

# **School Experience Centre**

## **A guide to finding information**

This guide provides information on the School Experience Centre (SEC) collection located on the lower ground floor of Harcourt Hill Library. The collection contains books and other resources that are relevant for education students during their school experience at both primary and secondary level.

### **Books include:**

- Fiction
- Non-fiction
- Picture books
- Big books
- Pupil and teacher textbooks
- Reference collection – including reading and math schemes, and other photocopiable resources

### **Other resources include:**

- DVDs
- CDs
- Artefacts
- Resource packs
- Posters/illustrations
- Games and Musical Instruments
- Equipment – including math and science equipment

### **Journals**

The Library journal collection includes a number of titles of relevance to student teachers offering up-to-date information on practical and theoretical issues. All our holdings can be found on the Library Catalogue by searching by title or keyword. This will indicate whether a print and/or electronic version is

available. All print journals are reference only and are kept in the Main Library on the ground floor. Articles from journals may be photocopied. Some useful titles are listed below:

- Child Education and Child Education Topics
- Junior Education and Junior Education Topics
- Primary Geographer
- Primary History

### **Language resources**

We have multiple copies of some picture books and junior fiction and it is possible to borrow more than one copy of an item to take into school if required. Sometimes there are Big Book versions of the same text also available to borrow.

### **Wordless Picture Books and Dual Language Texts**

We have a growing collection of both wordless picture books and dual language texts available to borrow. You can find these by searching the Library Catalogue by keywords *wordless picture books* or *dual language*.

### **Facilities**

Seating is arranged in the SEC so that groups can sit together and discuss project work. There are also two bookable small group study rooms with a computer, and an interactive whiteboard. Bookings for these rooms can be made at the main Library Counter.

There is an area at the far end of the SEC where you will find thirteen networked computers. A machine for printing/scanning/photocopying in black and white and colour is located outside Group Study Room 2. The DVD collection is now housed adjacent to this room and a dvd player is located next to the Catalogue machines.

### **Some useful web addresses for student teachers**

#### **Art**

National Portrait Gallery – [www.npg.org.uk](http://www.npg.org.uk)

Art posters – [www.artforschools.com](http://www.artforschools.com)

National Society for Education in Art and Design (NSEAD) -<http://www.nsead.org/home/index.aspx>

#### **Citizenship/PHSE**

Anti-bullying – <http://www.education.gov.uk/schools/pupilsupport/behaviour/bullying>

Kidscape – [www.kidscape.org.uk](http://www.kidscape.org.uk)

Childline – [www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk)

Barnardos – [www.barnardos.org.uk](http://www.barnardos.org.uk)

Save the Children - [www.savethechildren.org.uk](http://www.savethechildren.org.uk)

Christian Aid – <http://www.christianaid.org.uk/>

Oxfam – [www.oxfam.org](http://www.oxfam.org)

UNICEF - [www.unicef.org](http://www.unicef.org)

Childhood deafness – Action on Hearing Loss – [www.actiononhearingloss.org.uk/](http://www.actiononhearingloss.org.uk/)

Royal National Institute for the Blind (RNIB) – [www.rnib.org.uk](http://www.rnib.org.uk)

SeeingEar –charity for visual impairment/blindness - <http://www.seeingear.org/resources/>

Positive images –resources from the Red Cross - <http://www.redcross.org.uk/What-we-do/Teaching-resources/Teaching-packages/Positive-Images>

## **English**

Children’s literature, festivals, author events etc – <http://www.booktrust.org.uk/>

National Association for the teaching of English – [www.nate.org.uk](http://www.nate.org.uk)

World Book Day – [www.worldbookday.com](http://www.worldbookday.com)

Literacy- [www.ukla.org/](http://www.ukla.org/)

Playing by the book- for children’s books and creative activities linked to literature  
[www.playingbythebook.net/](http://www.playingbythebook.net/)

## **Environmental issues**

Wateraid – [www.wateraid.org.uk](http://www.wateraid.org.uk)

World Wildlife Fund –<http://www.worldwildlife.org/>

RSPB – [www.rspb.org.uk](http://www.rspb.org.uk)

## **Geography**

Ordnance Survey – [www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk](http://www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk) (updated daily)

Local maps – [www.multimap.com](http://www.multimap.com) or [www.streetmap.co.uk](http://www.streetmap.co.uk)

## **History**

BBC History – [www.bbc.co.uk/history/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/)

British Museum Young Explorers - [http://www.britishmuseum.org/learning/schools\\_and\\_teachers.aspx](http://www.britishmuseum.org/learning/schools_and_teachers.aspx)

Centre for Oxfordshire Studies –<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/public-site/oxfordshire-history-centre>

## **Mathematics**

Knowledge through games – [www.aplusmath.com](http://www.aplusmath.com)

Interactive maths games – emphasis on secondary level – [www.coolmath.com](http://www.coolmath.com)

Educational charity for literacy and numeracy standards – [www.hamilton-trust.org.uk](http://www.hamilton-trust.org.uk)

Primary games – [www.primarygames.co.uk](http://www.primarygames.co.uk)

Teaching ideas – [www.teachingideas.co.uk](http://www.teachingideas.co.uk)

### **Science and technology**

IET - resources in science and technology – <http://www.theiet.org/resources/teachers/index.cfm>

Science – <http://www.britishecienceassociation.org>

Science Museum - <http://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/educators>

### **GCSE**

[www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize)

### **Statistics**

National Statistics including Census information – [www.statistics.gov.uk](http://www.statistics.gov.uk)

### **Government**

Ofsted – [www.ofsted.gov.uk](http://www.ofsted.gov.uk)

Government website – [www.direct.gov.uk](http://www.direct.gov.uk)

Department for Education – <http://www.education.gov.uk/>

Education Statistics - <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education/about/statistics>

### **Schools and School Issues**

Oxfordshire LEA – [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk)

Teaching vacancies – <https://www.tes.com/jobs/>

Dyslexia - <http://www.dyslexiaaction.org.uk/>

Speech and language impairment – <http://www.ican.org.uk/>

### **Resources**

Dorling Kindersley – [www.dk.com](http://www.dk.com)

Scholastic – [www.scholastic.co.uk](http://www.scholastic.co.uk)

Kids on the net for children by children <http://www.kidsonthenet.org.uk/>

BBC – [www.bbc.co.uk/schools](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools)

Channel 4 – <http://www.channel4learning.com>

### **Making Contact**

Your Librarian with responsibility for the School Experience Centre is Charlotte Olehnovics. She can be contacted on 01865 488220 at Harcourt Hill Library or via email at [educationlibrarians@brookes.ac.uk](mailto:educationlibrarians@brookes.ac.uk)

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