

Hello

If you don't know me, I am Basil, the manager of Trowbridge Library. I am keen to tell you about our Warm Space Offer this winter. Could you pass this information onto anyone who may be interested, and please advise individuals to visit us if required?

Trowbridge Library is open 6 days a week, with late nights on Monday and Thursday. It is a welcoming space for everyone and we run a range of activities for people of all ages throughout the year. Over the winter we are providing extra support for people, as detailed below.

Warm Packs for free

We are giving away warm packs in cloth bag to individuals who request them.

They contain: Hot water bottle Fleece blanket Hat/scarf/gloves Information leaflets

We also have some extra resources for those who are especially in need.

Free SIMs and Mobile Data

We are able to offer a limited number of free SIM cards and mobile phone data for adults in low-income households.

More details at <https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/national-databank>

Smart Watch Activity Trackers and Blood Pressure Monitors for loan

Library members can borrow a blood pressure monitor for 3 weeks. This can be really useful for people who need to keep track of their blood pressure and are free to borrow. For those who may like to monitor their daily activities, we also have a limited number of Smart Watches for free 6-week loans.

More details at <https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/wearable-wellness>

Regular Activities

We have just launched a weekly drop-in afternoon singalong every Wednesday at 2:30pm. We have run two sessions and it is great fun! Any adult is welcome to join us for a song and a cuppa!

We're launching a Saturday morning book group for adults on 2nd December. Anyone is welcome to borrow the book and come along every 6 weeks.

We have well-established drop-in activities for children, including 3 rhymetimes, a storytime, and a lego club every week. We also have a programme of family-friendly events over the school holidays.

There are monthly drop-in sessions from the GP Social Prescribers on the first Wednesday of the month, from Wiltshire Sight on the third Wednesday of the month.

The Health Visitors are in the library every Tuesday morning and Thursday afternoon to provide support and advice to new parents.

We have volunteers who can provide 1-2-1 basic IT support every Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning.

Although people can drop-in, we advise them to book in advance.

A representative of Wiltshire Council tenancy advice team is in the library every Wednesday morning.

One-off activities

A couple of Therapy Dogs from Dogs for Health come in once a month for adults and children to read aloud to them.

This is very popular and requires booking in advance.

We also do a Sit and Knit session once a quarter in the Atrium space for those who might like to have a go at knitting or crochet.

I have attached our monthly what's on for your information. Please let me know if you would like to continue to receive this and we will add you to our mailing list.

And if you are interested in what we get up to, please follow our facebook page @trowbridgelibrary. It's a joy to browse!

Kind regards

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