



EAST GOSCOTE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

NEWSLETTER 1

This is the first of a series of newsletters to keep you up to date with what is going on at your library.

After almost three months in control of the Library, the volunteers are still getting to grips with the systems. Unfortunately, Leicestershire have changed some systems and added some routines since the takeover which has understandably caused confusion amongst some of the volunteers.

We recently had a meeting for the volunteers to discuss the ways things we going and everyone generally seemed happy. A few suggestions were put forward for the committee to discuss in the future.

BOOK STOCK

Did you know that since the takeover the library has received a large quantity of new books. In addition, a new stock rotation system has been introduced which will mean in excess of 75 books per month replace some of those already on stock. The trustees also have approx. 250 books which can be borrowed from the library.

FUND RAISING

To keep the library open we need financial assistance. One way in which you can help us raise funds at no cost to you is by subscribing to Easyfundraising. There are nearly 3,000 retailers on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, thetrainline, Viking, Parcelforce, DHL, Staples and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra!

It's really simple, all you have to do is:

1. Join.- Head to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/eastgoscotecl/> and sign up for free. No personal or business details are required other than your user name.
2. Shop.- Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first, pick the retailer you want and start shopping.
3. Raise.- After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to EAST GOSCOTE COMMUNITY LIBRARY for no extra cost whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and East Goscote Community Library will be really grateful for your donations.

COMMENTS / SUGGESTIONS

The trustees and volunteers are always open to suggestions and comments providing they are constructive. There is a suggestions book in the library that you can fill in; alternatively, you can speak to one of the volunteers present.

FRIENDS OF EAST GOSCOTE LIBRARY

We are trying to set up a group which will enable much needed funds to be fed into the library's account. It works like this: Each member pays £6 per quarter or £24 per year into a fund. Every three months a fully paid up members name is drawn and they win a minimum of £50. This happens three times per year. The fourth draw will have a minimum prize of £90. To make the group viable we must have a minimum of 20 people signed up. The more members we get, the higher the prize money will be.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Wednesday August 24th 7pm

Do you love hedgehogs?

Hedgehogs are one of our favourite wild mammals, yet their numbers are fast dwindling. How much do you really know about them? East Goscote Community Library are holding a talk/discussion at 7pm on Wednesday 24th August for the public to learn more about this fascinating mammal, and how to participate in the growing movement to conserve its population in the UK.

(This event is Pay As You Feel event. Donations will be used to fund the library.)

Thursday August 25th 3pm

Gemma Denham, the local author and illustrator of childrens' books, will come to the library to read to the children.

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Tuesday August 30th

PCSO Brian Geeson will be holding a police surgery in the Library between 6pm and 7pm

Friday September 2nd 9:00am

Romp & Rhyme. An activity for the very young. This will be followed by another session for the 4 to 6 year olds at 9:30.

(This event is Pay As You Feel event. Donations will be used to fund the library.)

Friday 9th September 7pm

Where in the World

An illustrated quiz featuring places at home and abroad.

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JIGSAWS

There is a Jigsaw Corner where you can sit, relax and work on the Jigsaw that someone has previously started.

TEA / COFFEE

Did you know that you can have a hot drink in the library? Help yourself to a coffee or tea in the library for a minimum donation to the library of 50p. There are also biscuits which are available for 25p per pack.

Watch out for our BOOK SALE outside the Library in the next few weeks.

If you have any comments about this Newsletter, please speak to one of our volunteers.