Book Bites

Tasty morsels from Norfolk School Library Service

Please pin this up in your staff room!

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School Library Service: who are we?

We are a very friendly bunch who will help any school with their tasks and challenges related to libraries, information skills and reading for pleasure provision.

Why not come and visit us any time in office hours, and we will be more than happy to show you around, set you free with a trolley amongst the books, and of course offer a welcoming cup of tea. Or pick up the phone and give us a ring. Between us we have loads of expertise and experience in teaching, book knowledge, library organisation, guidance for teachers – and the passion to want to help you pass it on to your pupils.



Reminder – academy early bird period ends soon!

Academies! To get the service you want at our excellent value 'Early Bird' price of £70 a token, make sure your contract is agreed by 31.10.15. Just get in touch with us at the SLS base to find out more. Details of services offered are also on the SLA Online website: s4s.norfolk.gov.uk/. This is how all services can be purchased from Norfolk County Council. For 2015-16 there is an extra 'Early Bird' offer - each school who purchases a mobile visit will receive a free SLS token.

Come along to our Conference! Language is Power – March 10th 2016

This conference explores the importance of language across the curriculum, as well as Reading for Pleasure. During the day there will be talks that focus on reading, writing, poetry, storytelling AND Shakespeare. Come along and hear from this year's Carnegie award winner Tanya Landman, grammar-wiz Martin Illingworth, poet Paul Cookson and performer Dr Patrick Ryan. PLUS exciting educational exhibitions to explore.

Venue: The Space, Norwich. **Cost:** 2 SLS tokens (£140)- lunch and other refreshments included Keep a look out for the flyer which will have been emailed to your school, but if you would like more information then please contact the office.

Autumn term INSET - collaborations and more

Have a look at our INSET offer for this autumn and you will see that we have collaborated with various outside professionals and services to make the sessions really varied. Staff from the Museum Service will jointly deliver North Norfolk Stories and Getting to Grips with Primary History; we have authors supporting us on Hungry Eye and Promoting SMSC through Books; a teacher will support Blogging in the Classroom and a County Adviser will support Promoting SMSC through Books. We hope you can join us!

Schools will have been emailed our INSET flyer; full course details will be available on our SLS website and you can also book a place on any session via SLA Online. To see more, visit www.norfolk.gov.uk/sls or s4s.norfolk.gov.uk/sls or www.norfolk.gov.uk/sls or <a href="https:



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Hands-on forensic science sessions

Are you looking for an 'outstanding' forensic science/CSI experience for your students? Norfolk SLS is now working with Right Angle Education!

The primary school experiences commence with each student being issued CSI personal protective equipment (PPE) for them to wear throughout the experience and retain at the end of the day. The students then work through a series of activities, all immensely engaging and kinaesthetic. These include identifying substances found at a crime scene, completing a fingerprint workshop including taking their own fingerprints and identifying an unknown mark recovered from the small crime scene set up in the room. The students will also identify bite marks at this crime



scene. This will involve constructing three casts of suspect teeth and comparing them to bite marks at the scene. Scenarios are usually theft derived as appropriate to your students; this could involve theft of a school trophy, the lunchtime dinners or the head teacher's laptop. The finale of the day is constructing a photo fit of one of the three suspects. These suspects can be anyone from local/national celebrities to the cleaner/caretaker at your school.

The events are overseen by Steve Gaskin Former Scotland Yard Detective Chief Inspector. More information can be found on their website: http://rightangleeducation.co.uk/education/primary-schools and you can contact school.library.service@norfolk.gov.uk to discover our special discounted price!

Storysacks competition

Would you like to win 15 Storysacks for your school, plus a visit from children's author and creator of Storysacks, Neil Griffiths? Entries for the prize draw must be made by 30/9/15. For information and to enter the competition, visit http://www.storysack.com/competition

Courier collection and project orders for Autumn

The delivery and collection dates for the autumn term are below. If you have anything to return or would like project boxes or stationery orders to be sent to your school, please get your requests to us in good time.

16th/19th October 18th/19th November 17th/18th December

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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