ARNPRIOR PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

HOLD ONTO YOUR HAT, WE'RE GEARING UP!



Library Hours will remain the same for the start of the fall but are subject to change to accommodate morning class visits and requests for evening hours. We welcome your feedback. Feel free to fill out our <u>brief survey</u>.

SEPTEMBER 2021

Library Hours	
Mondays	10am - 7pm
Tuesdays - Fridays	10am - 5pm
Saturdays	10am - 2pm

We anticipate the library meeting room will become available for group bookings by the end of September. You can request a <u>booking online</u> or call the main desk to check availability. We thank you for your patience as we work through the process of new protocols and rules.

What's new in Library Programming

The library is pleased to announce the launch of the Indigenous Canada Discussion Group with a special presentation by Reconciliation Practitioner Bob Watts on

September 16 at 7pm. Bob Watts helped to establish Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Commission, he is a former CEO of the Assembly of First Nations and an adjunct professor at Queen's University. You can



read his full biography on our <u>website</u>. There is limited capacity in the library and we will offer the presentation simultaneously on Zoom. <u>Registration</u> is required. This is a free event. Donations are welcome to help defray costs.

There's a new seniors Book Club in town!



The Arnprior 10 Book Club will be limited to 10 participants, as suggested by the group's name. It is a partnership between the library and the Seniors Active Living Centre. Meetings will be held the first Tuesday of the month in the library meeting room, beginning November 2 at 11am. Up for discussion: <u>Where the Crawdads Sing</u> by Delia Owens. The ongoing reading list will be selected collaboratively at the first meeting. <u>Sign up TODAY!</u>

The Mindful Meditation Program offered this summer was very well received. If you would like to participate in our fall session, please <u>register here</u> and we will be in touch with a start-up date.

New in Youth Services

Hip, hip, hurray for toddler and preschool story time!!!

We will resume our outdoor drop-in Friday morning story times on September 10 at 10:30am. We



will meet on the grass by the reading garden adjacent to the parking lot. We ask that children be accompanied by parents or caregivers and that masks are worn. Let's hope the weather cooperates!





Baby Rhyme Time is back! We can't wait to meet your little one and share stories, songs and fun. The first fall session of BRT will begin Wednesday, September 22 at 11:30am and will end October 27.

Registration will open online on

September 8, and babies (5-12 months) will require an active membership in order to register. Please visit us with photo ID, including your current address, in order to set up a membership for your child. Registration will be limited, masks are mandatory for parents and caregivers, and proof of vaccination is required.



Library Quest!!! Is there a young person in your household who would like to participate in a role playing game? This fall the Library will be offering an after school program on Mondays at 4pm. We would like to know what ages are most interested in this program, so please call or email Carolyn (youth@arnpriorlibrary.ca) with the name and age of the person in your family who would like to sign-up for this fun and interactive RPG. The game will be tailored to the ages of the participants.



We've set up a designated space just for tutors. You can reserve a table for an hour at a time. The <u>registration form</u> is available on our website. Tutor Hall is free and we're even offering a homework help station. It is located in the downstairs Art Corridor.





Also available in the lower level is our ongoing Book Sale, self-serve coffee and hot chocolate, and even a few

houseplants left over from our Summer Plant Fundraiser. More than \$600 was raised and we'll be offering another plant sale before the end of the year! Stay tuned for details!

The current installment of Pop Up Art from Ottawa Valley Community Arts is entitled Good Ancestors. It includes the talents of three local artists: Mary Anne Harrison (Arnprior), Bettina Baum (Burnstown) and Jane Christie (Woodlawn). You can view

this exhibit in the library until October 17th. The library's partnership with OV-CAOS will continue until mid 2022. We're also continuing to distribute Book Art Kits. To anyone who would like to bring back their creations for an upcoming installation, you may return them at the main desk. If you would like to work on a kit in the library, we are hoping to set up a Taking Flight Making Station later this month.







We'll be taking Curby on the road September 26th as we head to Clay Bank Park for an all day event focused

on food harvesting, growing vegetables, foraging, edible plants, etc. More details to come on the Township of McNab/Braeside's website.

We'll bring our WiFi on Wheels and pertinent resources, so stop by to say hello. We'll even be able to sign up new memberships on the spot! September is, after all,

Library Card Signup Month. Library memberships are renewed annually and if your card has been idle for 18 months, chances are it's been purged from our system.

No need to worry though. You can stop by to register for a new card, or do so conveniently online from our <u>membership page</u>. If you live or own property in Arnprior, McNab/Braeside or Lanark Highlands you can get a free library card and access all our resources including museum passes and access our virtual library which includes eBooks, eAudio Books, streaming services through Kanopy & Hoopla, free at home access to Ancestry.ca and a host of other databases, including Consumer Reports and 14 other digital magazines.



Pick a card, any card!

As we head into the final stretch of 2021, we will continue to provide in person browsing and access to our facility. <u>Book selection services</u> will continue through our curated book bags; movie binge bags (with popcorn no less!). There will be seasonal activity kits for the family; Homebound Delivery service; interlibrary loans; <u>technology help</u>; <u>printing</u>, scanning and fax service and more. Let us know how we can help you!