

**NEWBRIDGE COLLEGE LIBRARY
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ACADEMIC YEAR 25/26**



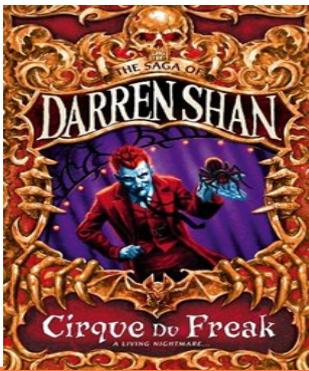
Celebrating 25 Years of 'Cirque du Freak' with the author, Darren Shan

Darren Shan (real name Darren O'Shaughnessy) is the bestselling Irish author of *Cirque du Freak*, first published in 2000 and now celebrating its 25th anniversary. The book launched *The Saga of Darren Shan*, a thrilling series that has captivated millions of readers worldwide.



We're excited to welcome Darren to our school on December 5th for our "One Book, One School, One Community" event. Every student will receive a complimentary copy of *Cirque du Freak* and a reading schedule.

Parents are invited to read along too — a chance to share stories, spark conversations, and celebrate this exciting 25th anniversary together!



Special Q&A with Leaving Cert. author, Donal Ryan

We're delighted to announce that acclaimed Irish writer Donal Ryan, Leaving Certificate author of *The Spinning Heart*, will be visiting our school in March 2026. Donal will host a very special Q&A session with our senior students, giving them the unique opportunity to hear directly from the author about his award-winning debut novel, its themes, and his writing process.

This event is part of our library's programme of events and promises to be an inspiring and memorable experience for all.

