



OXFORD CHILDREN'S BOOK GROUP
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Dear Members,

We held our AGM in October and were able to look back on a very busy and successful year. Adding up all our events we reached approximately 1000 children allowing them to connect more closely with authors and books. Library storytelling sessions, author visits, creative writing workshops, a Bookswap all filled the year as well as holding two conferences for our adult members. It was - A VERY EXCITING YEAR.

Next year we will be 20 years old and will have a new logo designed by *Korky Paul* to start the year. We will however continue with the same aim of bringing children and books together. In order to achieve our aims we need your support so please, those members who have not already done so, do renew your membership. A form is included. As members you will continue to receive Carousel and the Federation newsletter as well as information about our events.

John Foster helped start the group twenty year ago and has now very generously offered to visit some primary schools. He is a brilliant speaker and his new book *The Flibbertigibbets* is a delight. We will organise a date for the first five schools who request a visit. Please e-mail me moira.da.costa@pjmddc.demon.co.uk if you would like John to visit your school.

With best wishes for the festive season and the New Year. I look forward to seeing you.

MOIRA DA COSTA

Dates for Your Diary

Wednesday 1 February 2012

Go the F-----to Sleep by Adam Mansbach

A discussion of the issues raised by the book led by Gerry Byrne a child psychotherapist.

7.30 p.m. Venue: Windrush Hamels Lane Boars Hill Oxford OX1 5DJ

All welcome to come along and share your views. Phone 01865 735240

Saturday 10 March 2012

Creative Writing Workshop

Michael Kavanagh

10 -12 a.m.

Rye St Antony School

£15.00

Years 5 and 6

To reserve a place contact Jo Steele 01865 723266 or email jolizsteele@btinternet.com.