



HUMPHREY PERKINS SCHOOL

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17 September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are pleased to offer a group of students in Year 10 the opportunity to attend the annual **Phil. Lit. Lecture** hosted by The Cedars Academy. This event is always a highlight of the academic calendar and gives students the chance to hear from an inspiring speaker and engage with ideas beyond the classroom.

Your child has been invited to attend as they have demonstrated strong academic potential and would benefit from this exciting opportunity.

The event is free to attend including transport costs to the venue, and details are as follows:

- **EVENT:** Phil Lit Lecture
- **SPEAKER:** Dr George McGavin
- **TALK TITLE:** *It's a Wild Life: Tales from Television*
- **DATE:** Tuesday 22nd September 2026
- **VENUE:** PTC, The Cedars Academy
- **LECTURE START TIME:** 1.30pm
- **LECTURE FINISH TIME:** Approximately 2.30pm to 2.45pm
- **TRAVEL DETAILS:** students will travel by school bus leaving school at 12.45pm and returning to school at approximately 3pm. Parents/ carers will need to arrange for safe travel home from school.

This year's speaker, **Dr George McGavin**, will share stories from his careers in both academia and television, exploring his lifelong fascination with wildlife and the natural world. He will discuss his journey from zoologist and university researcher to award-winning broadcaster, and why his passion for nature remains strong despite the environmental challenges facing the world today.





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There will also be an opportunity for students to ask questions following the lecture, making this a fantastic chance to hear directly from a leading expert and communicator.

Students have been selected because we feel they will particularly benefit from the experience, and we hope the event will inspire them to continue pursuing their academic interests both in and beyond school.

If you are happy for your child to attend, please complete and return the reply slip below by **Friday 18th September**.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

Alys Miller

Team Leader





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'Phil Lit Lecture'

Tuesday 22nd September 2026

Name of Child_____

I do /do not give my permission for my daughter/son to participate in the 'Phil Lit Lecture' event.

Please complete as applicable:

- My child will attend the Phil Lit Lecture on Tuesday 22nd September and I am aware we will return to school after 3pm.
- I have arranged for my child's safe travel home from school.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Person with legal responsibility for child named above

Please complete and return by Friday 18th September 2026 to the Admin Office.

