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LIBRARY NEWS

NORTHFIELDS COMMUNITY LIBRARY CURRENT OPENING TIMES

Saturdays: 10:00am - 4:00pm

Tuesdays: 10:00am - 7:00pm

Wednesdays: 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Thursdays: 10:00am - 1:00pm

HELLO TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS AND SUPPORTERS

You'll see from the front page that things are getting busier at the library! Now that Covid restrictions have been lifted we are starting to plan some events and we're pleased to be able to invite volunteers to a social evening which was originally planned for December. Details on the following pages.

Covid hasn't gone away though! So we're opening up carefully. Library users are no longer required to adhere to Track and Trace rules but we're still advising the wearing of masks in the building and volunteers are asked to wear masks during their shifts. Windows will be open to provide ventilation and all shared devices are sanitised at the end of every shift.

Volunteer training is continuing and we'll soon be able to extend our opening hours with a new shift on Thursday afternoons.

LIBRARY NEWS

VOLUNTEER SOCIAL 7-9pm, TUESDAY 29TH MARCH

Volunteers are invited to a social evening at the Library to thank them for all their hard work.

Come along to meet other volunteers over light refreshments, hear about what we've achieved together so far and what we plan to do next, and share your ideas about how you'd like to see our service to the community develop.

Please RSVP to getintouchncl@outlook.com so that we know numbers.

UPCOMING MEETINGS IN THE LIBRARY

Team Leader Meeting: 19:00 on Tuesday 15th March

Volunteer Social: 19:00 on Tuesday 29th March

Trustee Meeting: 19:00 on Wednesday 13th April

PLANT SALE AT THE LIBRARY

30TH APRIL



To all keen gardeners - there will be a tabletop plant sale at the Library on Saturday April 30th. Further details soon.

A big THANK YOU to Sonia Nisbet, who raised £300 for Library funds with her sale of plants last year. Some volunteers are already growing on their surplus seedlings or cuttings so that we can sell them.

Could you help by donating any extra plants you have grown to raise funds? If so, please email Angie via getintouchncl@outlook.com for details of when and where to deliver them.

MEET OUR NORTHFIELD WARD POLICE OFFICER

DROP IN SESSION WITH PC LOWLES

12:00 TO 13:00

TUESDAY 22ND MARCH

**PC MARC LOWLES WILL BE IN THE LIBRARY TO
SPEAK TO ANYONE NEEDING TO SEEK ADVICE OR
RAISE CONCERNS**

NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED

**(WE HOPE THIS WILL BECOME A MONTHLY
EVENT)**

**PLEASE PASS ON TO ANYONE YOU KNOW WHO
MIGHT BENEFIT FROM THIS OFFER**



Open the door to new career possibilities with our **FREE** courses in Maths and English

Our Functional Skills Level 2 courses in Maths and English give you the equivalent of a grade C/4 at GCSE and are completely free! *

Head over to www.uwl.ac.uk/functionalskills to find out more and apply.

*Applicants must meet our eligibility requirements to be accepted onto these courses. See www.uwl.ac.uk/functionalskills for full details.



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Do you have a GCSE in Maths and English? How many times have you heard this question when applying for a job or a university course?

Not having the minimum requirements in Maths and English can be a frustrating barrier to achieving your ambitions. But here's where we can help.

Our Functional Skills Level 2 courses in Maths and English give you the equivalent of a grade C /4 at GCSE and can help open doors to new possibilities. We offer free Level 1 courses too if you need to build up to Level 2.

And best of all – they're completely FREE! You won't have to pay a thing.*

So, whether you're returning to work after a break, trying to secure a promotion, or looking to study a degree at university – Functional Skills in Maths and English can help you to stand out from the crowd.

Interested in our free Maths and English courses? Here's what to do next...

1. Check you meet the courses' eligibility requirements
2. Register your interest at www.uwl.ac.uk/functionalskills

It's that simple

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for our free Functional Skills courses, you need to:

- Have been aged 19 or above on 31 August 2021
- Live in London
- Be a citizen of the UK or an EEA (European Economic Area) country
- Have lived in the UK or an EEA country for the past 3 years

*Applicants must meet our eligibility requirements to be accepted onto our free Functional Skills courses. Applicants may be asked to complete a free lower level Functional Skills course before completing Level 2. This will be based on the outcomes of a short pre-assessment to establish current working levels.

PAID PART TIME JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT WEST EALING LIBRARY

We really don't want to lose any of our brilliant volunteers, but as there are two paid, part time job opportunities at West Ealing Library you might be interested to find out more . . .

The current Library and Community Development Officer at West Ealing Library is moving to another position and there is a plan to offer her role as two flexible, part time posts.

Anyone interested is invited to West Ealing Library to look around and chat to Toby Cray the Library Officer about what sort of hours/days might appeal.

Please email toby@ehcvs.org.uk to find out more

LIBRARY EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

NORTHFIELDS COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY 12TH APRIL, 2022

The Book Club meets once a month on Tuesday evenings, sometimes on Zoom and sometimes as a face to face meeting.

We read a mixture of fiction and non-fiction titles. The chosen books for the next meeting are:

- Fiction: The Promise by Damon Galgut (Booker Prize Winner 2021)
- Non Fiction: Manifesto by Bernadine Evaristo

Club members can choose to read either book - or both!

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

FUTURE EVENTS IN THE LIBRARY

We plan to start Rhyme Time and Storytime sessions for babies and toddlers after the Easter Holidays, and the first group sessions for adults will follow shortly after that.

Do let us know if you have any particular interests or would like to lead an activity - we'd love to hear from you!

THAT'S ALL FOR NOW . . .

Thanks as always for your support and have a good week.

With best wishes,

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



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