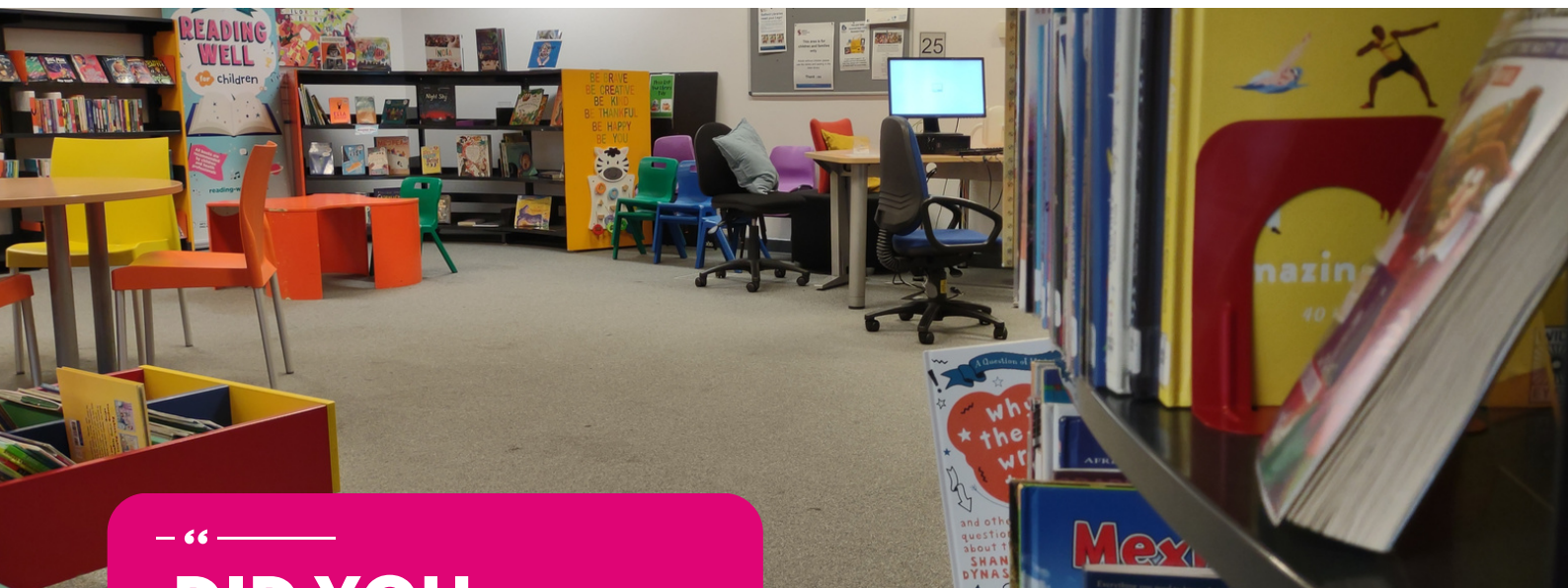


NEWSLETTER



DID YOU KNOW?

Salford Libraries Are

FINE-FREE

If you've found some long overdue library books, you don't need to worry about fines. Since 2019, we have operated a FINE-FREE service. That means we no longer charge for overdue books.

So, drop by your local library, return those books and borrow some more, without worrying about fines.

MARCH RECAP

Welcome to the April edition of our monthly newsletter.

March was a busy month for us as we celebrated World Book Day, International Women's Day, and our jam-packed Easter holiday activities.

We also launched our neurodivergent book collection - tailor made in partnership with health professionals to help understand the challenges and strengths of neurodivergent individuals.

For April, we are busy preparing for World Book Night. Read on to find out more about how you can get involved.

LIBRARY COMMUNITY

March Highlights

To start the month, we celebrated World Book Day. We had lots of children come in to swap their £1 book tokens for a free book and, if you stopped by Walkden library, you may have run into Wally.

We also celebrated International Women's Day with a range of events including a local history talk, a creative writing group, and a mindfulness led activity where the Ceremonial Mayor, Gina Reynolds and Councillor Heather Fletcher joined us at Swinton library to make a pledge on how they can create an inclusive environment in our communities.



Lastly, staff from our libraries and our schools' library service joined the National Literacy Trust at a workshop at Buile Hill Park Hall as part of the Libraries for Primaries workshop for teachers. Here, we spotlighted the many ways our librarians can be reading role models for children by encouraging reading for pleasure beyond the classroom.

What's next for our libraries - as the Easter holiday activities draw to a close, we're looking towards World Book Night. Read on to find out what we're planning to celebrate this initiative.

UPCOMING EVENTS

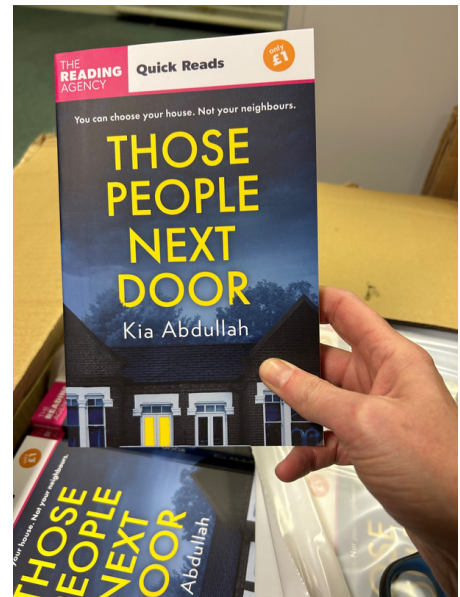
World Book Night

What is World Book Night

World Book Night began in 2011 and is an annual celebration of reading and the health benefits that come with it.

Celebrated on 23rd April, the aim of World Book Night is to inspire people from all backgrounds to read more.

As a library service, promoting the pleasure of reading is a priority. However, through books we also create a welcoming community that is inclusive and a safe space for people of all backgrounds to feel welcome.



How to celebrate World Book Night

This year, our libraries are coming to you. From 22nd - 25th April, staff members will be seen across several venues in Salford. Checkout the timetable below.

Monday 22nd

Shared Reading Group
Little Hulton Library
1:30 - 3:00pm

Talk English Arts & Craft
Salford Loaves and
Fishes,
Salford opportunities
centre
1:00 - 3:00pm

Tuesday 23rd

Langworthy
Cornerstone
drop in event
9.30-5.00

Wednesday 24th

Pendleton Together
Lombardy & Spruce
Court
Closed Event
10:00am - 3:00pm

Talk English Book
Club
Broughton Trust
4:00 - 5:00pm

Thursday 25th

Rabble Writers
Creative Writing
group
Height Library 1.30-
3.00pm

Saturday 27th

Talk English digital
drop in
Pendleton Library
10am

UPCOMING EVENTS

Chatterbooks Walkden Library

Every Saturday
Starting 27th April
10:30 - 11:30am
Drop In

Join us to for an exciting morning chatting about books, and take part in crafts, quizzes and activities based on a related theme.

**“ Everything changes
when we read”**

Chatterbooks reading clubs help children build a lifelong reading habit. However, it's not just about the books. The Chatterbox group is an event filled - activity driven morning that promotes the joys of reading, encouraging conversation and discussion in a fun environment and make new friends along the way.

Suitable for children 8 years and above.



LIBRARY COMMUNITY

Regular Activity at Our Libraries

Join a Reading Group



Are you looking to broaden your reading palette? Or are you looking to join a shared community of readers? Why not join one of our many reading groups where you can explore and discuss the latest trailblazing novels.

Boothstown Library	1st Friday @ 1:45pm
Broughton Library	1st Wednesday @ 2:00pm
Cadishead Library	3rd Monday @ 11:00am
Eccles Library	3rd Tuesday @ 2:00pm
Height Library	4th Thursday @ 10:30am
Irlam Library	3rd Tuesday @ 10:00am
Lower Kersal Library	4th Friday @ 1:45pm
Walkden Library	1st Thursday @ 2:00pm
Winton Library	2nd Thursday @ 10:30am



Shared Reading Group

Why not join our shared reading group? Where you can read and discuss a passage on the day and share your thoughts while making new friends

Little Hulton Library

For more information or to join our online reading group, contact:
philip.carey@scll.co.uk

ONLINE BOOK CLUB

Does your busy schedule makes it hard to attend a meeting? Join our Online Book Club where you can relax, read, and socialise from the comfort of your own home.


By utilising the Borrowbox app, the book selections have been tailor made so that readers can either listen to the book on audio, read the ebook, or if you prefer a physical copy, you can order one from the library. It doesn't matter how you read the book, you can join us and engage in the discussion surrounding the latest trending titles.


Meeting on the **third Tuesday of every month at 7pm.**

For more information
philip.carey@scll.co.uk

Read, discuss, and socialise from the comfort of your own home.

**THE ONLINE
BOOK CLUB**
SALFORD LIBRARIES

 **Third Tuesday of
the month**

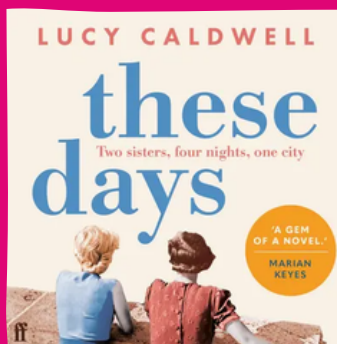
 **7 - 8pm**

To join, contact
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BOOK REVIEW

These Days by Lucy Caldwell



As a member of the online reading group, I have read several varied and interesting novels over the preceding six months using the Borrowbox App which is free for library members.

Last month's book was both enjoyable and insightful, it was by acclaimed Irish author Lucy Caldwell whose novel was set against the backdrop of the Belfast Blitz in 1941.

The story revolves around two sister Emma and Audrey, both very different people who are on the cusp of adulthood and trying to fit in to a disordered world.

If you would like to try something a bit different or are stuck in a rut then I can thoroughly recommend this novel.

Review by Phil

Reserve

<https://salfordlibraries.spl.usc.uk/>

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LIBRARY COMMUNITY

Community Rooms

Did you know that some of our libraries have community rooms available to hire.

So, if you've got a meeting or run a community group and would like a warm and welcoming space to host your meetings, why not contact your local library and see what their community room has to offer.

Community rooms can be found at the following libraires;

Height Library

Little Hulton Library

Winton Library

Eccles Library



For more information, contact the libraries. Details can be found here

<https://salfordcommunityleisure.co.uk/libraries/our-libraries/>

Relaxed Sessions

Did you know that Winton Library is an autism and neurodivergent friendly space and has a dedicated relaxed sessions which you may find useful. In these sessions the lighting in the library will be reduced. Staff will be on hand to help but will not approach you unless you ask. There will be a quiet room available if you should need it during your visit.

When do they take place?

They take place on the 2nd Friday of the month, between 10am – 12noon

Social Story

To help plan your journey to Winton library, download our social story detailing specific information about what to expect in that situation and why.

Download our Winton library social story here or scan the QR code

<https://salfordcommunityleisure.co.uk/library/winton/>



OPEN PLUS @ CADISHEAD



Cadishead Library Open Plus Opening Times

Monday	8:30am–9.00am, 12.30pm–1.30pm; 5.30pm – 7.00pm
Tuesday	8:30am – 9.00am, 12.30 – 1.30pm, 5.30pm – 7.00pm
Wednesday	8:30am – 7.00pm
Thursday	8:30am – 1.30pm, 5.30 pm – 7.00 pm
Friday	8:30am – 7.00pm
Saturday	8:30am – 9.00am
Sunday	Closed

What is Open Plus?

Ever gone to return a book, just to see that the library is closed?
Has scheduling conflicts kept you from coming to the library?

Open Plus gives you the flexibility to use the library as and when it suits you. Open Plus means that you can continue to use the library even when staff aren't available.

To gain access to the Open Plus opening hours, drop by Cadishead library or call at 0161 775 3457.

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Build A Business is an innovative new project aimed at small businesses, entrepreneurs and anyone thinking of starting their own business.

We offer free, tailored support to new businesses and entrepreneurs through workshops and events. Our Enterprise Officer will provide one to one support and create a business information plan specific to you.

Build a Business Workshops

Get the skills and confidence you need to succeed.

The workshops we deliver are specifically designed to support new businesses, people who are in the process of setting up a business or just have a business idea.

May Events

All workshops and events are held at Eccles Library from 10am - 1pm including:

Know Your Customer: Get Competitive! - Tuesday 7th May

Intellectual Property: Protect Your Assets - Tuesday 14th May

Business Basics - Thursday 23rd May

Marketing: The Essentials - Thursday 6th June

These are all FREE workshops, but booking is essential You can book through the website at

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/build-a-business-salford-116239>

You can also scan the QR code to book.



BUILD A BUSINESS

Business Information Databases

Through Build a Business in GM Libraries you can access a range of business information databases.

What's Included?

- **COBRA (Complete Business Reference Adviser)** – accessible inside and outside libraries. COBRA is a comprehensive and continually updated online encyclopaedia and reference resource.
- **Espacenet** – accessible inside and outside libraries. Free access to over 120 million patent documents.
- **Frost and Sullivan** – only accessible in libraries. Industry and market research on a wide range of sectors
- **GRANTfinder** – only accessible in libraries. A huge regularly-updated database of funding opportunities.
- **Local Data Online** – only accessible in libraries. A huge database covering the retail and leisure sectors.
- **Statista** – only accessible in libraries. Consumer and market intelligence.
- **Ibis World**– Available on Eccles Library computers. Industry market research reports, statistics, analysis, data, trends and forecasts.



NEW BOOKS

Find all the latest books added to our catalogue by browsing through our 'What's New' section. Or, check out our curated collection of books linking to commemorative days and timely themes.

Using the Online Catalogue

Did you know that you could order your books online. All you need is your library card number and four digit pin to log into your online account and you can browse and reserve books from the comfort of your own home.

Once the books are available to collect, your local library will contact you via email or phone.

Search the online catalogue [here https://salfordlibraries.spydus.co.uk/](https://salfordlibraries.spydus.co.uk/)

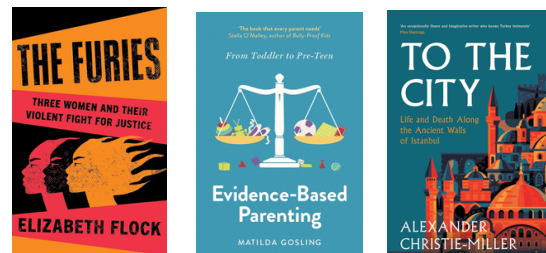
Adult Fiction



Staff recommendations

- Alien Clay by Adiren Tchaikovsky
- The Good, The Bad, and the Aunties by Jesse Sutanto
- The Hunter by Tana French

Adult Non-Fiction



Staff recommendations

- The Furies by Elizabeth Flock
- Evidence Based Parenting by Matilda Gosling
- To the City by Alexander Christie-Miller

New Children's Titles



Staff recommendations

- Ning and the Night Spirits by Adriana Fong
- Groosham Grange by Anthony Horowitz
- How to Build a Home by George Clarke
- The Case of the Abandoned Boat by Kereen Getten

BOOK COLLECTION

Quick Reads



The 2024 Quick read book list is here. So, if you're short on time or new to reading, why not try a quick read. These are short books that pack a punch and are written by best selling authors. Our libraries have a vast collection of Quick Reads on display and we guarantee there'll be a book for everyone in our collection.

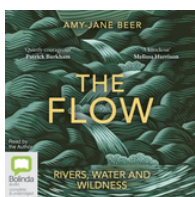
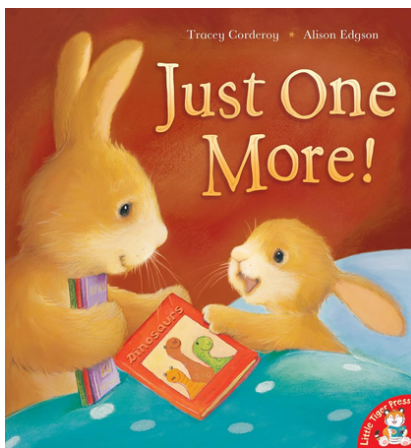
Power of Poetry



Poetry can be anything you want it to be. It can be evocative, funny, melancholic, joyful. There is a poem for everyone and every occasion. Poetry has been written and documented throughout history and is a timeless connection to our literary past, bringing a sense of connectivity with ourselves, our communities, and times gone by.

Search the full curated collection [here](https://salfordlibraries.spydus.co.uk/)
<https://salfordlibraries.spydus.co.uk/>

BORROWBOX



Spotlight Titles

Skip the queue with this monthly collection of books always available to borrow.

- Be Near Me by Andrew O'Hagan
- Just One More Story Collection by Tracey Corderoy
- Look Both Ways by Linwood Barclay
- The House of Fortune by Jessie Burton
- The Flow by Amy-Jane Beer
- HappyHead by Josh Silver
- Old Gods New Tricks by Thiago de Moraes
- Night of the Scary Fairies by Annabelle Sami
- Worth Dying For by Lee Child
- Jet Skis, Swamps & Smugglers by Robert Muchamore
- The Mirror Man by Lars Kepler
- Young Women by Jessica Moor
- Keep Dancing, Lizzie Chu by Maisie Chan
- The Mother by TM Logan
- Idol, Burning by Rin Usami
- We Know You Remember by Tove Alsterdal
- Milkman by Anna Burns
- The Other Side of Night by Adam Hamdy
- Hothouse Flower by Lucinda Riley
- Rani Reports by Gabrielle Shewhorak, Satish Shewhorak

E-Press

E-Press is your collection of national and local newspapers and magazines available to library customers for free when you sign up to Borrowbox with your library card.

All you need is your library card and pin to get started on your Borrowbox journey.

Sign up here. <https://salford.borrowbox.com>

NEWS FROM PARTNERS

Corinth Business and Community Training

Do you need support with digital tasks for employment?

Starting in February and running up through to June, our friends at Corinth Business and Community Training will be holding Digital Drop Ins for Employment where you can get the best digital tips and tricks to help with your employment.

Digital Drop in for Employment Part of Digital Inclusion in Salford

- Support with digital tasks for employment
- Support updating a CV
- Support uploading documents
- Support searching for opportunities

Little Hulton Library:	10:00am – 12:00pm		16/05/24
Irlam Library:	10:00am – 12:00pm	18/04/24	30/05/24
Broughton Library:	10:00am – 12:00pm	25/04/24	06/06/24
Eccles Library:	10:00am – 12:00pm	02/05/24	13/06/24
Pendleton Library:	10:00am – 12:00pm	09/05/24	20/06/24
Hope Library:	10:00am – 12:00pm	16/05/24	27/06/24

Corinth Business and Community Training C.I.C. Where understanding makes sense. Registered company: 12747334 UKPRN: 10086722

www.corinth-training.com

NEWS FROM PARTNERS

Inspiring Communities Together

Inspiring Communities Together is an initiative that aims to create a place where everyone has the opportunity to achieve their full potential and participate in making a positive difference to their neighbourhood.

They host a range of events that helps locals develop essential skills through learning, networking, and confidence building including weekly Walk & Talk sessions, Tech and tea, Brew and Chat and more.

We are proud to be able to assist in the delivery of their goals by providing a safe space for them to host events such as:

Brew & Chat

Eccles Library:	Mondays	1:30pm - 2:30pm
Online	Tuesdays	11:00am - 12:00pm
Swinton Library	Thursdays	11:00am - 12:00pm
Pendleton Library:	Fridays	11:00am - 12:00pm

Tech & Tea

ITech and Tea is a free course helping people over 50 use technology with confidence. This may be for online shopping, accessing local information or connecting with family and friends. Courses are for one hour per week for five weeks. To join the course, you must be over 50 and a Salford resident.

For more information, head on over to <https://agefriendlysalford.org.uk/>

STAY IN TOUCH

Write a Review

Enjoying your latest read? Why not share your thoughts and write us a book review to be included in the Newsletter.

With so many books to read, your review could inspire someone to pick up a book or discover their new favourite author.

Send your review to salfordlibraries@scll.co.uk

Share your Story

It's the readers that make the library.

Are you a regular at your local library? Would you like to share your fondest library experiences with us?

Get in touch and share your library story.

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