Yr Adran Addysg a Sgiliau Department for Education and Skills



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Dear Colleague

## EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES PURCHASING SCHEME

I am writing to inform you of the Welsh Government's decision to allocate additional funding to every primary school in Wales to purchase educational resources to support the National Literacy and Numeracy Framework.

The additional funding allocated to this scheme will provide each primary school in Wales with £300 credit allowance with the Welsh Books Council. This credit allowance can be used to purchase Welsh, English and bilingual educational resources listed as 'Available 'from the Welsh Books Council website www.gwales.com

The scheme aims to support schools during challenging economic times and to promote the wide selection of resources available to support teachers in the classroom.

The Welsh Books Council will administer this scheme on behalf of the Welsh Government. Schools are expected to complete the enclosed order form and return it to the Council's Schools Officers no later than 14 February 2014 (contact details for Schools Officers are on the attached sheet). Although the deadline for this grant is mid February we envisage high demand for some resources and therefore advise you to urgently respond to this notice. You should also include a list of reserve resources on the booking form. The Welsh Books Council will supply the order in your chosen order of priority. We would like to emphasise that you can only order resources that are included on <a href="https://www.gwales.com">www.gwales.com</a>.

For more information about this scheme please contact the Welsh Books Council Schools Officers.

Yours sincerely

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