

Porlock Community Library Report for March 13th 2024 by Cllr. D Thornton

The library continues to thrive with its library and community activities. The use of the library space and increased activities shows a positive engagement which will only increase as the spring weather arrives.

See below for the report from the library officer.

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The talk given by Caroline Newark was enjoyed by an audience of 15. She will be returning later in the year with another fascinating historical talk.

The talk by photographer, Ingrid Popplewell, was a sell-out.

The RSPCA hedgehog event had eighteen young participants, along with their parents.

Storytime has been extended to two sessions every Tuesday. Starting at 2.30pm to 3.00pm for 0- to 4-year-olds and then from 3.15pm to 4.00pm for 0- to 9-year-olds, hoping that older siblings from St Dubricius can join in later with their younger brothers and sisters.

On 19th March we will be running a Storytime Special to celebrate "The Very Hungry Caterpillar Day". Further "specials" are being planned.

We continue to work with the school. On 7th March, myself and one of the library volunteers, Glenys, visited the school as it was World Book Day. We chatted to the children about reading, libraries and read them stories.

The Spring seasonal Singalong will be on 28th March - 2pm.

On 4th April the library and Wildways, part of the Somerset Wildlife Trust, will be running a bug hunt in the Old School Centre orchard with storytelling and wildlife drawing in the library from 1.30pm to 4.30pm.

The number of visitors to the library continues to increase with 575 visits recorded during February and the library hosted or was used for 27 events.

A new Library Management System will be introduced later this year. It will be similar to the one currently in use but more up to date.

Mary Perkins Library Officer 8th March 2024