

The Friends of the Dorothy Neal White Collection
invite you to a talk by

Eirlys Hunter

Reality vs Fantasy in Children's Fiction

When Eirlys Hunter finished her first Junior fiction manuscript in 1997, a publisher rejected it on the grounds that 'children don't want fantasy, there's no demand for it.' JK Rowling soon proved that publisher wrong, and since then there's been an explosion in fiction for children that is set in worlds that diverge from the reality of their lived experience. Why is this?

In this informal talk Eirlys Hunter will discuss what fantasy is, and speculate on what fantasy can offer readers (and writers) that realism cannot.



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5.30 pm for drinks and nibbles, 6.00 pm talk

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