



SCHOOLS' BULLETIN

8th June 2020: Welcome to our latest bulletin. The Schools' Library Service is currently closed but our staff are working from home. We have been thinking about new ways to support schools during these unusual times. If you have any questions or need to find resources for schools, pupils, parents or home educators, we may be able to help! Contact us by e-mail: Schools.Library-Service@scll.co.uk or visit our website: www.salfordcommunityleisure.co.uk/libraries/sls to see previous bulletins and other useful resources/booklists.

Join The Silly Squad and read all summer



The [Summer Reading Challenge](#) is for children aged 4-11yrs, whatever their stage of reading

development. Young children can read picture books with parents/carers, share the reading in a simple book or listen to an audio book. Children gaining confidence can choose a range of material, from information and jokes to poetry and comic books. Older children can choose whatever they like...as long as they enjoy reading all summer long! All types of reading count towards the challenge. Children can set targets and record their progress on www.sillysquad.org.uk, to earn digital rewards, watch videos and play games.

"I feel the Summer Reading Challenge is extra important this year! How sensible to have a Silly theme. We've all had to deal with serious and scary issues, so it's time for a bit of fun. There are so many comical and crazy children's books to cheer us all up. Let's get reading and get happy!" **Jacqueline Wilson**

Support children to read all summer

Download the "[Silly Squad](#)" [Schools Pack](#) for detailed information on the challenge and tips on promoting the online challenge to families.

Read e-books with Salford Libraries

Remind pupils that they can get e-books /e-audiobooks free from [Salford Community Libraries](#), on [BorrowBox](#). Children who are not members can ask parents/carers to help them [join online](#) [carer e-mail address required].

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School Library Association (SLA)

Weekend Course goes Online #DigiEd20

DIGITAL Education: Opportunities for Reading and Learning 19th-20th June (Fri/Sat)

This year, the School Library Association (SLA) have taken their popular [weekend course](#) online, using the GoTo platform (which SLA use for webinars). SLA have set up a "Speakers Room", where keynote speakers will give presentations adapted for online audiences; a range of author talks and the chance to meet exhibitors in an "Exhibition Room". Speakers include: **Baasit Siddiqui, Professor Stephen Heppell, Professor Julian McDougall, Lucy Powrie, Dr Neelam Parmar** and **Lucas Maxwell** (Librarian of the Year: 2017).

"With... speakers from diverse backgrounds and specialisms, we are confident participants will return to their schools with a vast range of ideas to put into practice... Online learning is going to be a part of education for a long time to come ... this [is an] opportunity to see how the short term reactions can become a brilliant addition to your school library." **SLA**.

Open to SLA members/non-members with a discount for 2nd delegates from the same school. See the programme, find out how the online course works and book your place at: www.sla.org.uk/digital-education

[Online booking](#) closes at **noon Fri 12th June 2020**.

James Campbell's funniest book ever!

Author/comedian James Campbell, host of the [Salford Children's Book Award](#) ceremonies, will be talking about his funniest book yet on Facebook [@BloomsburyKids](#)

Watch live on
**Thur 11th June at
5pm.**



Latest Book Related News

Love My Books: Has a wide range of [book recommendations for EY/KS1/KS2](#) and a [useful collection of home learning resources/links](#). We send our best wishes to [Michael Rosen](#) [patron of Love My Books] and hope he makes a speedy recovery from his recent illness.



Margaret Meek: [14th January 1925 - 4th May 2020] had a significant impact on the teaching of reading. Guardian Obituary: [Educationist who saw a child's joy in the story as the key to learning to read](#).

BBC 500 Words: Read the [Top Stories \[5-9yrs and 10-13yrs\]](#). Winners of the 500 Words prizes will be revealed in the [BBC 500 Words Final](#) on the [Zoe Ball Breakfast Show](#) on **Friday 12th June [6:30am-9:30am]**

Benji Davies wins the Oscars Book Prize for Tad: This prize is awarded to the best picture book for EY/FS. Read about [Oscar, the little boy who is remembered by the award](#). Read the [news story on the 2020 winner of the Oscars Book Prize](#). See the [book trailer for Tad](#) and download [activity sheets for Tad](#) from Harper Collins. Read [Benji Davies blog](#) and watch [Benji Davies read some of his other stories on YouTube](#). The Centre for Literacy in Primary Education (CLPE) has [teaching sequences/resources for another of Benji Davies' books, Grandad's Island](#). [Resources currently provided free by the [Centre for Literacy in Primary Education \[Power of Pictures programme\]](#)].

More Free Resources from the Centre for Literacy in Primary Education: Find [PoetryLine](#) (poetry resources); [Power of Pictures](#) (author videos and teaching sequences) and much more on the [CLPE Free Resources page](#)

Watch Patrick Ness' A Monster Calls (2018 stage version): This production of the award-winning book by Patrick Ness, featuring the original cast, was broadcast live by the Old Vic/Bristol Old Vic on Friday 5th June. It's available to [watch online until Thursday 11th June](#). See the [trailer for the production](#). **NB: Only for ages 10+yrs.**

Carnegie Greenaway (CKG) News: Announcement of the "Judges Choice" Winner: Wed 17th June 2020

Shadowing Webinar: ["Come Behind the Scenes of the 2020 Awards"](#) [[Watch again on Vimeo](#)] to see insights into the shortlisted books, a draw-along with [Chris Naylor Ballesteros](#) and a peek into [Beth Waters'](#) sketchbook .

YLG Twitter Takeover: Sunday 14th June (11am-5pm): led by [@youthlibraries](#) with twitter chats from the #CKG20 shortlisted authors and an exciting quiz to finish the day with [@Bobby Seagull](#) [on Bobby's YouTube].

CKG Shadowing Competitions: ALCS Writing Competition: My Big Adventure with... Win £500 worth of books for your school, a tablet for personal use and a set of the #CKG20 shortlisted books.

[Design/illustrate a Certificate for the Shadowers' Choice Winners and present it to the winning author!](#)

Entries for both competitions close on **Monday 14th September 2020**. [Read the details/terms and conditions](#).

Research Round-Up

Longitudinal data reveals the benefits of reading for pleasure last into adult life: In a [podcast from University College London Institute of Education](#), Dr. Rob Webster talks with Prof. Alice Sullivan about how children's reading for pleasure has positive influences that provide long-term benefits. Prof. Sullivan talks about her longitudinal research in the 1970 British Cohort Study and discusses how to foster a lifelong love of reading.



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