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Tuesday 11 February 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

AUTHOR VISIT TUESDAY 25 FEB 2025 - PHILIPPA GREGORY

We are delighted to have been given the opportunity for your daughter to meet the internationally acclaimed, multi-award-winning author Philippa Gregory on Tuesday 25 February. She will be talking about her latest book, *Normal Women: Making History for 900 Years*, which has been adapted for teen readers.

The talk will take place during the school day from 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM and is free of charge. Students will have the opportunity to purchase books online beforehand at a discounted rate via Our Bookshop, and any books purchased using the following link will be delivered to the school on the day. There will also be a book signing at the end of the event and sometime beforehand too.

https://www.ourbookshoptring.co.uk/product/normal-women-making-history-for-900-years/

More about the author

Philippa Gregory is one of the world's most renowned historical novelists, best known for her bestselling novels *The Other Boleyn Girl*, *The White Queen*, and many more. She has spent decades bringing historical figures to life through fiction and, with *Normal Women*, turns her attention to the real, unsung women of history.

Her writing is celebrated for its meticulous historical research and ability to bring the past vividly to life. Normal Women explores the stories of ordinary English women - farmers, pirates, writers, soldiers, rebels, and more - who have shaped history but were largely left out of the history books. The book is illustrated throughout by award-winning printmaker Alexis Snell.

How to purchase a copy

To take advantage of the special offer available for this event, please order *Normal Women* via Our Bookshop before Monday 24 February. Purchased copies will be delivered to the school on the day for students to collect. There will also be an option to buy books on the day of the visit, with card payments preferred.

This is a fantastic opportunity for students to hear from a celebrated author about her research, writing process, and the hidden stories of women in history.

Yours sincerely

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