

Book Bites

Tasty morsels from Norfolk School Library Service

September 2014

Welcome back!

After all that lovely sunshine, we hope you are relaxed and raring to go with an exciting new curriculum! If you're new to school – hello! The School Library Service is here to support you in your teaching. If you want to check how many tokens your school may have, just give us a call as we are very happy to have a chat and discuss your needs and how best to satisfy them. All Norfolk to Good and Great schools have tokens.

Artefact boxes

How about giving your class topic a bit of extra wow-factor this term with an artefact box? It will include book resources as well as some appropriate artefacts, or you can use them for creative writing. We currently have a wide variety available for loan – get in touch with us to see what we have. Each artefact box is priced at 1 SLS token, the same as a project.



Our latest winner!

Congratulations to Robert Whalen from Wensum Junior School who won our project evaluation draw last term. He told us his project box on Anglo Saxons and light '*allowed children to access quality texts linked to their topics*'. Watch this space for the next lucky winner of £50 worth of brand new lovely books for the school library...

World Wide Reading from the World Wide Web

The website www.outsideinworld.co.uk looks at books in translation, interesting and helpful for making sure we make inclusive choices. It is also useful because of the new national curriculum's statutory requirement to increase familiarity with '*books from other cultures and traditions*'.

Supporting your Professional Development

Take a look overleaf for this term's INSET courses. We have sessions on how to get the best out of your library management system, how to manage your library for best value while making it a vibrant and exciting environment...plus a new twilight session on ways to use poetry resources in the new curriculum, with the opportunity to choose and borrow some poetry from our large stock. Why not display the list in your staff room for all to see?



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SLS Autumn Term INSET Programme 2014

Here is our programme of primary INSET for the 2014 Autumn term. We are offering several new courses, a number of which are twilight sessions taking place after school hours. All our INSET is designed to support the requirements of the new National Curriculum and is flexible enough to suit any curriculum. For details and dates of our free training for Governors, please get in touch.

Blogging in the Classroom Wednesday 1st October 4.15-6pm, County Hall	A twilight session for Literacy Co-ordinators and Key Stage 2 teachers and TA's to advise how to create and maximise the use of a school reading blog to engage children creatively with reading and writing. Cost: 1 SLS Token.
Playing with Poetry in the New Curriculum Tuesday 7th October 4.15-6pm, County Hall	A twilight course for Literacy Co-ordinators and Key Stage 2 teachers and TA's in which delegates will learn how to develop creative ideas for using and promoting poetry for pleasure. Cost: 1 SLS Token.
Making the Most of Junior Librarian Thursday 16th October 9am-12noon, County Hall	A half-day INSET course to help your school get maximum value from the full range of features of the library management software. This course is for users of the Junior 3 version of the system – for training on the .net version or alternative stock management methods, please contact the SLS office. Cost: 1 SLS Token.
Fairy Tales for Key Stage 1 Tuesday 21st October 4.15-6pm, County Hall	A twilight course for Literacy Co-ordinators and Key Stage 1 teachers and TA's looking at ways in which Fairy Tales can be explored through drama. Cost: 1 SLS Token.
Love your Library Wednesday 22nd October 9am-12noon, County Hall.	A half day course for staff responsible for the vision and budget of the school library, considering in depth how the library should support the new curriculum. Cost: 1 SLS Token.
Love your Library: West Wednesday 5th November 9am-12noon, Greyfriars Primary School, King's Lynn	The same format as the session taking place at County Hall in October, this course may appeal to those schools located in the west of the county who would find it easier to travel to King's Lynn. Cost: 1 SLS Token.
Promoting Reading for Pleasure using Accelerated Reader Friday 7th November 9am-4pm, County Hall Annexe	A full day course for Literacy leaders and High School Librarians led by trainer Bev Humphrey. Make sure your library continues to function 'organically', effectively promoting reading for pleasure across a wide range of books and formats complementing AR in your school. Cost: 2 SLS Tokens.

For additional information or to book a place on any of the INSET courses, please contact our office. We will email you a booking form to complete and return via email, fax, or post.

Please get in touch so we can add you to our mailing list to receive SLS news or information by email directly.

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