



Welcome to the latest Your Libraries Newsletter

E-books - a new chapter for libraries

As well as being able to borrow books from their local library, Cumbrians can now do so from the comfort of their own home, at any time of day or night, as the County Council launches its first ever e-book lending service.

Cumbria's Libraries have invested £6,000 in a secure e-book lending platform and a further £14,000 on purchasing the actual e-books. The service will offer over 850 e-books for adults, children and young people, which will be available to library members from today, with even more titles to come in the future. All library members have to do is create an Adobe ID via the Adobe website and set up an account on the e-book lending platform, after which they can use their library card and PIN to download e-books of their choice.

For those who choose not to download to their PC or MAC first, it is even possible to download directly to their Android device, iPhone or iPad by installing the relevant app to their e-reader. (Bluefire for Apple users, and Aldiko for Android, available from the appropriate app store).

Just like borrowing a physical book from the library, e-books will be on loan for 21 days (after which they will disappear from the device) and e-books can also be reserved. Customers can have up to two e-books on their device at any one time.

The new stock includes special collections, including electronic versions of our Autism, Dementia, Well Read and Macmillan collections on the site. Tom Holliday, Professional Lead for Libraries, said: *"This is a very exciting project and something our customers have been asking about for some time now. E-books are increasingly popular and for many they are the preferred way to enjoy reading and the new electronic collection adds to our stock of over three quarters of a million physical books. Now we have the system in place e-book content is something we plan to keep growing in the future."*

Both Wirral Council and Stockport Council launched similar schemes in 2011, and have seen huge successes, lending 2,500 e-books monthly and 30,800 e-books since its launch respectively.

Library users can get full instructions on how to download an e-book, including device compatibility, by visiting www.cumbria.gov.uk

A festival of learning

Adult Learners Week is a national celebration of lifelong learning. Now in its 24th year, the biggest festival of learning in England has gone on to inspire many other countries around the world to celebrate their own Adult Learners Weeks.

Look out for events and activities in your local library – visit our website www.cumbria.gov.uk/libraries or check out our Facebook pages for more details.



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Some sizzling summer reads

Why not take one of these holiday reads away with you this summer?

Summertime by Vanessa Lafaye

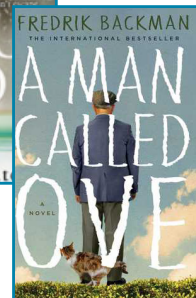
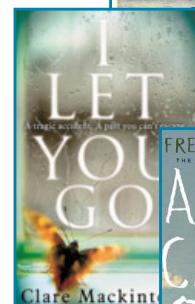
Florida 1935, and the residents of Heron Key are preparing for a 4th July barbecue in the face of an incoming storm. In the early hours of the morning, the body of a woman is found, half-beaten to death, and the finger of suspicion is firmly on one man. In an instant, tensions rise as whites turn on blacks...as the hurricane approaches, life in Heron Key is about to change forever.

I Let You Go by Clare Mackintosh

Haunted by the death of her son in a tragic accident, Jenna Grey leaves Bristol for an isolated cottage on the Welsh coast. DI Ray Stevens is determined to get to the bottom of what happened and finds himself increasingly drawn into the case as Jenna's past looks set to catch up with her.

A Man Called Ove by Frederick Backman

Ove is a very grumpy man indeed. He thinks he is surrounded by 'idiots', including everyone from joggers and shop assistants to the perpetrators of a plot to overthrow him from Chair of the Residents Association. But is there actually something quite refreshing about his vision for how he thinks the world should be?



Inspired to travel?

Not going away this year, but feel the need to escape? Or maybe you're looking for some inspiration about where to go and what to do on your next break? These books might do the trick...

The year of living Danishly by Helen Russell

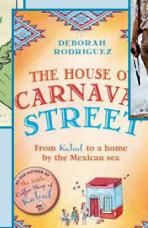
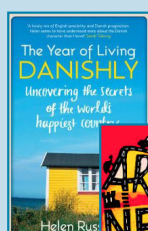
Are we nearly there yet? by Ben Hatch

One man and his bike by Mike Carter

The House on Carnival Street: from Kabul to a

home on the Mexican sea by Deborah Rodriguez

Walking the Nile by Levison Wood



Summer Reading Challenge record-breakers!

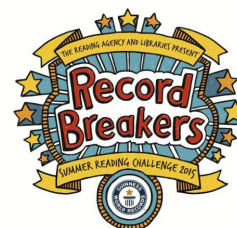
Libraries across Cumbria are getting ready to encourage young readers to explore some of the astonishing real-life achievements and world records as featured in the Guinness World Records Books as part of the Summer Reading Challenge 2015.

The challenge is aimed at 4 to 11 year olds and their families; it is simple and fun. Children are encouraged to read six or more library books of their choice during the summer holidays. They will discover the weird, wonderful and wacky records from around the world in six different categories: Cool Tech, Way to Go!, The Big Stuff, Animal Magic, People Power and Action! Adventure! As they read children will collect incentives and rewards, plus there is a certificate for every child who completes the Challenge.

Parents and carers love the challenge, not only is it free but they can see the difference the Summer Reading Challenge makes to their children's reading. Last year, over 5,000 children took part, nearly half of them boys! "It was exciting and thrilling and I would like to do it again next year. Favourite character was Minotaur. Stickers were fun to collect." Daniel aged 11, Workington

What's more, teachers can often tell which children have taken part; research shows that children who take part in the Challenge return to school after the summer break as more fluent, confident and happy readers. On days you can't get to the library, there is still the Record Breakers website, with so much for children to discover and they can keep a record of their Challenge too. Children can also recommend books and decide what to read next using the Book Sorter.

Children can sign up at their local library from July 10th – it's absolutely free and runs until September 13th. Look out for summer crafts and activities in libraries too.





Ambleside Library

Celebrating 100 years of the Women's Institute

Ambleside Library's WI Centenary Display is helping to highlight the achievements, activities, fun and friendship of the WI over the past 100 years, 1915-2015. If you belong to any club or organisation which has a memorable event or anniversary coming up, why not share it with the public through a display in your local library?



Ulverston Library

With libraries coming up with new ways to interact with their customers, one of those ideas was to allow the main libraries in Cumbria to have their own dedicated Facebook pages. Ulverston library, however, is the only smaller library that was given a green light to start a Facebook page, too! We have just under 100 likes and keep the people of Ulverston up to date and entertained with everything from author events, to general offers. Our library Facebook page has its very own mascot - a hippo. He's been helping to keep the Facebook page fresh with his own sense of humour! Why not see what all the fuss is about and give him a like?

<https://www.facebook.com/ulverstonlibrary>



Windermere Library

Rumble in the Jungle at Windermere Library!

Don't miss our weekly Storytime Sessions for the under-5s: Tales for Tiny Tots on Tuesdays at 2pm. Come and join in the fun of a good story or two with your children or grandchildren – they're never too young to join the Library, so you can borrow lots more books, story sacks, toy sacks, talking books or DVDs to enjoy with them at home.

Early readers will enjoy all the books designed to help them read for themselves, and older brothers and sisters can choose from a wide range of popular authors and favourites. Windermere also has an excellent selection of non-fiction, from sports to space travel or from history to hydroelectricity which also support their school topics.



Grange Tidings

Well Summer's nearly here so what better way to start planning for those lazy afternoons in the sunshine than popping in to the library next time you're passing ... travel guides, barbecues, picnics, how to take that perfect photo – we've got a wide range of books available to borrow on all these! Not forgetting, of course, our usual great array of crime capers, classics, contemporary fiction and sagas if losing yourself in a novel is more to your taste.

Until the end of June in the library we've also got a display of some great large print titles. Not just for the visually impaired, there's a vast array of fiction and non-fiction available. Why not stop by and have a look at our 'Anyone can read it' display showcasing a selection of our large print stock. You're sure to be pleasantly surprised!

For those more in tune with all things 'webtastic', be sure to visit the revamped library pages on the Cumbria County council website. All you need is your library card and password and you can access a great selection of ebooks, magazine selection or

simply manage your library account from the comfort of your sofa. 'How to...' guides on accessing these are available on the website or ask in person next time you visit the library. Look out too for great reference resources – the Encyclopaedia Britannica is available on-line, in both junior and standard editions – it might be just the ticket for help with that pesky assignment that needs finishing before the end of term!

Last but by no means least, a couple of dates for your diary before we sign off for this edition:

Local adult prospectuses (Cartmel/Ulverston Adult Education) will be available from early July and there'll be an enrolment session at the library on Wednesday 2 September (9:30 am to 12.30 pm).

Adult learners week is taking place week beginning 15 June – please let us know if you would like a 1-1 computer session. These are free of charge but do need to be prebooked.

June dates for our pre-schoolers 'Storytime' are Wednesday 10 June and 24 June (10 am to 10.30 am). There'll be a break then until the school term starts again in September. Don't forget we've a fab range of storysacks available to borrow the whole year round!





Learn at Your Local Library

English and Maths Open Day in Kendal Library

10th June 2015 Wednesday

It is the day for anyone who wants to improve their English or Maths.

Come along for a chat to help decide which qualification or course would be the most appropriate for you to try. There will be the opportunity to do a short assessment to help decide what level you are working at now.

The session will run from 10am to 3pm and people can drop in any time.

For more information, please contact Emma on **01900 706114**.

Heartstart Free Training Session in Kendal Library



More than 270 000 people suffer a heart attack every year. 12 young people die of a sudden cardiac arrest each week. Your help could be vital – but do you know what to do?

Spending 2 hours of your life will give you the skills to try and save another person's life. It could be a family member or someone you know. Skills you will learn include:

- General care of a casualty including the procedure for obtaining help
- Dealing with an unconscious person
- Giving rescue breaths
- Performing cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)
- Dealing with choking
- Dealing with serious bleeding
- Dealing with a suspected heart attack casualty
- Demonstration on the use of a Defibrillator

Monday 20th July 2015 2-4pm

If you would like to book on one of these sessions or book a session for a community group please contact: Cumbria Fire and Rescue Service, Nicola Jackson – 07825011005 or email volunteers@cumbriafire.gov.uk

Kendal Library

Forthcoming Author Talks in Kendal Library

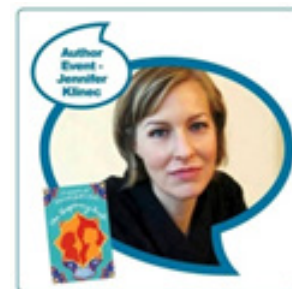
Joyce Worsfold, poet, storyteller and novelist, will talk about her book "A Fistful of Marigolds" on Tuesday 9th June at 3pm. This is what Gervase Phinn, author and educator, said about the book: 'If you enjoy a warm-hearted, life-affirming and penetrating read then 'A Fistful of Marigolds' is for you. Written in a lively, accessible and entertaining style, the story captures the joys, misfortunes, the pleasures and heartbreaks of an inspirational teacher who clearly loved her work with children.' Tickets cost £1.00, which includes refreshments.

Reserve your ticket now: visit Kendal Library email kendal.library@cumbria.gov.uk or call 01539 713520



"The One Pound Challenge". Wednesday 17th June, 6pm. The humble pound. There isn't much you can really buy with it now-a-days. It wouldn't even get you a cup of coffee. How about using it as the full investment to start up a business? Presented in partnership with Time to Read, the One Pound Challenge is the inspiring story of Alan Radbourne, a university graduate, who journeyed into the working world through an audacious year long business adventure to discover how much he could earn from only a £1 investment. Discover how he took his £1 investment to over £20,000 profit in a year, what drove him to succeed and ultimately gain inspiration to manage your business or personal finances better through the lessons he learnt along the way. Tickets cost £1 and are available from Kendal Library **01539 713520**.

Come along to Kendal Library author event with **Jennifer Klinec** Thursday 9th July 2015 at 7pm. Author Jennifer Klinec will talk about her book "The Temporary Bride: A memoir of love and food in Iran". "The Temporary Bride" is a moving, fascinating book full of sights, smells and tastes of Iran. A heart-warming tale of love against the odds. Tickets £1 to include refreshments. Please call in or contact Kendal Library 01539 713520 to book.



Dementia Friends Free Session

Helping to create more dementia friendly communities. Dementia Friends gives people an understanding of dementia and the small things you can do that make a difference - please join us 6th July Monday at 10am