



Newsletter Spring 2019

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New Books!

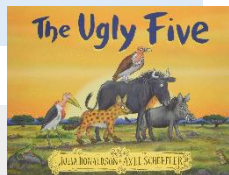
Professor **Julian Richards** with the new book display purchased with a generous donation from his late parents' estate. Here's where you'll find the pick of our most recent additions. These are a few of the titles you could be reading soon:

Children's

- "What Monster?" by Liz Pichon
- "My Mum Tracy Beaker" by Jacqueline Wilson
- "The Ugly Five" by Julia Donaldson
- "The Meltdown" by Jeff Kinney

Non-fiction

- "Heroes" by Stephen Fry
- "Becoming" by Michelle Obama
- "Sisters and Spies" by Susan Ottaway



Fiction

- "Conversations with Friends" by Sally Rooney
- "In a House of Lies" by Ian Rankin
- "Elevation" by Stephen King
- "A Spark of Light" by Jodi Picoult
- "The Librarian" by Salley Vickers



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latest stock

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We are open: Monday: 10am – 6.30pm, Wednesday and Friday: 10am – 5.30pm;
Saturday: 10am – 12.30pm; Tuesday, Thursday, Sunday: Closed



The Coffee Morning – One Year On

Hard to believe but our Friday coffee mornings have been running for a year now and have brought together folks from a wide range of ages. We asked them what benefits their visits had brought.

Della, who comes regularly, summed it up for many: "Good coffee, good company and good conversation". Jim went further: "I need help getting out of the house these days so this is my main social event of the week. It's such a nice change". Sheila told us how much she enjoys reading to the children and developing rapport with them. Nathaniel, aged three and often the recipient of the story-telling from Sheila (and occasionally from Jim) obviously enjoys it too although at the top of his list he put "meeting my friend Eric" and, perhaps inevitably "biscuits". His mum Gill said "I particularly enjoy seeing him developing relationships with older members of the community; opportunities like this are rare outside family. It helps him develop a sense of being known and part of our area in his own right." People valued PCSO Ken Blake's visits. Shirley, among others who regularly show up at the computer support sessions, appreciates a cup of coffee too even though she doesn't join the group for conversation. Do come along. We'd be delighted to see you.



Coffee morning runs from 10.00 to 11.30 each Friday and costs just 50p

Greenhill Village History Society "Now and Then" Tuesday 12 March at 7pm



A sentimental journey around the area showing the development of the locale over the last two centuries in photographs with commentaries. Travel back to a time when, as part of Derbyshire, our area consisted of villages, farms and open fields. See how many of the original properties have been altered or even replaced. Through photos, memories and items of social interest, the talk will build up a picture of life as it was in this rural location before it became 'improved' by developers.

Admission by ticket only, but pay on the door - £4.00 for non-members. Tickets available from Library Reception. Advance booking strongly recommended!

Friday Evening Talks

15 March at 7.00pm: Gardening for Wildlife, with Fran Halsall



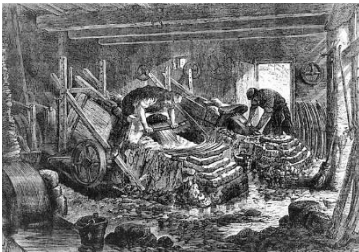
If you are keen to get your garden buzzing with bees and other beneficial insects then this talk will point you in the right direction. Join Greenhill resident and gardening tutor **Fran Halsall**, as she explores the principles behind creating beautiful gardens that are also thriving habitats.

26 April at 7.30pm: The Sheffield Free Bird Challenge with Peter Brown

In 2016 well known Sheffield bird watcher **Pete Brown** set out to see how many bird species he could find in the Sheffield area in one year at no cost to his pocket or the planet! Birding only by bike, boots and bus (senior citizen's bus pass) Pete set a target of finding 150 different birds and raising £1,500 for Cancer Research UK. His talk looks at highs and lows encountered during the year and shows just how rich in bird life our city and its surroundings can be.



17 May at 7.30pm: The Tenants and Workers of Abbey Dale Forge



Rising from a single grinding wheel over 400 years ago, Abbey Dale Forge brought both wealth and bankruptcy to its tenants, but also fortune, misfortune and even tragedy to its workers. Hear about the successes and failures of the men who strived to develop this site, and the lives of some of their workers. With **Pauline Burnett**.

Photo: The Hathi Trust Digital Library and Victorian Web

14 June at 7.30pm: A Feast of Folk



Back by popular demand! Jon Scaife, Judy Dunlop and others invite you to an evening of traditional and contemporary folk music. Tickets £10 includes a glass of wine.



Tickets for our talks are £5 unless stated otherwise, and go on sale about a month before.

Friday 1 March at 7.30pm: South Pacific



In March comes the popular movie from 1958 based on the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical of the same name. On a South Pacific island during World War II, love blooms between a young nurse and a secretive Frenchman who's being courted for a dangerous military mission. The movie won three Oscars including Best Musical Score and was nominated by the AFI as one of the Greatest Movie Musicals.

Friday 5 April at 7.30pm: Darkest Hour



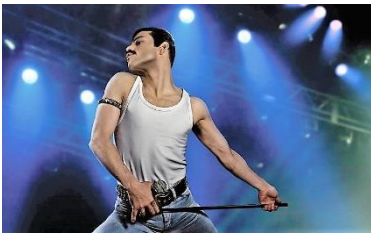
In April we go back in time to the Second World War and Winston Churchill's time as Prime Minister. He must decide whether to negotiate with Adolf Hitler, or fight on knowing that it could mean a humiliating defeat for Britain and its empire. Starring Gary Oldman (who won the Best Actor Oscar), Lily James and Kristin Scott Thomas. Empire Magazine described the movie as "Gripping, touching, amusing and enlightening".

Friday 3 May at 7.30pm: A Star is Born



In this version of A Star Is Born from 2018 from first-time director and star Bradley Cooper, a musician helps a young singer find fame, even as age and alcoholism send his own career into a downward spiral. Lady Gaga also stars as the young singer. The Guardian described A Star Is Born as "outrageously watchable". The movie has also been nominated for eight BAFTAs.

Friday 7 June at 7.30pm: Bohemian Rhapsody



Fresh from winning multiple awards at the Golden Globes comes the Freddie Mercury biopic, Bohemian Rhapsody. Based on the true story of Queen's journey, the story chronicles Freddie Mercury's tempestuous journey struggling to find his place as a beloved and world-famous artist. Starring Rami Malek and including all of Queen's greatest hits, this movie can't fail to bring the house down.

Our Friday cinema events are ticketed – a suggested donation of £5 gets you refreshments and a raffle ticket. Doors open and refreshments at 7pm, film starts 7.30

"My grandma always said that God made libraries so that people didn't have any excuse to be stupid." — Joan Bauer, Rules of the Road

Saturday 2 March at 2pm: Monsters Inc



In another success from Pixar we follow the adventures of James P. "Sulley" Sullivan and Mike Wazowski, two monsters who, in order to power the city, have to scare children so that they scream. However, the children are toxic to the monsters, and after a child gets through, they realize things may not be what they think. John Goodman, Billy Crystal and Steve Buscemi provide voices.

Saturday 6 April at 2pm: Chitty Chitty Bang Bang



In this classic children's movie from 1968, A down-on-his-luck inventor turns a broken-down Grand Prix car into a fancy vehicle for his children. They then go off on a magical fantasy adventure to save their grandfather in a far-off land. Written by Roald Dahl and based on the novel by Bond creator Ian Fleming. Mary Poppin's star Dick Van Dyke appears along with Lionel Jeffries

Saturday 11 May at 2pm: The Nutcracker and the Four Realms



In May comes last years retelling of E.T.A. Hoffmann's short story 'The Nutcracker and the Mouse King'. In the story a young girl is transported into a magical world of gingerbread soldiers and an army of mice. The movie stars Keira Knightley, Matthew MacFadyen, Richard E Grant, Helen Mirren and Morgan Freeman. Described by Empire magazine as "whimsical, likeable fairy tale."

Saturday 8 June at 2pm: Bedknobs and Broomsticks



In June, We're showing the classic movie Bedknobs and Broomsticks starring Angela Laynsbury, and David Tomlinson. In the story an apprentice witch, three kids and a cynical magician conman search for the missing component to a magic spell to be used in the defence of Britain in WWII. The movie is directed by Robert Stevenson who also directed Mary Poppins.

Our Saturday cinema events are not ticketed – just turn up. Suggested donation £3 adults, £2 children. Refreshments including ice creams are available. These events provide an easy-going cinema experience ideal for younger viewers.

Our next **Farmers' and Artisan Market** is on **Sunday 14 April** from 10am to 4pm

If you would like to book a stall please visit our market page:
greenhill-library.org/farmers-market



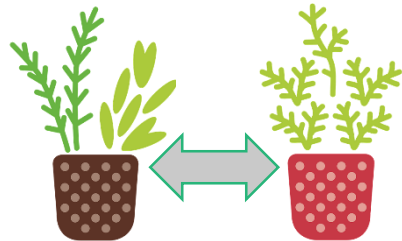
Are financial issues preventing you, or someone you know, taking part in community activities, getting out, or making friends? Help is available for those aged 50+ living in Greenhill, Beauchief, Lowedges, Batemoor and Jordanthorpe.

- Financial support and advice
- A safe place to talk about your money
- Volunteering opportunities
- A range of activities to take part in

For more information contact Lewis Bowman on 07902 050 776, or visit the library **most Wednesdays between 12.15 and 15.00**

Saturday 4 May 10am to 3 pm: Plant Swap

- Bring a plant ... take a plant
- All specimens should be healthy, labelled with your name and correctly identified
- Please collect any left-over plants at the end of the day.



Wednesday 27 Feb from 3.30 to 5.30: Second-hand Toy Sale



Do you have toys that are in good condition but no longer played with? Give them a new home and earn a little money by bringing them to our toy sale.

- Set your own prices, staff your own table
- Take any unsold toys away with you afterwards
- Please consider making a donation to the library

To book a table visit greenhill-library.org/toy-sale

"I must say I find television very educational. The minute somebody turns it on, I go to the library and read a good book" – Groucho Marx

Children's Events (during term time)

Fun time for 0 – 4 year olds and their carers with toys, craft, songs, and a snack. Sessions run on the second Monday of the month from 10-11.30 am. All are welcome.

Story time for 2 – 4 year olds. Stories and crafts for pre-schoolers. 10-10.45 on alternate Fridays in term time. Children must be accompanied by a parent or carer.

Children's Crafts for 5 – 9 year olds with **Lynne Brown**. Simple stuff to make and take home. Sessions run after school every Friday during term.

Chatterbooks for year 2 to year 6 children who like books and reading. Sessions run after school every Monday. We currently have **4 free places** for these popular sessions. If you're interested please leave your contact details at the front desk.

Code Club for 9 – 13 year olds interested in starting to write computer programs using scratch and python. Every Thursday after school. Pre-registration is essential as numbers are strictly limited. Email us at codeclub@greenhill-library.org



Readathon

Friday 22 Feb from 10am to 3 pm

A mixture of story-telling and crafts, this year based on the books of **Julia Donaldson**. No registration necessary for this **free** event.

Calling all Gardeners!

We are organising an **Open Gardens Weekend on 22/23 June 2019** (and hoping for better weather this year!)

Opening your garden is a great way to meet others in the community and raise money to keep the library open.

You are welcome to sell plants, refreshments etc. and donate to a charity of your choice or to the library

Your garden does not need to be large or grand to be interesting. More important is a willingness to talk about it to your visitors.

To promote the event we are also hosting a gardening talk by Fran Halsall on 15 March and a plant swap at the library on 4 May.

If you live within a 15 minute walk of the library and would like to take part, please fill in the form at <https://greenhill-library.org/gardens>, or send an email to gardens@greenhill-library.org. We would love to hear from you!





Greenhill Library User Survey – February 2019

Please help us to find out how the operation and services of our Library could be improved, by completing this short survey. All replies are anonymous.

1. We currently close on Saturdays at 12.30. We are considering extending our Saturday opening hours to 2pm. How likely would you be to use the library during these extended hours? (Tick one) →

Very unlikely	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maybe	<input type="checkbox"/>
Very likely	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. On a scale of 1 to 5, how satisfied are you with these aspects of the library's services? (1 = very dissatisfied, 5 = very satisfied) Please enter one tick per row. Leave blank for those services that you don't use.

Service	1 ☹	2	3	4	5 ☺
Overall cleanliness, tidiness and appearance of the library					
Quality of service from the volunteer staff					
Choice of books (adult library)					
Choice of books (children's library)					
Public computers, WiFi, Internet, printing					
Children's Activities (Fun Time, Story Time, Chatterbooks, crafts)					
Friday evening talks/music					
Monthly film screenings					
Social activities (coffee morning, knit & natter, etc.)					
Availability of information about our services and events					

3. Were you aware that you can reserve a book from any Sheffield library at Greenhill?

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
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4. Please tell us about any genres of books (or particular authors) you would like to see more of in the library (e.g. crime, fantasy, biography, history, travel, children's books etc.)

5. Is there anything we could do better, or any new initiative you would like to see?

6. Which of these forms of library publicity do you make use of? Tick all that apply.

- Posters in the library
- Printed newsletters (every 4 months)
- E-newsletter (every month)
- Slide show (behind reception desk)
- Facebook page
- Web site
- Word of mouth

7. Please tell us your postcode (to help with survey analysis):

Thank you for completing this survey. Please return it to library reception by **Friday 8 March**
Alternatively you can do the survey on-line by following the link on our web site.