

Norfolk School Library Service Newsletter, Summer 2002



Thank you to all those Norfolk Schools (the large majority) continuing to buy services from the SLS. With your ongoing support we are able to develop the range of products & services, especially in QCA & Curriculum areas. A concern is how to ensure all teachers become aware of what is available, when their school may not be currently buying in from the SLS. We provide a range of information freely accessible on our web site and a free telephone help line service. Please circulate this newsletter through your staffroom, it will be of interest especially to NQTs and staff new to Norfolk.

NEW

Targeted Support for QCA Science

QCA Science Packs

We know how difficult it is to find good quality resources that closely match the requirement of the Schemes of Work.

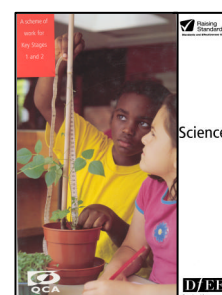
To help you, we have now compiled packs of books for each of the QCA Science Units.



Each pack - contains 10-12 books
- is loaned for half a term
- counts as half a project
against your project loan
entitlement (or can be
bought individually at
£20.00 per collection)

Collections are available for all of the units in KS1 and KS2*, and can be booked by telephone on (01603) 222265 or via our website on www.norfolk.gov.uk/sls

*except Unit 5c, Gases Around Us



Recommended Children's Book Web Sites From the Norfolk School Library Service

The number of sites on the web to do with children's fiction and picture books is proliferating, but how good are they and how useful are they to teachers and young readers? We have surfed with the deliberate intention of picking up-to-date sites, and those which are both child-friendly and will appeal. Listed below are some of our favourites.

Visit www.norfolk.gov.uk/sls/Links/booksites.htm to see all the ones we like.

Some of them are extremely individual and creative, and represent a new form of literacy in which authors are beginning to extend and enhance their work beyond the print form and so capture new readers.

GENERAL BOOK REVIEWING SITES

Sites for children and adults

BBC Go 4 it

www.bbc.co.uk/radio4/gfi

Our top site

Linked to a children's radio 4 programme centred around books. Useful to actually be able to hear the radio programme again and excerpts including authors speaking at length about their books whilst being interviewed by children. Probably best for your keen and book loving children.

See also

Mrs Mad's Book-a-Rama

www.mrsmad.com/

For KS2/3 Children by KS2/3 Children

Cool Reads

www.cool-reads.co.uk

Our top site

A site run by two teenage brothers. Cool-Reads is supposed to be an adult-free zone where young readers enthusiastically share their experiences about the books they have read. This is a renowned site that tells it as it is. Interestingly the two brothers who also designed the site offer advice - 'Dos and Don'ts' to fellow on-line guest reviewers as to how to do a good review. Could be useful for teachers to see how they do it and to see the results.

See also

Stories from the web

www.storiesfromtheweb.org

AUTHOR SITES - For younger readers

Helen Cooper & Ted Dewan

<http://www.wormworks.com/>

Our top site

A cleverly constructed site, in two parts, presenting the life and work of this literary couple. The use of animation helps to bring their books to life.

See also

Rob Lewis

<http://www.nantmel1freeserve.co.uk>

Shoo Rayner

<http://www.shoo-rayner.co.uk/>

Jeremy Strong

<http://www.Jeremyststrong.co.uk>

Steve Weatherall

<http://www.babygoz.dabsol.co.uk>

For older readers

Morris Gleitzman

<http://www.morrisgleitzman.com/>

Our top site

A well designed and comprehensive site, presenting information about Morris and his books in innovative ways.

See also

Roald Dahl

<http://www.roalddahl.com/>

Terry Deary

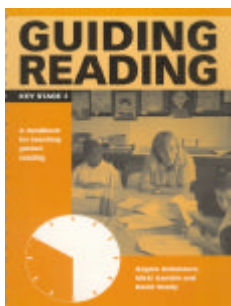
<http://www.terry-deary.com/>

Lemony Snicket

<http://www.lemonysnicket.com/>

Colin Thompson

<http://www.colinthompson.com/>



GUIDED READING FOR KS2

Now containing many titles to match those from the recently published teachers handbook

Our guided reading loan service—six copies of five different titles as a loan box—can now be matched even more closely to the reading needs of KS2 children. We have now added a selection of books used in the Exemplar Guided Reading Sessions in the handbook to our collections.

We can supply boxes for any single year group from Year 3 to Year 6, and we are always happy to mix up a range of titles from different year groups. Don't forget that Guided Readers are loaned for a term, but are exchangeable free of charge at half term.

To book a KS2 guided reading loan, simply phone (01603) 222265 or book on-line at www.norfolk.gov.uk/sls/Primary/CurriculumSupport/grc.htm



THE READING PLANET Summer Reading Challenge

For the fourth year Norfolk Library and Information Service are taking part on the National Reading Challenge. The challenge encourages children to enjoy reading and sharing books with their friends and families. This year the challenge has a space theme and children can pick up their collectors folder at their local public library at any time during the school holidays. Children are asked to read six library books of their choice. For each book they complete they will receive a set of alien stickers to inhabit their 'spacecape collectors folder'. Incentives along the way include certificates, pencils and medal.



Last year over 11,000 young people took part in the Reading Challenge and we are hoping to encourage even more to get involved this year.

All Norfolk Public Libraries are taking part in the promotion and most will be holding special events relating to the theme of the Challenge. Details can be found at the library or on the website www.norfolk.gov.uk

INSET Courses for the Autumn Term 2002

<p>Running your Primary School Library Wednesday October 2nd, 2002</p> <p>Held at Norfolk School Library Service, County Hall 9.15—12.15 p.m. £50.00</p> <p>A practical course for classroom assistants, volunteers and other non-teaching staff who run a school library on a day-to-day basis. The course covers organising the library care and repair of books and keeping the library Up-to-date</p> <p>I deal for staff new to running a library.</p>	<p>An Introduction to Managing your Primary School Library Wednesday October 9th, 2002</p> <p>Held at Norfolk School Library Service, County Hall 9.15—12.15 p.m. £50.00</p> <p>A course for teachers with responsibility for managing their school library. Content covered includes: organising the stock, linking to the curriculum and managing the library.</p> <p>I deal for staff new to running a library.</p>	<p>Brilliant Books Thursday November 19th, 2002</p> <p>Held at School Library Service County Hall, 9.15 – 12.15 p.m. £50.00</p> <p>Refresh your knowledge of children's fiction. Course covers new titles, advice on auditing existing stock and choosing new titles, and book - related web sites</p>
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