**Publishers Current Awareness**

**w/b 29th June 2020**

**Literacy**

National Association for Teaching of English,webinar on Reading for Understanding, Analysis, and evaluation.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ik4BwJFtM1k](https://ascel.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=df9af6a3a267145e8657d73bb&id=9717c800e3&e=b19d9f7d01)

"It is not easy, nor simple nor cheap to improve children’s early language skills" Round up of LUCID research outcomes of shared reading schemes.

[http://www.lucid.ac.uk/news-events-blog/blogs/it-is-not-easy-nor-simple-nor-cheap-to-improve-children-s-early-language-skills/](https://ascel.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=df9af6a3a267145e8657d73bb&id=1c66280a5f&e=b19d9f7d01)

Discovering Children's Books printable activity pack from the British Library. Includes cut-out-and-keep masks, fairy tale mashups, foldable boats, comic strips and imaginary maps and aimed at children without access to screens.

[https://www.bl.uk/childrens-books/activities/activity-pack](https://ascel.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=df9af6a3a267145e8657d73bb&id=19bd7ebe2f&e=b19d9f7d01)

**Health & Wellbeing**

Basil Brush and Martin Roberts from Homes Under the Hammer have teamed up to produce a video of Basil Brush recording a video of Martin’s children’s book Sadsville alongside specifically created resources for both teachers and families, to help engage with children on emotions around sadness and how to understand our own mental health.

[https://www.tes.com/news/basil-brush-nspcc-sadsville-video-emotions-martin-roberts](https://ascel.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=df9af6a3a267145e8657d73bb&id=293b581cde&e=b19d9f7d01)

**Arts & Creativity**

Shape, or social sciences, humanities & the arts for people & the economy, is designed to encourage schoolchildren and undergraduates to view these subjects as positive steps towards a high-status career. They argue that those subjects that enable pupils and students to develop verbal reasoning, alongside an understanding of society, the environment and culture, are dangerously undervalued.

[https://www.theguardian.com/education/2020/jun/21/university-and-arts-council-in-drive-to-re-brand-soft-academic-subjects](https://ascel.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=df9af6a3a267145e8657d73bb&id=2ab194f5ce&e=b19d9f7d01)

**People**

Eoin McLaughlin and Polly Dunbar have teamed up to write a sequel to The Hug - this time, with physical distancing.

[https://www.booktrust.org.uk/news-and-features/features/2020/june/while-we-cant-hug-eoin-mclaughlin-on-writing-a-physical-distancing-picture-book/](https://ascel.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=df9af6a3a267145e8657d73bb&id=c91301a359&e=b19d9f7d01)

**Awards & Prizes**

Australian artist Shaun Tan has become the first person of colour to win the Kate Greenaway medal, while Anthony McGowan has won the Carnegie medal.

[https://www.theguardian.com/books/2020/jun/17/shaun-tan-first-bame-author-to-win-kate-greenaway-medal-carnegie](https://ascel.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=df9af6a3a267145e8657d73bb&id=15432c2e01&e=b19d9f7d01)

[https://carnegiegreenaway.org.uk/cilip-carnegie-and-kate-greenaway-medal-winners-2020/](https://ascel.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=df9af6a3a267145e8657d73bb&id=cb40df5480&e=b19d9f7d01)

The English Association has announced the shortlist for the 2020 English 4-11 Picture Book Awards.

[https://www.sla.org.uk/article/richard-leveridge/shortlist-for-the-2020-english-4-11-picture-book-awards/2035](https://ascel.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=df9af6a3a267145e8657d73bb&id=7a4cd125a2&e=b19d9f7d01)

NLT in partnership with the Telegraph Sports Book Awards announce the shortlist of the new Children’s Sports Book of the Year.

[https://literacytrust.org.uk/news/shortlist-for-inaugural-childrens-sports-book-of-the-year-category-announced/](https://ascel.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=df9af6a3a267145e8657d73bb&id=46924a1783&e=b19d9f7d01)

**Shropshire SLS**

The SLS Team are now working from the Annexe returning 40000 items from Spring term projects and will then start to compile the Autumn term requests. Thanks to those of you who have sent in their requests and we are happy to receive more.

Please email your requests to [sls@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:sls@shropshire.gov.uk) phone 01743 255030 or use the online form on our website <https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-library-service/how-to-request-resources/#>

If you would like to join the growing number of schools taking advantage of our discounted packages and new services please phone the number above or email [donna.taylor@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:donna.taylor@shropshire.gov.uk)

Thank you for supporting the children of key workers and for your patience and understanding during these difficult times.

**Shropshire SLS Team** - Donna Taylor, Gursharan Virdee, Rebecca Hughes and Rebecca Tudor.