

Welcome to Kingsley & Go

Kingsley and Co is a magical children's bookshop and explorers emporium based in Bootle Strand shopping Centre offering a wide range of literary themed workshops and events to schools families and community. A project of Ykids Charity, we have over 20 years experience delivering engaging and innovative projects for children. Kingsley and Co offers a variety of packages to schools to support literacy, encourage reading and inspire imagination.

A visit to Kingsley & Go







Step into a world of wonder in our magical book shop and discover its many secrets including story doors, moving bookcases, hands on discovery room, a Time Machine and then walk through the wardrobe to engage with fantastic literacy workshops in our secret classroom. We offer 3 packages from 1 to 2 hrs for a whole class.

Story Keeper Visit

Our fabulous story keeper can visit your school. We will bring a bit of Kingsley magic to your classroom with one of our fantastic package workshops, exploring literacy through stories, puppetry, performance, animation, video games and more, all based on key curriculum aims and tailored for deliver in YOUR school - complete with a FREE assembly!

Bootle Children's Hiteracy Pestival

This November, returning for 2023, our Bootle Children's Literary Festival! Keep an eye out for booking information – it's first come, first served for a fantastic series of events from workshops, to Q&As with authors, interactive/immersive experiences, and more!



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We offer an ever expanding selection of fantastic literacy experiences hosted at our magical bookshop and café.

Bronze Literary Discovery Experience £100

A 1 hour visit to the Kingsley & Co for 30 children. This includes choosing a free book, visiting the Discovery Centre, and an interactive literary quiz.

Silver Literary Discovery Experience £200

A 2 hour visit to the shop for 30 children. This includes choosing a free book, visiting the Discovery Centre, an interactive literary quiz, hot chocolate, biscuit for all, and literacy workshop provided by our Story keeper.



Gold Literary Discovery Experience £300



A 2 hour visit to the shop for 30 children. This includes choosing a free book, visiting the Discovery Centre, an interactive literary quiz, hot chocolate, cake for all, and a fantastic workshop provided by a local Author.



As part of Kingsley & Co's literacy schools offer, we have several workshop packages to choose from, all delivered on-site in your classroom, and based around important literacy curriculum goals.

Praditional Pales

Little Red Riding Hood

Tale and Craft - hear a re-telling of the Grimms classic, engage through a critical discussion and work together as a class to create a 'story hamper' to take away.

The Snow Queen

Shadow Puppetry - begin by learning about the history of shadow puppets, before crafting your very own and using it to tell the story together.

Three Billy Goats Gruff

Interactive Story - instead of passively listening, work with the storyteller to craft a unique re-telling of the classic before using this to storyboard your own re-telling.

Aesop's Fables

Puppet Performance - after hearing a classic Aesop's Fable and discussing its meaning, craft your own puppets to re-tell the animal story in groups.

"I thought it was delightful to see how much fun the children were having and how engaged they were"

— teacher

CURRICULUM LINKS

- Key comprehension skills
- High-quality stories from our heritage and other cultures
- Articulating opinions and responding in discussion
- Appreciation and love of reading



We also offer literacy focused workshops which aim to work directly with literacy skills through another guise...

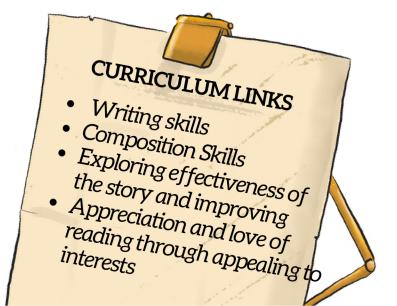
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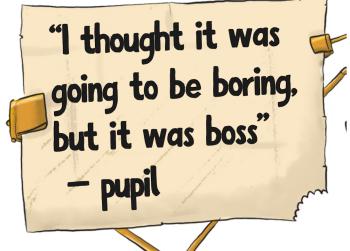
Video Games

The group will explore video games, and 'develop their own video game' – which of course is actually writing a story based around one of Booker's Seven Basic Plots and other storytelling techniques.

Comic Books

Where the students will be taken step by step to planning their very own Comic Strip. Like Video Games, they'll make creative decisions and then plan out the comic – another hidden storytelling structure.







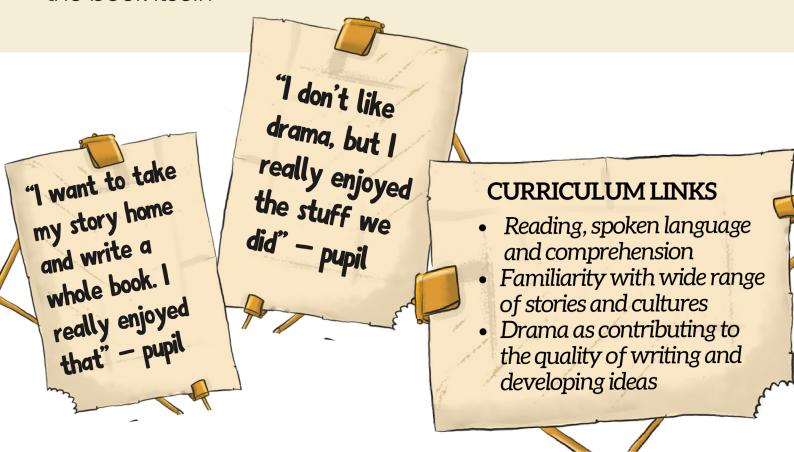
Based on a rich performative pedagogy, we offer "standingup literacy" - literacy through drama games and exercises to excite, enthuse, and explore storytelling in a fresh new way.

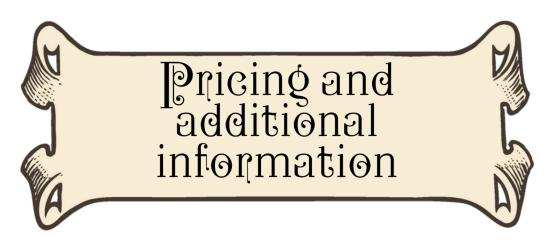
Stories and Drama

The group will read and 'act' a short story or fable through drama, all led step by step by the facilitator. Of course, the steps actually follow the classic story structure and invite the group to think of their own stories too...

Bringing to life

The group explore several stories, choose one, and bring the story to life! This is structured around the storytelling structure, but involves quotes and scenes created from the pages of the book itself!





Planning a visit to Kingsley and Co

- We can accommodate up to 2 classes (60 children) at the same time.
- Toilets are available on site (not public)
- Allergies catered for.
- There is no parking available for coaches but there is a close drop off point on the Strand service road which takes pupils directly into the shopping centre close to the shop.
- Copies of liability insurance/risk assessments/safeguarding policies available on request

Workshops:

Our workshops help students, explore literacy through traditional telling, drama, puppets and animation.

These can all be tailored to the specific age group, class, and curriculum focus - don't hesitate to call and ask.

Pricing from: One lesson: £100

Half day: £200

(2 lessons plus assembly)

Full day: £300 (up to 4 lessons plus

assembly)

Assemblies:

Fun, interactive and engaging story assemblies. These include an introduction to Kingsley & Co or are bespoke to each individual school requirements.

We offer a complimentary first assembly FREE of charge.



For more information or to book a visit please contact us:

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Call 0151 9442111 (bookings/office) or submit an expression of interest through our website

Website: www.kingsleyandco.org/schools

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