



Norfolk School Library Service

Newsletter - Autumn 04

Computerisation of SLS Book Loans

**This issue also
contains:**

We are delighted to say that we have begun the process of cataloguing our bookstock and computerising our book loan records. Once completed, this will allow us to give you lists of all books that you borrow from us, either in project loan boxes or from our mobile libraries.

In addition, for schools using "Junior Librarian" library management software, we will be able to send you a file of book records for any books loaned from us, which you will be able to import directly into "Junior Librarian".

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Creating our catalogue of resources is a very long process. So far we have catalogued more than 90,000 books—about half of our total stock. We are currently working to the following timetable for book loans using our computerised system:

For project loans:

We will trial the new system in the Spring Term, with all projects issued on computer from the Summer Term.

For mobile library loans:

Issuing on computer should start in Autumn Term, 2005.

This is a major project for us, which should result in it being much easier for both ourselves and schools to keep track of books on loan.

We will keep schools updated with developments. In the meantime, please contact me on (01603) 222266 if you have any questions or comments.

Don't forget our added value book loan services
FREE to SLS services

Foreign Language Books

We have a range of dual-language picture books in a wide variety of languages.

If you have children with English as a second language, why not request a collection of dual-language books. Schools can borrow up to 5 books in any one language at any one time, and are loaned for half a term.



Large Print Books

We have a selection Of large- print children's novels, as well as a number of large print and audio-cassette packs. Ideal for children who sight problems who need a large type face than in standard books.

Schools can borrow up to 5 books or packs at any time and they are loaned for half-a-term

Both these services are FREE to all schools who buy a Standard Service or Small Schools Plan package from the School Library Service
To book a collection, or for more information, please ring Paul Cunningham on (01603) 222265 or e-mail paul.cunningham@norfolk.gov.uk

FREE

Local Studies Resources from Norfolk Library and Information Service

Picture Norfolk

This is a digitised database of over 16,000 images of Norfolk's past. You can search by village or parish, or by subject.

To access Picture Norfolk in the internet go to:

<http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/leisure/libraries>

Parish Profiles

These are packs of photocopied resources on individual parishes. The packs include census returns, maps and directory extracts. Branch libraries have both reference and loan copies of packs for most parishes—contact your local library to see if a pack is available for the parish(es) you need

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Norfolk Children's Book Award

Why not encourage your children to take part in this year's Norfolk Children's Book Award?

This year we have two sections to the award. One is for picture books for KS1 and the other with a range of books for lower KS2 children.

The shortlisted books for Key Stage 1 are:

"Old MacDonald had a Barn" by Stephen Gulbis

"Some Dogs Do" by Jez Alborough

"The Ravenous Beast" by Niamh Sharkey

"Goodnight Lulu" by Paulette Bogan

There are copies of these books in all Norfolk public libraries. In addition, we have a small number of sets of the books in SLS which we are happy to loan to schools—just contact us on (10603) 222254.

In order to be counted for the award, your children's votes need to be sent back to us by the end of the Autumn Term.

INSET Courses for the Spring Term 2005

Better Libraries Raising Standards

Tuesday 1st March, 2005

Held at The Nightingale Centre
Poringland
(4 miles south of Norwich on B1332)
9.15 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.
£80.00 per participant
Or £120.00 for two participants from the same school

Some highlights of the course:
An outline of the SLS "Better Libraries" initiative
Increasing staff awareness of the value of the library as a teaching and learning support

Aimed at senior management who are considering revamping/improving their library in order to help establish and maintain a reading culture in their school

Making Best Use Of your Project Loan Box

Tuesday 8th February, 2005

Held at The Nightingale Centre
Poringland
(4 miles south of Norwich on B1332)
9.15—12.30 p.m.
£80.00 per participant
Or £120.00 for two participants from the same school

This half-day course will focus on learning strategies and tasks for improving pupil's literacy skills across the curriculum whilst using library resources including those contained in SLS project boxes.

Aimed at KS1 and 2 teachers who are considering opportunities for pupils to use a proven range of thinking, reading, and writing tasks based on N.L.S Unit 6 "Reading and Writing for Information".

I would like to book a place on the
Better Libraries—Raising Standards course.

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