

# Inspire Education Library Service

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## Education Library Service 2026-2027



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# WHO WE ARE

Welcome to Inspire Education Library Service (ELS) - Inspire is a not-for-profit, community benefit society with charitable status, dedicated to supporting schools in developing strong, sustainable reading cultures. We currently work with more than 270 schools across Nottinghamshire, Nottingham City, Derbyshire and Derby City.

At ELS, we understand the pressures schools face. Our service is designed to be part of the solution - not an extra challenge. Everything we offer is focused on helping schools embed positive reading cultures, respond to the curriculum, support reading for pleasure, raise attainment, and reduce staff workload through expert support and high-quality resources.



## We've invested in 24,500+ books!

Over the past three years alone, we've invested in more than 24,500 carefully selected fiction and non-fiction books to strengthen curriculum delivery and inspire reading for pleasure across all age groups.

## Investing your DfE Pupil Premium with ELS

Joining ELS is an evidence-informed, cost-effective way to invest your DfE Pupil Premium funding. Our offer aligns closely with the EEF's tiered 'menu of approaches' and the DfE Reading Framework, helping schools make choices that are both impactful and compliant with national guidance.

Discover more!



# 2024-2025

## By the numbers

Fiction and Non-Fiction  
Quality Texts

300,000+



24,529

Recently published books  
added to the collection  
(Within the last three years)



2,804

Tailored Projects



Books Loaned

151,704



Children accessing  
live author events in  
person and virtual

3,630



17,168

Minimum estimated teacher time  
saved (hours)



# WHAT WE DO

Your pathway to a stronger reading culture starts here. Our services work together to strengthen reading, support staff, and enrich the curriculum.

## Reading Resources



Non-fiction and fiction books promoting reading for pleasure across the curriculum and beyond

Curriculum Project Collections

Reading for Pleasure  
Go All In Book Taster Boxes

SEND / Inclusive Resources

Bilingual Books

Story Sacks

## Reading Events



InspiRead Book Award  
(Primary)

Brilliant Book Award  
(Y7/Y8)

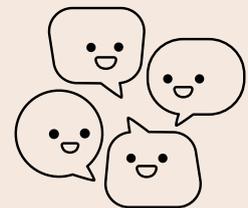
Edge Book Award  
(Y9/Y10/Y11)

In person and online live  
Author, Poet, Illustrator  
events

In-person school workshops:  
Booktalk Live  
Family Reading Cafés

Participation in regional and  
national online quizzes

## Reading Communities



Termly Network Meetings  
with guest  
Authors/Poets/Illustrators/  
Speakers

ELS OU/UKLA Teachers'  
Reading Groups  
(Primary/Secondary)

Specialist Expertise and  
Consultation

Books & Babble Events

Outreach events, support and  
expertise

Access free meeting spaces  
30% discount at Peters - UK's  
leading specialist supplier of  
children's books



# PRIMARY PURPLE - £395

*RRP Estimated Value of £4,191.50*

**\*Personalise your book allowance with the quantity and flexibility to suit the needs of your school - £7.90 per additional book loan.**

## Reading Resources



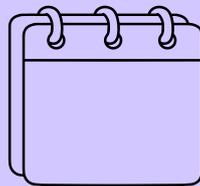
### Curriculum Project Collection

**50 Book Loan  
Unlimited Exchanges with  
Free Delivery and Collection**

If swapped half termly, access to 300 high quality, age-appropriate, expert recommended books supporting the curriculum and reading for pleasure with an estimated RRP of £4,006.50.

**Termly Recommended Book Lists**

## Reading Events



### InspiRead Book Award (Spring/summer terms)

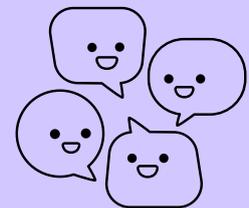
Celebrate local and emerging authors during the National Year of Reading 2026!

Invite to online live author, poet, illustrator events

Access to online voting

InspiRead logo and Certificate of Participation

## Reading Communities



### Termly Twilight Network Meetings

(online 60 mins)  
With guest Authors/  
Poets/Speakers/Illustrators

**ELS OU/UKLA Teachers' Reading Groups (Primary)**

**Specialist Expertise and Consultation**

**Books & Babble Events**

**Outreach events, support and expertise**

**Access free meeting spaces**  
**30% discount at Peters - UK's leading specialist supplier of children's books**

# PRIMARY PINK - £750

RRP Estimated Value of £4,051.26

## Reading Resources



### 'Go All In' Book Taster Box

Fresh, exciting books to inspire every young reader

**60 titles exchanged termly, totalling 180 books/magazines a year**

**Free delivery and collection**

- 6-8 copies of *What On Earth!* magazine
- A mix of genres: graphic novels, fiction, non-fiction and poetry
- x2 copies of each title
- Plus 30 additional individual titles

**Choice of one:**

**EYFS - Y1/2 - Y3/4 - Y5/6**

**\*Additional 'Go All In' Book Taster Boxes (x3 termly exchanges) - £400**

**RRP estimated value £1880.46**

## Reading Events



### InspiRead Premium Book Award (Spring/Summer terms)

Opportunity to **shortlist** books for the award

**Gifted 12 copies** of shortlisted titles

### In-person and online live Author/Poet/Illustrator events

Access to online voting

InspiRead logo and Certificate of Participation

**Bookmarks/certificates** for pupils

\*Choice of one in-school workshop commencing September 2026:

**Booktalk live  
Family Reading Café**

**\*Participate in the regional and national online quiz**

## Reading Communities



### Termly Twilight Network Meetings

(online 60 mins)

With guest Authors/  
Poets/Speakers/Illustrators

### ELS OU/UKLA Teachers' Reading Groups (Primary)

### Specialist Expertise and Consultation

### Books & Babble Events

### Outreach events, support and projects

Access free meeting spaces

30% discount at Peters - UK's leading specialist supplier of children's books

## Bundle offer - 10% off!

Purchase both Pink and Purple packages together for just £1,030.50  
Saving £114.50!

\*Excludes additional book loan items.



# SECONDARY GREEN - £869

*RRP Estimated Value of £6,375*

**\*Personalise your book allowance with the quantity and flexibility to suit the needs of your school - £7.90 per additional book loan.**

## Reading Resources



### 110 Book loan collection

**Unlimited exchanges with free delivery and collection**

If swapped termly, access to 330 high quality, age-appropriate, expert recommended books supporting the curriculum and reading for pleasure with an estimated RRP of £4,185.

**Termly Recommended Book Lists**

## Reading Events



### Brilliant Book Award (Y7/Y8) (Autumn/Spring terms)

Celebrate local and emerging authors during the National Year of Reading 2026!

Opportunity to shortlist books for the award

Invite to in-person live Author/Poet/Illustrator events

Access to reviews and online voting

BBA Award logo and Certificate of Participation

Bookmarks/certificates for pupils

## Reading Communities



### Termly Network Meetings

Hybrid  
Online & in-person half day  
x2 members of staff per school

\*Guest  
Authors/Poets/Illustrators/  
Speakers

Key updates (local regional, national) & sharing best practice

Book recommendations and Books Blather

### ELS OU/UKLA Teachers' Reading Groups (Secondary)

**Specialist Expertise and Consultation**

**Outreach events, support and Projects**

**Access free meeting spaces**

**30% discount at Peters - UK's leading specialist supplier of children's books**

# SECONDARY BLUE - £695

RRP Estimated Value of £3,901.26

## Reading Resources



**'Go All In' Book Taster Box**  
Fresh, exciting books to inspire every young reader

60 titles exchanged termly, totalling 180 books/magazines a year

**Free delivery and collection**

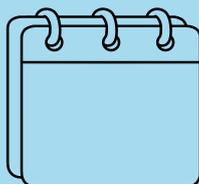
- 6-8 copies of *What On Earth!* magazine
- A mix of genres: graphic novels, fiction, non-fiction and poetry
- x2 copies of each title
- Plus 30 additional individual titles

**Choice of one:**  
Y7/8 - Y9/10/11

**\*Additional 'Go All In' Book Taster Boxes (x3 termly exchanges) - £400**

RRP estimated value £1880.46

## Reading Events



**Edge Book Award (Y9/Y10/Y11)**  
(Spring/Summer terms)

Celebrate local and emerging authors during the National Year of Reading 2026!

Opportunity to shortlist books for the award

Invite to in-person live Author/Poet/Illustrator events

Access to reviews and online voting

Award logo and Certificate of Participation

Books/certificates for pupils

**\*Participate in the regional and national online quiz**

## Reading Communities



**ELS OU/UKLA Teachers' Reading Groups (Secondary)**

**Specialist Expertise and Consultation**

**Outreach events, support and Projects**

**Access free meeting spaces**

**30% discount at Peters - UK's leading specialist supplier of children's books**

## Bundle offer - 10% off!

Purchase both Green and Blue packages together for just £1,407.60  
Saving £156.40!

\*Excludes additional book loan items.



# \* CHOICE OF ONE LIVE IN-SCHOOL EVENT

Included in **Primary Pink**

## Option 1

Booktalk Live: Invite our team of book experts to lead pupils and staff through an engaging exploration of the newest and most exciting children's literature. A dynamic way to strengthen reading culture and keep your children and staff up to date with current recommendations.

## Option 2

Family Reading Café: A practical parent-focused workshop celebrating the lifelong benefits of reading for pleasure. Includes strategies to support reading at home, followed by dedicated time for families to browse and enjoy titles from the Go All In Book Taster Box.

# \* ONLINE QUIZZES

Included in **Primary Pink** and **Secondary Blue**



## ELS Exclusive Quiz

Join ELS Member schools across Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire in October 2026 for a fun, competitive online regional quiz inspired by *What on Earth!* magazine.

## National Schools Quiz

Join schools across the UK in the *What on Earth!* nationwide quiz celebrating Non-Fiction November, with online heats based on content from the magazines (digital access). Top-scoring teams will qualify for the live London final, with travel expenses covered - and plenty of exciting book prizes to be won.



# CONTACT US



## Opening Hours

Monday	8.30am-5pm
Tuesday	8.30am-5pm
Wednesday	8.30am-5pm
Thursday	8.30am-5pm
Friday	8.30am-4.30pm

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