

## **Bishop's Hatfield Girls' School**

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are delighted to be welcoming author & Everest summiteer, MATT DICKINSON, on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February.

Matt Dickinson asked for a pair of mountain boots for his tenth birthday and has never looked back! He will introduce us to his life of adventure as an award winning Director/Cameraman for National Geographic TV, Discovery Channel and the BBC. During his action-packed career he has worked with some of the great characters from the world of adventure: Bear Grylls, Judy Leden and Brian Blessed. He has filmed on Everest's summit (the first British film maker to do so and get back alive), in Antarctica, Greenland, Alaska and on top of the highest live volcano in the world. Matt shows dramatic images from Everest, Antarctica, Africa, Central Asia and the Arctic, bringing his intrepid adventures alive. Matt will share how these experiences have inspired his writing as he reads exciting extracts from *The Everest Files* trilogy, the *Mortal Chaos* series and *Lie, Kill, Walk Away*.

All students in Years 7, 8 and 9 will have the opportunity to meet Matt and get books signed and personalised. Matt is the author of several acclaimed YA novels, including the trilogies *The Everest Files* and *Mortal Chaos, Lie Kill Walk Away* and his adult fiction titles *The Death Zone* and *Black Ice*.

His books will be available to purchase at discounted rates on the day. If you would like your daughter to be able to buy a book, please ensure that she has enough money to do so. Of course, pupils are under no obligation to buy books but we do want to alert you to this opportunity in order to avoid disappointment. Often pupils are very inspired to read the author's book after such a visit and this is a unique opportunity for them to have books signed and personally dedicated.

Research shows that author events in schools inspire children and help them on their journey to a love of reading. We hope your daughter will benefit greatly from this visit.

Yours sincerely,

<b>Mrs S</b> Senior I	<b>Roth</b> .ibrarian	<b>Mrs H Allcock</b> Librarian	
The Everest Files (book 1)	£7	Lie Kill Walk Away	£6
North Face (The Everest Files Book 2)	£7	The Death Zone	£11
Killer Storm (The Everest Files Book 3	) £6	Black Ice	£9
Mortal Chaos (book 1)	£7		
Deep Oblivion (Mortal Chaos Book 2)	£6		
Speed Freaks (Mortal Chaos Book 3)	£6		

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