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## **WE ARE AN AWARD WINNING LIBRARY!**

**Charity Registration Number: 1185498**



### **THE SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2026 LAUNCHES ON 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY!**

Apologies to our library users that we've had to partially close the library during the hottest days of the June heatwave. When the sun moves to the front of the library the temperature inside becomes unbearable. We also had to take the decision to postpone our Friends and Supporters evening until 1<sup>st</sup> July.

Looking now at July, do bring your children and grandchildren to sign up for the annual Summer Reading Challenge. Medals and certificates to be won! Plus there are Challenge themed activities throughout the summer holidays.

Also this month - all travel lovers are invited to our quarterly club. This month there will be a talk about travels in Bhutan. Details on page 6.

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#### **OPENING TIMES:**

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| <b>Tuesday:</b>   | <b>10:00 - 19:00</b> |
| <b>Wednesday:</b> | <b>11:00 - 17:00</b> |
| <b>Thursday:</b>  | <b>10:00 - 19:00</b> |
| <b>Saturday:</b>  | <b>10:00 - 16:00</b> |

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# THE SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2026

## LAUNCHES SATURDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY

The Summer Reading Challenge, presented by The Reading Agency and funded by Arts Council England, encourages children aged 4 to 11 to take on a reading challenge to help prevent the summer reading 'dip'. Each year the Challenge motivates over 700,000 children to keep reading to build their skills and confidence.

This year, the theme is READ TO THE BEAT. It's about celebrating the joy of music and the power it has to move, inspire, and connect us – all through the magic of reading. All the activities and story times over the summer will reflect this theme.

Children will be able to sign up to the Challenge in our library from 4th July to win medals and certificates. In addition we will be offering weekly activity sessions for children on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 21st July and throughout the summer holidays. You'll find details of our activities later in this newsletter.

**DO ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILDREN TO SIGN UP  
(OR TELL ANYONE YOU KNOW WHO HAS CHILDREN!)**

Finally, a big thank you to the brilliant volunteers who have worked hard to prepare for the Challenge and offered their time to help run the event. It is such an important part of our library year.

## **AFTERNOON SOCIAL**

**2:30pm, MONDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

### **SUMMER CRAFT ACTIVITY - MAKE AN ICE CREAM BOOKMARK!**



**Bring your friends or come and make  
some new ones!**

**Tea and coffee will be served**

# **CHAIR YOGA SESSIONS WITH TERESA**

## **2:30pm ON MONDAY AFTERNOONS**

**2:30pm, Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June**  
**4pm, Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June**  
**2:30pm, Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June**  
**2:30pm, Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June**  
**4pm, Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July**  
**2:30pm, Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July**  
**2:30pm, Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July**  
**2:30pm, Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July**

**Teresa leads a class that's suitable for everyone - and beginners are welcome. It's a great way to exercise and to increase your sense of wellbeing.**



**£6:00 per person per session**

**Please book your place, either in the library or by phoning 020 8579 2394**

**ONLY 10 PLACES PER CLASS - ONCE WE HAVE 10 ATTENDEES WE WON'T BE ABLE TO LET YOU JOIN - SO BOOK AHEAD!**

## **TRAVEL LOVERS' CLUB**

**7:30pm, TUESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JULY**



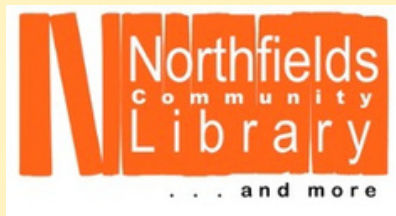
How and where do you travel?

Are you an adventurer, a sun seeker, a history lover?  
A long haul traveller or do you roam closer to home?

Come and share travel tips and destinations  
and tell us what you'd like to know more about.

No need to book - all are welcome!

THIS MONTH THERE WILL BE A PRESENTATION  
ABOUT TRAVELS IN BHUTAN



**DROP-IN SESSIONS WITH  
THE NORTHFIELD SAFER  
NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM**

**12:00 TO 13:30**

**THURSDAY 16<sup>th</sup> JULY  
THURSDAY 13<sup>th</sup> AUGUST  
THURSDAY 24<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**OUR NORTHFIELD WARD POLICE  
OFFICERS WILL BE VISITING THE  
LIBRARY IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO  
SEEK ADVICE OR RAISE  
CONCERNS.**

**NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED.  
JUST COME IN AND ASK AT  
THE MAIN DESK**



# **SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN**

**TUESDAYS FROM 21<sup>ST</sup> JULY. 1130 - 1230**

**MUSIC ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS  
(DETAILS WILL FOLLOW IN THE NEWSLETTER  
AND IN THE WINDOW)**

**THURSDAYS FROM 23<sup>RD</sup> JULY. 1130 - 1230**

**K'NEX MODELLING SESSIONS**

**THURSDAYS FROM 23<sup>RD</sup> JULY. 15:00-16:15**

**STORYTIME AND RHYME TIME SESSIONS**

**£1.00 PER CHILD TO COVER COSTS OF MATERIALS**

**BOOK A PLACE FOR YOUR CHILD IN THE LIBRARY OR BY  
PHONING 020 8579 2394**

**Parents/Carers to stay in the library during the sessions  
please**

# EALING COUNCIL SERVICES ADVICE SESSIONS

Do you need help with :-

- **Schools Applications**
- **Applying for a Freedom pass**
- **Applying for a Blue Badge**
- **Council Tax Support**
- **Housing Benefit**
- **Discretionary Housing payments**
- **Food Vouchers**
- **LOCATA registration- which is the digital system for searching for social housing**
- **Homeless registration**
- **Signposting to other voluntary and community organisations**

## Customer Service Point

Here to help you with advice and support on council services

Access council services

Get in touch with the right people

Online and face-to-face support

Advice on the services available to you

[www.ealing.gov.uk/myaccount](http://www.ealing.gov.uk/myaccount)

Find us here on:

Every Thursday

Starting from 12 June 2025

10:00am - 5:00pm

Closed for lunch

1:00pm - 1:30pm



EALING COUNCIL

# **BEN, OUR DIGITAL CHAMPION, IS MOVING HIS SESSION TO SATURDAYS.**

**IF YOU NEED HELP WITH YOUR LAPTOP, TABLET, PHONE,  
OR ANY TECH ADVICE, COME AND SEE HIM!**

**Northfields**  
Community  
Library

. . . and more

GET HELP FROM OUR DIGITAL  
CHAMPION

DO YOU NEED HELP  
WITH TECHNOLOGY?  
GET SUPPORT FROM  
OUR AMAZING DIGITAL  
CHAMPION.

**every Saturday**  
**from 13:00 to 15:00**  
OPEN TO ALL LIBRARY USERS

# CLASSES ARE PAUSED UNTIL A NEW TRAINER IS SOURCED

## FREE Computer Training *Digital Skills*

These FREE IT Classes are ideal for those who are just getting started with computers and want to learn how to use the internet to get online.

**Every Tuesday**  
**From 12.30pm to 2.30pm**

**Northfields Community Library**  
**Northfield Avenue**  
**Ealing**  
**W5 4UA**



### Learn how to:

- Browse the Internet Safely
- Send and Receive Emails
- Complete Online Forms
- Do online Shopping
- Use Social Media Safely
- Access online Library Services
- Find Health information online
- Search for Jobs online
- Use Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- Plus More!

For further details or to book a place speak to a Library Staff member or call ACDA on 0770 964 2243

LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE.

# LAST SESSION 23 JULY. LESSONS RECOMMENCE ON 10 SEPTEMBER

## LEARN ENGLISH

**REGISTRATION  
OPEN**  
Join Anytime!



**Come along and  
improve your  
English Language**

### **FREE ESOL Workshops**

For Adults aged 19 years or  
over and living in London

**Northfields Community Library  
Northfield Avenue  
Ealing  
W5 4UA**

**Every Thursday  
From 10.30am to 12.30pm**

### **These FREE English Workshop Sessions can help you to:**

- find and understand your English skill level
- speak confidently to professionals
- communicate effectively in English
- gain experience of being in adult education
- find out about other courses & opportunities
- access employment support
- progress onto new careers paths
- build social connections
- meet other people and make friends
- improve your health and wellbeing

For more information, please call or text ACDA on 0770 964 2243 or email [info@acda.org.uk](mailto:info@acda.org.uk)



**ACDA Skills Training**  
ADULT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY

## What's Going On: Weekly



### Monday

- ▶ 14:30 – 15:30: Chair Yoga Class (16:00 on 6 July)



### Tuesday

- ▶ 10:30 – 11:00: Rhyme Time
- ▶ 12:30 – 14:30: Free Digital Skills Training. (Currently seeking a trainer)



### Wednesday

- ▶ 11:15 – 12:15: Knit and Natter Group
- ▶ 14:00 – 15:30: Shared Reading Group.



### Thursday

- ▶ 10:00 – 17:00: Ealing Council Customer Service Point
- ▶ 10:30 – 12:30: Learn English Workshops
- ▶ 17:15 – 17:45: Log Cabin Storytimes



### Saturday

- ▶ 13:00 – 15:00: IT Support with Ben. No appointment needed

## What's Going On: Monthly



### Ealing Repair Cafe

#### ▶ NEXT SESSION: SEPTEMBER 2026 TBC

Offering advice on how to mend by sewing, embroidery, visible mending, patching, boro and sashiko stitching. Sewing equipment, threads and fabric for patches provided.



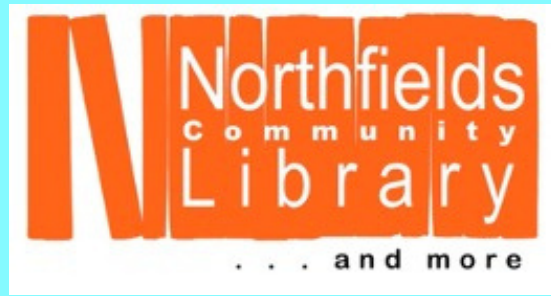
### Northfields Community Library Book Club

#### ▶ NEXT MEETINGS: 19:30 ON TUESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2026 AND TUESDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY.

For 30<sup>th</sup> June we are reading “GABRIELS’ MOON” by William Boyd.  
For 28<sup>th</sup> July the book is “LOVE AFTER LOVE” by Ingrid Persaud.  
New members are welcome.

email: [getintouchncl@northfieldscommunitylibrary.org.uk](mailto:getintouchncl@northfieldscommunitylibrary.org.uk)

**There is no charge for these events, but donations to library funds will be appreciated**



# That's all for now!

**If you have any suggestions for content or for groups or activities we might organise, we'd love to hear them.**

**You can contact us by any of the methods below - or come in and see us in the library!**

**With best wishes,**

**Alison P, Tanya, Maureen, Paul, Meena, Angela and Alison S,**

**Trustees.**



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