and hear about his exciting new book *Battle of the Cyborg Cat*, inspired by his own experience of moving to London from Nigeria. Find out how he adapted to life in a new country and explore all the amazing things he has done since then, from the Paralympics to travelling the world.



**GARY NORTHFIELD**  
*Julius Zebra*



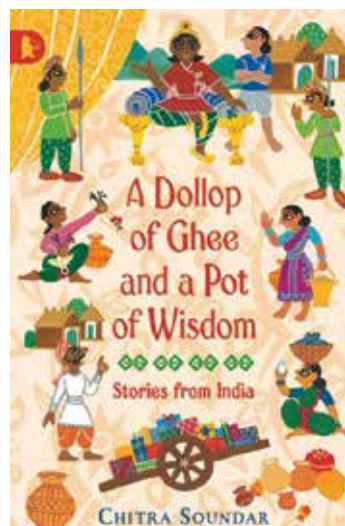
Full of Roman, Egyptian and Greek facts and drawing tips for budding young cartoonists, this event will have you laughing out loud as master cartoonist Gary Northfield (*The Beano*, *The Dandy*) introduces the hilarious world of Julius Zebra. Julius is no ordinary Zebra – he's a Roman Gladiator, an Egyptian Horse God, and this time he's even helping his pal Heracles with a few of his labours, in this madcap new adventure...



**CHITRA SOUNДАР**  
*Indian Storytelling*



Folktales are often passed down orally from one generation to the other. Author Chitra Soundar too grew up listening to stories of magic, wisdom and wit. In her event, find out how her books came about and listen to a few stories too. Chitra Soundar is an Indian-born British author and storyteller. She has published more than 30 books and is inspired by the rich heritage of epics and folktales from India as well as India's natural beauty.



**KATE DICAMILLO**  
*Louisiana's Way Home*



Kate DiCamillo is one of the most celebrated children's literature authors today. She has won a host of awards, was the US National Ambassador for Young People's Literature, and has a great talent for presenting some of life's most sensitive questions to young readers. Here on tour from America, DiCamillo will discuss her many novels for young people including her latest, *Louisiana's Way Home*, and her international bestseller, *Because of Winn-Dixie*.



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**I'M A JOURNALIST...GET ME OUT OF HERE!**  
*The Guardian Foundation Education Centre*



In this fun session, navigate your way through the news jungle and avoid being bitten by fake stories. Equip yourself to detect the hidden dangers of jokes, hoaxes, rumours and deception to discover trustworthy and reliable news stories.

The Guardian Foundation Education Centre runs free workshops for schools at the Guardian's London offices.



**The Guardian Foundation**  
**Education Centre**

**CANDY GOURLAY**  
*Bone Talk*



Candy Gourlay is of Filipino heritage, and was a journalist during the People Power Revolution before becoming an author. Her latest novel *Bone Talk* is a tale full of spirit and soul that will transport you to the heart of a remote Filipino tribe. Candy is fascinated by colonialism and travelled to her book's remote mountain setting whilst writing it. She is a positive force within the BAME movement.



**MARCUS SEDGWICK**  
*The Monsters We Deserve*



Reality and perceptions shift in Marcus Sedgwick's latest novel. *The Monsters We Deserve* is a ghostly, menacing novel about creativity and imagination, and the nature of monsters. Join the multi-award-winning author, musician and illustrator as he explores how some of the worst monsters are the ones we create ourselves.



**HOLLY BOURNE**  
*Are We All Lemmings & Snowflakes?*



Join Holly Bourne, best-selling author of *Am I Normal Yet?*, to celebrate kindness and compassion with her YA novel, *Are We All Lemmings & Snowflakes?* Holly will be talking openly about issues that are important to young people, including tips on dealing with stress and how to start your very own kindness virus, because even the smallest act of kindness can change someone's world.





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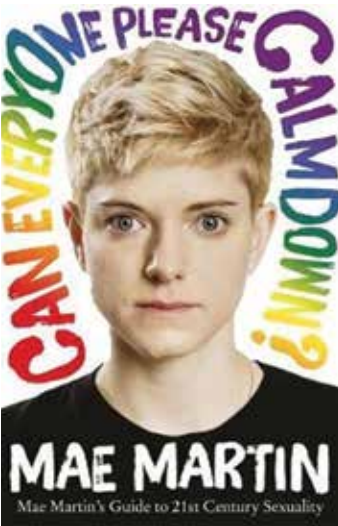
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MAE MARTIN  
*Can Everyone Please  
Calm Down?*



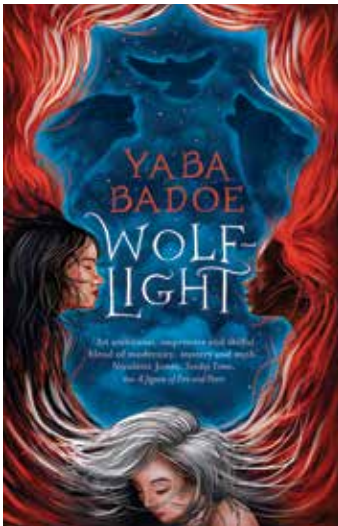
Mae Martin is a Canadian comedian who has appeared on the BBC, ITV, Channel 4, Radio 1 and Radio 4. She also has an encyclopaedic knowledge of Harry Potter trivia. If there is one other area that Mae is 100% qualified to tackle, it's sexuality. In Mae's event she will be talking to Amy Lamé about the pros and cons of labels, sexual fluidity, gay genes, Lady Gaga and bisexual monkeys. This event is suitable for pupils aged 13+.



YABA BADOE  
*Wolf-Light*



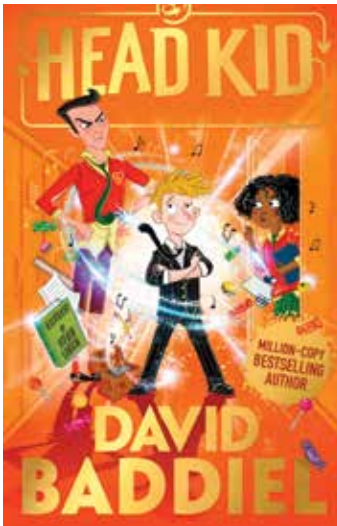
Branford Boase Award-shortlisted author and filmmaker Yaba Badoe blends environmentalism, magic and feminism in *Wolf Light*. Drawing on her Ghanaian heritage in this distinctive and magical novel, Yaba explores themes of conservation, environmentalism and the preservation of heritage.



DAVID BADDIEL  
*Head Kid*



Comedian and author David Baddiel's wildly entertaining books for young readers have sold over 1 million copies. David will be in Hay to talk about his latest laugh-out-loud, wish fulfilment story *Head Kid*, which asks the question: what would happen if the strictest headteacher swapped bodies with the naughtiest kid in school? Join David to hear about the chaos that ensues in this hilarious body-swap story.

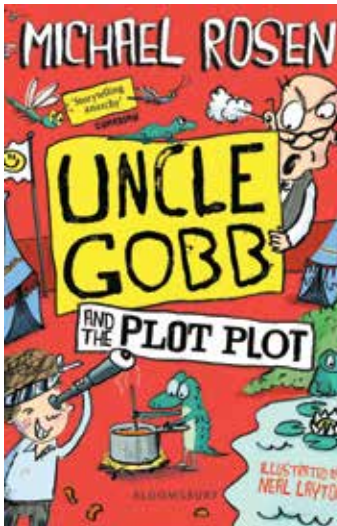


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MICHAEL ROSEN  
*Uncle Gobb and the  
Plot Plot*



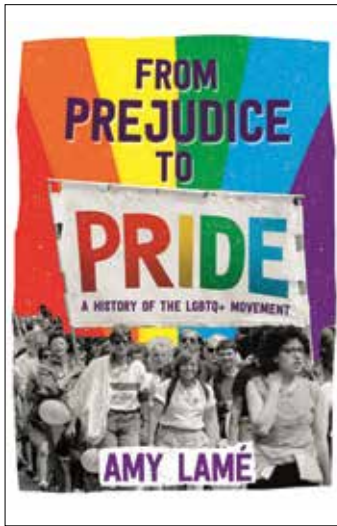
Michael Rosen is one of Britain's best loved writers and performance poets for children and adults. He has published around 200 books and his YouTube channel – "Kids' Poems and Stories with Michael Rosen" – has been viewed over 45 million times around the world. In addition to his work for children he presents *Word of Mouth* on BBC Radio 4 and teaches the history, theory and application of children's literature at Goldsmiths, University of London, where he is a professor.



AMY LAMÉ  
*From Prejudice to Pride:  
A History of the LGBTQ+  
Movement*



Join Amy Lamé on a journey through LGBTQ+ history in her book *From Prejudice to Pride*, from ancient civilisations to the present-day. Covering key events from the trial of Oscar Wilde to the Stonewall riots, the AIDS crisis, same-sex marriage and changing laws that have impacted on LGBTQ+ life, Amy will help inspire courage and pride in young LGBTQ+ people, answering questions for all readers aged 11 and over who are interested in gender and identity.



ALEX WHEATLE  
*Kerb Stain Boys  
and Home Girl*



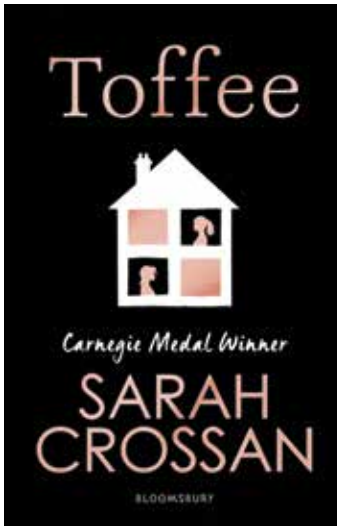
Alex Wheatle is the bestselling author of several books including the modern classic *Brixton Rock*, and the multi-award-winning *Crongton* series. He was awarded an MBE for his services to literature in 2008, has been twice nominated for the Carnegie Medal, and has won numerous awards including the Guardian Children's Fiction Prize. Join Alex as he describes his inspiration for narrative through his own life story.



SARAH CROSSAN  
*Toffee*



Join CILIP Carnegie Medal winning author and Laureate na nOg Sarah Crossan for a first look at her brand new YA novel *Toffee*. Poignant, thought-provoking and incredibly moving, *Toffee* explores mental health and friendship while asking what it means to be a family. Sarah is the go-to writer of the free verse novel; her two-year Laureate project #WeAreThePoets aims to inspire young people to express themselves through poetry and verse.



## ► LIVESTREAM

We are live streaming the programme for schools on Thursday 23 and Friday 24 May. For more information and to sign up, visit [hayfestival.org/livestream](http://hayfestival.org/livestream)

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## ► HAY PLAYER

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## ► LESSON PLANS

You can access teaching resources for all our Programme for Schools authors at [hayfestival.org/teaching-materials](http://hayfestival.org/teaching-materials)

## ► GET INVOLVED

Find out about Hay Festival's wider projects for young people, including Hay Compass and the Beacons Project, a free writing residency for 16–18-year-olds at [hayfestival.org/education](http://hayfestival.org/education)

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