

2nd May 2024

Dear Parents.

Exciting Author Event – Tuesday 21st May 2024

In partnership with Waterstones, the author Pari Thomson will be visiting our school on the 21st May. She will be talking to years 3, 4, 5 and 6 about her new book, Greenwild: The City Beyond the Sea. Pari Thomson is an editorial director for picture books at Bloomsbury Children's Books. Half Persian, half English, she has lived in many places, including India, Pakistan, the United States, the United Kingdom, and Belgium. She studied at Oxford University and now lives in London, not far from Kew Gardens. Her first book. *Greenwild:* The World Behind the Door, just won the Waterstones Children's Book Prize for 2024.



There will be an opportunity to pre-order books which the children can have signed on the day. If you would like to take advantage of this offer, please make payment on school cloud (listed under plays) indicating whether you would like to buy Book 1, Book 2 or both books together for a bundle discount. All orders need to be completed and paid for by Thursday 9th May. Unfortunately, we can't take orders after this date, as the bookseller needs time to get copies from their warehouse. For your reference, the book is widely rated as 9+ - representing a very challenging read for some of the younger pupils at the event, though I am sure they will still gain a lot from Pari's visit.

We are very lucky to have such a recent award winner visiting our school and I look forward to the event.

With best wishes,

Anita Kourtis Prep School Librarian