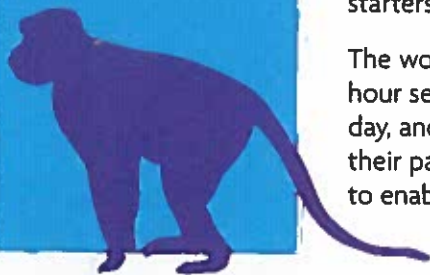




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Family Learning Workshops

- Extend children's learning
- Parents and children working together
- Take part in FREE creative writing workshops
- Involve parents in World Book Day - 3rd March 2016



'My Animal Dream...' A Creative Writing Competition

Trafford College is launching a Family Learning Competition in March called 'My Animal Dream' to help involve local families in the Sale Art Zoo project.

The competition will involve parents and children and provide an opportunity to extend the children's learning at home through a series of creative writing workshops. Parents and children will be invited to produce a piece of creative writing on A4 paper, which can be decorated, and start with the opening line, 'If I were an animal, I would be...'

Workshops

To help launch the competition, Trafford College will be running a series of **free** creative writing workshops in schools for parents.

The workshops will equip parents with the skills to help them (and their children) write creatively, looking at story structure, plot, character development, starters and grammar.

The workshops will run over three 2 hour sessions, ideally during the school day, and children will be welcome to join their parents at the end of the course to enable joint parent/child working.

There will be the opportunity to win exciting prizes for all the family to enjoy, and work produced will feature in the exhibition about George Mottershead at Waterside Arts Centre. There will also be an opportunity to host a celebratory assembly at the winning school.

Benefits

- Helps improve parents' writing skills, giving them the confidence to support their child's learning.
- An opportunity for joint parent/child working supporting a project which the child is working on in school.
- An opportunity to contribute work towards a public exhibition in Waterside Arts Centre.
- Offers parents an opportunity to get involved with school life.

If your school would like to host the '**My Animal Dream**' competition through a series of workshops, please contact Sarah Roiditis, Community Development Worker, at Trafford College on 0161 886 7445 or email sarah.roiditis@trafford.ac.uk

