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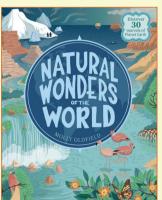




Spotlight on Children's Non-fiction Books

on-Fiction (Informational books) are written to help children learn more about real things, people and places. The purpose is to stimulate the minds of children who want to learn more about specific events, animals, people, history and places. They are a source of great knowledge. The are written with younger children in mind and thus the language, structure and imagery are suitable for children.

They include a wide range of topics - Agriculture, Biographies, Careers, Computers, Encyclopaedias, Folklore, Geography, History, Hobbies, Ireland, Languages, Literature, Medical, Nature, Religion, Science, Sociology, Space, Sport and Technology. Each of these categories cover a wide variety of areas also. These books have a yellow spine tab with the first 3 letters of the topic on the spine of the book eg. AGR for agriculture.





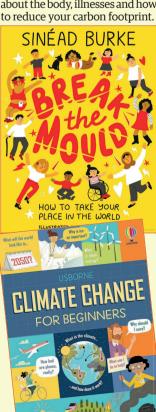
Educational topics

Most books in certain topics can be used alongside school textbooks, to assist your child further in certain subjects at school eg. Geography, History, Religion, Science, Nature, Environment, Languages, Technology, literature, Folklore, Encyclopaedias and Biographies.



Health & Wellbeing

Topics like sociology, medical, nature, science, climate change will help you looking after yourself and having the best quality of life possible. You can read books about the body, illnesses and how to reduce your carbon footprint

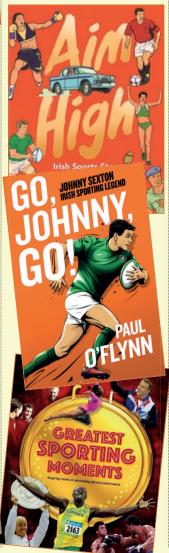




Sport and hobbies

For the sporty children, we have many books from reading about your sporting heroes to books on specific sports, how to improve your skills and reach your full potential.

We have a variety of books on every other hobby also eg. crafts, knitting, horse riding, dancing, gymnastics, photography, computer games etc. which will encourage healthy pastimes and help your child socialise and meet new groups.



So why not check out the Non-fiction section with your child, the next time you visit the library and you won't pass without seeing something that will interest them. There is also a range of Children's Non-Fiction available on BorrowBox. Enjoy and learn!



SENSORY SERVICES AT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY

Kilkenny Library Service was awarded Autism-Friendly Status from AsIAm, Ireland's National Autism Charity. In our Charter of Inclusion, we aim to provide an accessible library service for everyone in our local community.

The library has a range of autism friendly services and resources available.

A sensory box is available for use in all our library branches these contain a number of small calming toys



Visual stories are available for each library branch also. These will help you prepare for your visit to the library

Ear defenders are also available for children with sound sensitivities. Your library also has Lulls which have white noise and relaxing music pre-loaded for listening. Ask any staff member for these during your visit.



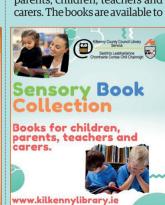


Toy and sensory resource collection

These toys and sensory resources have been carefully selected to help with the development of your child's gross motor skills, fine motor skills and play & life skills. You will find the brochure and conditions of use on our website under sensory services.

Sensory Book stock

This book collection is a specialised autism collection for parents, children, teachers and carers. The books are available to



Kilkenny Library members and you can request them from your local Kilkenny library branch. This brochure is also available to view on our website **www.kilkennylibrary.ie**

Reader Pens

Reader Pens read words and full lines of text aloud for independent reading. These digital highlighters can be helpful if you have dyslexia, difficulty with reading or pronunciation, are an English language learner or have vision problems. These are available to borrow from all our library branches.

Magic table

The Magic table is available for use in Graiguenamanagh, Castlecomer and Loughboy libraries. This is a fun, interactive 'magic table' ideal for elderly people living with dementia, autism, learning disabilities and their carers, family and friends. The games encourage shared experience and stimulate physical activity. We welcome use by schools, groups or individuals, please contact the relevant library for more information.