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School Library Association

What your Association has done in the past year...

- Showcased best practice in librarianship by commissioning wide-ranging feature articles for our quarterly journal, *The School Librarian*, and appointing a new Features Editor
- Worked to improve the status of school librarianship and school library staff by representing SLA members in partnership with CILIP and others to campaign for school library statutory recognition
- Provided time saving lesson plans and information on running school libraries in our members' section of the website
- Saved time and money for our members by recommending purchases through our comprehensive book reviews in *The School Librarian*
- Responded to our members' requests for CPD which can be undertaken without having to leave school through our online CPD courses
- Enhanced over 300 school librarians' understanding and practice through organising and running 24 regional training courses
- Provided superb networking and CPD opportunities for all school library staff through our annual weekend training course – "Empowerment, Empathy, Engagement: The Impact of School Libraries" – in Gloucestershire in June
- Held our one-day Conference on reading for pleasure – "Reading Outside the Box" – at the Doctor Who Experience in Cardiff
- Brought new ways of working and fresh ideas for using in school by publishing seven new titles in our Guidelines and Riveting Reads series
- Enabled local networking and training opportunities by supporting 22 regional and three national branches of SLA members and by helping our members in Hertfordshire to set up a new local branch
- Continued to support our new international branch for SLA members worldwide so that they can encourage and help each other to improve their own services
- Highlighted exemplary school librarians and school libraries with our School Librarian of the Year Award and Inspiration Award, recognising innovation, creativity and resourcefulness
- Supported the role of information books in school libraries by holding our sixth annual SLA Information Book Award
- Helped to promote the Kids' Lit Quiz, getting youngsters excited about reading
- Commissioned our 2017 weekend training course – "Lightbulb Moments: Powered by Librarians" – in Harrogate



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