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THODUPUZHA**

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CALL FOR PAPERS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

(Hybrid Mode)
on

FROM GRIMM TO GREEN: REIMAGINING CHILDREN'S LITERATURE IN THE CHANGING WORLD

24, 25 & 26 September 2026

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



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CONCEPT NOTE

Almost everyone is familiar with “Cinderella”, a timeless fairy tale from the collection of stories preserved by the Brothers Grimm. For generations, such narratives have shaped the imaginative worlds of young readers, reflecting the values, aspirations and concerns of their times. Today, however, children’s literature extends far beyond traditional fairy tales, engaging with pressing global issues and the diverse experiences of contemporary childhood. The International Conference on “From Grimm to Green: Reimagining Children’s Literature in a Changing World” provides a platform for examining the dynamic transformations within children’s literature in response to shifting social, cultural, environmental and technological contexts. The theme highlights the journey from classical folklore to contemporary literary expressions that address ecological sustainability, climate change, digital cultures, multicultural identities and inclusive perspectives. As a significant medium of education, imagination and social awareness, children’s literature plays a crucial role in shaping young minds. By bringing together diverse perspectives and innovative approaches, the Conference seeks to contribute to contemporary debates in children’s literature studies and encourage research that addresses both the challenges and opportunities of an ever-changing world.

THRUST AREAS

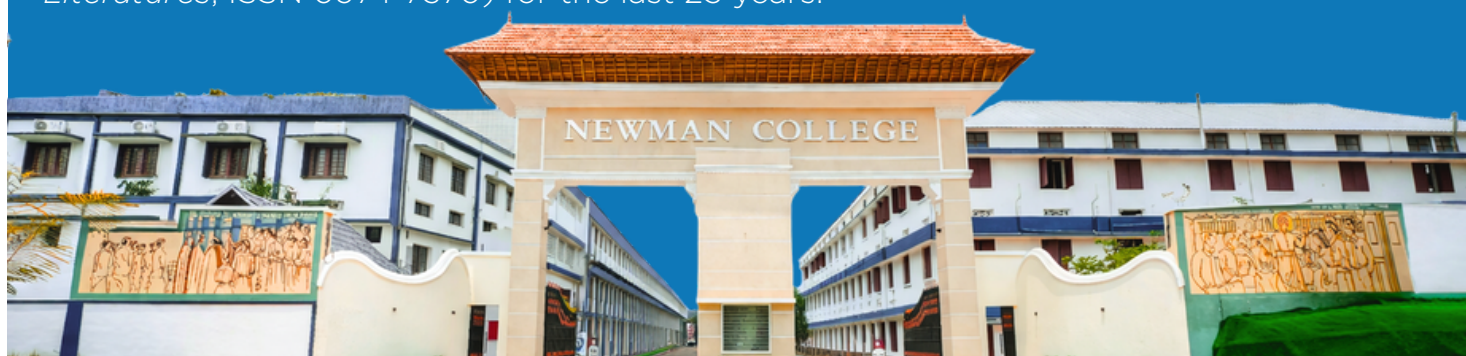
The Conference invites papers on topics including, but not limited to:

- Folklore, Fairy Tales and Oral Traditions in Children’s Literature
- Retellings, Adaptations and Reinterpretations
- Grimm Tales and their Global Legacies
- Climate Fiction (Cli-Fi) and Eco-Fiction for Children
- Ecocriticism and Environmental Imagination
- Sustainability and Children’s Literature
- Nature Writing and Environmental Education
- Multicultural and Indigenous Children’s Literature
- Diversity, Identity and Representation
- Gender and Children’s Literature
- Disability Studies and Inclusive Narratives
- Children’s Literature and Social Justice
- Postcolonial and Decolonial Perspectives
- Translation and Transnational Children’s Literature
- Digital Storytelling, Gaming and New Media
- Children’s Literature in the Age of Artificial Intelligence
- Picture books, Graphic Narratives and Visual Cultures
- Children’s Publishing and Reading Cultures
- Education, Pedagogy and Children’s Literature
- Fantasy, Speculative Fiction and Future Worlds
- Ethics, Empathy and Emotional Literacy
- Emerging Trends and Future Directions in Children’s Literature

ABOUT THE COLLEGE AND THE DEPARTMENT

Newman College, Thodupuzha, established in 1964, has been re-accredited by NAAC with A++ with a CGPA of 3.71 and is affiliated to Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, Keralam, India. The College is located at the doorstep of Idukki District in the Western Ghats. It is a minority Christian institution governed and managed by the Corporate Educational Agency of the Diocese of Kothamangalam. Named after the great educational visionary, St. John Henry Newman, the College is instituted to cater to the educational needs of all communities without discrimination of caste, creed, religion or other considerations.

The Department of English commenced functioning from the College's inception in 1964. It was upgraded as a Postgraduate Department in 1998 and further recognised as a Research Centre in 2009. The Department has been publishing an International peer-reviewed and refereed biannual journal entitled *IJPCL (Indian Journal of Postcolonial Literatures)*, ISSN 0974-7370) for the last 25 years.



GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION:

- Submit your Abstract in both Word file and in PDF format to litseminar@newmancollege.ac.in
- The title of the paper, name and official address of the author/s and phone number should be included in the Abstract.
- The Abstract and Full paper should be formatted according to the MLA Ninth Edition.
- In case of co-authored papers, each author should pay the registration fee.

Important Dates

Submission of Abstract	5 September 2026
Notification of Acceptance	8 September 2026
Last Date of Registration	12 September 2026
Submission of Full Paper	18 September 2026

Registration Fee

Faculty and Others	Rs.1000/-
Research Scholars/ Students	Rs.800/-

Selected papers will be published in the International peer reviewed and refereed biannual journal *Indian Journal of Postcolonial Literatures (IJPCL)*. All other papers will be published as Conference proceedings with an ISBN after appropriate review and editing.

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