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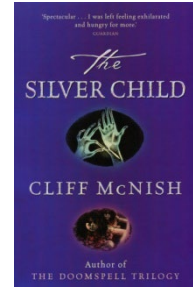
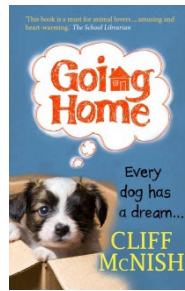
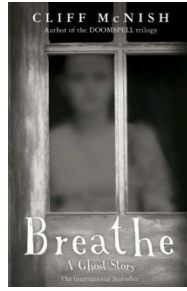
Dear Parents and Carers

In the lead up to World Book Day, on **Tuesday 27th February 2024**, we are planning an exciting event for the children. Cliff McNish (author of international bestselling books: *Doomspell* and *Breathe*) is going to visit the school to talk to students about his books.

Cliff's multiple award-winning novels have been translated into 26 languages and we are delighted to have secured a visit by him. Cliff will be inspiring students, performing writing workshops and enthusing them about the joy of reading. This will support the literacy work that we do in school and we hope it will prove a stimulating experience.

Afterwards there will be an opportunity for the children to buy a copy of his book (priced at £6) and have it dedicated to them and signed by Cliff. A signed book can be a permanent reminder of a special experience and can reinforce the message about the importance of reading. If your child would like to purchase a book, please pre-order using Parent Pay or give the £6 cash to your teacher by Friday 23rd February. Of course, if your child already owns any of Cliff's books they can bring those in and he will be happy to sign them. There are a range of books to choose from on Parent Pay – these will also be shown to your child. Please see below.

We are sure you will agree that this is an opportunity not to be missed and the children can look forward to a very exciting day.



The Doomspell – the international bestselling fantasy about magic, witches and wizards remarkably popular with 8-12 year olds (there are 2 further novels in the series, **The Scent of Magic** and **The Wizard's Promise**).

Breathe – a ghost story – winner of numerous awards, and voted by members of CILIP in April 2013 as one of the top one hundred novels of all time. Aimed at 10 year olds upwards.

Going Home – entirely different: a heartfelt story about five dogs struggle to find new homes from a rescue centre. Tender and humorous, it suits children aged 7-11 who prefer something warmer, funnier and slightly less challenging.

The Winter Wolf – an A4 picture book fairy tale in the Oscar Wilde style about a wolf and a little squirrel. A story about love and trust suitable for children 7 and upward.

The Silver Child - a fantasy novel about 6 children chosen to defend the world from a threat from the stars. For children 9-11 who like their science fiction and fantasy, but are ready for something more challenging than magic. (There are 2 further novels in the series, **Silver City** and **Silver World**).

TITLE OF BOOK	Discount Price
The Doomspell (bk 1 of Doomspell series)	£6.00
The Scent of Magic (bk 2 of Doomspell series)	£6.00
The Wizard's Promise (bk 3 of Doomspell series)	£6.00
Breathe: A Ghost Story	£6.00
Going Home	£6.00
The Winter Wolf (Illustrated picture book)	£6.00
The Silver Child (bk 1 of Silver Sequence)	£6.00
Silver City (bk 2 of Silver Sequence)	£6.00
Silver World (bk 3 of Silver Sequence)	£6.00

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