

## *News*

Hi Everyone,

At last, with a little time to spare (thanks to Leanne from the Stem Centre at York who was on work placement with me for a couple of days) I can sit and write this very overdue newsletter to you all.

Last year's events went down well with our members – “Blow Your Own Trumpet; Assertiveness and Advocacy” led by Anne- Marie Tarter at Harrogate Ladies College proved to be very inspiring to all members attending. As always, we try to keep a step ahead with all your training needs. “Getting to Grips with Managing and Developing E-book Collections” at Ripon Grammar School proved to be one of our most successful courses yet with record attendance.

Our summer social has already been organised for this year and sounds brilliant. Amanda Burton and Anne Ellis have done us proud with a new venue at an exceptional cost; with easy access for most people, Cleckheaton Golf Club is situated just off the M62 not far from Halifax.

Our speaker for the evening is Martyn Bedford author of “Flip” which appeared on the Carnegie long list this year as well as being shortlisted for the Costa Children's Book Award.

For an evening not to be missed, check out the booking form included for details of the event.

## *Training*

Our autumn course for this year will be Doncaster based, hosted at Hall Cross School by Jane Flynn. It will be a two part day covering the implications and impact to school libraries following the new Ofsted framework for literacy, followed by a more informal session after lunch on book awards, reading groups and book shadowing events.

In spring of 2013 we will be visiting the STEM Centre (science, technology, engineering and maths) at York. Visits are appropriate for widening professional knowledge and are suitable for all members undertaking ACLIP, MCLIP or any other professional qualifications.

## *And finally*

In order to keep our branch going we need your support. We try to keep costs as low as possible; compared to other training events our courses offer tremendous value for money. Please try to join us – this is your branch.....

We look forward to seeing you in the future.

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