

Year 2/3 pupils – Create a Story Character

Date of course	Times	Venue	Cost	Max. places	Subject
Thursday 4 th July 2024	9.30am – 3.00pm	Braeside Education Centre	£60	16	Literacy AGAT

Course details

This is a wonderful opportunity to create your very own story character. Let's come together to study the famous characters of renowned children's authors/illustrators, and pinpoint what makes them enjoyed by so many. Unleash your imagination, as you begin to make important decisions about your own character, including its name, setting, personality traits and appearance.

The most exciting thing about this is that THERE ARE NO RULES! Your character can be as wacky, disgusting or unusual as you'd like, providing that he or she is unique and believable. Immerse yourself in writing a detailed character profile and creating an amazing illustration of your character. We will also explore the use of role play, which is great fun and will ensure that the details you provide sound authentic.

Your new character will be used as the starting point for your own jaw-droppingly brilliant story – perhaps the first of many. Who knows? We might even see some of these characters in print one day!

Guidance criteria for identifying participants:

- Pupils should be creative and imaginative.
- Pupils should enjoy collaborating with others.
- Pupils should demonstrate attention to detail and good decision-making skills.

Course tutor

Louise Lawrence graduated from the University of the West of England in 2002, with a BA honours degree in Primary English. Her extensive work as a primary teacher in a range of settings has seen her teach gifted and talented pupils aged 4 to 11. Louise is an incredibly adaptable teacher, who is passionate about all aspects of teaching and learning and has also branched out to fulfil the roles of Early Years Practitioner, one-to-one tutor, secondary language teacher and youth worker. In addition to this, she is a children's rugby coach. Louise is a creative individual with a particular passion for language, especially in relation to children's literature. She loves nothing more than to immerse herself in a good book with her own children and thrives upon the enjoyment of developing children's reading and writing skills across a range of exciting genres.

As a result of coming on the course you will have:

- explored what makes a unique and memorable story character through studying a range of texts and authors
- shared your ideas, showcasing your character through role play with others
- created a detailed and believable character profile, including an eye-catching illustration of him/her
- used your character as the starting point for a story
- received a course certificate to treasure
- HAD FUN!

Students should bring:

- a notebook/pad and pen/pencil
- coloured pens/pencils
- a water bottle
- clothing suitable for outdoor break times.

Lunch and refreshments are provided.

School uniform is not required. No mobile phones.