



**Moorside  
High School**  
*Enriching Lives, Inspiring Ambitions*

April 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

As a result of your son/daughter continuously demonstrating a dedication to their English lessons by always aspiring to do their very best and showing our CARE values throughout the lessons, I am delighted to inform you that they have been selected to undertake an exciting opportunity within the English department. We have been able to secure funding for a renowned and published author, Danielle Jawando, to come into school and lead on a creative writing course for three consecutive Fridays - 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> May from 3pm until 5pm.

Danielle Jawando is an author, screenwriter and Lecturer in Creative Writing at Manchester Metropolitan University. Her debut YA novel, 'And the Stars Were Burning Brightly', won best senior novel in the Great Reads Award and was shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize, the YA Book Prize, the Jhalak Children's & YA Prize, the Branford Boase Award and was longlisted for the CILIP Carnegie Medal, the UKLA Book Awards and the Amazing Book Awards. Her previous publications include the non-fiction children's book Maya Angelou (Little Guides to Great Lives), the short stories Paradise 703 (long-listed for the Finishing Line Press Award) and The Deerstalker (selected as one of six finalists for the We Need Diverse Books short story competition), as well as several short plays performed in Manchester and London. Her second YA novel, 'When Our Worlds Collided,' was published this year. Danielle has also worked on Coronation Street as a storyline writer.

The benefits of attending the sessions include:

- Boost confidence in public speaking
- Enhance writing skills that can be used at GCSE in all subjects
- Combating lost learning time due to absence

Following these sessions, students will be invited to attend a showcase in June at Salford Library with an undisclosed guest speaker. At this event, they will be given the opportunity to share their favourite writing piece from the workshops, along with this they will also be given the chance to discover the endless benefits of a library and what it has to offer.

I really hope you and your child take advantage of this amazing opportunity.

As this course is running on a Friday from 3pm until 5pm, it is vital we have permission for your child to attend. During these sessions we will be providing food and drinks, if your child has any allergies or dietary requirement please detail them in the reply slip below.

Yours faithfully

Miss L Tallow  
Teacher of English

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**Creative Writing Workshops**

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_ Form: \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my child to attend the English faculty creative writing workshops between 3pm - 5pm on

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022 ☐

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022 ☐

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2022 ☐

Please tick to confirm you are happy for your child to attend.

Does your child have any allergies or dietary requirements? Yes/No\* \*please delete

If yes, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

My child will be:

Collected at 5pm ☐

Allowed to make their own way home at 5pm ☐

Parent/Carer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

***Please return this reply slip to Miss Tallow***

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