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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are excited to announce that all Year 5 children will be attending an **Author Event** on **Thursday, 12th November** at **The Ridgeway School**.

This exciting opportunity will give children the chance to meet a published children's author, hear about their writing journey, and take part in an engaging and inspiring presentation designed to promote a love of reading and writing. Further details about the featured author will be shared once they have been confirmed.

We will travel by coach, departing from school at **8:45am** and returning by **12:00pm**, ensuring that children are back in time for lunch as usual.

To cover transport costs, we kindly request a voluntary contribution of **£4.33 per child**, payable via Arbor Pay. The payment deadline is **midnight on Sunday, 18th October**. Please note that sufficient contributions are required for the visit to go ahead. If we are unable to raise enough funds to cover the costs, we may need to cancel the event.

If you experience any difficulties making this payment, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

In previous years, **Waterstones** has attended the event with books available to purchase by the visiting author, and children have had the opportunity to have these signed. We will confirm closer to the date whether this will be available again this year.

If you have any questions, please contact us at **office@thecroft.swindon.sch.uk** or speak to your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Year 5 Team