



# Backwell School

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Dear Parent/Carer

## Year 7 Author Visit by Christopher Edge

Backwell School Library is hosting an event for all Year 7 students on Tuesday, 23 January with author Christopher Edge.

Christopher grew up in Manchester where he spent most of his childhood in the local library dreaming up stories, but before becoming a writer he worked as an English teacher and editor.



Christopher will be promoting his books *All the Worlds of Albie Bright* and *The Jamie Drake Equation*, which are family stories but with an interesting scientific twist. They are told with warmth and humour but, as so often with a comedy, tragedy lies just below the surface. Of Albie, writer and broadcaster Samira Ahmed commented, "Christopher Edge's warm hearted writing sucks you in from the start with a sparkling take on parallel worlds, fuelled by a delightfully fresh understanding of quantum physics and a fearless ability to take on life, loss and dreaming big while never talking down to his readers".

Christopher is also going to run a writing workshop on **How to create a good beginning for a story** and we are giving away free tickets to those who choose to attend. This will be in Period 3 after his presentation to the whole year group. We will also be selling his two books to support this work. **Students can buy the books, signed by Christopher, on the day. They will need to bring £5/£6.99 or a cheque, made payable to 'Lighthouse Schools Partnership', please.** The school Library also has copies of all Christopher's books for students to borrow.

You can find out more about Christopher on his website, [www.christopheredge.co.uk](http://www.christopheredge.co.uk). I hope that your son/daughter enjoys meeting a real author and that the event encourages his or her reading and writing further.

Yours sincerely

A Gibson  
Librarian

