



Newsletter Summer 2020

More than just books

Did you know that our **order and collect** service is now available? You can request books by:

- Completing a simple form on our web site at greenhill-library.org/cc (This is the preferred method)
- Using a paper order form, available from Key Homecare (next to Cello) and putting it in the black postbox by the library door
- Telephoning us on 0114 2377657 (phones will only be staffed at limited times)



You'll be notified by email or by phone when your books are available. This may take several days so please be patient. **You can also order hearing aid batteries.**

You'll collect your books from the library lobby. You will not have access into the library. "Collect" sessions are on **Monday and Friday mornings from 10.00 - 12.00**



Open Gardens Weekend
5/6 September

Better late than never! 15 intrepid gardeners will be opening for you. Maps (£5) get you into all the gardens; on sale from the library lawn on 4 Sept, or from the garden nearest to you, or from the Library during click and collect sessions. (Please have the right money if possible)

We ask you to observe social distancing when visiting the gardens

We do not yet have plans or dates for restarting non-core services such as the books clubs, the various children's activities and the cinema evenings, but we'll review the situation regularly. If you have internet access we recommend you bookmark our web site (greenhill-library.org) and check back for updates, or follow us on Facebook.

Our AGM this year will be held via Zoom at **7pm on 21 October**. Check the website for the link nearer the time. Also, we would be pleased to hear from anyone interested in joining our board as a trustee (email support@greenhill-library.org)

Things we hope you didn't miss:



Our **scarecrow festival** which ran from 1 – 16 August, attracted over 30 entries around the theme of “book character”. Our worthy winner (“Where’s Wally?”) was chosen from 250 public votes. Our thanks to all the scarecrow makers for putting some much-needed smiles on the faces of our community.



Storytelling on the lawn ...

... and around the village

Our story boards around Greenhill Village telling the story of the mouse who thought he was a tiger, managed to combine reading with a little gentle exercise.

The storyboards have now been re-located in Lowedges where they'll be displayed from 21 August – 4 Sept.



Our **book sale** on 15 August was popular too. We'll be holding another **on 5 Sept.** from 10.00 – 12.00, weather permitting.

Hardbacks 50p, paperbacks 25p and there might even be DVDs and jigsaws! Please note we won't be giving change.

Supporting the Summer Reading Challenge

We have almost all of the books on the “Silly Squad” lists for this year’s Summer Reading Challenge. A few are pictured here. You can access them using Click & Collect.

It’s expected that the stickers, cards and medals will become available, and although they will obviously be presented later than usual they can still be something your children aspire to getting. There’s more detail and a full list of the books on our web site — just follow the link from the home page.

If you wish, you and your children can register to complete the challenge on-line at <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Remember, though, that children can read any 6 books (not just those on the list) to complete the challenge



Our thanks to **Chris Keys** of Key Homecare (next to Cello) for acting as a distribution point for click&collect order forms, storywalk maps, scarecrow maps and more. This has been a huge help during the time we’ve been closed. He sells compost (among other things) and cuts keys too!

This slim volume is an anthology of ten new short stories from some of the city’s most celebrated writers — ten different lookout points from which to gaze down on the ever-changing face of the ‘Steel City’. We have free copies available ... just pop in and ask for one during a click & collect session.



For those of you still nervous about venturing out, remember that Sheffield Libraries subscribes to an on-line library called RBdigital – It’s a simple to use app for your Phone, Tablet or Computer, and gives you access to a variety of magazines, ebooks, audiobooks and comics. It’s free to all library members.



To access it you need to download the RBdigital app to your device, open it, and create an account using your library card number.

SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Library re-opening!

Limited Browsing

Make a note of the date! Starting on 7 Sept. we'll be open for "limited browsing" on **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 2 – 4pm**. We've been working hard to make your visit safe and things will look a bit different:

- We've implemented zone markings and a one-way system, and will be limiting the number of customers in the library
- You'll be required to wear a face covering (unless you're exempt)
- You'll be asked to provide a name and contact number for Test-and-Trace
- The toilets will not be accessible
- Returned books will be dropped off in a box in the lobby
- Children will not be allowed in but you may choose books from the children's library
- We will have a limited number of public computers available for "essential" use (e.g. form-filling), *not* for entertainment.
- Photocopying and printing facilities will be available.

We realise that this is rather different from our usual comfortable atmosphere and hope to relax these rules in due course. Please be patient with us as we figure out how to make this work, if you experience any frustrations and delays in using the service.

Most of you will have heard by now that **Patrick Coghlan** sadly passed away from Covid-19 in April. Patrick played a lead role in establishing Greenhill as a volunteer-run library and was our chairman for its first four years. He was also the driving force behind the establishment of our little library in Lowedges. His wisdom, vision, and calm judgement will be greatly missed.



More recently we also lost **John Jeffcock**. Originally the manager of a steel stockholder, he was a postman for the last 8 years of his working life. He loved walking and being outdoors so after retiring in 2011 he took on a round for Active8 and Grapevine. He was a cheery helper around the library, willing to offer assistance wherever it was needed. We are very pleased that his wife Jean has recently returned to volunteer at the library.