



Funtastic Tales

STORIES, GAMES and DRAMA

Funtastic Tales is all about encouraging children to develop their imagination creatively. It is about nurturing children's own natural ability to create stories and place themselves within them. Through these activities children develop their confidence, social skills and communication abilities. Ultimately we hope that children will develop an awareness of self-presentation and want to take on the challenge of performance.

At Balcombe School, Funtastic Tales will be running a weekly Drama club for years 3-6 on a Tuesday after school 3.15-4.25. A few keen younger children and siblings are sometimes permitted following discussion with Helen. The sessions will involve lots of confidence building drama games which are designed to develop children's ability to think, react and move quickly with control. We will also do plenty of 'in role' work, developing their abilities to create characters and situations while working collaboratively. Finally, we will develop their acting skills, performing to the rest of the group and evaluating what makes performances work well. The last few weeks of each term is usually dedicated to developing a performance to be shown to parents and in a school assembly to show-case their learning. We want to develop children's confidence and this is where having a go at performing is a brilliant, however, children will have a choice about the size of a role they take on in performance and will not be forced to do more than they are comfortable to. This term we intend to finish with a scripted version of 'A Christmas Carol' (Scrooge).

Sessions will begin on Tuesday September 10th and run until Tuesday Dec 10th 2019.

'Funtastic Tales' is run by Helen Savage who has been a trained Drama teacher (11-18) for many years, having gained a BA, MA and PGCE in the subject. Helen has also worked as an actor, primarily with children's theatre companies. Through 'Funtastic Tales' she runs both birthday parties and storytelling events for infant-junior age children.

I wish my child _____ to take part in Funtastic Tales Drama club

Child's year group: _____ Class: _____

Emergency contact number for this time (Tuesdays 3.20-4.20) _____

Please detail any allergies: _____

Delete as appropriate: Child walks home/will be usually collected by _____

Total cost for the 13 weeks will be £52. Please make cheques payable to Helen Savage, cash also accepted in a marked envelope to the office or at end of the first club session.

Signed _____ Name _____ Date _____