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More Raise-a-Reader Support for School Libraries

In May 2005 CanWest Global Raise-a-Reader provided a total of 1125 new fiction and non-fiction books to improve the following WSD K-6 school library collections: Carpathia, Champlain, Greenway, Harrow, John M. King, Lord Roberts, River Elm, Gladstone, Rockwood, Wellington, Wolseley. Cataloguing and distribution were provided by LMS. Thanks to the Churchill High School students who sorted 40,000 items, donated by Scholastic Publishing to the Canada-wide Raise-a-Reader program, as part of a community service project. Thanks once again to CanWest Global Raise-a-Reader for supporting student literacy through WSD school libraries.

National School Library Day

The theme of National School Library Day (NSLD) celebrations for 24 October 2005 will be "Discover the Adventure". The revised NSLD logo includes both official languages. For further ideas and more information go to the NSLD website <<http://www.nslld.ca>>.

LMS Hours of Operation

Monday to Friday*

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

- Reference Library
- Cataloguing
- Administration

8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- AV Library

*Except school holidays.

School Library Funding Sources

A series of recent research studies have pointed to aging and outdated school library collections and the need for increased funding for upgrading and for acquisition of new materials to support implementation of new curricula (see May 2005 issue of *LMS Newsletter*).

The Ontario education ministry has responded with a cash injection of \$11 million for elementary and \$6 million for secondary school library resources. What's more, this funding has been guaranteed through 2007/08!

In the June 2005 issue of *Education Matters*, an e-newsletter from Statistics Canada, school libraries are deemed an "under-resourced

resource." What can typical Canadian schools do to alleviate chronic under-funding? Be creative and follow the money all the way to the bank and the bookstore.

RBC Financial Group provides funding for literacy. To find out how your school library can become eligible for an RBC grant, visit <http://www.rbc.com/sponsorship/program.html>.

Scotiabank "believes in funding programs that add value--that are aimed at real needs, real skills and real benefits to students and the broader community." Complete guidelines for donations and

sponsorship requests and information on how your school library can benefit from the bank's commitment to education are at http://www.scotiabank.com/cda/content/0,1608,CID6356_LIDen,00.html.

One of **BMO Financial Group's** fundamental corporate goals is to provide Canadian students with the widest possible access to education. Visit BMO at http://www2.bmo.com/content/0,1263,divId-7_langId-1_navCode-3561,00.html.

TD Bank Financial Group places emphasis on the fundamental elements of a bright future, including children's education. TD gives back to the

community through cash donations, gifts-in kind, charitable sponsorships and employee volunteering. To apply for support from TD visit http://www.td.com/community/how_submit.jsp.

Chapters/Indigo is not simply a bookstore. It's a funding source! The Indigo Love of Reading Fund dedicates its efforts to instilling in underprivileged children a life-long love of reading and learning and supports worthy literacy initiatives across Canada. To apply, go to <http://downloads.chapters.indigo.ca/corpgiving/givingform.pdf?zxac=1>.

Good luck!

Bill to Enhance School Libraries

Nova Scotia Education Critic **Diana Whalen** introduced a bill in the House of Assembly entitled the *Right to Read Act* on 6 May 2005. Highlights of the Act include ensuring that every school has a library with centres for students to improve their reading, research and problem-solving skills. It also outlines a number of objectives to be monitored and maintained for each school region.

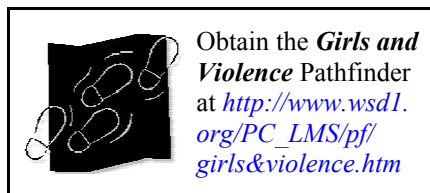
Library and Archives Canada: A Transformation

Four catalytic initiatives have been identified as central to the future ability of LAC to service Canadians' information needs. The **digital collection initiative** will focus on acquiring, describing, managing and preserving access to digital content. Since metadata is key to managing, preserving and providing access to LAC's digital and non-digital holdings, the **metadata strategy initiative** will develop a framework to facilitate delivery of content and services to users. The **service delivery transformation initiative** will look at ways to achieve seamless user service in digital access to services and digital delivery of content; seamlessness in the search-identify-obtain process; and profiling LAC content and services in the "Amazoogle" environment. The **AMICAN initiative** will improve access and provide the system with intellectual and physical management of the collection.

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Canadian Copyright Update

On 20 June 2005 the government introduced a bill to amend the Canadian *Copyright Act*. This bill does not address educational use of Internet material. This issue will be part of a new public consultation process.



New MEC&Y Documents

- *Senior Years Family Studies Learning Resources: Annotated Bibliography : A Reference for Selecting Learning Resources (June 2005)*
<http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/ks4/learnres/bibliographies.html>
- *ESL Action Plan*
<http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/ks4/cur/diversity/esl/index.html>
- *Schools in Manitoba - Écoles du Manitoba*
http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/ks4/schools/2005_mb_schools_book.pdf
- *When Words Are Not Enough : Precursors to Threat : An Early Warning System for School Counsellors*
<http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/ks4/specedu/guidance/index.html>
- *School Partnerships, A Guide for Parents, Schools and Communities and Supporting Inclusive Schools : A Handbook for Developing and Implementing Programming for Autism Spectrum Disorder*
<http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/ks4/specedu/documents.html>

Websites for Administrators

- 📖 **4th Edition of McREL's Compendium of Standards and Benchmarks**
<http://www.mcrel.org/standards-benchmarks/>
- 📖 **Canadian Education Association**
<http://www.cea-ace.ca/>
- 📖 **Education World Lesson Planning Newsletter**
<http://www.educationworld.com/maillist.shtml#lessons>
- 📖 **The Effects of Electronic Media on Children Ages Zero to Six: A History of Research-Issue Brief**
<http://www.kff.org/entmedia/7239.cfm>
- 📖 **Focus on Literacy**
<http://www.cea-ace.ca/foo.cfm?>
- 📖 **Intervention Central**
<http://www.interventioncentral.com>
- 📖 **Logical Consequences**
http://www.educationworld.com/a_curr/columnists/charney/charney007.shtmlsubsection=lit&str_page=int
- 📖 **The Promise and Problem of Literacy in Canada: An Agenda for Action**
http://www.cea-ace.ca/media/en/Lit_PBrief_Eng.pdf
- 📖 **The Quality of European Education**
<http://europa.eu.int/comm/education/policies/educ/indic/rapinen.pdf>
- 📖 **Student-Led Conferences: A Growing Trend**
http://www.educationworld.com/a_admin/admin/admin112.shtml
- 📖 **Toward a New Golden Age in American Education--How the Internet, the Law and Today's Students Are Revolutionizing Expectations**
<http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/os/technology/plan/2004/plan.html>