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Dear Parents/Carers,

8th February 2018

This year we are having a 'Global' focus to World Book Week. Through the week your child will be having fun learning and enjoying literature from different cultures. There will be a range of activities through the week and a Poetry Competition.

Monday 26th February Fairtrade Assembly: As it is also Fairtrade fortnight, we are celebrating this and launching our 'World Book Week' with an assembly from Koolskools who will be informing us of an alternative supplier for our uniforms and explaining Fairtrade to the children. There will be more details about the uniform after the assembly.

Wednesday 28th February Donovan Christopher: With thanks to the PTA and all your support of their events, we will be hosting a poet, Donovan Christopher, who will be taking an assembly before running poetry workshops in KS1. Please see the attached letter for details on his book which can be purchased and signed on the day. The poet will be in the library after school, please bring your order form and money that day, we will not be able to accept any orders prior to or after the visit.

Friday 2nd March Poetry Circle and Dressing Up: Each year group will learn a poem from a different culture to recite during a poetry circle, unfortunately we cannot accommodate parents for this as we don't have enough space but we do hope that you enjoy hearing the poems at home. The PTA are also holding a cake, book, toy and bric a brac after school on this day. Please bring items for this in during the morning.

This is also a day where the children can dress up as characters from their favourite books. There is no global theme for this.

Poetry Competition 'My World': Children can write a poem titled 'My World'. The idea is for them to have fun, be creative and get thinking. Entries need to be clearly labelled with your child's name and class then put in a wallet for their year group, in a poetry box in the library by Friday 2nd March. Reception children can do a picture with captions around it. There will be one prize per year group of a book token.

Books from different cultures: If you have books from different cultures that you would be willing to share with your child's class, please label them and send them in to enjoy through the week.

Sharing cultures: If you are a parent or carer with origins in a different country and have some time to read or share a story from there, please speak to your child's teacher to discuss a time to do this.

Children will also receive a £1 book voucher during the week.

We hope that we have a great week and lots of fun.

Kind regards,

Jane Reedy and Liz Meyfroidt



Performance Poet Appearance & Signing

Dear Parent/Guardian,

On Wednesday 28th February we are delighted to welcome to Ghyllside School, Donovan Christopher, one of the UK's most exciting multicultural poets!



Donovan Christopher, aka Rappaman, is a rap poet and cultural reggae artist. He tours schools around the world, offering interactive, fun and thought-provoking presentations and workshops geared towards motivating and inspiring students of all ages.

Through R.A.P. (Respect All People) Poetry, Donovan facilitates a safe and intellectually challenging environment, encouraging students to think about their own views and opinions about important social issues, such as respect of self and others, tolerance, cultural diversity, and bullying.

Donovan's Latest Book: Rappaman! Must be Red All Over

Donovan's third book in the Rappaman series, Rappaman! Must be Red All Over is packed with more positive, humorous and thought-provoking poems. Explore your world and embark on a voyage of self-discovery with Donovan.

Rappaman to the Rescue (In the book of Rooms)

You decide which room you enter at your leisure. There are also a few puzzles to resolve in the Short story apartment. Books with clues to review, a school full of unusual teachers, a game show, lost words. It's all Pen-tastic! This book will change the way you view rap poetry. You will find yourself rapping away and performing them out Loud!

Rappaman!

Never fear, Rappaman is here!!! This is Donovan's first book

From heads and sheds to Jack's Golden Eggs and black history to rabbits loose in classrooms, Donovan's new book of poetry is as diverse as one can get. There is literally something for everyone.

Armed with a pen and paper, Rappaman inspires love, respect, motivation, and understanding to all who cross his path!



Book Order Form

Name	
School	
Class	

Rappaman	£5.99	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rappaman to the Rescue In the book of rooms	£5.99	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rappaman! Must be Red All Over	£5.99	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please make cheque out to R.A.P.P

Donovan will sign copies of Rappaman to the Rescue and Rappaman for students on the day of his school visit.

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