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Please tell us your name, the name of your school and any events/dates that you have in mind for the author visit.

**Dates for your diary:**

- Thursday 8th October 2009 — National Poetry Day
- October 2009 — Black History Month
- Jan 30th—Feb 6th 2010 — National Storytelling Week
- Thursday 4th March 2010 — World Book Day

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# AN AUTHOR IN YOUR SCHOOL

We are a national children's charity who will arrange the right author to visit your school



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Book author visits from Alex through the Children's Discovery Centre

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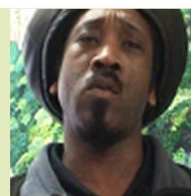
**Alex Wheatle MBE** was raised in South London and became a familiar figure on the Brixton poetry circuit before publishing his first novel in 1999. He first found acclaim as a novelist for young adults but he has just written his first book for KS2, inspired by his nephews and nieces. KS2+

**David Mason** is an eccentric performance poet and writer of children's fiction and poetry. Energy, empathy and inspiration are the keys to his success. He demonstrates the ultimate in flexibility as both performer and teacher of poetry, drama and creative writing. All Key Stages.



**Helen Cross** was born and raised in East Yorkshire. Her first novel, *My Summer of Love*, won a Betty Trask award and became a BAFTA award-winning feature film directed by Pawel Pawlikowski. Filming is about to commence on her first original screenplay, *Stratford Road*. KS2+

**Lennox Carty** is an internationally acclaimed dub poet who began writing poetry at secondary school, winning the WH Smith Young Writer's Award in 1987. He is also an experienced youth worker and inspiring creative writing practitioner. KS2+



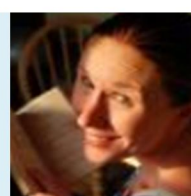
**Karin Littlewood** is an author/illustrator who loves to get every child to realise they can draw, especially the ones who say they can't! She believes that you can tell many stories through pictures and reach children who don't have English as a first language. All Key Stages.

**Catherine Johnson** is a writer who comes from a family of storytellers, with a Jamaican father and Welsh mother. Her children inspired her to write for teenagers and she is now a very successful novelist and screenwriter of the feature film *Bullet Boy*, filmed in Hackney, East London. KS3+



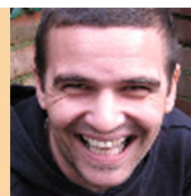
**Jeanette Angela Barrett** is a performer, writer and storyteller whose stories draw from her African and Caribbean heritage. She has an infectious enthusiasm and is extremely passionate about introducing her audience to the joys of her unique performances. Suitable for all Key Stages.

**Laura Watson** is a freelance scriptwriter. Her credits include *EastEnders*. Laura's aim is to encourage and inspire young people. She uses scriptwriting and drama workshops, focusing on story, structure, character and dialogue, to facilitate children in creating their own stories and plays. KS2+



**Andy Seed** is a children's poet and non-fiction author. He is best known for his children's miscellany, *How to Spot a Hadrosaur in a Bus Queue*, which was selected by the School Library Association 'Boys into Books' scheme as one of the best books to get boys reading. Girls love it too! Suitable for KS1-3

**Josh Gaillemin** tells exciting traditional folktales from around the world. He visits schools across the country to give dynamic storytelling performances and workshops. He delivers creative and literacy-based activities. Josh enjoys working with all Key Stages.



Please call or email us. We will be delighted to give you a personal recommendation for an author to suit your school.