



Dear Parents/Carers,

This letter is to inform you that our school will be taking part in a special author visit being facilitated by celebrated, published author/teacher, **Banji Alexander – as seen on Britain's Got Talent**. Children in Reception to Y6 will take part in a workshop in the afternoon.

When? Friday 14th February 2025

Who for? Reception to Y6

Book signing? Yes – after school!

Pre-order books? Yes – fill in the form below and send to the office with £10 (cash only please) by Thursday 13th February 2025.

We are very fortunate to have Banji Alexander visit our school. Please note, the book pre-orders cover the cost of the visit, allowing all pupils to enjoy the experience, so please support!

Banji Alexander appeared on Sky News & BBC News to discuss the schoolbook tour. Visit www.banjialexander.com/banji-in-the-media to see where else he has featured.

His website is www.banjialexander.com

His title '**Lockdown Looms: Reggie's Birthday Party**', comes highly recommended for primary aged children and has received wide acclaim from teaching professionals across the country, and MPs, including the Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, and the Shadow Minister for Schools (at the time of release), Stephan Morgan MP.

Lockdown Looms: Reggie's Birthday Party:

- Details a child's experience during lockdown
- It was written to allay the fears of Banji's learners surrounding the pandemic
- Helps facilitate discussions around mental health and well-being
- Key themes are: Hope, Kindness, Resilience, Patience, Gratitude & Adapting to Change

This is going to be a memorable experience for your child. Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

The English Team at St Monica's Primary School

Author visit – Banji Alexander Friday 14th February 2025

Child's name:

Class:

I want ____ (number of copies) copies of Banji Alexander's book 'Lockdown Looms', I enclose £ ____ (€10 per book).

Signed: _____

Date: _____

