

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Authors Live: Celebrating Burns with Liz Lochhead,

On Thursday 26th January at 11am your child will be *watching Authors Live: Celebrating Burns with Liz Lochhead* in their classroom or library.

Authors Live is a series of virtual author events broadcast online for schools and families to watch and enjoy. You can share in your child's experience by watching the event live at home by visiting www.bbc.co.uk/authorslive on the day, or watch on-demand from the Scottish Book Trust website afterwards.

About Liz Lochhead

Liz Lochhead is the National Poet of Scotland and will be taking part in Authors Live for a very special celebration of Robert Burns. Liz will be discussing why Burns means so much to her, as well as treating us to some readings of her own poems featured in her collections *Liz Lochhead: Selected Works*, *Colour of Black and White* and *Dreaming Frankenstein*.

Liz was born in Motherwell in 1947. After studying at Glasgow School of Art she taught at art schools in Glasgow and Bristol while working on her poetry. She is a Fellow of Glasgow School of Art, an Honorary Doctor of Letters of Glasgow University, a Fellow of RSAMD and of Glasgow Institute of Art, and is an Honorary President of the Scottish Poetry Library. She was named as Scotland's Makar in 2011. Liz firmly believes that poetry can transcend age boundaries and enjoys reading her poetry to a wide range of people.

Forthcoming Authors Live event

Visit the Scottish Book Trust website to find out about the forthcoming Authors Live event with **Francesca Simon** (1st March 2012 World Book Day)

<http://www.scottishbooktrust.com/childrens-authors-live>

Missed a previous event?

If you've missed any of the previous Authors Live events but would like to share them with your child please visit the Scottish Book Trust website to watch full videos of Michael Rosen, Michael Morpurgo, Julia Donaldson, Charlie Higson, Jacqueline Wilson, Eoin Colfer, James Mayhew, Andy Stanton, David Almond and Kjartan Poskitt. <http://www.scottishbooktrust.com/childrens-authors-live/2010-11>

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If you have any queries about Authors Live please contact Scottish Book Trust's Children's Programme Coordinator Heather Collins on heather.collins@scottishbooktrust.com or 0131 524 0176

We hope that you enjoy watching Liz Lochhead with your child.

Best wishes,

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