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Author Visit – Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th February 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of Danson Book Week, we are excited to welcome author Alan Durant to Danson. Alan is an award winning author and poet and has written many children's books, including *Always* and *Forever*, *Clownfish*, *Burger Boy* and *Game Boy*.

During Alan's visit to Danson, he will be delivering some engaging assemblies for Reception to Year 6. In these assemblies, he will talk about how and why he writes, and where his ideas come from. He will read extracts from his books and enthuse the children about the joy of reading. There will also be opportunities for the children to ask him some questions. Some classes will be taking part in some stimulating writing workshops during the day.

If your child would like one of Alan's books dedicated to them and signed by Alan, he will be carrying out booking signing sessions throughout the day. Books will need to be purchased beforehand and brought into school on the days of the visit, **Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th February**.

A list of some of Alan's books has been attached to this email and can be brought from <https://uk.bookshop.org>, [WHSmith](#), [Waterstones](#), [Amazon.co.uk](#) and most book retailers.

This will be a fantastic experience during our Book Week and a great opportunity for the children to find out about the career of an author, promote a love of reading and further support our English learning at Danson.

Kind regards,

Mrs Stephens
Assistant Head Teacher and English Lead