

THREE LEADING AUTHORS



DAMIAN BARR NINA STIBBE
SATHNAM SANGHERA

ON THE RECORD

THE INSIDE STORY OF
PUTTING YOUR LIFE ON THE PAGE

saturday 19th march, 7pm
wynnstay hotel, church st ~ £12

BOOKA/ONLINE 01691 662244

PLUS LitFest Soiree with LITTLE RED BIRD



JANET ELLIS

sunday 20th march, 7pm
wynnstay hotel, church st ~ £10

COME AND MEET Blue Peter 'Action
Woman' turned novelist with her brilliant
debut, *The Butcher's Hook* - causing a
huge stir in the publishing world!



Tickets include glass of wine on arrival,
Q&A and book-signing.

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LitFest
LAUNCH

RUBY

WAX
SOLD OUT



Larkin'
About



written & directed by sue wilson

sunday 20th march, 4pm
wynnstay hotel, church st ~ £12

Join two of THE ARCHERS favourite actors
Sunny Ormonde (Lillian Bellamy) and
John Telfer (Rev Alan Franks)

as they explore the wit and
words of PHILIP LARKIN and the
women and music in his life!

with jazz pianist Matt Platt and
flautist Illona Antonius-Jones

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WILFRED OWEN LECTURE

OWEN
SHEERS



'Unmissable'

friday 18th march, 7pm
holy trinity, roft st ~ £12

The SECOND Wilfred Owen Lecture by
renowned poet, writer, playwright &
broadcaster, Owen Sheers.

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A Long Lit
Weekend
17-20 March

with Guest Director
Cathy Rentzenbrink

OSWESTRY

LitFest
2016



BOX
OFFICE

booka

Bookshop & Café
01691 662244
26-28 Church St
Oswestry SY11 2SP



BOOK ONLINE

next.fatsoma.com/oswestrylitfest

INFO/PROGRAMME

www.oswestrylitfest.co.uk

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Patron: Frank Cottrell Boyce
Guest Director: Cathy Rentzenbrink
Festival Director: Carrie Morris
Festival Founder: John Waine
Festival Co-organisers: Pam Parish, Louise Chadwick,
Heather Rodenhurst, Teresa Eccleston, Helen Willows
- and thanks to Chloe Morris for her support.

Making a Difference.
OFFICIAL LITFEST CHAMPIONS



Oswestry School
Founded 1407



Moreton Hall



Festival Organisers



NORTH SHROPSHIRE COLLEGE

THU 17 Mar, 2-4pm

YA FICTION PANEL

Stellar cast of Young Adult authors including Louise O'Neill (Asking for It, Only Ever Yours), Juno Dawson (This is Gay, Under My Skin), Non Pratt (Trouble, Remix), chaired by Charlotte Eyre, Chair of The YA Prize - with questions from local students on gender issues in YA fiction.

LOCAL COLLEGES ONLY



OSWESTRY LIBRARY, ARTHUR ST

FRI 18 Mar, 2pm

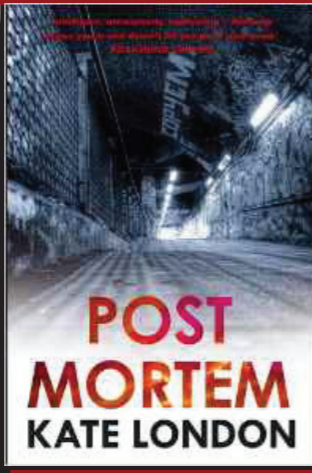
**Post Mortem
KATE LONDON**

FORMER DETECTIVE Constable turned crime author, KATE LONDON talks about her chilling debut novel.

CALLING ALL CRIME FANS

A cuppa & cake too!

£5 - BOOK AT LIBRARY



MARCHES SCHOOL, MORDA RD

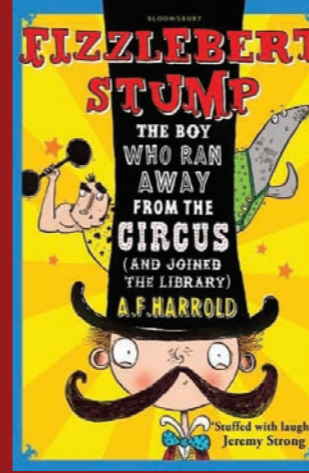
FRI 18 March

**FIZZLEBERT STUMP
A.F. Harrold**

Eccentric and captivating, A.F. Harrold will be bringing his amazing Fizzlebert Stump stories to an audience of local school-children.

FOR KIDS 7-9

LOCAL SCHOOLS ONLY



BABYBIRD CAFE, CROSS ST

SAT 19 Mar, 9am & 4pm

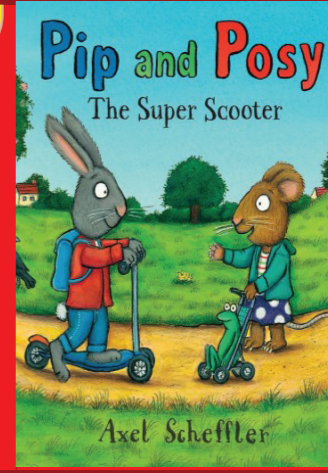
**PIP & POSY
StoryTime**

COME & MEET Pip & Posy - hear heart-warming stories of these typical toddlers' antics. by Axel Scheffler.

FOR KIDS 0-5

Ticket includes 1 Adult & 1 Child

£3 - BOOK AT BOOKA



OSWESTRY LIBRARY, ARTHUR ST

SAT 19 Mar, 10am

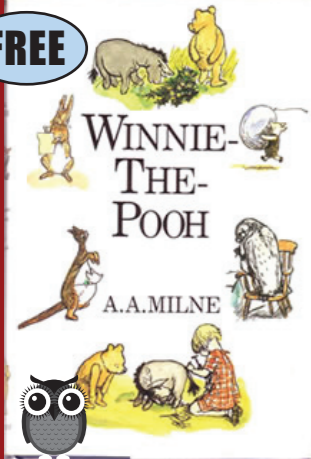
**WINNIE-THE-POOH
Story Picnic**

CELEBRATE the 90th anniversary publication of Winnie-the-Pooh with rhymes and stories,

FOR KIDS 3-5

BRING YOUR OWN BEAR! Squash & biscuits too.

FREE EVENT/BOOKING REQD



WILLOW GALLERY, WILLOW ST

SAT 19 Mar, 11am

SHINE A LIGHT

Story Session & Workshop

with **CARRON BROWN** and **GEORGINA TEE!**

FIND OUT how these magical books are created and make a 'Shine-a-Light' picture to take home

FOR KIDS 5-7

£3 - BOOK AT BOOKA



QUBE, OSWALD RD

SAT 19 Mar, 1pm

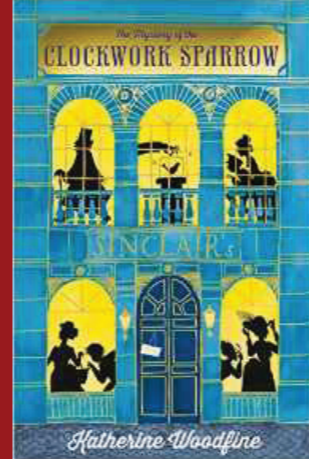
THE CLOCKWORK SPARROW

Katherine Woodfine

CALLING ALL mystery lovers - come and join in this fun 'WHODUNNIT' session.

FOR KIDS 9+

£3 - BOOK AT BOOKA



THE CENTRE, OAK ST

SAT 19 Mar, 2 & 3pm

Comic Book & TV Writer

Kids 7+ at 2pm

**FANS OF
ITV'S MATT HATTER**
From idea to creation.

Adults, 9+ at 3pm

COMIC BOOK LOVERS

Secrets of comic creation - focus on TRANSFORMERS!

£3 - BOOK AT BOOKA



OSWESTRY LIBRARY, ARTHUR ST

SAT 19 Mar, 1pm

**QUICK READS
Cathy Rentzenbrink**

OUR GUEST Director launches Oswestry Library's NEW monthly Quick Reads book club.

Quick Reads

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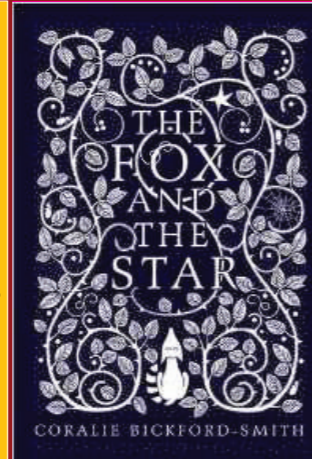
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**CORALIE
BICKFORD-SMITH**
Award-winning Designer at Penguin Books

Hear how Coralie created this magical book, and discover the fascinating art of illustration.

Tickets £7.50

BOOK AT BOOKA/ONLINE



WYNNSTAY HOTEL, CHURCH ST

SAT 19 Mar, 3pm

**WRITING CHAIN
with Francesca Main**

Editorial Director at Picador Cathy will be joined by award-winning editor Francesca Main and top literary agent Jo Unwin to pull back the curtain on a book's journey from initial draft to bestseller!

Tickets £7.50

BOOK AT BOOKA/ONLINE



A MUST-SEE FOR WRITERS

WYNNSTAY HOTEL, CHURCH ST

SAT 19 Mar, 4.15pm

**PERFECT PITCH
with Jo Unwin**

Literary Agent

JOINED BY top literary agent Jo Unwin, Cathy will explore how best to pitch your book to a literary agent.

Tickets £7.50

BOOK AT BOOKA/ONLINE



THE KEYS TO LITERARY SUCCESS

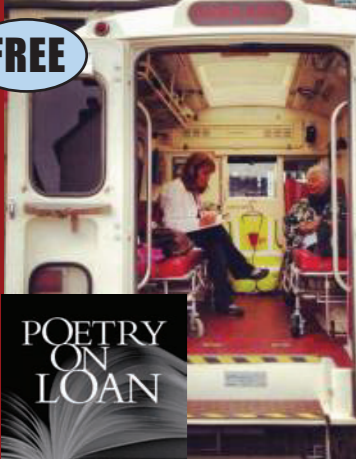
FESTIVAL SQUARE

SAT 19 Mar, 11-3pm

**EMERGENCY
POET**

Deborah Alma will be parking her lyrical ambulance on Oswestry's Festival Square. POP IN for a poetic prescription!

A FREE LITFEST EVENT



POETRY ON LOAN

MARCHES SCHOOL, MORDA RD

SUN 20 Mar, 2.30-4pm

The RAILWAY CHILDREN

For children and families, Image Musical Theatre return with a fun-filled and fabulous family participation musical production of The Railway Children.

£8 Adult/ £4 Child

BOOK AT BOOKA/ONLINE



THE FOX, CHURCH ST

17-20 Mar, 11-12.30pm

**WILD
READING
The Fox**

GREAT READING - for free. Start your LitFest day with shared reading of a story and a poem. All welcome! Copies provided.

**LIMITED TO 12.
10.45am for 11am Start**



FREE

FREE TEA & COFFEE TOO.

WILLOW GALLERY, WILLOW ST

5 Mar - 16 April

**ART EXHIBITION
PAINTING
with words**

AN OPEN EXHIBITION celebrating the influence and inspiration of literature and language on the visual arts.

A FREE LITFEST EVENT



FREE

THE Willow GALLERY