

Looking for adventure in the classroom?



NICK THORPE

is a critically-acclaimed Edinburgh author whose true-life voyages will fire pupils' creativity & imagination

"An accomplished storyteller... thoroughly entertaining." Daily Telegraph

"Nick gave the pupils a real-life reason to write and take chances." Primary 5 teacher, Edinburgh

In his best-selling **Adrift in Caledonia** - a BBC Radio 4 book of the week - Nick set off on a five-month nautical hitch-hiking voyage around Scotland on boats ranging from a schooner to a submarine, to encounter the peoples and historic places of this sea-fringed land.

In ***Eight Men and a Duck***, he journeyed further afield to join a crew of adventurers recreating an ancient 2500-mile voyage across the Pacific to Easter Island... aboard a slowly-sinking boat made of reeds!

Using images and keepsakes from his travels, Nick gives talks/readings for up to 200 pupils (aged 9 upwards) or creative writing workshops to smaller groups. In keeping with the Curriculum for Excellence, sessions can enhance various subject strands from literacy, English and expressive arts to social studies and technology. For e.g:

Your own Adventure: Hands-on help for pupils in writing about their own experiences and life-journeys

Rainbow Voyagers: How Scotland grew from a rich mix of travellers arriving from diverse cultures

Career Journeys: Advice on how to get published, from this award-winning journalist and author

Nick's engaging and informal approach has won over audiences in book festivals, schools & community groups across the UK. Events may be eligible for Live Literature Funding. For more info, visit www.nickthorpe.co.uk or contact him at mail@nickthorpe.co.uk.

