



Professional library support for Curriculum for Excellence

Central school library support services can help schools by:

- Providing resources and information to support Curriculum for Excellence
- Promoting effective learning and teaching
- Encouraging reading for enjoyment through activities and events
- Promoting and facilitating the development of information literacy skills
- Offering advice on the acquisition, organisation and use of resources in schools
- Providing appropriate staff and curriculum development opportunities
- Assuring the quality of library service provision in and for schools
- Providing links to other relevant agencies

A school librarian can help by:

- Developing the School Library Resource Centre as a focus for learning;
- Supporting attainment across the school curriculum;
- Sharing knowledge of resources in all formats, covering all subjects;
- Selecting, organising and managing resources;
- Matching resources to the learners' needs;
- Supporting the development of literacy, including increasing reading confidence and fluency; through readership development programmes;
- Creating clear links between the library's literacy and information skills activities with the outcomes of Curriculum for Excellence;
- Assisting with the effective use of ICT in learning and teaching;
- Managing information to facilitate retrieval through the library management system, websites, databases and Glow;
- Designing, delivering and evaluating information skills programmes across the curriculum;
- Sharing expertise in the development of information literacy;
- Accessing resources available to schools through wider range of lending services partnerships, such as the public library services, National Library of Scotland, the Scottish Poetry Library and the British Library to support and enrich the learning experience;
- Providing information, bibliographic and research services;
- Supporting personal and social development.