Lancashire School Library Service

Supporting teaching and learning



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SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICE



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The School Library Service has been invaluable in supporting our school to become a 'reading school'.

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The expertise around library systems and book selection has enabled our school to make the most of our new library space. Our children love using this space and are now reading for pleasure, they speak confidently and enthusiastically about the new books and their growing love of reading.



Introduction

Lancashire School Library Service offers a complete range of reading and library services, from resourcing book collections to creating exciting libraries and reading spaces.

As specialists in children's literature, we provide high quality texts to support the development of children as readers and learners. With over 200,000 titles we have a diverse range of fiction and non-fiction to inspire even the most reluctant reader. Collections are personally selected to reflect curriculum requirements and ensure stock is age appropriate and relevant.

Book Bus visits and pupil workshops are specifically created to engage children and develop a life-long love of reading. Additionally, the Brilliant Book Award (KS1) and the Fantastic Book Awards (KS2) are popular annual events, designed to promote reading for pleasure.

Subscriptions

Our subscriptions offer a cost effective solution to resourcing your school curriculum, library and reading collections, with the facility to borrow books at a fraction of the purchase price. Regular exchanges ensure they are refreshed and up-to date.

Early years' settings, primary, special, academy and independent schools can access our services. Subscriptions are delivered through Service Level Agreements (SLA) and run from 1st April – 31st March, and on an academy financial year.

Schools interested in buying a subscription may book a free one-hour visit to discuss literacy needs. If you would like to try our services before committing to a full financial year, introductory part-year subscriptions are available to new schools.



Primary and Special Schools

We offer four subscription levels:

PREMIUM PLUS - £1,275 plus £3 per pupil

- KS2 Fantastic Book Awards membership
- Core collection for your library/classroom,
 2 books for every pupil selected at either
 Book Bus visit or serviced box exchange
- Curriculum boxes to support teaching topics. The allocation is based on pupil numbers
- Half day visit to your school for library advice or pupil workshop

PREMIUM - £1,178 plus £3 per pupil

- Core collection for your library/classroom,
 2 books for every pupil selected at either
 Book Bus visit or serviced box exchange
- Curriculum boxes to support teaching topics. The allocation is based on pupil numbers
- Half day visit to your school for library advice or pupil workshop

BASIC - £1,178

- Core collection of 200 books for your library/classroom selected at either Book Bus visit or serviced box exchange
- Curriculum boxes supporting teaching topics, an allocation of 6 boxes per year (approximately 180 titles)

SMALL SCHOOL OFFER for schools with less than 100 pupils - £450

• Curriculum boxes supporting teaching topics, an allocation of 6 boxes per year (approximately 180 titles)

Please note smaller schools can subscribe to any of the 4 subscription levels.

With every subscription we offer flexibility to exchange curriculum boxes for library advice/pupil workshops or vice versa.

All Curriculum loans to schools will be delivered and collected by Courier.

Early Years settings

We offer three subscription levels:

PREMIUM - £1,178

- Core collection of 200 books for your library/classroom selected at either Book Bus visit or serviced box exchange
- Curriculum boxes supporting teaching topics, an allocation of 6 boxes (approximately 180 titles), delivered and collected by Courier
- Half day interactive story and rhyme session

BASIC - £825

- Core collection of 100 books for your library/classroom selected at either Book Bus visit or serviced box exchange
- Curriculum boxes supporting teaching topics, an allocation of 3 boxes (approximately 90 titles), delivered and collected by Courier
- Half day interactive story and rhyme session

PRE-SCHOOL, PLAYGROUP AND NURSERY - £150

 3 boxes of seasonal books per year. Each box delivered once a term to a Lancashire Library of your choice for collection and return by the setting



Core Collection for your library/classroom

Core collections of stock are delivered via the Book Bus or via box exchange to your school

The Book Bus can visit schools annually offering a unique reader experience for teachers and pupils.

Stocked with thousands of exciting books to inspire reading for pleasure, schools can enjoy access to a rich variety of texts reflecting the best in children's literature.

All books are fully processed, ready to shelve in your library and classroom collections. Titles can be pre-ordered; our knowledgeable staff are always on hand to help with recommendations.

The Book Bus is equipped with a wheelchair lift, enabling easy access for all pupils.

Box exchanges of stock can also be delivered to your school. All books are fully processed, ready to shelve in your library and our knowledgeable staff can visit your school and ensure that the stock exchange process runs smoothly.





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Thank you so much for another very successful visit to our school. We love to see you to choose our new books!

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Curriculum Boxes to Support Teaching Topics

Our Curriculum Boxes support all aspects of the National Curriculum, encourage wider reading and promote reading for pleasure.

Choose from a range of boxes:

- Project collections for curriculum topics -Invaluable support for the classroom. Project boxes provide high quality resource with a cross curricular approach to teaching. More than one topic can be included in a box!
- Author/illustrator a collection of stories by significant authors and illustrators to share with our pupils and inspire creative writing.
- Class Reads for sharing a story These collections are ideal for class shared reading and support all key stages. Please contact Lancashire School Library Service for a full set of available titles.



We always receive a great variety of texts.

Curriculum boxes comprise of approximately 30 books and are issued for one term. Each box is carefully selected with relevant titles to match pupils key stage, reading age, and ability. They are delivered and collected direct to school by our courier for your convenience. Order anytime in the year at <u>www.lancashire.gov.uk/school-library-service</u>

Additional boxes may be purchased to increase your allocation.



Pupil Workshops

Try our pupil workshops, created to enthuse pupils whilst promoting reading for pleasure. Sessions are delivered to support all ages and abilities.

Story Sessions / Poetry and Rhyme

Create a buzz about reading and stimulate book chat. This can be story or poetry based, or both! We will bring a selection of our current favourite titles to share with your pupils Suitable for: EYFS, KS1 and KS2

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Knockout Books

Interactive tournament style workshop designed to introduce exciting new titles. Pupils explore and evaluate books alongside developing discussion and decision-making skills. After the session a box of books is left for the children to continue enjoying including their 'Knock out' champion!

Suitable for: KS1 and KS2

Incredible Information

This new workshop promotes reading for pleasure with a collection of new and exciting information books. Pupils discover different features of the genre and share ideas and predictions through a variety of games and activities.

Suitable for: LKS2

Library Training

A fun, hands-on session for your Pupil Librarians. Showing pupils how to organise their library environment.

Suitable for: KS2 Small groups

Seasonal EYFS/KS1 Story Specials

Each term we have a story session special on offer to book that is suitable for all EYFS and KS1 pupils. We advertise these termly and the theme varies each time. Contact us for further information.



FBA on Tour

Supporting the Fantastic Book Awards. The whole class are included in the journey to discover a fantastic read. Explore this years' FBA titles through fun book-based activities. Knowledge of the current FBA is not essential.

Workshop length: 45 minutes +

Suitable for: FBA Schools KS2 Years 5 and 6

Once you have decided which workshops would be most suitable for your school, a timetable will be created just for you!



BBA on Tour

Newly updated book activities to be run alongside our Brilliant Book Award. Workshop length: 45 minutes + Suitable for: BBA Schools Year 2

> Payment: Schools can book sessions using their half day advice or exchange curriculum loans. Workshops may be purchased from £165. Please contact us for details.

Email: LancashireSchoolLibraryService @lancashire.gov.uk or call 01772 534045



We have had many children asking if we can get the books for our school library. The sessions really promoted reading for pleasure.

Book Clubs

Brilliant Book Award

Sharing the love of stories



The children really enjoyed being 'judges'. The idea that their opinion was valued really sparked interest and hooked them into the reading.

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The KS1 Brilliant Book Award (BBA) and The KS2 Fantastic Book Awards (FBA) are popular annual reading events in the school calendar. The reading clubs promote independent reading and motivate pupils to read more widely.

The awards enable pupils to meet informally, discuss and share views about their reading. Pupils are introduced to new authors and illustrators and have the opportunity to vote for their favourite stories. With access to a variety of texts, pupils are encouraged to make their own reading choices.



Children's Choice for ages 9–11



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Membership

Membership to BBA and FBA includes:

- Special resource bag with all the essentials to run the award, a toolkit, nominated books, stickers and certificates and more...
- Access to Niche Academy, our online resource platform with creative activities to download.
- Opportunity to network with schools, authors and illustrators.
- Plus, regular news emails and competitions to keep your pupils engaged.

Every year our book awards are launched by a popular children's author or illustrator.

Book clubs can be bought separately; FBA is included in the Premium Plus subscription.

The awards may be run with targeted groups or extended to a whole class. They are ideal for inspiring reluctant and more able readers.

KS1 Brilliant Book Award (BBA)

The Brilliant Book Award is an innovative reading club exclusively for Year 2 pupils.

The award aims to nurture the love of reading, whilst celebrating recently published stories for children aged

6-7 years.



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We absolutely loved the range of books, they suited all the children and made our reading fun and exciting. We loved the wide vocabulary used and the amazing illustrations.

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The KS2 Fantastic Book Awards is designed for pupils aged 9 - 11 years, to encourage reading for enjoyment and broaden reading choices. Age appropriate stories are nominated to reflect diverse reading abilities and genres.



Children have shown great enthusiasm and delight when reading and sharing the FBA titles, it has been fantastic to be able to meet and discuss a range of novels.



The children just loved taking part. We ran it as an after school club and they were so enthusiastic and felt very special because they were able to vote.

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Creating Engaging Library and Reading Spaces

We offer professional advice and practical support to help the development of your school library, raise its profile, and promote reading for pleasure.

Creating library and reading spaces

Advice on planning, developing or refurbishing a new library, whether a small or large area. Impartial advice on layout and furnishings.

Library Development

Ideas and inspiration on stock, organisation and management to help move your library forward.

Library Tidy

Practical support to get your library up and running.

Stock Assessment and Book Ordering

Book audit to assess quality and relevance, with guidance on the best books to restock collections.

Thank you so much for your support and resources. You made a huge difference to our library this week!

Frequently Asked Questions

Who can subscribe?

Early years' settings, primary, special, academy and independent schools can subscribe.

I need help with my library and don't know where to start?

As part of your SLA we offer school visits to discuss how we can support you in the development of your library.

When will I be notified of my Book Bus visit, and how many books can I exchange?

We will email an appointment at least one month in advance. Your allocation of books to exchange will be stated on the email.



How do I order curriculum boxes?

Orders can be submitted at any time of the year, for the whole school year or each term. Order online at:

www.lancashire.gov.uk/school-

library-service If you need to check your curriculum box allocation, please contact us.

When will my curriculum box be delivered and collected?

Boxes are delivered throughout the year and collected at the end of term by a courier.

Can I order more than one subject in a box?

Mixed boxes of more than 1 subject can be ordered. Each order counts as one box and includes approximately 30 books.

We are having a reading event in school can you help?

Pupil workshops are included as an SLA option or may be purchased.

Useful Contacts

Heritage Learning

For real replica objects for use in your classroom and learning sessions at museums.

Visit **www.lancashire.gov.uk/museums** and follow the learning links, or email **museums.education@lancashire.gov.uk**

Public Library

For family reading and local history support your local library is an excellent resource www.lancashire.gov.uk/libraries-andarchives/libraries/



Visit Our Centre

We welcome visitors to our centre, located close to the M6 Junction 31A.

Browse and borrow

View our collections and select your curriculum boxes for the new school term or year!

Chat with the book experts

Advice on reading texts and support for your school.

Pupil Visits

Children are welcome to visit with teaching staff, ideal for Reading Ambassadors or small reading groups.

Our Address is:

Lancashire School Library Service, A128 - A129 Tustin Way, Longridge Road, Preston, PR2 5LX.

To book a visit, please contact us:

- T: 01772 53 4045
- E: lancashireschoollibraryservice@ lancashire.gov.uk

We are open:

Term time 8:30am - 4:30pm Monday – Thursday 8:30am - 4:00pm Friday

School holidays

8:30am - 3.30pm Monday – Friday Other times are available by appointment.



The School Library Service ensures books remain vibrant, up-to-date and of excellent quality which aids our mission to get children to love reading.



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