# WIMBLEDON CHASE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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**Dear Parents,**

We are delighted to have been offered an exciting **opportunity** for some of our pupils to hear the acclaimed children's author **Katherine Rundell** speak at **Wimbledon High Preparatory School**.

A number of places have recently become available, and we have been fortunate to be offered them at no cost to our school or families. This is a wonderful experience for the children to hear directly from a celebrated author, learn more about her writing and hopefully be inspired by her love of books and storytelling.

Katherine Rundell will be sharing her book ***Neverfear***, the third book in the ***Impossible Creatures*** series. The children will have the chance to hear about the story, discover more about the inspiration behind her writing and experience what it is like to hear an author speak about her work.

The trip will take place on **Wednesday 30 September**. We will walk from Wimbledon Chase Primary School to Wimbledon High Preparatory School for the afternoon session and return to school afterwards.

**There is no cost for the trip.**

To make this exciting event possible, we will need a few parent helpers to accompany us on the walk and during the afternoon. **Any parent helpers will need to hold a valid DBS check.** If you can help, please speak to your child's class teacher.

We are aware that the **cross-country run is also taking place on Wednesday 30 September**. We apologise that some children taking part in the cross-country run will therefore miss the author talk. We will, however, make sure that there are other chances for children to hear authors and take part in similar events throughout the year.

Children will also have the opportunity to purchase a copy of ***Neverfear*** at a reduced rate of **£10.00**. We will share further information about purchasing the book separately.

We are very excited to offer our children this special experience and hope it will inspire their enjoyment of reading, books, and creative writing.

**Kind regards,**
Donna Newell
Deputy Headteacher
Wimbledon Chase Primary School