

# **Education Library Service**

The Education Library Service (ELS) provides resources which are relevant to the curriculum, up to date and in good physical condition, as well as supporting reading for pleasure. We also provide professional advice on school libraries. Our friendly and knowledgeable staff can save teachers invaluable time.

Maintained schools need a wide range of resources to support the changing curriculum and encourage students to read for pleasure which can assist in raising achievement in the classroom.

The **Loan Collection Service** gives access to over 300,000 high quality resources suitable for all age and ability levels. There are two options - the standard service and the unlimited exchanges service. Our mobile library can visit your school to allow children to be involved in choosing reading materials. This encourages reading for pleasure which has been linked to raising standards in school.

Our **Advisory Service** can provide you with bespoke and specialist support including:

- Developing your school library
- Book talks and storytelling to pupils
- School librarians' support package

### What we offer

- High quality resources for all ages and abilities from 3 - 16 year olds, selected by specialist librarians with an in depth knowledge of the curriculum and the range of resources available.
- Your staff can visit the ELS base to select their own collections; librarians are always available to advise on appropriate resources.
- Order your resources either using our online form, by email or by phone. Collections will be delivered direct to school at no extra charge, or you can collect.
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- Our mobile library for primary and special schools carries over 2,500 fiction and non fiction titles intended to promote reading for pleasure.
- Bespoke advice on library policy and all aspects of planning, designing and organising your school library.

### Our pledge

We will provide a high quality, cost effective, flexible and efficient service tailored to your specific needs, saving your school money and time. We regularly monitor customer satisfaction with the service provided, currently over 95% for all services.

- Free termly lists of newly published fiction recommended by our librarians.
- Secondary schools can participate, free of charge, in the Brilliant Book Award, intended to inspire Key Stage 3 students to enjoy reading.
- School librarians' support package offers regular meetings, inset, newsletters, booklists and individual advice and support as required.
- Inset or staff presentations on any aspect of our service can be delivered onsite or at the ELS base.
- Online catalogue showing all resources that are available.
- Book talks and storytelling sessions to promote reading for pleasure.

## Benefits to your school

Contributes to the raising of literacy standards in your school and achievement in the classroom.

Saves your school money: borrowing enables you to access more titles than you could buy with the same budget.

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- Saves your school time: professional librarians with in depth knowledge of stock and the curriculum, will identify the best resources to meet your specific needs.
- Flexible service that is quick to respond to curriculum changes.
- Fast and efficient free delivery service to maintained schools.
- Our school librarians' support package offers opportunities for networking as well as specialist in service training to support CPD needs.

#### **Further information**

Inspire offers a range of cultural, learning, library and heritage services which can be of use to your schools. Contact info@inspireculture.org.uk to find out more.

