

Plymouth Schools Library Service

Service Level Agreement 2011-2012. (Amendments)

New resources from April 2011

1. Available to all schools subscribing to either our standard or light package as part of the subscription:

DVDs "The film of the book" and "Popular curriculum subjects" at key stage 2.

These will be provided as part of the topic collection if requested. Each DVD will equate to 3 books and so a topic box with 1 DVD would have up to 22 books

2. Available to all schools subscribing to our standard package as part of the subscription:

Listening Books (Internet Streaming Service)

PSLS will purchase each school a one year subscription. This gives each school a license for 10 computers from which pupils and teachers can access a comprehensive range of resources to listen to on-line. PLUS the option to download many titles

Playaways

"Playaways are smaller than a pack of cards – they're so light and compact, you can fit a whole book in your pocket! Technical knowledge isn't needed – just plug in the earphones, press 'play' and listen straightaway"

Split phase provision

A Primary school can choose to buy a light package for 1 phase (eg KS1) and standard package for the other (eg. KS2). The school would be billed proportionally using the pupil roll at each key stage.

Specialist resources for light package schools

Schools subscribing to our either of our light packages can now hire specialist resources:

Books £3.30 each per term
(Minimum 10 resources at any one time)

Non-book resources £8.00 each per term
(Minimum 4 resources at any one time)

Topic borrowing entitlement

The PSLS offer in Trading Fair 2011-2012 reads that topic borrowing entitlement is based on 1 collection (Light package - topic) or 2 collections (Standard package) per 30 pupils per term. (Prior to this, the entitlement had always been based on the number of teachers in the school)

Following discussions with various Head teachers and teachers since copy for Trading Fair was submitted, we have agreed to change this entitlement and base it on the **number of classes**. Plymouth Children's Services will provide us with the number of full-time classes for each school establishment from the January annual statistics.

This will ensure consistency and fairness of provision to all our customers.

Specialist Loan borrowing entitlement for schools subscribing to our standard package

A selection of resources to support **specific individual pupil's / small group needs**, e.g. large print, low reading ability, gifted & talented, storytapes, dual language texts, Widgit books, storybags etc

As for topic loans the allocation of these resources is based on number of classes. **Up to 25** resources per class can be borrowed at any one time.

Examples of use might be:

- Up to 5 books for a pupil requiring dual-language texts
- A few Playaways / audio CDs for a reluctant reader or dyslexic pupil
- A Bag Book to work with a small group of pupils on speaking and listening skills.

Empowering the Individual Learner:

- Pupils benefit from more top-quality, up-to-date resources
- Teachers have more time to teach
- Schools get more for their money