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Dear Parents,

We are very excited to tell you that Kahlo and Sentamu classes will be taking part in a live online author event on Friday 30th April. We will be 'meeting' Nicola Skinner and hearing how the SS Great Britain inspired her latest book, how she blends fact and fiction and how a writer's ideas can come from anywhere! We will have the chance to ask her questions too. It should be a fantastic event.

As part of the event we have partnered with The Blue House Bookshop, which is a children's bookshop on Bootham. They will be able to order copies of Nicola's new book for us as well as her previous novels and are giving us a 15% discount. We need orders by **16th April** so they will be with us before the event.

PAYMENT IS ONLY AVAILABLE ON PARENT PAY – ORDER BY 16TH APRIL



£11.04

This is the new novel that Nicola will be talking about and is available in hardback.

The extraordinarily inventive and inspiring new middle grade novel from the rapturously acclaimed author of BLOOM. This is the story of Kirsten, an apparently happy and successful 11-year-old YouTube star who meets a ship that comes alive... and is claimed by it as its new captain as it breaks free from its dry dock.

Inspired by the true history of the SS Great Britain, Starboard is about the friendship, heroism and bravery that you can find in others, whether they're made of flesh or iron. It's about taking control of your own life and going on epic adventures. But most of all, it's about finding out who you really dare to be, when you're completely out of your depth...

Her previous novels are available in paperback.



£5.94

Barnabas the Encourager

The extraordinarily moving, funny and original new novel from the author of the rapturously acclaimed BLOOM. "You were born raging, Frances Frida Ripley. That's what happens when you're born in a storm." Frances's parents were not prepared for her birth: they had a blanket and an easel and some paint, but not anything useful, like a car or a phone.

So it's no wonder Frankie has always had a temper. She was born on a BEACH, in a STORM. What Frances was not prepared for was dying in a freak natural disaster that wiped out her whole town.

Waking up 100 years later, Frances finds a whole load of new things to be angry about. And that's before the visitors start turning up, treating her home like it's a tourist attraction. Which it is.

Only there are worse people out there than tourists... and they're coming for Frankie. Frankie is about to discover that there are things more important than herself - and that anger has its uses.

Because when you have a storm inside you - sometimes the only thing to do is let it out...



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A beautifully written, incredibly original and wickedly funny novel for readers of 10 and older - BLOOM is for everyone who has ever felt like they didn't fit in, and for anyone who has ever wanted a little more colour and wildness in their lives... "A riotous, original and timely reminder that sometimes rules are made to be broken." - The Guardian's Books of the Year 2019 Sorrel Fallowfield is growing up - in a REALLY surprising way... Sorrel Fallowfield is so good at being good that teachers come to her when they need help remembering the school rules - and there are LOTS.

Luckily, Sorrel doesn't have any trouble following them, until the day she discovers a faded packet of Surprising Seeds buried under a tree in her backyard. Now she's hearing voices, seeing things, experiencing an almost unstoppable urge to plant the Seeds in some very unusual places... and completely failing to win her school's competition to find The Most Obedient Child of the School.

And all that's before flowers start growing out of her head...

We are not being charged for this event so buying books helps to support a local business and the author.

It sounds like it will be very exciting and hopefully be a great inspiration for the children's own reading and writing.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs Bruce, Ms Woolgar and Mr Levick.

Class Teachers

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