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Children's Programme

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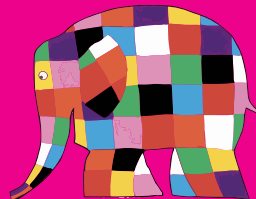


Saturday 20 April

10am | Cambridge Union, TTP Stage | Ages 3+ | £7

Elmer the Patchwork Elephant with Mama G

Come and meet Elmer. David McKee's beloved Elmer celebrates 35 years of being a nursery favourite, brought to life by Panto Dame Mama G! Elmer is different. Elmer is patchwork. The grey elephants all love him, but he soon starts to wonder what it would be like to be just the same as them... little readers will love this classic tale.



12pm | Palmerston Room | Ages 8+ | £7

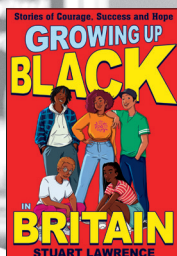
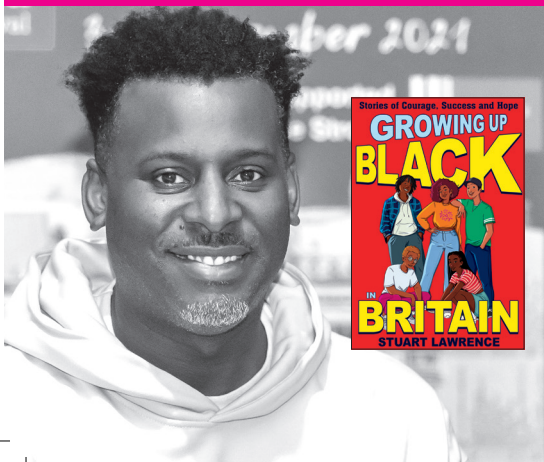
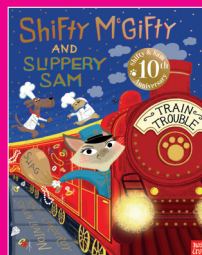
Kiran Millwood Hargrave & Tom de Freston *Leila and the Blue Fox*

Join bestselling author Kiran Millwood Hargrave and award-winning artist Tom de Freston as they take you on a journey deep into the sea, across the icy tundra, and beyond... *Leila and the Blue Fox* is an enchanting book, and is inspired by the breathtaking true story of a fox who walked 2,000 miles across the ice.

2pm | Palmerston Room | Ages 4+ | £7

Steven Lenton & Tracey Corderoy

Everyone's favourite baking doggy duo Shifty McGifty and Slippery Sam are back for a new adventure! Join Tracey Corderoy and Steven Lenton for a fantastic event about these robber dogs turned crime-solving baking duo! Expect interactive storytelling and live illustration, as they bring their latest book to life.



4pm | Palmerston Room | Ages 10+ | £7

Stuart Lawrence

Growing Up Black in Britain

What is it like to grow up Black or Black dual heritage in Britain? Stuart Lawrence, brother of Stephen Lawrence, talks to seven inspirational figures about their childhood experiences, as well as sharing insight into his own. *Growing Up Black in Britain* is a collection of courageous, thought-provoking, and ultimately hopeful pieces set to educate and inspire young people.

Sunday 21 April

10am | Palmerston Room | Ages 3+ | £7
Fiona Lumbers & Joseph Coelho

The award-winning Children's Laureate presents the next book in the 'Luna Loves' series, alongside illustrator Fiona Lumbers. Luna is wowed by her local community garden, there are squashes and runner beans, potatoes and tomatoes and even an apple tree. Each plant hides a story. Grandpa and Nana show her the Callaloo their family grew in Jamaica.



12pm | Palmerston Room | Ages 5+ | £7
Alex T Smith

5,4,3,2,1...are you ready for lift off with author illustrator Alex T Smith and his brand new series

Astrid and the Space Cadets? Join Alex as he introduces Astrid Atomic, a 6 year old, who goes to bed every night just like every other 6 year old. But unlike other 6 year olds she doesn't stay there. As soon as the Space Cadet siren goes off, WHOOSH she blasts off on board the spaceship Stardust.



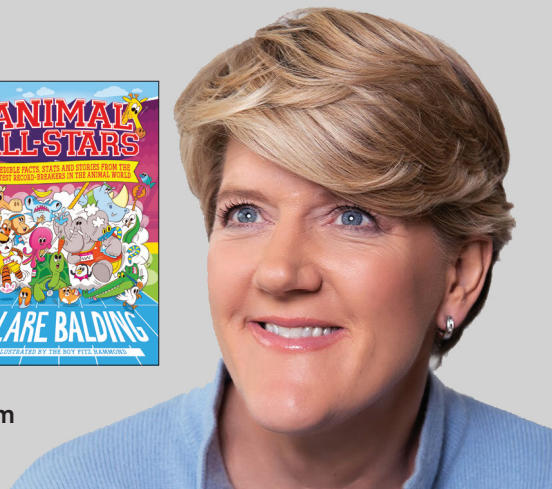
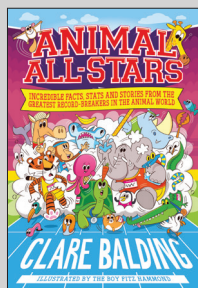
2pm | Palmerston Room | Ages 8+ | £7
Joseph Coelho *Fairy Tales Gone Bad*

Join Waterstones Children's Laureate Joseph Coelho for a spookily fun (and at times gruesome!) event as he introduces everyone to the world of *Fairy Tales Gone Bad* and his characters Zombierella, Frankenstiltskin, and Creeping Beauty – mwahahaha! Children will delight as Joseph brings to life his characters and their dastardly deeds, and be inspired with his tales as a poet and a writer. With the help of this master storyteller, children will have the confidence to take on their own creative challenges.



4pm | Palmerston Room | Ages 7+ | £7
Clare Balding
Animal All Stars

Join bestselling children's author, presenter, and commentator Clare Balding as she shares her hilarious guide to the animal kingdom. Discover the earth's most fascinating animals, animal facts, stats and world records as animals go head-to-head in the animal all-stars competition. Ideal for all children who love animals.



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