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Dear Parent/Carer,

PATRON OF READING: CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOPS

We are delighted, thanks to the generous support of Knaresborough Rotary, to be able to offer your child the exciting opportunity to work with Dan Ingram-Brown, an award-winning Yorkshire author, educator and our Patron of Reading, in a series of creative writing workshops.

We are in the process of putting together a group of students who will work with Dan in a series of interactive after-school creative writing workshops running from November to February. The group will take a story all the way from first ideas to a finished book, exploring character creation, worldbuilding and plotting before drafting, editing and preparing the story for publication. The whole school will listen to the story on *World Book Day* (Thursday 4th March 2027).

Students don't need to be experienced writers to take part, just interested in stories and willing to bring their ideas to the group. In addition, there will be the opportunity to join the launch team for Dan's next book, *Inks Academy: The Ghosts of the House of Time*, with access to early review copies and opportunities to hear about and ask questions about the publishing process.

This is an exciting opportunity to work with an award-winning author, develop creative writing skills and help bring an original story to life. If your child is interested in taking part, please click on the link below to complete the **Expression of Interest Form** and apply by **Tuesday 20th October**.

[Creative Writing - Expression of Interest Form](#)

Yours sincerely,

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Head of Learning Resources