

What's on at the Library



A busy summer at Totley Library

Everyone at Totley Library has been blown away by the support we have had for our community events this summer. So far, we have raised almost £1,500 at our events including An Evening with Alan Biggs, Plant Sale, walking performance of Boots Fresh Air and Ginger Beer and Ukulele Concert. With two more events coming up, Dore Male Voice Choir concert on Saturday 27th July and film presentation of Boots, Fresh Air and Ginger Beer on Thursday 29th October we hope to raise further funds for the library. This year we are fortunate in that we have received a full grant from Sheffield City Council of £22,000. However, the council funding will start to reduce in future years so by starting to fundraise now we will help to secure the long term future of Totley Library. More information about upcoming events at Totley library can be found on our website www.totleycric.org.uk/events.

We are very lucky to have such a committed team of volunteers at Totley Library. We do however need new volunteers who can help with gardening, to help keep the grounds looking good and the grass cut. If you are able to help in any way with gardening please pop into the library and ask for a volunteer registration form or send an email to totleylibrary@gmail.com. And if there are any keen bakers out there who would like to bake a cake for us to sell at one of our upcoming events, please do get in touch. And lastly, we're looking for someone to volunteer their expertise as a Health and Safety Officer, so if this could be you, please get in touch with us.

If you are interested in attending one of our fundraising events, did you know that if you become a Friend of Totley CRIC you get discounted entry? As a Friend you will provide vital financial support to the library, be able to contribute your views to how Totley Library should be run and will receive regular information updates. The minimum annual donation is £5 a year and you can either pick up a membership form in the library or visit the website www.totleycric.org.uk/become-a-friend

Our popular Toddler Craft and Storytime session on Wednesday morning is taking a break in August and will return on Wednesday 2nd September. School age children are welcome on that day if they are not yet back at school, as well as pre-schoolers. To help keep the children entertained in August, we are running a nature in art competition. You can collect an entry form from the library, costing 50p. Entries will be judged by local artist Pauline Hutchinson and winners will be presented with their prizes on Saturday 5th September at 10am in the library. We are also supporting the national "summer reading challenge" to encourage children to read six books during the six week holidays. Registration forms, stickers and rewards can be collected from the library.

Natasha Watkinson

Regular events and meetings at the Library:

Monday:

Creative Writers Group, every 2nd Monday, 6 pm – 7 pm
Readers Book Group, every first Monday, 1.30 – 2.45 pm

Councillor Surgery, every two weeks, 7.00 – 9.00 pm

Tuesday:

Basic ITC Sessions, 10am – 12 noon. To book, phone Heeley Development Trust on 0114 250 0613.

Craft Group, 2.00 – 4.00pm

Poetry Group (this group is currently full), last Tuesday in month, 7.00 – 9.00 pm

Wednesday:

Coffee Morning, 10.30 – 12 noon

Toddler Story Time, 10.30 – 11.30 Craft activities, singing and stories. Runs during school holidays but not in August.
Health Walk, 10-30 – 12 noon. One short and one longer ranger-led walk. Tea, coffee and biscuits in library afterwards.

Totley History Group, occasional Wednesdays 7.30 onwards. Talks on matters of historical interest. Check posters in library, the *Independent* Diary, or www.totleyhistorygroup.org.uk

Thursday:

Friends of Gillfield Wood, occasional Thursdays, 7.30 pm onwards. Talks on local nature and conservation. See posters, the *Independent* Diary, or www.friendsofgillfieldwood.com

Pinfold Memorial

Pictured below is the memorial stone that has been installed in the Pinfold garden. Stan Bingham and Jerry Roberts created the garden in the Pinfold space back in the 1970s. Funding for the stone came through a bequest from Jerry Roberts' widow several years ago, for the sole stated purpose of paying for a memorial to Jerry to be placed in the garden. The committee of the Totley Residents Association (which managed these funds) consulted with the Totley community over a number of years by means of the Association's Annual General Meeting and through the Totley *Independent*, and commissioned the stone which was installed earlier this summer.

