

Information for parents



Baillie Gifford Schools Programme

20 - 28 August 2018

Charlotte Square Gardens & George Street, Edinburgh

We're delighted that your youngster is visiting the Edinburgh International Book Festival this August and hope they have an enjoyable experience. This information sheet tells you what our Baillie Gifford Schools Programme is all about, and what your child can expect on the day.

Events and Book Signings

Book Festival events are a one hour long talk, discussion or activity led by an author or illustrator.

After most Book Festival events, the authors are available to sign books. Book signings take place in one of our Bookshops and are a great way for pupils to meet authors face-to-face and some are even willing to have their photographs taken and answer questions.

Pupils can bring books from home to be signed (but authors cannot sign scraps of paper - or body parts!).



Events for everyone

The Book Festival is not just for schools. There are also hundreds of events for children, teens, families and adults running from 11-27 August. Find the full programme of events and book tickets online at: www.edbookfest.co.uk

On-site bookshops

Imagine a giant tent packed to the rafters with books. That's what the Baillie Gifford Children's Bookshop in Charlotte Square Gardens is like. We also have two more bookshops stocked with titles for adults.

£3 Baillie Gifford Book Voucher for every pupil

We're giving a £3 book voucher to every pupil who attends an event in the Baillie Gifford Schools Programme. The voucher can be put towards the cost of a book in the Book Festival bookshops in Charlotte Square Gardens and on George Street.

Vouchers will be given to participating school groups as they arrive at the Festival and the teacher in charge of each group will be responsible for distributing the vouchers to their pupils.

(Please note: some schools have chosen not to participate in the voucher scheme. Check with your school for details.)

