ARNPRIOR PUBLIC LIBRARY 🏶 NEWSLETTER 🛛 🕸 DECEMBER 2021

REGULAR WINTER HOURS

Monday—Wednesday Noon—7pm

Thursday—Friday

10am—5pm

Saturday

10am-2pm

Reminder: When the library is closed our book drop remains open. It will be emptied regularly during holiday closures.

ADJUSTED HOLIDAY HOURS

December 24 & 31 10am - 2pm **CLOSED** December 25, 26, 27, January 1, 2, 3



Have you explored our Virtual Library? Your library card gives you free access to a variety of platforms including Kanopy (streaming for films, documentaries, The Great Courses and loads of options for kids!); eBooks through OverDrive and the Libby App; Hoopla offers digital books, audio and streaming; Cantook is the French language platform for eBooks; Flipster offers up to date digital magazines. More information is available on our website: www.arnpriorlibrary.ca/virtual-library

Please note beginning January 1, 2022, free access to Ancestry.ca will revert to in–library access only.

Thanks to Proquest, library patrons have been able to use this extensive database from home since April 2020. We hope you have made use of the service and welcome you back into the library for continued free access.

Youth Services Department

December 17th will be our last toddler / preschool Friday morning story time of the year. You can still register to attend the 11am program. Please provide the caregiver's proof of vaccination when registering in person at least 48 hours before the program. This will allow us to create a crafting package for your child.



Baby Rhyme Time registration for the month of January will open online on Monday, December 13. This program is for babies 5-12 months old and their caregiver who must show proof of vaccination. Please ensure that you and your baby have valid library memberships before registering.

New Let's Talk Science Kits are here! This month's packages include activities relating to tangrams and Mobius strips and are suitable for grades 2 and up. Register for a kit through our Youth Services page and pick up your kit during open hours any time before December 22.



Teens! The Arnprior Public Library invites you to explore the world of Table Top Role-Playing Games (TTRPG) with the Pathfinder roleplaying game system. Grab you companions, dust off your old spell books and join other brave adventurers as we explore the wonders, dangers, riches the fantasy world of Golarion has to offer!

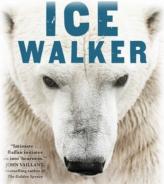
Offered by the same wily Games Master (GM) who has hosted such other famous local campaigns as Library Quest, a Very Annoying Seagull and Pandemic Boredom Fighters. This program is offered Monday afternoons (beginning January 17, 2022) from 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Open to all teens, no prior TTRPG experience or equipment necessary, and is available for free to all library-card holders! Spaces are limited (recommended party size of Four) so please sign up early to secure your spot in what will be, as one overly ambitious sorcerer said in passing, "a thrilling encounter." Email Carolyn for more information and to register!

Our Christmas Advent Book Bundles were all spoken for within a day of being posted on our website! We hope all the families participating this year enjoy their books and crafts!



Music filled the air in early December as **The Friends Trio** (cello, violin and flute) joined our Friday story time. Plans are in the works to expand this partnership in the new year with registered program for school aged kids as well as a regular evening *"Buskers Café"* for the general public! Stay tuned for exciting details!



A POLAR BEAR'S JOURNEY THROUGH THE FRAGILE ARCTIC JAMES RAFFAN



The Arnprior 10 Book Clubs.... (Actually one has now become Arnprior 11) are off to a roaring start. The second title read by both

groups was Ice Walker: a polar bear's journey through the fragile Arctic.



Author James Raffan took time from his busy schedule to join book club members for an engaging virtual visit. In 2020, James was named by Canadian Geographic as one of the "90 most influential explorers in the nation's recorded history."

For anyone interested in reading this book, the library has two copies in the collection.

Many of the special events and projects undertaken by the library would not be possible without the continued support from donations. As a charitable organization, the Arnprior Public Library utilizes every dime donated for its intended purpose. Throughout the year we received donations for our Adopt-a-book program which enhances our book budget; specific support for youth programs; donations to cover special programming such as author visits; and support for special projects such as expansion.

So far this year, more than \$12,700 has flowed through our donation jar in response to the library's endeavour to assist with Vaccine Receipt QR code printing and lamination. In turn, the Library Board will ensure these monies will be used to enhance services to the community.

We are honoured so many individuals, businesses, corporations and community groups have chosen to support the library. Thank you! If you are interested in becoming a library supporter, visit our donor page for more information.

https://www.arnpriorlibrary.ca/donor.html

Many of our plants are in full bloom this month.

Remember we will be having another houseplant fundraiser in the spring.



Our friendly staff and calming space is always ready to welcome you.

Let us know if you need help finding that special book or if you are in need of some technology assistance.

Take care and we look forward to serving you in 2022!





