

Fiona Marr Librarian

## Library and Extra-curricular Experience:

Elementary Librarian, **Qatar Academy Al Khor**, Qatar (2013-present)

Designed and taught creative and engaging library classes which support classroom units and meet the library curriculum for over 500 K-5<sup>th</sup> grade students; worked closely with classroom teachers to enhance learning; attended Teaching and Learning Conference and participated in UBD workshop; promoted and organized 3 Book Fair events; held Applied Design after-school club for Elementary students; effected all the Elementary library purchases.

Head Librarian, American School of Barcelona, Spain (2011-2013) Provided services for all PK-12 Grade students as well as teachers and parents; designed and implemented weekly classes for 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade students; managed library computer lab; held 3 yearly book sale events; refurbished the Elementary Library area and provided new seating as well as a state-of-the-art media area; launched Virtual Book Fair events; worked closely with Elementary teachers to improve support for their Guided Reading programs; taught 4 Middle School Storytelling electives.

Secondary Librarian, **Colegio Maya**, Guatemala City, Guatemala (2009-2011) Managed both the Elementary and Secondary Library; purchased materials for both sections (and by carefully reviewing user needs and eliminating duplicate resources reduced budget by 25%); worked closely with faculty to provide database training to both students and teachers and support classroom reasearch; presented curriculum related Book Talks to 6-12<sup>th</sup> grade students, taught Grade 5 library skills, updated library webpage regularly; served as advisor; taught Storytelling Elective; organized events that fostered school spirit.

Whole-school Librarian, Escuela Bella Vista, Maracaibo, Venezuela (2007-08) Created engaging library program for K-5 students in which storytelling was the focus; collaborated with Middle and High school teacher to maximize library accessibility and promote electronic and print information; worked closely with technology departments to enhance access for students and co-taught PhotoShop as well as other computer workshops to students and teachers; presented workshops at international conference; participated in 2-day workshop on *Understanding by Design*; compiled standards for Library curriculum.

Elementary Librarian, The American School of Kuwait, (2004-07) Imporved existing program by increasing contact time with students, taking an active role in teaching library skills and storytelling and promoting an atmosphere of teamwork with the library personnel; managed the Accelerated Reader program and the Guided Reading Program; supervised 2 full time assistants; designed and published three 120-page full color yearbooks using on-site technology and local printers; developed and presented workshops to faculty and at International Conferences; double Book Fair sales by correctly identifying market and user needs.

## **Education and Professional Development:**

MSc in Library and Information Science (Oct.2002): University of Central England. Attended 3 Texas Library Association Conferences. Completed 8 credit hours at Framingham University. Presented at 4 conferences in 3 different countries.