

NST Newsletter: Monday 4th July 2022

This week's newsletter features the following items:

- Nottingham City Libraries Summer Reading Challenge 2022
- Natural History Museum London's Urban Nature Project
- Urban Nature at Wollaton Park and Newstead Abbey (**1 attachment**)
- School Clothing Grant for UNISON Members (**1 attachment**)
- 'Authors Uncovered' Books for Schools
- Summer Term Subject Leader Network Meetings



Summer Reading Challenge 2022

Nottingham City Libraries Summer Reading Challenge launches on July 9th with an exciting science theme. Gadgeteers. We challenge every child to read 6 books and win rewards along the way and collect a medal and certificate if they complete. Children can sign up for free at their local library. We also have lots of different activities for free or a minimal charge – please encourage families to look at our website for more information there's something in every library every week throughout August!

For more information, an assembly pack, promotional video and articles for your website and newsletters please visit our website:

<https://www.nottinghamcitylibraries.co.uk/our-services/school-groups/>

If you would like to join me for a virtual assembly on July 18th (9.30 or 2.30pm) please do get in contact sandra.edis@nottinghamcity.gov.uk



Natural History Museum London's Urban Nature Project

We'd like to offer you an exciting opportunity for your school to be involved in the Natural History Museum London's Urban Nature Project (UNP): <https://www.nhm.ac.uk/about-us/urban-nature-project.html>

Museums across the country, including Nottingham City Museums at Wollaton Hall and Newstead Abbey, are connecting teachers and new audiences of young people aged 9-14 to their local nature, and to global issues. In particular we hope to connect with those identified as having a low connection to nature.

We are working to inspire the next generation to care for the nature that surrounds them. We are delivering training for teachers, curriculum-linked learning resources, hands-on outdoor workshops for pupils aged 9-14 and a new community science project informed by student ideas and questions. This project is fully funded and completely **FREE** to schools <https://www.nhm.ac.uk/about-us/urban-nature-project.html>

Please get in touch if you would like to know more.

Best wishes

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Urban Nature at Wollaton Park and Newstead Abbey

Sue Mallender has also provided the attached document for schools which gives further information about the facilities and fieldwork sessions on offer at Wollaton Park and Newstead Abbey.

School Clothing Grant for UNISON Members

David Wand, Schools organiser for Nottingham City UNISON has sent the attached document to us; please could you publicise it in schools? It is for UNISON members who may be experiencing financial difficulties and require access to financial support to cover the costs of school clothing due to COVID-19, the cost of living crisis or other circumstances.

Further information can also be found online here:

www.unison.org.uk/news/article/2022/06/2022-school-clothing-grants/

'Authors Uncovered' Books for Schools

We still have a small number of the 'Authors Uncovered' books we handed out at the members meeting; one book features biographies of Britain's favourite children's authors and the other features biographies of popular children's authors from the USA and Canada. Please could you let [Emily](#) know if you would like to offer these books a home at your school?

Summer Term Subject Leader Network Meetings

Dates for the following meetings are available to book on Eventbrite:

- [History Network](#) – Thursday 7th July, 4.00pm to 5.30pm
- [Early Years Network](#) – Monday 11th July, 12.30pm to 4.00pm
- [Art Network](#) – Tuesday 12th July, 1.00pm to 3.30pm
- [Science Network](#) – Thursday 14th July, 4.00pm to 5.30pm

Jane Gill is delivering a further **Maths Network** meeting this term, with places funded by the NST – click on the link below to book:

- [Thursday 21st July, 1.15pm to 4.00pm](#)