



UpdaTED

January 2018

Dear Book Group Chair,

Please pass this issue of UpdaTED on to all your members.



FCBG 50th Anniversary Conference

13th – 15th April 2018

Conference Update

There has already been a high number of bookings for our Golden conference this year. Places are limited so we recommend booking as soon as possible. The latest programme and booking form can be found on the conference page on the FCBG website <http://www.fcbg.org.uk/conference/>

Please contact Jane Etheridge at fcbgconference@gmail.com if you need more information.

Terrie Bourner, Chair of Herts CBG and all the Herts Team are delighted to be hosting the Federation's Golden Anniversary conference. We hope to see as many of you as possible at this very special event.

Don't forget to pack something **golden** to wear at the Gala Dinner on Saturday evening!

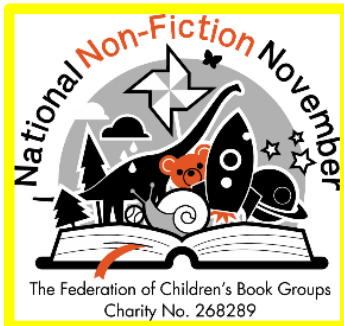
GCBA News



The Top Ten for 2018 will soon be announced with decision day being Saturday 10th February. If your group isn't a Tester Group and hasn't already asked to take part in the Top Ten voting, with access to discounted books, contact Julia now on contact@childrensbookaward.org.uk

Only participating groups get the chance to come to the Award Ceremony. Follow us on Twitter @CBACoordinator to keep up to date with the **Top Ten** and **Top 50** choices and visit the dedicated web site at: www.childrensbookaward.org.uk

GNNFN News



NNFN 2017

The World Around Us Poster Design Competition

We were delighted to receive over 470 entries, which we narrowed down to a shortlist of 25 outstanding posters. These were sent to Nicola Davies and Emily Sutton (author and illustrator of **Lots**), who after much deliberation selected the winners. Each winning school will receive a bundle of Walker Books, plus a signed book for each of the winning poster designers. The lucky overall winner will also be visited by Nicola Davies.

Many congratulations to:

5-7 category winner: **Thomas**, Loddon Primary School, (Reading Children's Book Group)

8-11 category winners: **Nicholas and Benjamin**, Fairways Primary School, Leigh on Sea

12 plus category winner: **Lily**, Pembroke School (West Wales Children's Book Group)

The Overall Winner is **Thomas, Loddon Primary School, Reading**. Well done Thomas!

You can see the full shortlist and comments on the FCBG blog and NNFN website pages and a detailed write up of NNFN is planned for the next edition of the Newsletter.

Many thanks to the team at Walker Books for their generous support and to Nicola and Emma for being our fabulous judges.

GNSSM News



Golden National Share a Story Month - **Celebrating a World of Stories**

The plans for GNSSM are well underway and there has been a great response from Publishers keen to get involved with book suggestions and competition prizes.

The packs with information, ideas and suggestions for GNSSM events will be with Group Chairs in the next few weeks. Please get in touch for further information.

Louise Stothard, GNSSM Co-ordinator, louisestothard@aol.com



50th Anniversary Blog Programme



Many thanks to the five Children's Book Groups who have already offered to contribute to our special 50th anniversary programme of blogs for the FCBG website.

We would really like to be able to showcase more groups during the year, so if you are planning any special events or would simply like to write around 500 words about your CBG and what you do, please get in touch with either Chris (Vice Chair) chrisrouth@leightonpark.com or Clare (Blog/Website) clarezinkin@hotmail.com

FCBG Subscriptions 2018

All book group chairs have received a renewal invoice for their book group subscription together with a group information form and a request for the yearly accounts.

The renewal due 1st January 2018 can either be posted to me with an accompanying cheque for £110.00 or a bacs payment can be made and the paperwork emailed to me, whichever is most convenient for you. This payment covers the public liability insurance needed when holding events and mailing costs.

Thank you very much to West Wales CBG and Lincs CBG for their prompt payment.

Kind regards,

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50 Favourite Books from The Last 50 Years

Many thanks to the Groups who nominated books for our special Golden Anniversary book list which can be downloaded from our website.

The printed version is also now available and if you would like to order multiple copies for your group please contact Karen Hellewell on info@fcbg.org.uk



Group News: **Oxford CBG**

Oxford Children's Book Group been busy making story sacks over the past year which have been gratefully received by the children's wards of local hospitals and have proved to be very popular with the young patients. The group recently heard that Oxford Junior High School have raised nearly £600 which they are donating to OCBG to create more Story sacks. The members are delighted and look forward to many more creative sessions.

Looking ahead, OCBG celebrates its 25th Anniversary this year and will be holding a special Silver/ Golden event on 5th May at The Story Museum in Oxford.

Jackie Holderness, Chair.



Centre for Literacy in Primary Education needs help to build a new library

CLPE are refurbishing their library in their Waterloo building to create a space that can be used as a resource by all teachers who work with them and other literacy charities and literature organisations who don't have access to a library or event space.

They are offering the opportunity for people to support them by buying a shelf, a bookcase, an alcove or by sponsoring one of their collections such as poetry or community languages. If you are interested in helping them you can find details on their crowdfunding page at:

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/building-the-literacy-library>



IBBY UK announces their Honour Book nominations for 2018

The **IBBY** Honour List is a biennial selection of outstanding, recently published books, honouring writers, illustrators and translators from IBBY member countries. IBBY UK committee has announced that the following titles have been nominated as the UK Honour Books for the 2018 list.

Writing: Sita Brahmachari *Tender Earth*

Macmillan Children's Books, 2017

Illustration: Viviane Schwarz *I Am Henry Finch* (written by Alexis Deacon)

Walker Books, 2016 (Paperback) 2015 (Hardback)

Translation: Charlotte Barslund *Wildwitch Wildfire*, translated from Danish

(written by Lene Kaaberbol) Pushkin Children's Books, 2016

Further information can be found on the IBBY website www.ibby.org.uk



The Adventures of Fed Ted

Don't forget to send your group's photos of **Fed Ted** to info@fcbg.org.uk and tell us about his adventures.

Please send items for the February 2018 issue of **UpdaTED** to: info@fcbg.org.uk



and keep us **UpdaTED** with your news.

I look forward to hearing from you.

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