



**HURST HILL PRIMARY**



18<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Special Story-Telling Session with Author Natalie Pritchard

Dear Parents,

We are extremely excited to announce that on Tuesday 25th January we are having a special visit from best-selling children's author, Natalie Pritchard.

Natalie is the author of Sea School Stories – a series of books which aim to support children's social and emotional learning through magical ocean adventures. Her first two books, Monty the Manatee and Sully the Seahorse, have been read to thousands of children across the world.

She has just released her third book in the series, Daisy the Dolphin - which is a gorgeous tale highlighting the important issue of plastic pollution in our oceans and encourages children to listen and make good choices.

Natalie will be visiting our school on January 25th to read her latest book, Daisy the Dolphin.

During the session, Natalie will be presenting a special story-telling session followed by a mini fun quiz. She will also be singing her Sea School Shuffle song (available on her website [www.seaschoolstories.co.uk/videos](http://www.seaschoolstories.co.uk/videos) so you can have a little practice). She will be inspiring children to write / illustrate their own sea creature stories and children will have the chance to ask the author questions during a special Q&A session.

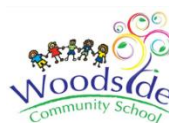
We hope that the session will have a positive impact on all the pupils and inspire pupils to produce some excellent writing.

You can buy a personalised signed copy of Monty the Manatee, Sully the Seahorse or Daisy the Dolphin, at the discounted price of £7 per book (or £20 for all three books in the series). To order the books simply send the correct amount of cash to the school office, in a sealed envelope, with your child's name on the front and the names of the books they would like.

Natalie, who used to be a feature writer for a local newspaper, currently works as a primary school teacher and is a Mum to two young boys. More information and lots of free resources relating to the books are available at [www.seaschoolstories.co.uk](http://www.seaschoolstories.co.uk)

We are funding this event for EYFS children because research shows that author events in schools inspire children and help them on their journey to a love of reading and enjoyment of writing. We hope that your child will enjoy and benefit from the experience.

Yours sincerely,  
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