



Greenhill Community Library

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Opening Times

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| Monday | 10am – 6.30pm |
| Tuesday | Closed |
| Wednesday | 10am – 5.30pm |
| Thursday | Closed |
| Friday | 10am – 5.30pm |
| Saturday | 10am – 12.30pm |
| Sunday | Closed |

Our Services

- ☐ Second-hand bookshop
- ☐ "Peoples Network" computers
— Internet and printing
- ☐ Free Wi-Fi
- ☐ Hearing Aid Batteries
- ☐ Monthly e-newsletter*
- ☐ Children's Groups
- ☐ Evening talks & events
- ☐ Room hire
- ☐ ... and library books of course!



Cinema Club

We are planning a series of evening events that combine a film with a discussion of the book from which it came.

Friday 24 Feb: *The Book Thief*

Friday 31 March: (To be decided)

Tickets are free, but a £5 donation will buy you refreshments and a raffle ticket. See our e-newsletter or library posters for program updates

New books! We have added over 350 new books to our "yellow sticker" loan stock since last autumn. Turn to the back page for some hot picks

* If you would like to receive our e-newsletter please send an email to support@greenhill-library.org and we will add you to the list



Our thanks to the Greenhill SPAR shop for sponsoring this newsletter

Regular Events

Computer Club - Free classes for beginners run **every Friday 10am – 12 noon**. Please drop in, or contact Heeley Development Trust on 0114 399 1070

Help with Jobs – Most Fridays from 10am. An Employment Support Worker is here to help with Compiling CVs, Job application forms, Job searching and Interview preparation. Contact Reach South Sheffield on 0114 239 4888

Communicake - Weekly Communication Group run on Thursday 10:30am – 11:30am, open to anyone 50+ experiencing difficulty in engaging or communicating with others due to illness, disability or anxiety. The group is very relaxed and friendly, and is facilitated by volunteers trained to support communication and interaction by a qualified Speech and Language Therapist. Members are free to come along with a relative or friend. For further details contact Andy Whitehouse at Drink Wise, Age Well on 0114 3491888."

Chatterbooks is a nationally recognised book club for children aged between 8 and 12. Sessions run on Mondays after school 3:30pm – 4.30pm during term time. Email chatterbooks@greenhill-library.org if you are interested in registering your child or grandchild for these popular sessions.

Fun Time Drop-in Sessions 10-11.30 on the 2nd Monday of the Month in term time (first Monday in April because of Easter). A time for 0-4 year olds to play and sing, and an opportunity for parents and carers to meet. We are currently looking for another volunteer to help.

Story Time 10-10.45 on alternate Fridays (next sessions 17 Feb, 3 March). Stories and craft for pre-schoolers. Children must be accompanied by a parent or carer.

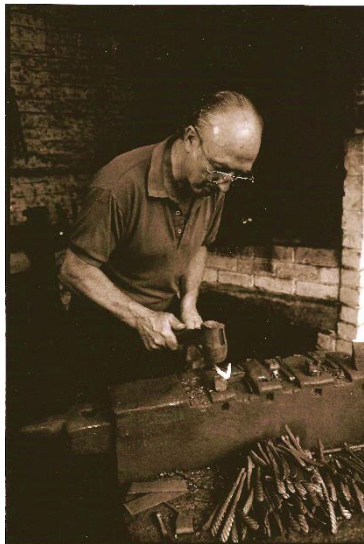


We are always on the lookout for new **volunteers**, to work "front of house" or to help with fundraising, outreach into schools, running film events, processing book donations, or cleaning and maintenance. If you can spare a couple of hours a week, call in and see us or email volunteering@greenhill-library.org

Evening Events

Most evening events are ticketed (£5), available from the library.

Advance booking advised to avoid disappointment



Friday 17 Feb at 7pm

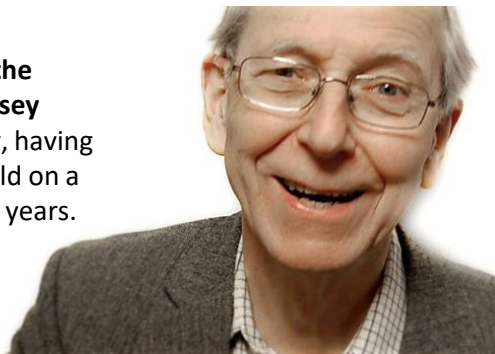
"Cutlers and Silversmiths of Hallamshire" with **Peter Machan**

Based on personal interviews and photographs, this talk chronicles the story of the self employed men and women who were still working in Sheffield's traditional trades into the 1970s and 80s. The talk covers the people, premises, products and processes that made their trade unique. Although most signs of this trade have now disappeared, this talk brings alive the unique skills and qualities of these people through the many artefacts and products that will be shown.

Friday 17 March at 7pm

"A Light-hearted Examination of the Humour Business" with **Gerry Kersey**

Gerry is a well-known broadcaster, having had a regular slot on Radio Sheffield on a Sunday afternoon for a number of years. He has had a long career in broadcasting and you can be guaranteed an entertaining evening!



Our next **Farmers & Craft Markets** are on **2 April** and **10 Sept**. We try and keep the market fresh and vibrant by inviting quality producers and unique crafters to keep the market sustainable. They are popular and well supported by the community and bring much needed funds. We look forward to your continued support.

Tuesday 11th April at 7pm: **Greenhill Village History Society** presents "**One Year On**" – an evening of extracts from our archives. There will also be a showcase of our current projects and the books we have purchased courtesy of the Ward Pot Grant, which will be available for loan in the near future. Tickets are £4.00 – book in advance at the Library Reception as numbers are limited, but pay on the door.

Friday 21 April at 7pm
"Mr. Laurel and Hardy"
 with **John Burton**.

Hear the fascinating story of Laurel and Hardy, their backgrounds, how they met and how they became the best loved comedy double act of all time. Also find out about their visits to Sheffield and other Sheffield connections

Friday 19 May at 7pm
"The History of Graves Park"

with **Caroline Dewar**. From ancient woodlands and early settlements, medieval agriculture and industry to the use of the park as the grounds of a stately home. A re-run of Caroline's talk in November for those of you who couldn't get tickets last time.



Children's Crafts
 with **Lynne Brown**

Free after-school sessions held fortnightly on the second and fourth Friday each month during term time.



Lynne will also be running a short beginners course of four sessions for adults to learn basic **quilting techniques**. You'll make your own mini-quilt to hang in the library to illustrate a favourite book. Cost £20 for 4 sessions including materials. Places are limited – come to the enrolment session on **Friday 24 Feb at 3.30**, or send an email to crafts@greenhill-library.org to reserve a place. (Class times will be arranged to suit.)

Funding News

Ward Pot

We recently received two awards from the Beauchief and Greenhill Ward Pot. The first (£700) has gone towards the purchase of a digital projector and other cinema equipment. The second (£695) was the result of a joint proposal from Friends of Greenhill Library and the Greenhill Village History Society. This award is being used to purchase books of local interest, a display case, and secure storage for the History Society's archive materials.

Freshgate Trust

An award of £2,000 from the Freshgate Trust is being used to revitalise the book stock for our younger readers (ages 0 to 7). We have also received £200 from the Blakemore foundation (via the Spar shop in Greenhill)



Council Funding

We're delighted that Sheffield City Council have agreed to continue funding the volunteer libraries for a further three years after our present agreement runs out in March 2017. Funding for 2017/2018 will remain at its present level, reducing to 80% and 70% in years 2 and 3 (though we don't know how this reduction will be split across the libraries). Also, provision of the Library Management System, the "People's Network" and other computers will continue to be provided free of charge at least until 2019. There's also provision for a "grant pot" and money for buying new books.

This is obviously great news and a huge encouragement. It recognises the fantastic work that the volunteers at the 11 associate libraries across Sheffield have done over the last two years, and gives us real hope of building our own community presence and fundraising program to ensure our financial viability in the longer term.

In-house Fundraising

Our own fundraising efforts are currently bringing in around £16K p.a. and we're aiming to increase this to £20K over the next couple of years. Our hope is to become self-sufficient if and when council support ends. As always we are grateful for those stalwart volunteers who regularly help at the library, and the individuals who have contributed funds raised through external events.

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Room Hire

Our building is available for hire at times when it is not open as a public library. We have three charge bands, shown below, for different groups. **Band A** includes non-charging pre-school, adult education and reading/writing groups. **Band B** includes voluntary organisations e.g. scouts, sports, leisure, youth and other educational groups. **Band C** includes private social functions, profit-making ventures and private sector organisations. (There are full details on our web site.) For bookings please email janetc.greenhilllibrary@gmail.com

| Charge Band | Single space (adult or children's library) | Whole library |
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| A | Free | Free |
| B | £6 | £10 |
| C | £20 first hour, £10 thereafter | £25 first hour, £15 thereafter |



Photos from
recent events



24 Feb 10.30 – 2.30: **Half-term "read-a-thon"** An event for children combining book reading with craft activities, based around the "Horrid Henry" books. Drop in at any time.

Do you know an elderly friend, relative or neighbour in the Lowedges, Totley or Greenhill area who would enjoy getting out and socialising once a week? The **Thursday Lunch Club** at the Michael Church is looking for new members. Hot dinners and transport provided! Contact Dorothy on 0114 2357896



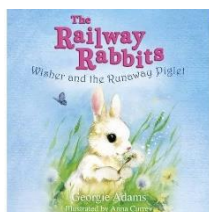
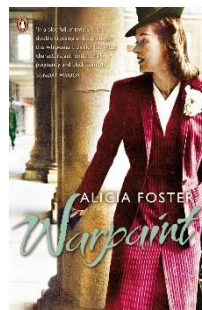
Our Yellow Sticker scheme for donated library books is proving a runaway success, with over 350 fresh titles added to our stock since last autumn. The system was set up early in 2016, amid growing concerns that the current stock was becoming tired. It began with 400 books being placed on the system two weeks before the scheme went live. We now have around 2,250 gifted books on the system, which "belong to" Greenhill Library, rather than being absorbed into the city's library stock.

We aim to refresh 10% of our stock annually; equivalent to 1,500 books. Donated books in good condition are marked with a yellow sticker, and are checked out and in at the counter. We took a look at some recently added titles, and found a selection literally worth checking out.



Crime and thriller fans are in for a treat, with novels from contemporary writers including Robert Galbraith (also known as J.K. Rowling), and adventurer Bear Grylls' first novel 'Ghost Flight'. Terry Pratchett novels, and volumes from the Game of Thrones / Song of Ice and Fire series by George R. R. Martin should delight fantasy readers. If biography is your thing, try biker / presenter Guy Martin's 'My Autobiography', or Bradley Wiggins 'My Time' for fast sporting thrills. Or experience broadcaster Clare Balding's eccentric childhood in 'My Animals and Other Family'.

General fiction additions include Alicia Foster's tragicomic tale 'Warpaint', Kate Atkinson's acclaimed 'Life After Life', and Jodi Picoult's dilemma-driven dramas 'Salem Falls' and 'The Storyteller'. Readers of grittier fiction might enjoy Ian McEwan's praised 'Saturday' or Colm Toibín's award-winning Brooklyn. For non-fiction readers, there's John Lewis-Stempel's recent 'Meadowland' documenting one English field. History buffs will be fascinated by Antony Beevor's account of the siege of Stalingrad, or enjoy exploring 'Life in Victorian Britain' by Michael Paterson.



Younger readers can enter the magical world of J. K. Rowling's Harry Potter, or Eoin Colfer's Artemis Fowl. Georgie Adams' lovable Railway Rabbits books will enchant smaller readers aged six to eight. And for youngsters who like their fiction funny and moving, there are titles from top children's author David Walliams, including Gangsta Granny, and his 2015 bestseller 'Grandpa's Great Escape'.