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December 2012

Multi-sensory stories for people with learning disabilities

New funding for our Tall Stories project

The vast majority of our multi-sensory storytelling work to date has been done with participating children from Special Schools. Over the past couple of years we have been piloting and honing a new storytelling project "Tall Stories" aimed at adults with severe learning disabilities, mainly in day centres.

Through the Tall Stories project, we provide each day centre with two multi-sensory books and a training pack. One of our Storytellers then visits each day centre three times offering training and mentoring to two of their staff to establish a culture of regular multisensory storytelling within the day centre.

One of our recent sessions was at a care home in Maidstone, Kent run by United Response. One of the members of staff there, Sarah Brooks, said,

"The training you provided has proved really valuable. All our residents love [the multisensory books]; even the individuals that are usually quite unsociable towards their peers will join in with group's Bag Book sessions. Most recently one of my colleagues was asked by a resident to read "The Haircut"



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(he loves it). She read it three times and then asked him if he would like to go for a real hair cut – he pretty much ran into town and really enjoyed having his hair cut! This is a man who has challenging behaviour and is often hard to motivate to leave his flat. Amazing!"

We have now received funding to greatly increase that project in 2013, mainly via The Big Lottery Fund who have awarded us a grant to team up with 216 day centres throughout England over a three year period. We will be approaching other funders to expand the project into the rest of the UK from the summer. Day centres wishing to register an interest in the project should contact our Director of Services, Stuart Cummings email: **stuart@bagbooks.org**



Chris is going to the hairdresser. His hair is too long.



Mark, the new trainee, started at the back, snip snip snip.



Then Chris looked up and stared in the mirror. "I'm bald!!" he screamed.

Telling one of our stories - Kofi and the Magic Shaker



Kofi lived in Africa where the weather was always warm.



A strange looking spider with two large eyes crept down from the tree.



The spider ran back up the tree...



Lots of beautiful birds flew out of the tree and swirled around Kofi.



"Phew it's very hot today" said Kofi and he went to sit under a coconut tree in the shade.



The spider whispered to Kofi and laughed, "I know a better way to cool down."



...and started shaking and shaking the branches.



And as the birds flapped their wings, Kofi felt a nice breeze all around his body.



Fundraising updates

There's still time to take part in the Car Draw organised by The Foundation for Social Improvement. You can buy tickets online at **tinyurl.com/bbcar12** or get in touch with Camilla John at the address below if you would like traditional paper tickets.

You have until 4th January to enter the ballot for a place in the inaugural RideLondon 100 event on 4th August starting at the Olympic Park and taking in 100 miles of closed roads in the capital and the Surrey countryside. Register at **www.ridelondon.co.uk** - if you don't secure a ballot place then please email: **camilla@bagbooks.org** as we have two guaranteed charity places.

We have six guaranteed places in the British 10k London Run on 14th July. If you would like to take part please email: camilla@bagbooks.org

Christmas Stickers

It's that time of year again and you can add that Bag Books feel to your own Christmas Cards with our range of Christmas Stickers. The stickers can also be used to seal envelopes or to wrap up presents.

We have two ranges available: 20 small gold stickers for £2 per sheet or 12 larger contemporary stickers for £3 per sheet. The important thing is that each sticker represents a donation to Bag Books.

Order at www.bagbooks.org/stickers.html or call us for an order form. You might also be interested in our new range of Multi-sensory Gifts which can be seen at www.bagbooks.org/gifts.html or again just ask us to send you an order form.

Regular Giving

One of the best ways to support our work is to make regular donations. Both you and Bag Books benefit from regular giving:

- It's simple you specify the amount and leave the rest to us but you can alter or stop the donation at any time.
- It's much easier to find £5 a month than it is to find £60 a year.
- If you're a higher rate taxpayer, you can claim tax relief on your donations.
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- Regular income means we can plan and develop our work more effectively.

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