

MEET THE author VIRTUAL



KIRSTY APPLEBAUM



**From 7 June and available until 22
October 2021**

Kirsty Applebaum was born in Essex and grew up roaming around the churchyards and butterfly fields of Hampshire. Since then, she has had a wide range of jobs including bookselling, railway re-signalling, picking stones off conveyor belts and teaching Pilates. In February 2017 Kirsty graduated from Bath Spa University with an MA in Writing for Young People. She is now a full-time writer and lives with her husband on top of a hill in Winchester, not far from the butterfly fields that influenced the setting of her first novel, *The Middler* (which won the 2016 United Agents Prize for Most Promising Writing for Young People). Kirsty's next novel, *The Life and Time of Lonny Quicke*, is due to be published on 6th May 2021.

Audience Yr 6/7/8



Meet the Author aims to support literacy and to inspire children's reading and writing by giving them the opportunity to meet some of the very best and most popular authors writing for children today. Our virtual event will also offer children the chance to buy books signed by the author via the independent bookseller P&G Wells. <http://www.bookwells.co.uk/>

In order to participate and ask a question in our Meet the Author Virtual event, you will need to register and submit your questions by the 23 April 2021. Each School will have a chance to ask up to 5 questions and a form will be sent out upon registration. We guarantee at least 1 question from each school will be answered by the author. We regret that schools signing up after this time will not be able to submit a question but will still be able to enjoy the author's presentation. Please see booking instructions below.

Prices

The price is £50 per school per author. Your school will be given access to our Meet the Author Moodle Page where you can view your chosen Meet the Author video whenever it suits your timetable. The Video will be available from 7 June until 22 October 2021 and can be viewed numerous times.

Booking Instructions

- Complete a registration form via this link: [SLS Meet The Author Registration Form](#)
- We will then send you a link to the questionnaire
- The full fee will be taken via journal transfer before the 7 June, using cost code 4540. For academies, an invoice will be sent.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call SLS HQ on **01962 826660** or send an email to SLS.events@hants.gov.uk.