

## THE SLA INFORMATION BOOK AWARD IS OPEN TO SUBMISSIONS

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This annual award is designed to support school libraries and to reinforce the importance of information books and highlight the high standard of resources available.

The winners will be announced in November 2022.

**Submissions for the SLA Information Book Award 2021 are now invited.**

The submission deadline for entries is: **28<sup>th</sup> January 2022.**

**N.B. the SLA office is closed from 23 December 2021 to 4 January 2022**

The shortlist will be announced in Spring 2022, at which point children will be invited to vote for their favourite from each category. There will be a Judges' Choice Winner and a Children's Choice Winner for each age category, and both Judges and Children will choose an Overall Winner.

### CRITERIA FOR ENTRY

The judges are looking for information books that will stimulate interest, have an innovative approach and/or format, have child appeal, be up-to-date in approach as well as having value, for education and enjoyment, going forward.



- The books must show use of appropriate pictures, language and topic for the age group and the synergies between text, layout and illustration must create a stimulating whole
- The books must be published for the first time in the UK in **2021**
- First edition hardback and paperback formats are eligible
- New editions or reprints are not eligible
- The books may be part of a series, but need to be able to be read as standalone works
- If shortlisted, there must be stock of each title in May 2022, for school supply
- There will be a cost of approx. £300 for each book on the shortlist to finance publication and distribution of publicity materials, and to enable the children's vote to take place.

Please be aware:

- Publishers are asked to provide an age category for the book, however, this may be changed at the judges' discretion, depending on their judgement of how it would work best in school
- Poetry collections may be eligible, but will be accepted on a case by case basis.

Enter your books into the Award by completing a [submission form](#).