

How libraries can help – Primary Schools

Our services support the improvement of reading & literacy, & enhance learning across the whole curriculum. We can help you bring books & reading to life in your classroom to improve your pupils' attainment, stimulate their imaginations & provide for their language needs.

We offer school age children the following services free of charge:

- individual library cards.
- a wide range of story & information books for children of all ages & abilities, plus items such as storysacks, spoken word stories & eBooks and eMagazines.
- free access to library computers
- free printouts (up to 5 A4 sheets a day) for homework for all children & teenagers in full-time education
- free online resources for individual children (not for classroom use, as our licensing doesn't cover that)
- our online Ask a Kent Librarian service to support homework (& much more).
- opportunity for children to participate in the Summer Reading Challenge & keep their reading habit up over the long summer break
- Library Treasures App – encouraging children to read & review books while playing games.
- volunteering opportunities to children & young people to support the local community - a great way of gaining new skills.

We offer schools the following services free of charge:

- school cards for teachers to borrow up to 50 books and other items for a longer loan period (up to 8 weeks). Choose from a wide range of books from any Kent library or online to support your students' needs, including dual language and storysacks.
- introductory talks promoting library services, by library staff in the library or at school (*advanced booking needed*)
- visits to the library guided by teaching staff (advanced notice needed to ensure your class gets the best experience)
- "Teachers' toolkit" to assist with library visits

We also offer schools the following services (chargeable):

- **Enhanced Sessions** on themes of your choice (eg your town then and now, exploring our local history resources) at the library, your school or other venues to support your curriculum.
- For details visit our pages on the [Edukent website](#)

For more information contact your local library, www.kent.gov.uk/libs or call 03000 41 31 31. Text relay 18001 03000 41 31 31

