

SOUTHWAY JUNIOR SCHOOL AUTHOR VISIT SIBEAL POUNDER – MONDAY 21st OCTOBER





On Monday 21st October Southway pupils will meet children's author **Sibeal Pounder**.

Sibéal Pounder is the author of the bestselling Witch Wars and Bad Mermaids series, as well as the World Book Day mash-up, Bad Mermaids meet the Witches. Before becoming a full-time author, Sibéal worked as a writer and researcher for the Financial Times, with other writing credits including Vogue and Glamour online magazines.

Sibeal's latest book Beyond Platform 13 is a magical fantasy adventure which will appeal to fans of Harry Potter. The story is inspired by the magical world and characters created by Eva Ibbotson in her fantasy classic *The Secret of Platform 13* – itself one of the major inspirations to JK Rowling!

The Island of Mist is under siege and Odge Gribble and Prince Ben are in hiding. Desperate to find out why the mist is disappearing, Odge travels through the gump to Vienna, to find a mistmaker expert. But in yet another case of mistaken identity, Odge finds Lina, a nine-year-old girl looking for adventure. With the help of friends old and new, and some very interesting magic, Odge and Lina must discover the secret of the mist, before they lose their beloved island completely.

Sibeal's fun presentation will include working with the children on reinventing favourite fictional characters and stories. We hope the children will find it inspiring to meet a successful writer and it will help to spark their love of reading and creative writing

The Steyning Bookshop will be selling copies of Beyond Platform 13 on the day, as well as the classic book which inspired it, The Secret of Platform 13. If your child would like to get a signed and dedicated book, please fill out this pre-order form and return it to your child's teacher / the school office by Monday 21st October.

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Beyond Platform 13 by Sibeal Pounder RRP £6.99 EVENT PRICE £6

The Island of Mist is under siege and Odge Gribble and Prince Ben are in hiding. Desperate to find out why the mist is disappearing, Odge travels through the gump to Vienna, to find a mistmaker expert. But instead, they meet Lina, an adventurous 9 year old girl. Together they must work out how to save their beloved island.



The Secret of Platform 13 by Eva Ibbotson RRP£6.99 EVENT PRICE £6

Under Platform 13 at King's Cross Station there is a secret door that leads to a magical island. It appears only once every nine years. And when it opens, four mysterious figures step into the streets of

London. A wizard, an ogre, a fey and a young hag have come to find the Prince of their Kingdom, stolen as a baby nine years before....they must track down the Prince and persuade him to return...