



### Secondary Network Meeting (virtual): Thursday 21st September, 3.30pm-4.30pm

We look forward to seeing many of our secondary school librarians again after the summer break. We also look forward to welcoming new faces! Join us online to hear all the latest news from the library world.

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### 'Help, I'm Running a Library' Training course: Tuesday 26th September, 9.30am-12.30pm

This is a great opportunity to gain knowledge, skills and confidence in the day-to-day running of the library.

Price: WSLs Subscribers: £55 Non WSLs Subscribers: £85

Venue: WSLs Unit 4, WCC Hawkes Point, 1 Hawkes Drive, Heathcote Ind. Estate, CV34 6LX

Click [here](#) for more information and to sign-up. Feedback from a previous participant:

*'Was so nice to listen to people so knowledgeable with real solutions as I just don't have time to do all that research on top of my job.'*

### Teen Book Award 2023

There's still time to sign-up to our Teen Book Award 2023. Schools are sent all the information and resources they need to host their own 'Speed Shortlisting' events at their school later in September. Student votes are collated and the final 4 shortlist is announced in early October. Students then have a couple of months to read the 4 books and vote for their favourite, which will be announced in an online ceremony in December 2023. Click [here](#) for more information and to sign-up.

### Do you need new books/resources or help with your school library? We can help....

We can provide a range of subscription options to meet your curriculum and reading for pleasure needs. We also offer library support and can complete a range of tasks at your school, such as, weeding, auditing, organising etc. Email: [schoolslibraryservice@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:schoolslibraryservice@warwickshire.gov.uk)

### Warwickshire Libraries' Young Poet Laureate

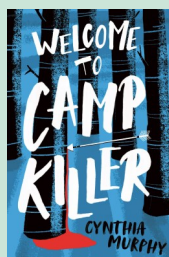
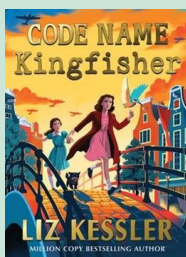
The search is on for the next Young Poet Laureate! The competition is open to anyone aged between 13 and 17 who lives and is educated in Warwickshire and who would like to perform their own poetry to an audience. A fantastic opportunity so please promote this at your schools. Click [here](#) for more information about the YPL and upcoming workshops at Warwick and Atherstone Libraries.

### Useful links/resources

- **Have you got a literacy calendar for the year?** Here are a few links; [Literacy Hive](#) [National Literacy Trust](#)
- **Want to inspire your students with author visits but no budget?**- Free virtual author events coming very soon; Sophie McKenzie for the [Reading Zone](#) and SF Said and Maz Evans for [Waterstones](#)
- **Need help unpacking the D of E framework?** Read this [blog](#) and download this guide from experts in the school library field. A must read for school librarians and teachers too.
- **FREE Library Lesson resource pack.** Covers whole year for 11/12 yr olds. Kindly provided by the librarian at Glenthorne High. [Click here](#).

### New books to look out for...(need more recommendations? Get in touch and we can help)

*CODE NAME Kingfisher by Liz Kessler*  
Suitable for ages 9-11 but also for Y7/8 too: In Nazi-occupied Amsterdam in 1942, Hannie joins the Resistance. In the modern day, Liv is trying to cope with bullies at school. Heart-breaking, thought-provoking but a must-read.



*Welcome to Camp Killer by Cynthia Murphy*  
A gripping, fast-paced, dyslexia friendly horror title from Barrington Stoke. Interest age 13+, reading age 8. An American-style residential camp is set up in the grounds of an English stately home, the teenage instructors are looking forward to a summer of fun. But right from the start, things don't feel quite right at Camp Miller...