



School Library Association Information Book Award 2012

In only its second year as a national book award the SLA Information Book Award received over 100 submissions for consideration for the award. As the judges were heard to remark “it’s great to have so many wonderful books to choose from...”

The submissions have been scrutinised and the School Library Association is pleased to announce the long list for each age category as follows:

Under 7s

- **All About the Olympics** by Nick Hunter, published by Raintree ISBN 9781406222999
- **A Stork in a Baobab Tree** by Catherine House, illustrated by Polly Alakija, published by Janetta Otter-Barry Books (Frances Lincoln)
- **A Walk in London** by Salvatore Rubbino, published by Walker Books ISBN 9781406337792
- **Big Book of my World** by Kali Stileman, published by Doubleday ISBN 9780857530424
- **Dolphin Baby** by Nicola Davies, illustrated by Brita Granström, published by Walker Books ISBN 9781406321197
- **Meerkat** by Anita Ganeri published by Raintree ISBN 9781406219647
- **Starting School** by Caryn Jenner, illustrated by Arthur Robins, published by Franklin Watts ISBN 9781445100944
- **Who Has What** by Robie H. Harris, illustrated by Nadine Bernard Westcott, published by Walker Books ISBN 9781406336771

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- **Ancient Egypt- tales of Gods and Pharaohs** by Marcia Williams, published by Walker Books ISBN 9781406326680
- **Beatrice's Dream** by Karen Lynn Williams, illustrated by Wendy Stone, published by Frances Lincoln ISBN 9781847800190
- **Can we Save the Tiger** by Martin Jenkins, illustrated by Vicky White, published by Walker Books ISBN 9781406319095
- **Espresso Ideas Box: Water** by Sarah Ridley, published by Franklin Watts ISBN 9781445103945
- **Extraordinary Animals**, by Leon Gray, published by Wayland ISBN 9780750264860
- **Feel the Force** by Tom Adams, illustrated by Thomas Flintham, published by Templar ISBN 9781848774551
- **How the Weather Works** by Christiane Dorion, illustrated by Beverley Young, published by Templar ISBN 9781848771956

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- **Nature Adventures** by Mick Manning and Brita Granström, published by Janetta Otter-Barry Books (Frances Lincoln)
- **North** by Nick Dowson, illustrated by Patrick Benson, published by Walker Books ISBN 9781844287758
- **Pop-up London** by Jennie Maizels, published by Walker Books ISBN 9781406321579
- **Talk, Talk, Squawk** by Nicola Davies, illustrated by Neal Layton, published by Walker Books ISBN 9781406321180

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- **Afghanistan from War to Peace: Our World Divided** by Philip Steele, published by Wayland ISBN 9780750265737
- **Charles Dickens: A Lifetime of Storytelling** by Catherine Wells-Cole, illustrated by Ian Andrew, Caroline Anstey and Diz Wallis, published by Templar ISBN 9781848771178
- **Girls against Girls: How to Stop Bullying and Build Better Friendships** by Bonnie Burton A & C Black ISBN 9781408148204
- **Into the Unknown** by Stewart Ross, illustrated by Stephen Biesty, published by Walker Books ISBN 9781406304794
- **Star: from birth to black hole** by Alan Dyer, published by Templar ISBN 9781848771994
- **Terezin – A Story of the Holocaust** by Ruth Thomson, published by Franklin Watts ISBN 9780749695996
- **Usborne Book of Famous Artists** by Rosie Dickins, illustrated by Mark Beech, published by Usborne ISBN 9781409523284
- **Your Sketchbook Your Self** by Felicity Allen, published by Tate Publishing ISBN 9781854379696
- **Youth Crime; Inside Crime series** by Colin Hynson, published by Franklin Watts ISBN 9780749695804

The shortlists will be announced in approximately 1 month.

Editor's notes

The **SLA Information Book Award** is an annual event celebrating information books, and is designed to support school libraries and to reinforce the importance of non-fiction whilst highlighting the high standard of resources available. The 2012 award ceremony will take place in November.

About the School Library Association

The School Library Association is an independent charity that believes that every pupil is entitled to effective school library provision. The SLA is committed to supporting everyone involved with school libraries, promoting high quality reading and learning opportunities for all. Website: www.sla.org.uk

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