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Dear Parents/Carers

At Urchfont Primary School, we know we have a lot of wonderful story writers and we are keen to show off their skills to the world! To inspire the children to write, we would like to encourage the children to have a go at writing a story at home, which we would then enter into the BBC Radio 2 story writing competition. Full details of the competition can be found at www.bbc.co.uk/500words.

The winner of the competition will win Radio 2 presenter Chris Evans' height in books (1.88m). They will also win 500 books for the school library. Runners up will also receive prizes and all finalists will be invited to the award ceremony. The winning stories will be read aloud by celebrities and will be published on the BBC website.

This is an exciting opportunity for the children to explore their story writing skills alone without worrying about spelling or grammar as the competition is only judged on:

- originality;
- plot;
- characterisation;
- language;
- enjoyment.

In order for us to submit the stories we will need to enter the children's name and age alongside their work. Your child's name would also be published on the BBC website if they were chosen as a finalist.

If you would like your child to take part you will need to return the necessary permission form which can be obtained from Mrs Adams, office staff or downloaded from the school website. If you have any questions or would like further information please speak to Mrs Adams.

