

ABBOTSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL



'Helping **everyone** achieve their best'



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Abbotswood Book Day

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are really looking forward to celebrating reading again this year with our very own Abbotswood Book Day on **Friday 30th June**.

The greatest highlight is an exciting visit from the poet Paul Jenkins to launch our theme of 'Becoming a Poet'.

Paul Jenkins has worked as a teacher and loves to help children develop the confidence to create their own written pieces. He believes that fun and creativity are key to helping children learn. Paul has performed his poetry around the country and on the radio. He is passionate about helping others develop their poetry skills and most recently collaborated with the Empathy Lab project to help develop children's empathy through reading.

If you would like to explore some of Paul's poetry before the day and purchase some of his books, please follow the link: <https://www.pauljenkinspoet.co.uk/shop>

There will also be the opportunity to purchase books from Paul on the day after school. Paul is happy for purchases to be made by cash or card.

On our Abbotswood Book Day, we would love children to **dress up as a book character**. Please do not feel you need to purchase outfits just for this occasion. There will be prizes in each year group for the best costume – these do not have to be purchased costumes.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to celebrating reading together.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Samuel Williams Ms Cat Gonzalez Mrs Jess Duell
English Leader Curriculum Team School Librarian