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LIBRARY NEWS

This week we're making one small change to our opening times - we'll now be open from 1:00pm until 4:00pm on Wednesdays.

You'll find events and activities news on pages 3 and 4 of this newsletter. There are details of language classes, our Book Club and National Poetry Day on 7th October.

Last Wednesday saw the first of our CV and Interview Skills Clinics, offered once a month for people who have become unemployed or are looking to change direction as a result of the pandemic. There's been a lot of interest in these clinics, and we already have a waiting list for the October session. Details of all this year's clinics are on page 5.

Finally we're keen for more Ealing residents to take part in our Black History Month celebration next month. Details on page 6, and if you can help us to spread the word that would be much appreciated.

See you in the library!

NORTHFIELDS COMMUNITY LIBRARY OPENING TIMES

SATURDAYS: 10:00AM - 4:00PM

WEDNESDAYS: 1:00PM TO 4:00PM

THURSDAYS: 10:00AM - 1:00PM

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NORTHFIELDS COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOOK CLUB NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY 12TH OCTOBER

The Book Club meets once a month on Tuesday evenings. It has been growing steadily since we launched in Spring 2020 and now has twelve regular members.

We read a mixture of fiction and non-fiction titles. For the October meeting members can choose to read "Piranesi" by Susanna Clarke, the winner of this year's Women's Prize for Fiction, or "Small Pleasures" by Clare Chambers, which was shortlisted for the prize. Or they can read both!

New members are always welcome. If you would like to join us please email **getintouchncl@outlook.com** with the heading Book Club.

PLAN FOR LANGUAGE CLASSES TO RESUME THIS AUTUMN

José Garrido, who has held online Spanish classes for Northfields Library over the past year, is offering classes again this autumn. If there is enough interest he can offer the following:

- Absolute Beginners' Class: Mondays at 11:00
- Class for those who have basic Spanish: Mondays at 12:00
- Intermediate Class: Tuesdays at 11:00

Anna Lisa Sorchinelli has been running Italian classes this year and is offering a short course for "not quite beginners", ie for those who may have studied Italian for a term or two. Dates and times to be confirmed.

If you are interested to join any of these classes, please email getintouchncl@outlook.com

Members of José's and Anna Lisa's existing groups will be contacted separately.

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National Poetry Day is a UK-wide celebration of poetry, taking place on 7th October 2021.

Over the years the day has seen poetry celebrated in schools, poetry in burger vans, poetry on the news, poetry on the side of buildings, poetry strapped to the legs of carrier pigeons, and much much more.

All the organisations asks on the day is that we celebrate poetry, and use the hashtag #NationalPoetryDay to let everyone know about it.

You can find more information and some wonderful resources here on the <u>National Poetry Day website</u>

A NOTE FOR YOUR DIARIES: WE WILL BE HOLDING AN ONLINE EVENT FOR POETRY LOVERS ON THE EVENING OF 7TH OCTOBER - DETAILS NEXT WEEK!

CV AND INTERVIEW SKILLS CLINICS

Last week we held the first of our monthly CV and Interview Skills clinic, aimed at those who have become unemployed or are looking to change direction as a result of the pandemic.

The sessions are delivered by Rose O'Donovan who is a local resident and accredited career coach.



These 30 minute one to one sessions can cover:

Upgrading your CV

Preparing for an interview

Practising interview questions

Sessions will take place in the Library on Wednesdays between 1.30 and 4pm on the following dates:

13th October, 17th November, 15th December

To register for your session and to book a time slot please contact Alison Stewart, one of the library's trustees, at **getintouchncl@outlook.com**.

THE DEADLINE FOR APPLYING FOR A SESSION IN OCTOBER IS FRIDAY 1ST OCTOBER.

Please bring a hard copy of your CV with you if you would like it reviewed as part of the discussion.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH: PLANNED DISPLAY IN THE LIBRARY



We are planning to celebrate Black History Month in October and this year's theme is "Proud to Be". We are inviting people of all ages to contribute a few lines and a photo either of yourself or something you are proud of, which will be displayed in the library.

The aim is to make Black History Month personal and unique to individuals, families and our community. The focus is on celebrating the lives of Black people and to share the pride they have in their heritage and culture in their own words. We would particularly like to encourage key workers to contribute to the display.

By asking people to tell us what they are "Proud to Be" we can share individual stories and celebrate the vast richness of diversity in our area.

The display will be in the Northfields Community Library for the month of October. We will not display emails, telephone numbers or postal addresses. Let us know how you would like to be identified eg.a first name only or a full name. You are also welcome to nominate someone for the display, such as a colleague, parent or grandparent, with their agreement.

Please email an image (jpg format) with a few lines to explain your story to nclbooks@outlook.com by 30 September 2021. And please include a telephone number.

That's all for this week.

Thank you so much for your continuing support.

With best wishes,

Tanya, Paul, Alison P, Alison S, Monica and Angela The Northfields Community Library Trustees.



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