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HIGH LIGHTS

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HOW VALUED ARE YOU IN YOUR ROLE?

Need impact stories to back up your position in school? In June, a very interesting review was published by the National Literacy Trust:

Teravainen, Anne & Clark, Christina: *School Libraries: A literature review of current provision and evidence of impact*

It finds that staffing is **the** most important factor in creating real impact. Good creative support from library staff inspires pupils' attainment and motivation, but the library does need to be fully integrated into school structure, management and planning to be most effective. And library staff need to continually evaluate, act upon results, and this can lead to an improvement of service to the school community.

QUALITY FICTION SWAPS?

Julia Lester at Aylsham High School tells us she has a lot of unwanted fiction hidden away in English departments' cupboards, and suspects her school is not unique in this way; she is wondering about doing some swaps with nearby schools. Is anyone interested? If so, please contact Julia directly: jl Lester@aylshamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk

HAVE YOU JOINED THE SCHOOL LIBRARIANS' NETWORK?

School Librarians' Network is a forum where UK school librarians and school library staff can exchange news, views and ideas and give each other mutual support on all professional matters.

We welcome members from other parts of the world whose input and perspective we value. We aim to promote the professional standing of the school librarian, and encourage all unqualified school librarians to develop their skills and knowledge through relevant courses and qualifications. SLN is not itself a substitute for proper training. Take a look at the website: <https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/sln/info>

INSET: MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID YOUTH LITE

Wednesday 14th March 2018, 1.30- 4.30pm,
Vernon Castle Room, Norfolk and Norwich Millennium Library
Cost: 1 ELS token (£70)

Would you like to gain a wider understanding of some issues surrounding young people's mental health?

Led by Bec Jasper, a Youth MHFA Lite instructor, this session will help you gain a wider understanding of some issues surrounding young people's mental health and enable you to interact more effectively with young people who are experiencing mental health issues and provide them with suitable support. All course attendees will receive a copy of the MHFA Lite manual as a resource to keep.

The closing date for this course is **9th February** and if you'd like to attend, please book early. If we do not have enough delegates, the course will not go ahead. Get in touch for to secure a place: **01603 222265** or education.library.service@norfolk.gov.uk.

HOW TO RECOGNISE FAKE NEWS

The BBC is to launch a new programme supporting young people to identify real news and filter out fake or false information.

The project is targeted at secondary schools and sixth forms across the UK. From March up to 1,000 schools will be offered mentoring and all schools will have access to free online materials, classroom activities, video tutorials, and an interactive game developed by Aardman studio. For info: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/mediacentre/latestnews/2017/fake-news>

KIDS' LIT QUIZ 2017

Many congratulations to the CNS team for winning the 2017 Kids' Lit Quiz East Anglian heat, and we hope they enjoyed their trip to the national finals in Oxford. Thanks to librarian Lorraine Gill and Neatherd High School for the superb organisation- what a brilliant afternoon it was!

WRITING COMPETITION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN CARE

Take a look at www.coramvoice.org.uk/voices18 for details about a creative writing competition for young people in care. There are several categories, including lower secondary school (age 11-14), upper secondary school (age 15-18) and care leavers. The closing date is February 8th.

We discovered the competition above, and much more besides, by subscribing to TeenLibrarian. If you haven't already, do consider subscribing too, as you will painlessly discover lots of useful and interesting information: www.teenlibrarian.co.uk/