

MEET THE author VIRTUAL



ROSS MONTGOMERY

**Available from 15 November 2021
until 18 February 2022**



Ross Montgomery has always loved reading and telling stories and spent much of his childhood writing detective stories on an old typewriter. After graduating, he tried his hand as both a pig farmer and postman before deciding to become a primary school teacher. It was during this time that he published his first book, *Alex, the Dog and the Unopenable Door*, which was shortlisted for the Costa Children's Book Award. Since then, he has written a further 15 books – the most recent of which, *The Chime Seekers*, will be published in November. Now a full-time writer, Ross particularly enjoys working in noisy, busy places; but recently has been writing more from his London home, where he lives with his girlfriend, a cat called Fun Bobby and many, many cactuses!

Audience Yr 4/5/6

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 via the independent bookseller P&G Wells: [P&G Wells Bookshop UK](https://www.pg-wells.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 15 October 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 15 November 2021 until 18 February 2022 and can be viewed numerous times.

Booking Instructions

- Complete a registration form via this link: [SLS Meet The Author Registration Form](https://www.sls-hants.gov.uk/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 15 November, 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.