**October UpdaTED A 2015**

**Dear Group Chair**,

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| **National Non-Fiction November**  This year National Non-Fiction November is starting a little earlier than normal at the end of October, thanks to Christopher Lloyd and his series of ***What on Earth?*** timeline wall books.  Look out for a giant pull-out ***What on Earth?*** poster  which is being given away for FREE in the Sunday Times on **Sunday 25th October.** The poster chronicles 20 of the most fascinating moments in the history of our planet from the beginning of the Universe to the emergence of humans today, and highlights the importance of promoting non-fiction both in encouraging literacy and reading for pleasure.  Alongside the free poster, in support of NNFN, there's an amazing competition you and your group members could enter: Test your pre-historic knowledge against a brain-teasing 20-question quiz and enter a competition to win one of the 1,000 ***What on Earth? Quizbooks*** that are being given away free as prizes.  We're delighted Chris is supporting National Non-Fiction November: Chris believes that tapping into children’s natural curiosity is frequently the most powerful gateway to instilling a love of reading and there is no greater tale than the story of world history.   'National Non-Fiction November is the most fabulous initiative making the case for instilling the joy of reading in young people in homes and schools. We believe this initiative with the Sunday Times, What on Earth? and the Federation of Children's Book groups, will help turbo-charge this year's celebrations and raise awareness of the huge importance of children's non-fiction across Britain," he told us.  Why not put the date in your diary now,  so you don't forget to buy a copy of the Sunday Times on **October 25th**  Good luck with the competition!  For more information on ***What on Earth?*** visit [www.whatonearthbooks.com](http://www.whatonearthbooks.com) or call 01732 464621  Please don't forget to let Zoe, NNFN Co-ordinator, know if you are planning a non-fiction themed event during November. And do look out for the wide variety of articles and competitions linked to National Non-Fiction November, appearing every day during the month. We'll be tweeting and sharing on our blog, so if you don't yet follow @fcbgnews or aren't yet subscribed to the blog, now would be a great time to sign up. |
| Do let me have your news to include in the next UpdaTED  Regards Karen |