Book Bites

Tasty morsels from Norfolk School Library Service

October 2014

New Curriculum

How is that new curriculum going? We keep up with the publishers' latest titles, by ordering new books every fortnight for our stock. So if you are struggling to keep up with the demands of the new curriculum, do get in touch to see if we can help with a resource box. We even have a tiny model of Stonehenge...

Successful summer reading

Norfolk Libraries have had an a-mazing summer with the Mythical Maze Summer Reading Challenge Over 11,000 children across Norfolk signed up for the challenge to read 6 books during the summer holidays. A record number read 6 and in some cases many more. We know of one 6 year old who read 125 books, with lots of children becoming Super Achievers by reading up to 20 books!

Thank you to all schools for promoting the challenge to pupils and encouraging them to visit their local library during the summer. We will be in touch in 2015 with details of next year's challenge – we are expecting a record breaking summer again.

In the meantime the Summer Reading Challenge website is now available all year round: www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk - a great place to find new reading ideas, games, chat and much more.

Autumn term INSET	
Love your Library Wednesday 22nd October 9am-12noon, County Hall.	A half day course for primary 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 above, 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 KS2/3 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.

Puffin book competition

A Puffin Book: Schools Cover Design Competition 2014

Puffin says: Are your students jam-packed with juicy ideas, overflowing with imagination and fizzing with creative firecrackery? Design a new book cover for a favourite Puffin story (including Stig of the Dump and Goodnight Mr Tom) and win £100 worth of books!

The deadline for entries is 24th November 2014. For useful teachers' resources and details of how to enter, go to: http://www.puffin.co.uk/static/puffinplayground/winwin/lifetime/



Cracking the Code conference!

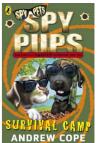
We are finalising the details of our exciting conference taking place next spring:

Cracking the Code: A Detective-themed Conference

for KS2 teachers/TAs to inspire Reading for Pleasure across the curriculum.



The day will include workshops with practical ideas and inspiring sessions from well-known authors including:





Sally Gardner
Andrew Cope
H L Dennis
Kate Pankhurst





Plus:

Forensic Science workshops by Pulse CSI and an Archaeology workshop from the Museum Service



Date: Monday 2nd March 2015

Venue: Green Britain Centre, Swaffham

Time: 9am - 3.30pm

Cost: 2 SLS Tokens - lunch and other refreshments provided

For more information and details of how to reserve a place, please contact our office using the usual details below.

If your school is part of the Norfolk To Good and Great (N2GG) initiative, get in touch as you may have tokens you can use!

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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