Dear Headteacher,

I am the co-author of a series of children's books called Badger the Mystical Mutt www.badgerthemysticalmutt.com

We are currently on tour with our character all over the UK, and after successful visits to over 500 schools, we are able to offer East Renfrewshire primary schools the chance to meet Badger and enjoy a FREE author session during end of August and start of September.

We have slots available from 20th August till 11th September (mornings or afternoons) .

Please see below for further information on our visits.

Myself and co-author, Laura Jackson, have toured hundreds of primary schools in the past few years and feedback from teachers has been that when pupils engage with our costume character (a 6ft furry dog called Badger) then it inspires reluctant readers to read.

The visit is entirely free and lasts around 45 mins. It is suited to 5-9 year olds (P1- 4). We can read to anything from 50 to 300 children at one time. All we require from you is an assembly hall/gym/library/dining area to accommodate the classes, a screen/projector facility, a room nearby for Badger to change and a cd player.

We also provide you with a note to parents and an order form should any of the children wish to purchase a signed, discounted book on the day. This is entirely optional for parents, and all we ask, and it is a condition of us being able to offer this session for free, is that you distribute it ahead of our visit. We usually run our morning sessions at 9.30am and afternoons at 1.30pm.

We also donate a set of five books to your school library, so that all children, regardless of whether they have purchased a copy, can access Badger's stories.

Press reviews, pictures and testimonials are all available on Badger's website www.badgerthemysticalmutt.com as is a free activity pack download. Badger has recently been optioned for TV animation, so you can expect to see a lot of him in the future. We've also participated in many book festivals (including Islay, Wigtown, Aye Write, Off the Page, Encounters, Booked and Tidelines). We've worked with councils throughout the UK and have full disclosure.

I look forward to hearing from you if you would like to book a session.

With badgical magical wishes

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