

Tom Morgan-Jones
The Illustration Game Show

Session Times: 11.00am – 12.00pm

Suitable Age: 7+

Cost: £3

Join Illustrator Tom Morgan-Jones to play 'The Illustration Game!'

In this super, book-inspired roller-coaster of a game, you will solve possibly the most dangerous riddle in the world, enjoy draw-alongs and face trials of physical dexterity. Rounds include "The Frog of Hoppportunity", "Lowbrow Highbrow Eyebrow" and "The Crash Hat of Who". Find out about mark-making and how book illustration works while having a lotta lotta fun for all the family!

Your host Tom has illustrated over 75 books for children. He's also had his work appear on the side of milk cartons, on top of cakes, all over satirical board games, inside museums, on the outside of schools, behind bands and poets, on chocolate bars and the back of buses, all the way around tins of dog biscuits and Norway's National football stadium so you will be in safe hands!

Sue Hendra
Supertato Silliness

Session Times: 1.00pm – 2.00pm

Suitable Age: 4+

Cost: £3

Sue Hendra, co-creator of the bestselling *Supertato* picture books, will be at Wee Write to celebrate the 10th Birthday of everyone's favourite supermarket superhero. If you're looking for fun and giggles galore, this veggie adventure-fest is the

family show for you. There will be stories, silliness and everyone will get a chance to make their own veggie super-hero to take home! So, prepare for the supermarket switcheroo that will change everything!

Isabel Thomas
The Bedtime Book of Even More Impossible Questions

Session Times: 1.15pm – 2.15pm

Suitable Age: 7+

Cost: £3

Has a slug ever been to space? When did life begin? Why do we have two nostrils? Following on from *The Bedtime Book of Impossible Questions*, this book provides EVEN MORE answers to the weird, wonderful and sometimes downright dumbfounding questions that buzz around kids' brains at bedtime – covering topics such as philosophy, science, nature, animals, geography, culture and more. Isabel is a science writer, having written previously for magazines such as *The Week Junior Science + Nature* making her an expert at answering children's science questions! Her event includes live experiments and a big audience question section where she answers your wackiest science questions on the spot. This is a very interactive event and perfect for STEM enthusiasts and curious minds!

Bookbug in Gaelic

Session Times: 2.00pm – 2.45pm

Suitable Age: 0 – 2

Cost: FREE (Drop in)

Come along and join in some Gaelic Bookbug fun and get a chance to meet Bookbug!

Ruth Millington
This Book will make you an Artist!

Session Times: 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Suitable Age: 6+

Cost: £3

Learn how to create a Cubist collage like Pablo Picasso or make an abstract mobile like Hilma af Klint with Ruth Millington as she shares her new book *This Book Will Make You an Artist* – an inspiring introduction to 25 artists from around the world. Combining fascinating art facts with the creativity and excitement of a craft session, this super interactive and inspiring event will have kids keen to pick up their pencils, get creative and leave with their very own masterpiece!

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Session Times: 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Suitable Age: 6+

Cost: FREE but ticketed

Come along and take part in celebrating 60 years of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* in this fun-filled interactive session. Crack some Willy Wonka codes and find some Golden Tickets! Sit and listen to some of this classic children's story retold by our library staff and get a chance to design what your own Wonka Sweetie wrapper would look like!

Jim Smith
My Big Fat Smelly Poo Diary

Session Times: 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Suitable Age: 7+

Cost: £3

Don't miss the chance to celebrate with global bestselling author and comics

creator Jim Smith as he launches his new full-colour graphic novel series, *My Big Fat Smelly Poo Diary*.

Join Jim as he introduces the hilarious and lovable characters, best friends Pedro, Olga, and Ozzy – AKA the Poopies – and follows them on a series of madcap, episodic adventures.

This highly interactive event will feature readings, draw-alongs, tips and tricks on crafting comics, and the chance to get your questions answered. Pencils at the ready, laughter guaranteed!

My Big Fat Smelly Poo Diary is brimming with friendship, fun, and absurdity – perfect for children aged 7 and up. Jim is the global bestselling author and illustrator of the *Barry Loser* book series which won the Roald Dahl Funny Prize. Jim has also won the Scholastic LOLLIES book award for *Future Ratboy*.

Kate Leiper
Draw Your Own Dragon

Session Times: 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Suitable Age: 7+

Cost: £3

Join Kate Leiper and have fun creating your very own dragon. Kate will share some of her hot tips on dragon drawing and introduce you to some of her amazing creature creations. So whether your dragon is a ferocious, fire-breathing beast or a masterfully mischievous monster, fire up your imagination and get ready to roar – Rrrraaaarrggghh!!!

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Welcome to the Wee Write Family Day Programme! Celebrating a decade of our much-loved Children's Book Festival, Wee Write Family Day 2024 continues to enthral, delight and capture the imagination of countless children in Glasgow and beyond.

As we celebrate our 10th birthday, we invite you to join us on another unforgettable journey through the pages of your favourite books with enchanting stories, thrilling adventures and captivating characters. Whether you are a seasoned bookworm or just at the beginning of your reading and literary journey, we have something for everyone to enjoy in this special 10th birthday festival edition.

So, what are you waiting for? We have a wide range of free and ticketed events for book lovers of all ages. Come join us and enjoy a magical day celebrating the joy of books and storytelling with lots of fun interactive workshops and activities.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Play, Talk, Read Bus

Session Times: 10.00am – 4.00pm

Suitable Age: 0 – 5

Cost: FREE (Drop in)

Jump aboard the 'Play, Talk, Read' bus to listen to stories, join in with rhymes and get involved in some messy play. Play, Talk, Read have lots of easy, fun ways to help your child be happier, learn more and enjoy a better start in life. It's just the ticket!



Mini Bricklaying presented to you by The Pipe Factory

Session Times: 10.45am – 11.45am & 2.45pm – 3.45pm

Suitable Age: 7+

Cost: FREE but ticketed

Join the team from The Pipe Factory to try your hand at REAL mini bricklaying – grab a trowel, mix your own cement and get building! Find out about lots of opportunities to take part in colourful heritage activities from The Pipe Factory in 2025.

Robert Tregoning

The Dress in the Window

Session Times: 10.45am – 11.45am

Suitable Age: 4+

Cost: £3

The Dress in the Window by Robert Tregoning is a joyous tale of boy meets dress. With art by acclaimed illustrator Pippa Curnick, this book tells the story of a young boy who falls in love with a sparkling red dress in the window of a charity shop and his efforts to raise enough money to buy it with the support of his mum and local community.

Join author Robert Tregoning for a story time event to celebrate self-expression and acceptance. With a reading from the book, drawing activities to spark a love of sustainability and some extra special choreography!

Meet Bookbug

Session Times: 10.00am – 10.45am & 3.00pm – 3.45pm

Suitable Age: 0 – 2

Cost: FREE (Drop in)

Come along and join in some Bookbug fun and get a chance to meet Bookbug!

Celebrating 25 wonderful years of the Gruffalo

Session Times: 10.00am – 11.00am & 12.30pm – 1.30pm

Suitable Age: 4+

Cost: FREE but ticketed

Return to the Deep Dark Wood where it first began.....

Celebrate 25 years of *The*

Gruffalo with a special birthday session at your favourite children's festival. Hear this much-loved classic retold by our library staff. Rediscover your love of this timeless story of the quick-witted mouse and everyone's favourite monster. So why not come along and take a stroll through the deep dark wood with your little reader in this interactive session.

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory – Coding Session

Session Times: 10.30am – 11.30am & 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Suitable Age: 8+

Cost: FREE but ticketed

The Oompa-Loompa's have hidden a new batch of golden tickets all over the Chocolate Factory as a practical joke. Charlie needs to find them all quickly while avoiding the factory's many dangers! Can you add the missing code blocks to finish our game and let him do this?

Meet Bookbug in Scots

Session Times: 11.15am – 12.00pm

Suitable Age: 0 – 2

Cost: FREE (Drop in)

Bring yer wee yins along fir a Scots Bookbug wi sangs, rhymes an stories. Abody's welcome, whether ye're a gallus Scots speaker or a wee feartie!



Helen Kellock

Out to Sea: Absent Friends Event

Session Times: 11.30am – 12.30pm

Suitable Age: Family Audience

Cost: FREE but ticketed

Join author and illustrator, Helen Kellock, as she reads from her picture book, *Out to Sea*. The story is a sensitive account of young girl's journey through loss, described by David Walliams as "one of the most gorgeous picture books he has ever seen." Helen will then lead a creative workshop inspired by the book, where children will create their own garlands decorated with sea creatures who represent people in their lives who love and care for them.

Steve Webb

Peng and Spanners

Session Times: 12.30pm – 1.30pm

Suitable Age: 7+

Cost: £3

Join the hilarious author and illustrator Steve Webb as he introduces your new favourite superheroes: a sarcastic penguin and a clever cat with a tool belt. *Peng and Spanners* investigate the craziest pizza mystery ever and then defeat evil pig Mr Big in this brand-new graphic novel series. Learn how to draw the characters and create your very own graphic novel comic strips.

Expect laughter and mayhem!

Gillebride MacMillan – Paddington agus longantas na Nollaige

Session Times: 12.30pm – 1.30pm

Suitable Age: For all the Family

Cost: FREE but ticketed

Thig cuide ri Gillebride Mac'IlleMhaoil is e a' leughadh an leabhar *Paddington Gàidhlig* as ùire, *Paddington agus longantas na Nollaige*.

Nuair a thèid Clann 'Ic 'IlleDhuinn gu Grotto na Nollaige ann am bùth mhòr ann an Lunnainn, tha a shlighe tro Fhèill a' Gheamhraidh loma-làn iongantasan.

Ach 's ann bho Bhodach na Nollaige a tha an t-iongantas as fheàrr. Co-dhiù, cò eile a gheibheadh am preusant a b' fheàrr do mhathan leithid Paddington?

Join Gillebride MacMillan as he reads from the newest Gaelic *Paddington* book, *Paddington agus longantas na Nollaige (Paddington and the Christmas Surprise)*.

When the Browns take *Paddington* to the Christmas Grotto in a grand London department store, his journey through the Winter Wonderland is full of surprises. But the best surprise is from Santa. After all, who else could find the perfect present for a bear like *Paddington*?

