Norfolk School Library Service Newsletter

Norfolk County Council

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We have recently sent out our SLS 2009-2010 Prices and Products brochure and are looking forward to hearing from you regarding how we can support you with literacy teaching and the establishment of young peoples reading habits.

If you buy a Small school or a Standard Service package from the Norfolk School Library service you are entitled to a set amount of librarian time. The following list tells you what sort of thing our librarians can do:

- Promoting reading; and story telling in class
- Book stock audits to show your library's strengths and weaknesses
- Weeding out-of-date books from your library
- Classifying your non-fiction stock so your pupils/staff can find books independently
- Categorizing your fiction using pictorial "genre" labels to help pupils choose fiction that they will like
- Advice on computerising your library and follow-up computerisation support
- Library design and make-over ideas
- ☐ Training staff who have responsibility for the library
- Giving book buying advice and follow-up book purchase support through our recommended suppliers

Now is the time to consider your Project Loan needs for the coming Summer, Autumn and Spring terms. We have also sent out order forms for your teaching staff to request their project collections. Remember, the earlier we hear from you the better. Project Loans are compiled in chronological order and the choice of resources is always biggest at the start of the process.

For more information about the School Library Service or how to book your librarian time or project loans please telephone (01603) 222265.

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Introducing Polly, our new Team Librarian



Hello, I'm Polly Cobb, the new Team Librarian, the latest acquisition of the School Library Service.

I'm from a school background, a newly qualified teacher from the UEA PGCE Primary course. Previously I worked as a teaching assistant in Key Stage 1 and 2.

I'm new to libraries, so am being initiated into the joys of Dewey and cataloguing. Some of you may already have met me, as I've been assisting in some auditing and weeding work in schools already.

I'm still trying to get to grips with the enormity of SLS stock, there's just so much there, it really is like being a child (or adult!) in a sweetshop.

Making up project boxes has been an enjoyable experience, the more intriguing and creative the requests the better. I like the cross-curricular and thematic projects, covering objectives from a range of subjects. I confess that I do try to grab the historical topics, any period, any place.

I can't wait to start sharing some of my favourite books, and finding new ones, from our customers, young and old. This does seem to be my ideal job: choosing, reading, sharing and talking about books!

I'm looking forward to visiting your library or classroom in the future, working with you to make reading and learning as stimulating and enjoyable as possible.

An SLS Mobile Library is coming your way

Over the next few months schools that subscribe to our mobile library will be receiving a call from Caroline Barker our Senior Library Assistant.

Caroline will be contacting you to make a booking for your mobile library visit for the next financial year.

Our vans carry:

- a wide range of fiction, from picture books to longer novels
- Non-fiction specifically for leisure reading, e.g., hobbies, animals etc.
- Traditional tales and poetry
- Hi-Lo titles

Thank you for your continued support of the Mobile Library Service. We look forward to visiting you again during the coming year.



"Hi-Lo"

High Interest, Low Reading Age Non-fiction and Fiction

New service for your reluctant readers delivered by our Mobile Library Service.

Do you need:

Books to support Key Stage 2 children who are reluctant readers? Books with age appropriate and engaging covers? Non-fiction where text is accessible and content suits age and interest? Fiction where the characters correspond to the age of the reader? Fiction and non-fiction page layouts which are enticing and eye catching?



In response to increasing demand from teachers and educational research, SLS has identified a range of Hi-Lo stock. These books are now available on our Mobile Library for teacher selection.

To ensure these special books reach the children who need them, we are offering them to **Literacy Leaders or SEN CO's** during mobile library visits to schools

At the moment you may borrow up to 15 titles per school.

These books are free of charge and in addition to your normal mobile library allocation.

Please telephone us for more information and to register your interest in borrowing these books at your next visit.

Reading for Pleasure Project Collections for Y4-6

We are delighted to offer you our brilliant 'Reading for Pleasure' Collections. They are aimed at all children in Y4-6, and work especially well in shared reading times.

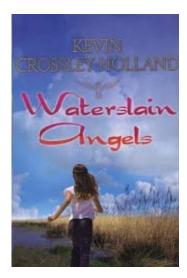
They include 10 'Blue Kites' (picture books for older readers), 5 excellent 'browser' non-fiction, and then puzzle books, graphic novels, a novelty book and poetry to make up the 20 items. They augment classroom collections and appeal especially to boys and those who don't normally choose to read.

We have a free copy of the new David Fickling comic (DFC Comics) to give away when you order your next Reading for Pleasure project loan.

For more information or to borrow a Reading for Pleasure Collection please contact Mandy Steel, or any of the SLS team.

Comments from teachers: "The poorer readers particularly enjoyed the books without the pressure of reading the story to someone!! The better readers just enjoyed the variety" "It was spot on. The good mix of fiction + non-fiction was attractive to both boys and girls + the level was right" "A wide range of books with enough to keep them interested for half a term"

Exciting new fiction



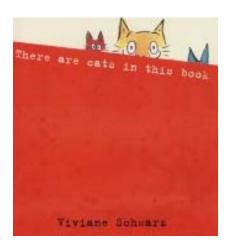
Crossley-Holland, Kevin Waterslain Angels
Orion £9.99 9781842556917

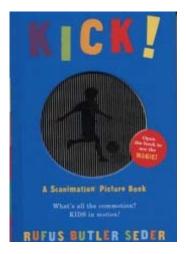
Remember this author's 'Storm'? This is another story about the same family, but for slightly older readers. Set in the 1950s in north Norfolk, it is a ghostly, atmospheric thriller.

Two children find themselves in danger when they go in search of the missing angels from the church roof.

Schwarz, Viviane Walker Books £9.99 There Are Cats In This Book ISBN 9781406300949

This is the perfect picture book to enjoy with one child, with its very simple text inviting the reader to turn the page, play with the cats and so on. Great fun.





Seder, Rufus Butler Kick!

Workman Pub £9.99 ISBN: 9780761152514

This intriguing novelty book, and its companion "Gallop!", will fascinate and intrigue any reader from the very young upward. Using a technique called 'Scanimation' each page illustrates a different action in a sport (in "Gallop" an animal moves). The movement in each illustration is activated by the turning of the page, and is completely convincing. Magic!

Forthcoming INSET Courses

Norfolk School Library Service

Running your Primary School Library

A Half day course to give an overview of the day-to-day running of a school library in any Primary phase school

Course Leaders

Robin Gregory—Senior Tutor Librarian Harriet Cox—Team Librarian

For more information about this course, please contact Robin Gregory or Harriet Cox on (01603) 222265 or by e-mail—robin.gregory@norfolk.gov.uk or harriet.cox@norfolk.gov.uk

Highlights to include:

- Overview of what makes a good library
- Care and repair of books
- Organising fiction and non-fiction, including cataloguing on computer

The Venue

School Library Service Training Room, County Hall

Date and Time

Wednesday 29th April, 2009 9.15 a.m.—12.15 p.m.

The Cost

£50.00 per participant Or £75.00 for two delegates from the same school

Please note: There is now no parking for visitors at County Hall. However, you can use the Harford Park and Ride free shuttle bus. A parking permit and instructions will be sent to you with your confirmation.

Please reply by Wednesday 22nd April, 2009

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Names(s) of participants:
School/Library Budget code for journal charging
Signed

Norfolk School Library Service

Please pass this flyer to the Literacy Co-ordinator or teacher in charge of the library.

Managing your Primary School Library

Ideal for teachers and staff with overall responsibility for managing and ensuring pupil use of their school library

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Highlights to include:

- What constitutes an effective school library.
- Stock selection: a practical exercise in selecting and rejecting stock.
- Basic library skills teaching advice
- Development planning for the library.

The Venue

SLS Training Room, County Hall

Date and Time

Wednesday 10th June, 2009 09.15 until 15.30

The Cost

£150.00 per participant Or £220.00 for two delegates from the same school (includes lunch and refreshments)

Please note: There is now no parking for visitors at County Hall. However, you can use the Harford Park and Ride free shuttle bus. A parking permit and instructions will be sent to you with your confirmation.

Please reply by Wednesday 3rd June, 2009

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