

2021 Shadowing update

Dear Shadowing Group Leaders,

As we are all experiencing a challenging start to the new year and there is uncertainty regarding the length of school closures across the UK, we wanted to get in touch regarding the plans for CKG 2021.

We would like to reassure you that the 2021 Carnegie and Kate Greenaway Awards and Shadowing Scheme will go ahead in 2021, bringing outstanding reading experiences for your students to enjoy.

We understand that participation and engagement in this year's Shadowing Scheme may vary in format. We are hopeful groups will be able to come together to take part in school, but we are also anticipating that some groups may take part virtually and some students may take part individually at home. The flexibility of the scheme means that young people can take part in any location, immersing themselves in great reads and sharing their thoughts with their peers and through our interactive website. We look forward to seeing Shadowers' reviews and creative responses to this year's shortlisted books, selected by our panel of librarian judges.

We will be providing digital resources on each of the shortlisted books including activities, videos with our authors and illustrators, book giveaways, webinars and more.

Access to the books

The shortlist book sets are available to [pre-order now with 35% off and free delivery from Peters](#), our official book supplier. Working in partnership with RNIB and Calibre Audio, the shortlisted books will also be made available in large print, Braille and audio format (compatibility permitting) to make the books accessible to as many students as possible.

We cannot guarantee that every shortlisted book will be available in ebook format but we will work with e-lending platforms to encourage them to add the books that are available. We will also work with publishers to signpost all digital formats that are available for each book and any other digital resources such as podcasts, author and illustrator videos, read alouds and activity sheets.

Publicity Packs

In light of the present school closures, we have extended the deadline to register for your free Shadowing Publicity Packs until **Friday 12th February**. These are available for all schools based in the UK. For international groups or any school or library that misses the deadline, all the assets will be available digitally for download from Thursday 18th March.

Timeline

The 2021 Awards timeline remains the same with the longlists announced in February and Shadowing beginning when the shortlists are announced on the 18th March.

18 February 2021: Longlist announcement

18 March 2021: Shortlist announcement and Shadowing begins

16 June 2021: 2021 Medal winners' and Shadowers' Choice announcement

Thank you for taking part in CKG 2021 Shadowing.

With best wishes,
The CKG Team