



School Library Association

Lancashire Branch

We hope you can **JOIN US** at our forthcoming Branch event

Lucas Maxwell

Sharing best practice

Promoting reading

Marketing the library

Book Blogging

Plus lots, lots more...



Lucas Maxwell, librarian at Glenthorne High School, London and the **SLA School Librarian of the Year 2017**

From bringing books to life in highly imaginative and engaging ways, to generous and bold outreach work with their respective communities, via substantial and meaningful support for staff as well as pupils, Lucas Maxwell makes a huge difference to the lives of all he works with, igniting a passion for reading.

Lucas is evangelical about the role of technology in libraries. The library has a strong following on social media and he is especially proud that many of his followers are students. He organises virtual author and careers sessions through Twitter and Skype and he is interested in Makerspaces in libraries.

There is a sense of fun in Lucas's library. From book blogs, timed Lego competitions, a "Poem in My Pocket" initiative and Open Mic nights (well, days) are some of the examples of his creative thinking and desire to reach out to the whole school community.

Community is very strong in the school and Lucas is careful to include not just the whole school community but also the surrounding area. Lucas will timetable events like his wildly popular Comic Con on a Saturday to enable all the young people in the area to attend. He organises events with local primary schools as part of the school's transition process. He also runs topical and imaginative inductions, last year he themed his sessions around the Pokémon Go craze.

Staff speak glowingly of how Lucas has enriched their teaching and enthused the whole school about reading for pleasure. In the words of his colleagues Lucas is a "wave of energy," "a brilliant storyteller" and that the pupils "love the library, and they love Lucas."

When: Wednesday 14th November 9.30am - 3.00pm

Where: LSA Technology and Performing Arts College
Worsley Road, Lytham St Annes, Lancashire, FY8 4DG

Map: <https://www.lythamhigh.lancs.sch.uk/contact>

Host: Gerry Bruen, Library Team Leader

Programme:

9.00: Registration

9.25: Welcome:

Kathy Edge, Chair

9.30: Lucas Maxwell

10.30: Break

11.00: Lucas Maxwell

12.30: Lunch

1.30: Lucas Maxwell

3.00: Closing remarks:

Emma Suffield, Vice-Chair

Members £35

Non-members £40

'Bring A Friend' £10

Please note, our 'Bring A Friend' promotion can only be used once. Therefore, for those who have taken advantage of this offer previously unfortunately, (we hope you understand) you will not be able to do so again.

BOOKING

Please confirm to:

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PAYMENT

Please send to:

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Acting Branch Treasurer

SLA Lancashire

Cheques payable to '**SLA Lancashire Branch**' - should be sent to:

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(please photocopy the event slip details and include with your payment), or payment can be made on the day.

If using **BACS**, please also ensure that the **Remittance Advice** slip is mailed to Rosalind at

librarian@ripley.lancs.sch.uk

or handed in on the day.

Please also ensure that the account used is **NOT** the main SLA branch, but our NW Lancashire branch account.

Details for BACS payments are:

NWB Nelson

Sort Code: 010593

A/C number: 11095946

A/C name: Sch Library Assoc. Lancs.

NEXT EVENT

March AGM and

training day 2019

Details to be confirmed