

Halton Libraries

EVENTS

Oct - Dec 2020



local history | digital making | music | theatre | story times



WELCOME

Welcome back to our libraries!

We have some wonderful virtual and actual events and activities happening over the next few months – we'd love for you to join us!

Uncover more at www.halton.gov.uk/libraries

National Poetry Day

Thursday 1st October

We are celebrating poetry in Halton on National Poetry Day in our libraries and on our Facebook and Twitter pages. We'll be showcasing poems written by local people during lockdown and favourite poems that helped people get through that extraordinary time.

Libraries Week

Monday 5th – Saturday 10th October

In 2020, Libraries Week will celebrate the nation's much-loved libraries and their vital role in the UK's book culture and love of reading. Join in and help us celebrate books and reading!

#librariesweek



Libraries Week: Tour of Halton Libraries

Monday 5th - Thursday 8th October

We think all of our libraries are great in their own special way, so we'll be featuring one of our four libraries each day on social media!

Check our Facebook and Twitter to see if you can you guess which Library we are at today!

Libraries Week: Ebooks and Emagazines

Monday 5th October

An online feature of our Borrowbox and Press Reader apps. We have 1000s of ebooks, eaudio and online newspapers and magazines just waiting for you to access them anytime and anyplace!

Libraries Week: Autumn Craft

Friday 9th October

We are making leaf art! Visit your local park or even collect leaves whilst walking to school.

Collect leaves of all different shapes, sizes and colours Dry them out and see what pictures you can create with them.

Send us your pictures @haltonlibraries on Facebook and Twitter



Libraries Week: Staff Weekend Picks

Friday 9th October

Halton Libraries staff love to read! See what staff are taking home to read this weekend!

Libraries Week: Online Storytime & Lego challenge

Tuesday 6th October

Join us online at 11am for storytime and songs. Then take a look at our Lego challenge and send in your photographs of your brilliant bricks!

Libraries Week: Midweek Craft – Mindfulness Glitter Jar!

Wednesday 7th October

Create some sparkle with our virtual craft session.

You will need:

- 1 Empty Jar/ clear plastic bottle with lid.
- Jug of Warm Water
- 60ml Glitter Glue
- 3 drops of Food Colouring
- 60-80g Colourful Glitter

Libraries Week: Online Quiz

Thursday 8th October

Have fun answering our quiz questions – connect with us 1-2pm on the Halton Libraries Facebook page!

Libraries Week: Online Science Club

Thursday 8th October

Let's make Volcanoes!

You will need:

- Baking Soda
- Vinegar
- Jug
- Plastic sheet (it will get messy!)



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Get Online Week

Monday 19th – Saturday 24th October

The theme of this year's #GetOnlineWeek is 'now's the time to get online'! So check out Halton Libraries' Twitter and Facebook pages each day this week where we will be highlighting a variety of things you can do online such as shopping, getting healthy, staying safe and much more.



Half term highlights

Monday 26th – Saturday 31st October

Space Week

Visit our libraries to take out some intergalactic books and join us online for some out of this world space fun! Children can also pick up their very own Daresbury STFC space booklet from our libraries.

A virtual journey into space with Daresbury Labs

Friday 30th October

Join us online to explore space with the fabulous people at Daresbury Labs. There will be quizzes, a Stellarium star show looking at different constellations and fun with telescopes. We will look at the night sky, what we can see in the sky in Halton and examine the constellations of Orion, Big Bear and many more. This is going to be excellent!

HALTON READS FESTIVAL

Monday 16th – Friday 27th November

Save the dates for the #HaltonReads Festival! We will have 2 weeks of virtual events on our social media channels with some awesome children's authors (adults will love them too), including videos, chats and Q&A sessions.

Here of just a few of the fab authors taking part:

Bali Rai

Bali is the Award winning author of (Un)arranged Marriage, Rani and Sukh, the Soccer Squad series and many more.

Matt Goodfellow

Children's poet Matt's book 'Chicken on the Roof' will definitely get kids loving poetry.

Steve Cole

Steve has written many wonderful children's books including the Astrosaurs series, Young James Bond

and lots of Doctor Who novels – his session is going to be great fun.

Barbara Mitchelhill

Barbara has written books for all young tastes including her wonderful historical novels – Secret Suffragette, Run Rabbit Run and Billy's Blitz and for fun there is the 'No 1 Boy Detective' series.

There are many more names to follow – make sure you follow us on social media to keep up to date.

HaltonReads is funded by Arts Council England.



A Festive Virtual December

All through December

We'll be celebrating Christmas with you virtually on Twitter and Facebook. Check in with us to see what Christmas fun we get up to!

Digital Library Service

We have so much available for you to access from your home:

Borrowbox – 1000s of ebooks and eaudio

PressReader – the most up to date newspapers and magazines

Halton Libraries Newsletter – monthly updates from our libraries

All you need is a library card. Full information is on our webpage where you can also join online or ask for more details at any local library.

Home Library Service

We are so proud of our Home Library Service. It was a lifeline to many people in Halton during lockdown.

This service is available to anyone who can't get to the library to collect their books. This might be because of illness, mobility issues or caring for someone. We can choose books for you, based on what you like to read and the books are delivered once a month to your home.

If you think this might be for you or someone you know, then please contact your nearest Halton Library for more information.



Choose and Collect

We have a great new service where you tell us what type of books you enjoy reading and we will choose 6 titles for you to pick up from any of our 4 libraries. This is perfect for people who do not have time to browse the shelves or for those who are still a little nervous about visiting our buildings. Choose and Collect collection points are located at the front of all our libraries for contact-free and easy pick up.

If you would like to use this service please get in touch.

INFORMATION

Halton Libraries are an accredited
Family Arts Standards organisation



Our libraries – visit

Don't forget to drop in and visit us at all 4 Halton Libraries. You can currently return and choose more amazing books or use a computer.

Halton Lea Library and Widnes Library

Monday: 10.30-4.30pm

Tuesday: 10-6pm

Wednesday: 10.30-4.30pm

Thursday: 10-6pm

Friday: 10.30-4.30pm

Saturday: 10.30-2pm



Runcorn Library and Ditton Library

Monday: 10.30-4.30pm

Tuesday: 10.30-5.30pm

Wednesday: Closed

Thursday: 10-4.30pm

Friday: 10.30-4.30pm (Runcorn) / 10.30-1.30pm (Ditton)

Saturday: 10.30-2pm



Halton Lea Library
0151 511 7666



Widnes Library
0151 907 8383



Runcorn Library
0151 907 8383



Ditton Library
0151 424 2459

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