

# Newsletter Summer 2016

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## Meet the Operations Team ...

From left to right:

Chris Brown (team lead)

Gill Dawson (session leader)

Ann Hartley (rota manager)

Margaret Watson (book stock)

Dave Cooke (session leader)

Linda Whitehead (volunteer lead)



## Volunteers needed!

Greenhill Library is run entirely by volunteers. We have an army of active volunteers who do a fantastic job. But people move away, or have other commitments, so we always need to recruit new members.

Our volunteers tell us they enjoy meeting people, feeling useful, being able to use their skills, the feeling of making a contribution, and much more. "The library has given me much more than I have put in."

At the moment we particularly need help with staffing the library, working with children, cleaning, fundraising, volunteer support, training, helping with community events, as well as tradespeople to give ad hoc advice. We also need Trustees. Support and training will be given.

If you have a few hours to spare and would like to play a part in continuing to provide this worthwhile resource for our local community, please get in touch by email ([linda.whitehead@myphone.coop](mailto:linda.whitehead@myphone.coop)) pop into the library, or leave me a message via the library on 0114 2377657.



For more information about vacancies please see [www.greenhill-library.org](http://www.greenhill-library.org)

Linda Whitehead, Volunteer Lead

## Events Diary



Friday 1 July from 7pm

### **Toffee Music**

Enjoy music from a wide range of genres. Visit [toffeemusic.co.uk](http://toffeemusic.co.uk) and our Facebook page. Tickets £7 includes a glass of wine.

Saturday 2 July **Open Garden.**

11am – 4 pm

Relax in the elegant surroundings of John and Jennie's beautiful garden at "Wayside", Beauchief Drive. £5 (pay on door) includes drink & cake. Please park on Hemper Lane, not at the house.



Friday 15 July at 7pm

**Sheffielders on Holiday** with **Suzanne Bingham**. Discover how the way the people of Sheffield spend their leisure time has changed in the last 150 years.



Friday 19 August at 7pm

### **An Elizabethan Wardrobe Revealed**

Talk, demonstration and display by **Maureen Taylor**. See how a rich lady would dress, from putting on her shift to full 1590's court dress. Learn about men's and children's fashions, social (and not-so-social) habits, hats, and more.




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Most evening events are ticketed (£5), available from the library. Advance booking advised to avoid disappointment

## Events Diary — continued

### The Great Greenhill Bake Off — Saturday 20 August

Fancy yourself as a baker?

Or just like eating cake?

Submit a savoury or sweet bake to be judged by Bake-Off contestant **Howard Middleton**.

Separate competition for under-15's. With a treasure hunt, children's activities, cake judging,

followed by a tea party, this will be a great afternoon out for all the family.

Check our web site or in-library posters for competition entry details.



### Farmers and Artisan Markets

Next Market: **Sunday 11 September**

Download a Trader Application From (or apply on-line) at [greenhill-library.org/market](http://greenhill-library.org/market)

Christmas Market: **Sunday 27 November**

Tuesday 13 Sept at 7pm: **Greenhill Village History Society** open meeting "Life at Greenhill Hall Farm" with **Peter Haddock** (£4 for non-society members)

Wednesday 12 October at 7pm. Free Admission.

**Greenhill Writers**. Come and hear the WEA Writers of Greenhill Library read their stories and poems. With **Liz Cashdan**. An off-the-shelf event.

Friday 21 October at 7pm

**"More poems of all shapes and sizes"**. A return visit from **Matt Black** in an evening designed to demonstrate that poems are not always solemn. Includes a "bring your own poem" open mic session. Free entry, donations welcome! An Off-The-Shelf event.



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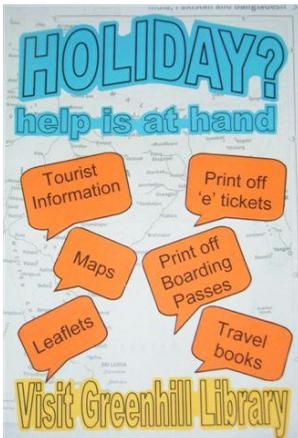


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## Opening Times

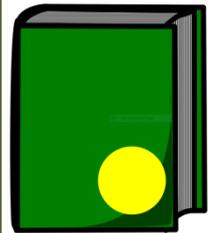
Monday	10am – 6.30pm
Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday	10am – 5.30pm
Thursday	Closed
Friday	10am – 5.30pm
Saturday	10am – 12.30pm
Sunday	Closed



If you have an NHS **hearing aid** you can get replacement batteries from the library. Bring your NHS hearing aid battery book with you.

## Check out our new book stock!

We now have over 1400 **donated books** available for loan – mostly fiction. These are marked with a yellow sticker and you'll need to check them out at the desk. And keep those book donations coming!



Free Wi-Fi

Free access to computers – all you need is a library card. Access the Internet and print off your documents.

You can hire out the library space by the hour at times when we're closed. Ask at reception.

## Regular Events

**Computer Club** - Free classes for beginners run **every Friday 10am – 12 noon**. Please drop in, or contact Heeley Development Trust on 0114 2500 613 for details.

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**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. For more information contact Reach South Sheffield on 0114 239 4888

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**Communicake** - Weekly Communication Group run on Thursday 10:30am – 11:30am, open to anyone 50+ experiencing difficulty in engaging or communicating with others. The group is aimed at people who might have problems making themselves understood and be at risk of becoming socially isolated. 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, who will also be involved in the group itself.

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**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. If Chatterbooks is to continue after the summer holidays *we will need a volunteer to run the sessions*. Experience working with Primary aged children is desirable, but you will have a lot of support in planning and resourcing the sessions.

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**Book Group** - 1st Monday of every month, 10:30am. A small but lively group who meet to discuss books that all members of the group have read from the wide selection of sets available from Central Library. For more information contact Catherine Hart at [cathart1979@aol.com](mailto:cathart1979@aol.com)

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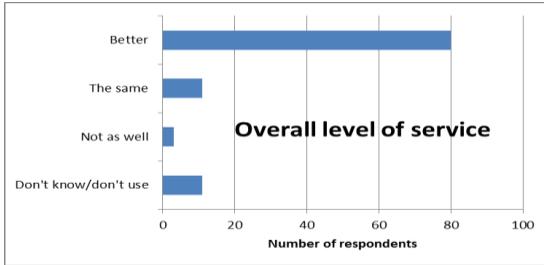
**Fun Time Drop-in Sessions** 10-11.30 on the 2nd Monday of the Month in term time. A time for 0-4 year olds to play and sing, and an opportunity for parents and carers to meet.

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**Story Time** 10-10.45 on alternate Fridays. Stories and craft for pre-schoolers. Children must be accompanied by a parent or carer.

## Greenhill Community Library User Survey Results

If you replied to the survey we ran in the last newsletter, *thank you!*



Overwhelmingly, you told us that the selection of books, cleanliness and appearance, and overall level of service have improved since volunteers took over in September 2014.

We also got loads of positive comments about the "welcoming, homely, calm atmosphere", the "friendliness of the staff" and their "commitment to the community". Looking to the future, most of you told us that you wanted "a refreshed stock of modern, good-quality books", but several other proposals met with approval including a disabled toilet, more daytime classes and evening events, and a cinema club.

You can view a complete summary of the results on our web site.



## *Become a Friend*

As volunteers, we will continue to do everything we can to keep your library open and provide a community focus for Greenhill. But we need your help. You can support us by volunteering, becoming a Friend, or simply making a one-off donation.



You can become a Friend by giving a minimum of £20 per annum. There are leaflets in the library with a standing order form and Gift Aid declaration, or you can transfer money to our account "Friends of Greenhill Library", Account No. 33308374, Sort Code 05-08-68. As a Friend of Greenhill Library you will contribute to our sustainability and are entitled to vote at our AGM.