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*Learning together inside
and outside the
classroom*

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Reading Together: Parent Curriculum Event

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to invite you to our annual curriculum event on Wednesday 30th September, which this year will focus on reading and the important role families play in helping children develop a love of books. As part of the day, we are excited to welcome local author Caroline Young whose recently published book *Grandad's Garden* has been inspiring young readers. During the afternoon, she will be working with the children through a range of workshops and activities, sharing her experiences as an author and bringing stories to life.

Following the end of the school day, we would like to invite parents, carers and children to join us for a presentation from the author, who will talk about her writing journey, the importance of reading for pleasure and how sharing books can make a real difference to children's learning and enjoyment of reading.

Event Schedule

- 3.25pm - Author presentation for parents and children
- Approximately 4.00pm - Questions and answers with the author, followed by an opportunity to purchase signed copies of *Grandad's Garden* at the discounted price of £7 (cash or card)
- 4.00pm - 4.30pm - Opportunity to visit classrooms and explore some of the books and texts used by each class

We hope that hearing from an author will provide a fresh perspective on the value of reading and inspire both children and adults to enjoy books together. We very much hope that you and your child will be able to join us for what promises to be an enjoyable and inspiring afternoon.

Yours faithfully

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