

CELEBRATING MOTHER LANGUAGE DAY

The Centre for Literacy & Multilingualism (CeLM) at the University of Reading and Bilingualism Matters (a) Reading are delivering two interactive events in collaboration with the award winning charity 'Mothertongue' to communicate the benefits of maintaining the Mother Tongue and provide a glimpse into the work of interpreters.



THE BENEFITS FOR BILINGUAL CHILDREN IN MAINTAINING THEIR MOTHER TONGUE

Tuesday 21 February 7pm–8pm Bulmershe Theatre, Whiteknights campus

CeLM members and members of the AThEME project will discuss how bilingual children can benefit from maintaining their Mother Tongue. This is an interactive session and the audience will be invited to share ideas and solutions about how busy families can maintain their Mother Tongue.

MOTHERTONGUE – IN OTHER WORDS: INTERPRETERS' STORIES

Tuesday 21 February 8pm–9pm Bulmershe Theatre, Whiteknights campus

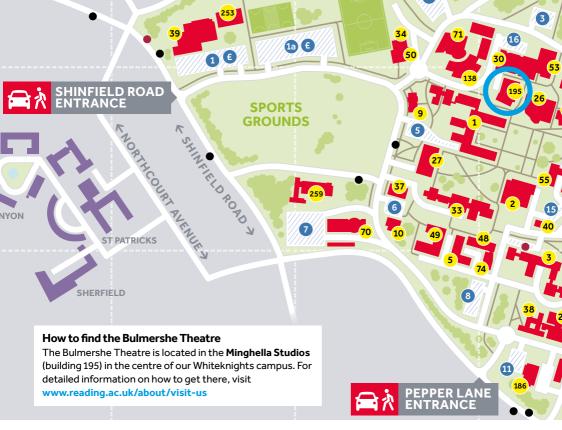
Award winning charity 'Mothertongue', a multi-ethnic counselling and listening service, will perform excerpts from their recently published anthology of interpreters' stories. The performance will bring into life the complex role of interpreters, the delicacy of communication and relationships they build when bridging cultures. Admission is free and open to the public and will be of particular interest to bilingual families, teachers, interpreters, counsellors, and professionals who work with bilingual families.

To book your place visit www.reading.ac.uk/events

In Other Words is a book by Mothertongue







ABOUT THE CENTRE FOR LITERACY & MULTILINGUALISM (CELM)

We are a research institute at the University of Reading that coordinates, conducts and disseminates world-leading research on literacy and multilingualism. Our interdisciplinary approach links Arts and Humanities, Life and Social Sciences to tackle key global challenges that cannot be addressed under a single discipline. Our state-ofthe-art facilities and cutting-edge training provides a platform for researchers and practitioners to engage the public and bring direct benefits to society.

ABOUT BILINGUALISM MATTERS (a) READING

We are the Reading branch of the charity Bilingualism Matters. We provide advice and information on child bilingualism to anyone interested or involved with raising, educating and caring for bilingual and multilingual children. We also bridge the gap between researchers and society by presenting recent findings on the advantages of bilingualism on the cognitive and social abilities of the child.

ABOUT ATHEME

AThEME is a 5-year collaborative research project between 17 partner institutions across 8 European countries studying multilingualism in Europe.



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