

# WIMPOLE HISTORY FESTIVAL

## Schools' Day Programme

Thursday 20 June  
Years 3-4 &  
Years 5-6

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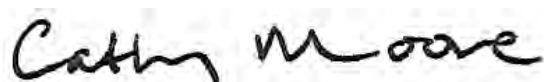
# Welcome

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We are delighted to announce the programme for the first Wimpole History Festival Schools' Day which is set in the grounds of the beautiful National Trust Wimpole Estate.

Pupils will spend the day being inspired by an exciting line-up of top history writers including Chae Strathie on life in Ancient Egypt, Caroline Lawrence on Roman London and Christopher Lloyd on the history of Absolutely Everything! In between events children can visit the living history displays with scenes of Celtic and Romano-British life and a warrior display.

We look forward to welcoming your school to Wimpole History Festival for an interactive and inspirational day to prompt historical curiosity in an engaging, entertaining and educational way.



**Cathy Moore, Festival Director**

Schools Programme by Jane Churchill

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## How to book for the Schools' Day Programme

You can make a booking by completing the Booking Form on page 6. Once completed, please scan and email it to Katie Edwards at **[info@cambridgeliteraryfestival.com](mailto:info@cambridgeliteraryfestival.com)**.

# Your Questions Answered

*Set in the beautiful grounds of Wimpole Hall with its impressive mansion, parkland, gardens and farm, the Wimpole History Festival Schools' Day is a hugely exciting treat for Key Stage 2 pupils. With an array of top-notch history writers and interactive author readings, this day aligns perfectly with the National Curriculum History Programme of Study.*

*Wimpole History Festival Schools' Day inspires the pupils' curiosity, prompts historical enquiry, develops knowledge of the past, contributes to cultural capital, and will be a truly enjoyable and memorable day!*

**Rae Snape – Headteacher/National Leader of Education**

## **What is the cost and how do we book tickets?**

The cost is £10 per pupil and staff members are free. You can make a booking by completing the Booking Form included on page 6 of this programme. Once completed, please email it to [info@cambridgeliteraryfestival.com](mailto:info@cambridgeliteraryfestival.com).

## **Is there a maximum capacity for groups?**

No maximum capacity.

## **How many teachers should accompany the group?**

For year all year groups (3-4 & 5-6) we require a minimum adult-to-student ratio of 1:10.\*

## **Can pupils buy books at the festival?**

Yes, pupils can buy books. Once schools have booked, we will send a list of the books and the prices.

## **Do we book for the whole day or just one event at a time?**

Bookings are for the whole day of events (three events plus a lunch break).

## **Are the events accessible?**

Yes, our venues are wheelchair accessible. If a student has specific requirements please get in touch at [info@cambridgeliteraryfestival.com](mailto:info@cambridgeliteraryfestival.com).

## **What should we bring?**

Please bring clipboards for each student, writing pencils and some colouring pencils/crayons if possible.

## **What are the plans for lunch?**

Pupils must bring their own packed lunch. These can be eaten outside in the grounds during lunch break. If we have bad weather, lunch can be eaten inside the event marquees.

## **Is there anywhere we can buy tea and coffee?**

Yes. The Old Rectory Restaurant is next to the festival and there is a café in the Stable Block.

## **Where should we park?**

There is parking on site for coaches in the car park near the Stable Block.

\*Adults additional to the ratio of 1:10 must be paid for.

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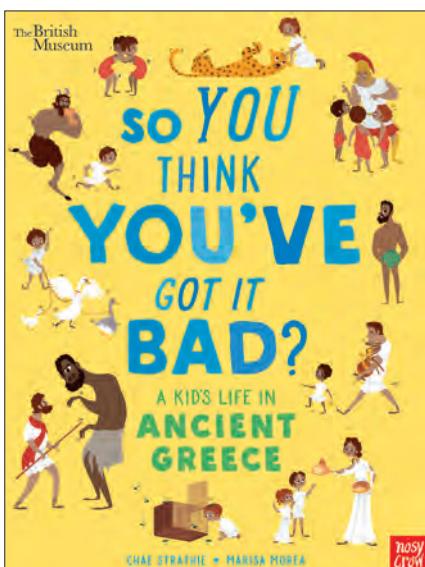
Years 3-4

Rathbones Marquee



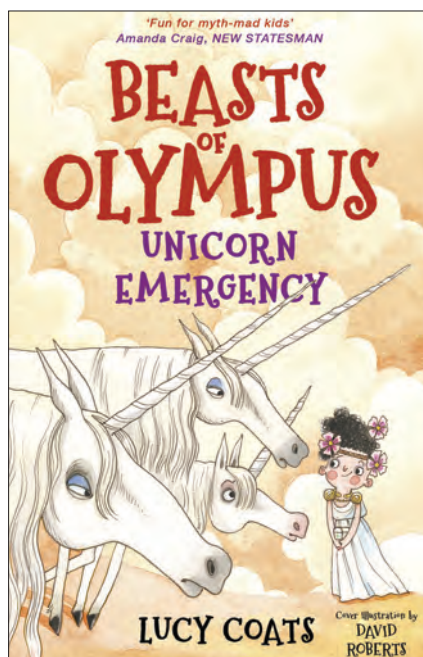
**Chae Strathie**  
*Life in Ancient Egypt*  
10:00-11:00am

Join award-winning author Chae Strathie for a fascinating and funny insight into what it was like for children to live in ancient Egypt. Not just cool pyramids and hot weather Chae Strathie will show you that it was actually pretty tough! Come along to find out what life was really like, from dodging Deathstalker scorpions and fetching water from the well to clearing up cow dung and eating roast mouse. Maybe modern life's not so bad after all...



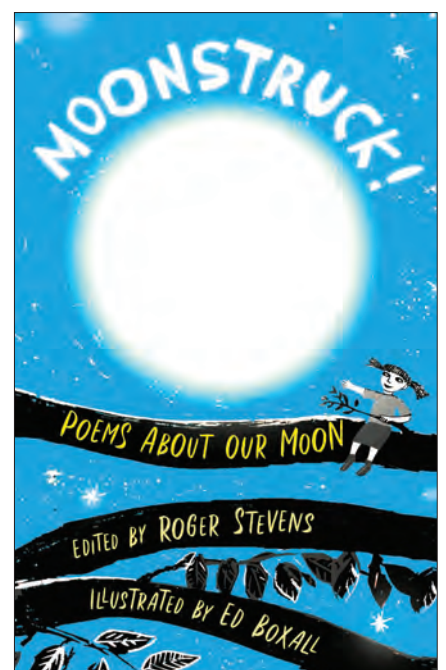
**Lucy Coats**  
*Beasts of Olympus*  
11:45am-12:45pm

Best-selling writer, Greek mythology expert and author of more than 40 books for children, Lucy Coats provides a fast-moving interactive session for myth mad kids. Discover the scariest creature in the Stables of the Gods! Find out what a Griffin likes to eat (and learn how to draw one)! Decide whether Heracles is a Hero or a Zero!



**Roger Stevens**  
Celebrating 50 years since the first moon landing  
2-3pm

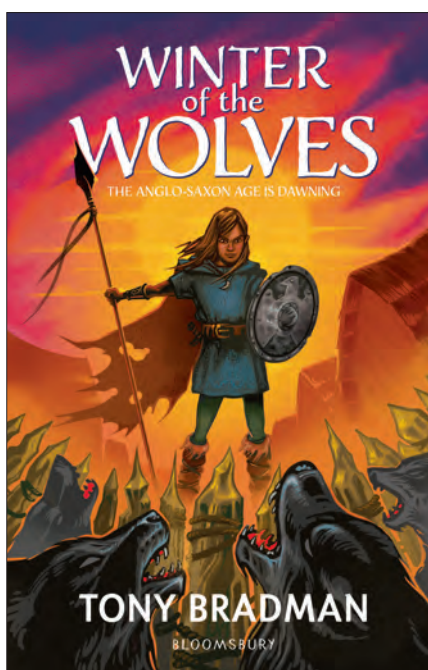
Join popular children's poet Roger Stevens to celebrate our solar system in the 50th anniversary year of the first moon landing in July 1969. Roger will perform poems from his gorgeous new anthology of poems *Moonstruck*. Poets also in the anthology include Mandy Coe, Valerie Bloom, Brian Moses, Henry Wordsworth Longfellow, Rachel Rooney and Emily Brontë. Expect lots of joining in, laughter and writing tips for children and teachers.





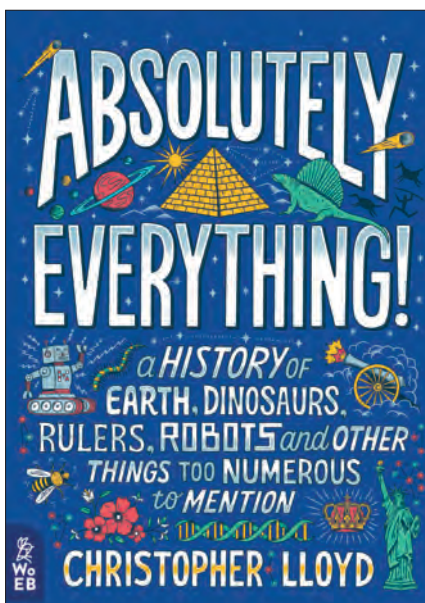
**Tony Bradman**  
*Winter of the Wolves*  
10:30-11:30am

Let award-winning author Tony Bradman provide the perfect introduction to the Anglo-Saxon settlement of Britain. In his latest book *Winter of the Wolves*. Tony tells the story of Oslaf who has lost his home and family and is struggling to build a new life. He labours on the farm and trains as a warrior and when the Chieftain decides to move everyone across the sea to the great new land of Britannia, Oslaf goes with them. Come along and find out what happens.



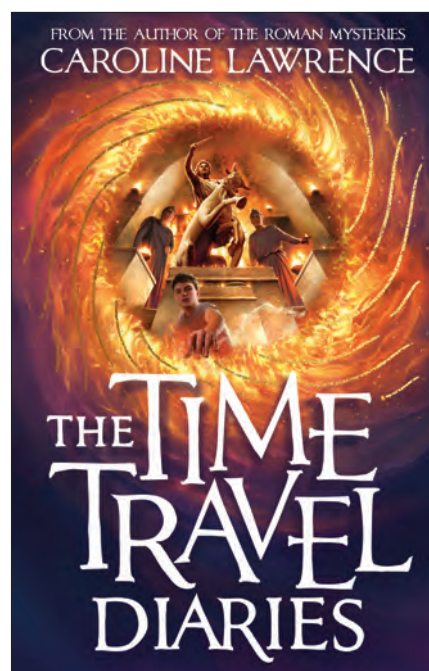
**Christopher Lloyd**  
*A History of Everything*  
12-1pm

Join best-selling Christopher Lloyd on his latest and greatest voyage through the 13 billion-year story of *Absolutely Everything!* Using a giant 8m-long timeline as a backdrop, and his signature coat of many pockets, Christopher will stop off at 15 defining moments that have shaped all history – natural, stone age, ancient and modern. “Taking a step back, is often far more valuable than racing two steps ahead”, says the author, who is famous for entrancing audiences all over the world with his highly interactive talks. “And when you take that step back and see how knowledge connects together you’ll discover how the real world is far more amazing than anything you can make up!”



**Caroline Lawrence**  
*Time Travel Diaries*  
2-3pm

Million-copy-selling author Caroline Lawrence writes history-mystery stories for kids. Her passion for plotting combined with historical accuracy means her books are beloved of children and teachers alike. A London-based Classicist, she is best known for her Roman Mysteries books, televised by the BBC in 2008. Caroline says, ‘I want to know everything about the past, especially the exciting and surprising things. Also the sounds, smells, sights and tastes. I write historical novels because nobody has invented a Time Machine.’ Fittingly, her latest project is about a London schoolboy who travels back in time to Roman London in the year 260 AD.



£10  
per pupil

# Wimpole History Festival 2019 Booking Form for Schools' Day Programme

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

School Office/Bursar email (for billing) \_\_\_\_\_

Thursday 20 June 2019 (Years 3-4) Number of pupils attending \_\_\_\_\_

Number of teachers/support attending \_\_\_\_\_

Thursday 20 June 2019 (Years 5-6) Number of pupils attending \_\_\_\_\_

Number of teachers/support attending \_\_\_\_\_

Any special needs requirements \_\_\_\_\_

Please scan and email the completed form to Katie Edwards: [info@cambridgeliteraryfestival.com](mailto:info@cambridgeliteraryfestival.com) or post the completed form to Cambridge Literary Festival, 7 Downing Place, Cambridge, CB2 3EL.

Details for payment by BACS will be on the invoice following the booking. Cheques should be made payable to Cambridge Literary Festival and sent to: Cambridge Literary Festival, 7 Downing Place, Cambridge, CB2 3EL.

## Notes

Please note we have a no refund policy for changes made after 28 days prior to the Festival.

Photographers will be on site during the Festival. Please contact us if you do not want photographs taken of pupils.