

KICKING LEAVES

The East Lancashire Children's Literature Festival

Autumn 2002

'Giving a voice
to young people.'

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The 'Kicking Leaves' Children's Literature Festival is managed by a partnership between Mid Pennine Arts and the Lancashire School and Young People's Library Service.

We are delighted to present a spectacular event for the young people of East Lancashire, their families and their teachers this autumn.

- 13 Professional writers.
- 5 Theatre companies
- A professional storyteller supported by lantern making workshops.
- 4 INSET Opportunities for teachers.
- An East Lancashire Writing Competition.

Supported by an impressive list of partners from the School and Children's Library Service to all our local Borough Councils, from the National Trust to the County Museum Service and the Arts Council of England, we believe that we are breaking new ground in the North West. There has been nothing quite like it before! 'Kicking Leaves' will give a voice to the young people of East Lancashire; make sure that your school is involved!

Available for everyone in all Boroughs

Poet John Foster

Word-hoarder, prolific writer of poetry books for children in the 'Oxford Poetry Paintbox' Series, and inspiration behind the Oxford Reading Tree.

When and Where: School visit: Tuesday afternoon, 1st October.

Cost: £40 + vat

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine.

Writer Jan Mark (supported by Heinemann New Windmills)

Carnegie Medal winner, author of the Heinemann short story collection 'Do You Read Me?', 'Heathrow Nights', 'Thunder and Lightnings' and many others, we are delighted to welcome Jan's visit to East Lancashire. Jan offers a session of readings and talk about her work followed by a practical workshop. Suitable for KS 3,4 and above.

Where and When: Talk and workshop in schools
Monday afternoon, 4th November.
Tuesday morning, 5th November.

Cost: £40 + vat

Contact: David Smith at Mid-Pennine.

Writer Nigel Hinton (supported by Heinemann New Windmills)

Author of 'Out of Darkness', 'Buddy', 'Collision Course', 'The Finders' and numerous others, Nigel will be making his way from the South Coast to read to your pupils and talk about his work as a writer.

When and Where: Two half days in schools:
Tuesday, 15th October.
Wednesday, 16th October.

Cost: £40 + vat

Contact: David Smith at Mid-Pennine.

Writer Ian Bland

Ian's poetry is written for children between the ages of 6 to 11. His emphasis is on performance poetry using rhyme and rhythm, designed to be fun, accessible and interactive. Suitable for workshops for KS 1 and 2.

When and Where: 5 full days in schools.
Friday 8th November
Thurs. / Friday 14th & 15th November.
Thurs. / Friday 21st & 22nd November.

Cost: £80 + vat per day

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine.

MG Theatre Company with Lizzy Hughes.

Mesmerising stories in transforming costumes to surprise and delight young audiences.

When and Where: Nurseries & Reception classes (3-5 years.)
9th / 10th / 11th October.
14th / 15th / 16th October.
28th / 29th / 30th / 31st October.
1st November

Cost: £80 + vat per day for 3 performances

Contact: David Smith at Mid-Pennine.

'Alice in Wonderland' from 'M & M' Theatre Company

The classic Lewis Carroll story from the company who brought us 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' so successfully last year.

When and where: Haslingden Community Link,
Bury New Road, Haslingden.
Saturday, 26th October at 2 p.m.

Tickets: Tel: Mid Pennine 01282 421986.

'PopUp' Children's Theatre Company

Children's Theatre of the highest quality! "Nightwatch" a gripping ghostly drama for the over 7's! Suitable for Year 7 in secondary too. The Company's next engagement in the North West is at the Royal Exchange Theatre in Manchester at Christmas!

When and Where:

- Monday, 14th October at 1.30 p.m.
in the Civic Theatre, Oswaldtwistle.
- Tuesday, 15th October at 1.30 p.m.
in the Burnley Mechanics Theatre.
- Wednesday, 16th October, at 1.30 p.m.
in Colne Municipal Hall.
- Thursday, 17th October at 11 a.m.
in the Leisure Centre, Bacup.

Cost: • £2 for pupils with teachers and carers free.

Contact: • David Smith at Mid-Pennine.

'The Ugly Duckling' from 'Applause Productions'.

A re-working of the story from Hans Christian Anderson with songs and music. A show with loveable animal characters for children of all ages.

When and Where: Burnley Mechanics Theatre,
Saturday, 12th October at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Cost: All tickets £6; family ticket £21.

Contact: Burnley Mechanics Box Office: 01282 664400.

'Rumpelstiltskin' from the NTC Children's Theatre Company.

After the success of their visit in December 2000 with 'The Dawn of the Firefawn' we are delighted to welcome back this exciting company to East Lancashire with their new show. This re-telling of the Grimm Brothers' classic fairytale will captivate children of all ages.

When and where:	Wednesday, 11th December at 1.30 p.m. at the Nelson Civic Hall.
	Thursday, 12th December at 10 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. at Haslingden Public Hall.
Cost:	£2. Teachers and carers free.
Contact:	David Smith at Mid Pennine.

Courses for Teachers

1. "Developing your School Book Week"

Two half-day courses run in partnership with Lancashire School Library Service.

Where and When:	Pendle Heritage Centre, Tuesday, 19th November, from 9 a.m. to 12 and from 1.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.
Cost:	£40 + vat
Contact:	David Smith at Mid-Pennine.

2. "Poetry Power" with poet John Foster.

Poet and author of the 'Oxford Reading Tree' John will present practical strategies to promote creative writing and the reading of poetry in the primary school classroom.

Where and When	The Stable Loft, at Gawthorpe Hall Wednesday, 2nd October from 9.30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Cost:	£80
Contact:	David Smith at Mid-Pennine.

3. "Advance Your Storytelling Skills" with Jacqueline Harris.

Jacqueline will focus on building oracy and listening skills through story-telling for the primary school classroom. The day will deal with developing and structuring narratives, confidence building and creating new ways of telling known stories.

When and Where:	The Stables Loft, at Gawthorpe Hall. Thursday, 31st October, from 9-30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Cost:	£80
Contact:	David Smith at Mid-Pennine.

4. Teachers' Forum: 'Practical classroom strategies for writing poetry at Key Stages 2 & 3.'

Education Officer at Mid Pennine, David Smith, will deliver a fast moving 50 minute presentation focusing on proven classroom strategies for teachers. The talk is the result of 30 years' classroom experience and has been given to a number of primary schools as a part of staff INSET provision and to trainee PGCE students at St. Martin's College in Lancaster.

All teachers attending will receive a full pack giving details and examples of all the strategies (and more) offered in the presentation.

Afterwards there will be an opportunity for sharing ideas on creative ways to display poetry from children in your classroom and in the school as a whole.

When and Where:	The Mid Pennine Gallery Tuesday, 12th November at 4.15 p.m.
Cost:	Free.
Contact:	David Smith at Mid Pennine.

FOR BURNLEY SCHOOLS

Writer Nick Arnold:

Best selling author of the hilarious 'Horrible Science' series which tackles the gory side of science: 'Bulging Brains', 'Deadly Diseases', Nick's first published books appeared when he was working at the University of North London on a project teaching children about nature. Nick has lost count of the number of books he's written but you can find them published by 'Scholastic'. Suitable for KS 2.

When and Where:

Read Library - Tuesday, October 8th at 10.45 am..
Padiham Library - Tuesday, October 8th at 1.30 p.m.
Burnley Library - Tuesday, October 8th at 6.30 p.m.
Rosegrove Library - Wednesday, October 9th, 9.30 & 10.45 a.m.
Colne Road Library - Wednesday, October 9th at 1.30 p.m.

Cost: Free

Contact: Alison Turner,
Senior Librarian for Young People's Services, on 01282 449582

Poet Terry Caffrey

A very lively performance poet who is at ease with all ages, Terry's workshops are based on fun and enjoyment and are suitable for all Key Stages including those children with special educational needs. Terry will read from his most recent collection: "A Clock Up Me Vest"!

Where and When: School Workshops:
Monday/Tuesday,
11th/12th November.

Monday/Tuesday/Friday,
18th/19th/22nd November.

Cost: £80 + vat per day

Contact: David Smith at Mid-Pennine.

Artist Anita Burrows

Anita will be working with schools to design and make lanterns for Jacqueline Harris' story-telling sessions in the Great Barn at Gawthorpe Hall. suitable for KS 2 and 3.

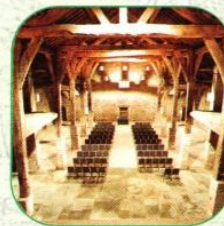
Where and When: The Barn at Gawthorpe Hall on Tuesday & Wednesday 8th / 9th October.
Full day workshops for schools.

Cost: £80 + vat.

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine.

Storyteller Jacqueline Harris

Energetic, inventive story-teller from Lancaster who has been commissioned to create new stories built around the history of Gawthorpe Hall.



The Great Barn at Gawthorpe Hall; a perfect setting for an evening storytelling

Where and When:

For schools: The Great Barn at Gawthorpe Hall,
Friday, 11th October 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

In Gawthorpe Hall on Wednesday,
30th October 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

For families:

The Great Barn at Gawthorpe Hall
Friday, 11th October 7 p.m. with
bats!

In Gawthorpe Hall on Saturday and
Sunday, 12th & 13th October
1.30 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Cost and details from: David Smith at Mid-Pennine.

The Pumpkin Readings

Adult volunteers from the Age Concern volunteers programme will be reading and telling favourite stories with a ghostly Halloween theme in two local libraries. Artist Alice Hutt will carve traditional pumpkins for display and children will be encouraged to bring their own carved pumpkins for the readings.

When and Where: Saturday, October 26th at
11 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. at
Coalclough and Brunshaw Libraries.

Cost: Free, no need to book.

FOR HYNDBURN SCHOOLS

Writer Kaye Umansky

A prolific writer whose "Pongwiffy" tales have been turned into a television series, Kaye is a humorous and entertaining reader for children. Much of her work has been published by 'Puffin' and includes the 'Wilma' books, 'The Dressed-up Giant', 'The Fwog Prince' and collections of verse which include: 'Wiggle my Nose'

When and Where: Great Harwood Library
Tuesday, 8th October
9.30 a.m. / 10.45 a.m. / 1.30 p.m.

Cost: Free

Contact: Jane Wood, Senior Librarian for
Young People's Services on
01254 306914.

Writer and poet Alan Brown

Author of a number of picture books for younger children published by Hodder, Collins and Hutchinson as well as both fiction and non-fiction for older pupils. Books include: 'King of the Dark Tower', 'A Dog of my Own', 'Sword and Sorcery' and 'The Smallpox Slayer' - all published by Hodder. Workshops suitable for KS 2 and 3.

Where and When: School workshops around
Foxhill Bank, Oswaldtwistle.

Thursday / Friday 7th / 8th
November.

Mon. - Wed. 11th/12th/13th
November.

Cost: £80 + vat per day.

Contact: David Smith at Mid-Pennine.

FOR PENDLE SCHOOLS

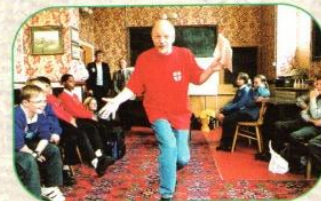
Poet Nick Toczek

Poet, story-teller, magician, comic and puppeteer Nick has a national reputation especially for his "Dragon" Anthologies. Suitable for KS 1, 2, and 3.

When and Where: Nursery, Primary and Secondary School Workshops
Monday, 28th October to Friday, 1st. November.

Cost: £80 + vat per day.

Contact: David Smith at Mid-Pennine.



Poet Terry Caffrey:

A very lively performance poet who is at ease with all ages. Terry will read from his most recent collection "A Clock Up Me Vest"! Terry, writer in residence at Manchester's Bridgewater Hall, is a very experienced workshop artist who brings smiles to faces wherever he works. Suitable for KS 1,2,3,4 and special needs groups.

Where and When: Colne Library: Friday, 4th October 9.30, 10.45 a.m. and 1.30 p.m.

Contact: Alison Turner,
Senior Librarian for Young People's Services on 01282 449582

FOR ROSSENDALE SCHOOLS

Writer Malcolm Rose:

Joint winner of the 2001 Lancashire 'Children's Book of the Year' with "Plague". A writer with a science background for a young teenage audience. His latest book "Bloodline" has a 5 star rating on 'Amazon' from readers. Suitable for KS 2 and 3.

Where and When: Whitworth Library :
Wednesday, 16th October, 9.30 a.m.
& 10.45 a.m.

Rawtenstall Library:
Wednesday, 16th October, 1.30p.m.

Cost: Free

Contact: Jane Wood,
Senior Librarian for Young People's
Services, on 01254 306914

School Workshops: Thursday, 17th October, full day

Cost: £80 + vat

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine.

Poet Terry Caffrey

Terry will be hosting a family evening of performance poetry at Haslingden Primary School followed by a Saturday Poetry Morning for Rossendale primary schools.

Where and When: Haslingden Primary School
Family evening: Friday 22 November
at 7 p.m.
Saturday Poetry morning:
9 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. 23 November.

Cost: Friday evening: small charge
Saturday poetry morning: free.

Contact: Ann Maguire, at Haslingden Primary
School, on 01706 215947.

Script-Writer Craig Harris:

Builds script-writing from improvisation workshops to produce a script which can be taken forward by class teachers. Workshops develop oracy and literacy skills, confidence, co-operative learning, and fun! Craig is available to work with all Key Stages.

Where and when: School workshops:
Tuesday - Friday, 1st/2nd/3rd/4th
October.

Cost: £80 + vat per day.

Contact: David Smith at Mid-Pennine.

Writer Alan Gibbons

Award winning writer of "Shadow of a Minotaur" and the "Total Football" Series. A funny and articulate reader of his own work, Alan is passionate about turning boys on to writing and reading. His work is concerned with people fighting back against bullying, racism and being put down because they're different. Suitable for KS 2 and 3.

Where and When: Haslingden Library Tuesday,
October 15th, 9.30 a.m. & 10.45a.m.

Bacup Library: Tuesday,
October 15th - 1.30 p.m.

Cost: Free

Contact: Jane Wood, Senior Librarian for
Young People's Services
on 01254 306914.

FOR RIBBLE VALLEY SCHOOLS

Illustrator Steve Hutton

Steve, an illustrator of traditional tales, will explain how he works with writers and publishers such as Oxford to build up character. Suitable KS 1, 2 and 3.



Illustrator Steve Hutton working at KeyStage 1

When and Where: Practical workshops in schools
Wednesday, 9th October.

Cost: £80 + vat per day.

Contact: David Smith at Mid-Pennine.

At Clitheroe Library:
Wednesday, 16th October.

Cost: Free

Contact: Alison Turner,
Senior Librarian for Young People's
Services on 01282 449582.

Family workshop at The Platform
Gallery, Clitheroe.
Saturday, 16th, November.
from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cost £5 per participant.

Contact: Katherine Shoesmith at the Platform
Gallery on 01200 443071.

Illustrator Vanessa Card

Vanessa has worked as a free-lance illustrator for most of the educational publishing houses. She has an enduring interest in the natural world and storytelling which have been the root and inspiration for much of her creativity. Suitable KS 2 and 3.

When and Where: School Workshops: Thursday,
3rd October.

Cost £80 + vat per day.

Contact: David Smith at Mid-Pennine.

Family workshop at The Platform
Gallery, Clitheroe.
Saturday, 5th October
from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cost £5 per participant.

Contact: Katherine Shoesmith at the Platform
Gallery on 01200 443071.

Illustrators from 'The Picture House': Sean Creagh and Juliet Breese

Two freelance illustrators with over 30 years combined experience of working with top publishing houses from Oxford and Cambridge Press to Faber and Heinemann as well as many more obscure ones! They are developing a reputation for their colourful and imaginative mural work and have recently completed a commission at Haslingden Primary School. Suitable for KS 1, 2 and 3.



The Picture House

When and Where: School Workshops:
Wednesday, 6th November.
Wednesday, 13th November.
Wednesday, 20th November.

Cost: £80 + vat per day

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine.

TODMORDEN SCHOOLS

Poet Paul Cookson

Inspirational poet available for full day workshops in schools: author of "Spill the Beans". Suitable for KS 1 and 2.

When and Where: Schools:
Mondays, 7th & 14th October,
Wednesday 6th, & Friday 8th, November.

Cost: £80 + vat per day.

Contact: David Smith at Mid-Pennine.

The "Kicking Leaves" Creative Writing Competition for all our Schools.

Pupils are invited to submit poems and short stories for our
"Kicking Leaves" creative writing competition.

Winning entries will be published in a professionally designed publication. Writer Malorie Blackman has been commissioned by Mid Pennine to write a new short story for the children of East Lancashire to be published in the same book as the winners of our competition. Malorie's latest book, 'Noughts and Crosses' has been chosen by Lancashire schools as the winner of this year's County Library Service 'Children's Book of the Year' award.

Pupils at Key Stages 1,2,3 and 4 are eligible to submit one entry each for the competition. Book token prizes and certificates will be awarded to the best entries at each Key Stage.

Pennine Ink Writers will form the judging panel. Their decision will be final. Pupils should keep a copy of their work because entries cannot be returned.

Entries must be received at the Mid Pennine Office in Burnley by
Friday 29th. November, 2002.



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