



Welcome to National Teen Book Club



Dear parent/carer,

The National Teen Book Club is an after school programme held online via Microsoft Teams over the course of four weeks. The next National Teen Book Club is taking place during 2022/2023 with sessions on Wednesdays at 3.30-4.30pm on:

- 28th September - 19th October 2022
- 9th November - 30th November 2022
- 18th January - 18th February 2023
- 8th March - 29th March 2023
- 3rd May - 24th May 2023
- 14th June - 5th July 2023

Participants will read the same book at the same pace, attend four weekly sessions online to take part in book discussions and produce a creative writing or art piece to enter our competitions. During our live Q&As, they'll gain insights and advice from people working in industry e.g. authors, illustrators, publishers, and literary agents, as well as other speakers from varied career backgrounds with a passion for reading or links to the book. The final week Q&A session will be with the author of the book we are reading!

This is an exciting opportunity that will build English reading and writing skills, support discussion of PSHE topics, and give insights into careers in the creative arts, whilst building skills and experience for CVs and college/university applications.

For your child to participate, please complete and return the attached Consent Form to their school. The school will provide further information on how your child can access a copy of our featured books.

You can find further information on the programme at:

<https://www.speakersforschools.org/national-teen-book-club/>

Our Safeguarding Policy can be viewed at:

<https://www.speakersforschools.org/safeguarding-policy/>

Our Data Protection Policy can be viewed at:

<https://www.speakersforschools.org/privacy-centre/>

Please note: full National Teen Book Club sessions are recorded and uploaded for participants onto Speakers for School pages online. It is the responsibility of the school/college to manage permissions for engagement as per any social media/photography/audio recording/video recording Consent Forms they have signed with the school/college.

**Many thanks,
The National Teen Book Club team**

Student Name: _____

Year Group: _____

Student Email Address: _____

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I consent for my child (aged 11-19) to attend the National Teen Book Club at school/college.

- I give permission for my child (named above) to attend the live National Teen Book Club sessions on Wednesdays from 3:30 – 4:30pm via Microsoft Teams.
- I give permission for my child to watch National Teen Book Club recordings at school/college during sessions arranged by the educator on alternative dates.
- I give permission for their name and school email address to be shared with Speakers for Schools if required for specific activities (e.g. competitions, guest hosting, promotion).
- I consent to the Data Protection Policy and the Safeguarding Policy on behalf of my child.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

Printed name of Parent or Guardian

Date
