

Hello

I hope your summer term is going well and this newsletter helps you develop reading for pleasure with the children you work with.

Thank you for your support!
Tom

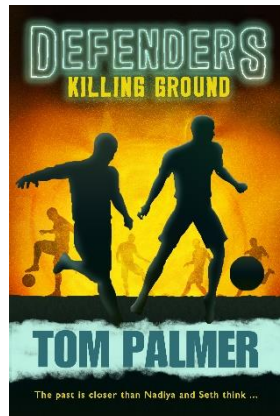
NEW Defenders Series

Spine-tingling, spooky football adventures – the past is closer than Nadiya and Seth think. Published by Barrington Stoke

Book 1 – [Killing Ground](#) out NOW!

Book 2 – [Dark Arena](#) out August 2017

Book 3 – [Pitch Invasion](#) out November 2017



And each book ties into a KS2 history theme:

- Iron Age Celts
- Roman Britain
- Vikings and Anglo-Saxons

Read the first chapter [here](#)

More on the series [here](#)

Historical Fiction author visits

I am now taking bookings from January 2018 for author visits.

As well as featuring sport, some of my books are also set in KS2 & 3 history periods including :

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TESTIMONIALS

- **The Iron Age** – Read [Defenders : Pitch Invasion](#)
- **Romans** – Read [Defenders : Dark Arena](#)
- **Anglo Saxons / Vikings** – Read [Defenders : Killing Ground](#)
- **Medieval England** – Read [Secret FC](#)
- **First World War** – Read [Flyboy & Over the Line](#)
- **Second World War** – Read [Spitfire](#)



I will be offering school workshops on linking literacy to all those periods. Find out more here: <http://tompalmer.co.uk/historical-fiction-author-visits/>

I will still be offering my popular Football and Rugby Reading Games, here: <http://tompalmer.co.uk/schools-librarians/author-visits/>.

NLT toolkit & Anne Frank live story for UEFA Women's EUROs



During July I will be working with the National Literacy Trust offering free literacy resources and a 'live' story featuring the tournament based in Holland and an Anne Frank related storyline.

More info: <http://www.literacytrust.org.uk/sport-and-literacy/football-and-literacy/the-fa-literacy-resources>

Email admin@tompalmer.co.uk to get a reminder of when it all kicks off.

Patron of Reading

"Over the Line is a stunning look at the life of a real footballer who fought in the First World War as a member of the Footballers' Battalion and was the first of the modern professional footballers. It's not exclusively for those with dyslexia but it's as good as a book gets if you do suffer." **Bookbag**

"I have been downloading Tom's fantastic episodic story from the Literacy Trust website. I just wanted to drop him a line to tell him how brilliantly his story is going down at our school. Every morning I have children, particularly the boys, running up to me to check that I have downloaded and printed out the latest chapter of the story. The feedback from all the teachers is really positive, they tell me that it has really captured the boys imaginations and is encouraging them to read too! " **Lucy Bakewell, SLA School Librarian of the Year**

"I feel the moral aspects will help us deal with the various issues that can occur with young boys as they settle into secondary education." **Pennaeth Cynorthwyol / Assistant Head, Ysgol Rhiwabon**

"As a parent, I just wanted to say thanks for the [Football Academy series](#). My 10 year old son had never read a whole book from start to finish until he discovered Boys United. He rattled through that so I bought Striking Out two days ago and he's nearly finished it already. Roll on the rest of the series!" **Sarah**

My year as Patron of Reading (for students, staff and families) at Trinity School Carlisle and Newcastle School for Boys has been an exciting mix of activities, assemblies, parents evenings and it comes to end in July.

I am now looking for two schools to be patron of in 2017-18. I would love to work with one school around the theme of history – perhaps a school with an exciting Saxon, Iron Age or Roman site nearby. And, I would also like to work with a school on the build up to the FIFA World Cup in June/July 2018.

If you'd like to apply for me to be your school's Patron of Reading for 2017-2018, please do email me admin@tompalmer.co.uk

20% off all my books

Rosie Hill is an independent book seller with over 20 years experience of selling to schools. She offers competitive 20% discounts on all books, free next day delivery (orders over £150) and can advise on buying fiction and non fiction books.

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We do try to keep a tidy database but please accept our apologies if this has accidentally been cross-posted.

Best wishes and thanks again for keeping in touch.

Thank you for reading.
Tom Palmer

"Credited with turning book-phobic boys into page-turning maniacs"

Sunday Telegraph

"The work of this author is making a valuable contribution to improving pupils' writing." **Ofsted**

"The stuff available from the Tom Palmer website is fantastic"

Friends' School Saffron Walden

"Guerilla reading motivation at its finest" **Jim Sells, National Literacy Trust**

"I received the pack that you sent me today. Thank you very much. The books look really interesting. In fact, we have already had some interest from the boys! The posters will really brighten up our displays "

Sir Graham Balfour School.

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