



Home Library Service

If you can't get to the library because of age, disability or caring, one of our RVS volunteers can bring books to you at home.

Find out more in any library,
phone **01305 236666**

or meet us for coffee in January:

Canford Cliffs Tue 10 2.30 – 4.30pm

Southbourne Thu 12 10.30 – 11.30am

Parkstone Fri 20 10.30am – 12 noon

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Discover books, information and displays in all our libraries on these special themes:

Holocaust Memorial Day 27 January

LGBTQ+ History Month in February

Children's Mental Health Week
6 – 12 February

Women's History Month in March

World Autism Awareness Week
29 March – 4 April

Most of our events are free but please ask at your local library for booking details

★ booking required

● small charge for materials



Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult

More details about all events is available from local libraries or on the events tab on our website

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A warm welcome is assured in all 24 BCP Libraries

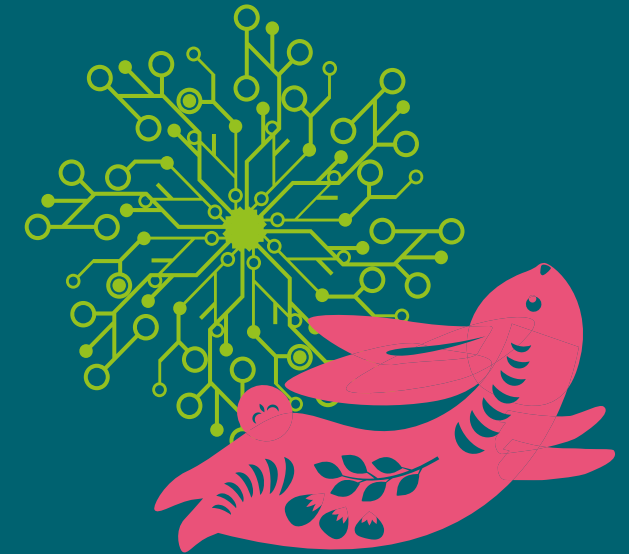


Whether you want to read, study, or see a friendly face, we have warm spaces for everyone, where it's free to visit.

Check your local library or our social media for details of our regular activities, including reading groups, coffee mornings and games for adults, wriggle & rhyme, storytimes and crafts for children.

What's On in Libraries

Jan – Mar 2023



Features

- Talks and workshops
- Chinese New Year
- British Science Week
- Home Library Service

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For adults ...

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January

- Tue **Memory box coffee morning**
3 Castlepoint 10 – 11.30am
Also on 6 Feb, 6 Mar
- Thu Talk: **Thomas Lipton - The King's Grocer**
5 Westbourne 2.30 – 3.30pm
With Stuart Sherring, social historian ★
- Fri Talk: **History of Poole's Skinner St**
6 **United Reformed Church**
Bournemouth 11am – 12.30pm
Aspects of History with Kit Pearce ★
- Tue Workshop: **card making**
10 Charminster 10am – 12 noon ● ★
- Wed Workshop: **Loving Earth textile project**
11 Bournemouth 2 – 4pm
Make a climate-themed textile panel
to exhibit in the library in February ★
Memories, tea and me
Kinson 10am – 12 noon
Also on 8 Feb, 8 Mar
- Fri Exhibition: **Chinese and British**
13 Bournemouth Library until 3 Mar
From the British Library
- Tue **Teatime at Springbourne**
17 3 – 5pm. Also on 21 Feb, 21 Mar
Coffee morning with The Dogs' Trust
Charminster 11am – 12 noon
- Thu Talk: **Thomas Hardy and Wessex**
19 Christchurch 2.30 – 4pm
With Ken Basham. FOCHL £3/£5 ★
- Mon **Chair Yoga with Chyoga**
23 Parkstone 11am and 11.30am ★

- Tue **The January Challenge Quiz**
24 Ensbury Park 4.30 – 5.30pm
- Thu **Make harbour & village scenes**
26 Springbourne 10am – 12 noon ● ★
A stitch in time – cross stitch with Amie
Poole 11am – 12 noon ★
- Fri **Big Garden Bird Watch**
27 Kinson Until 29

February

- Wed Exhibition: **Loving Earth Textile Project**
1 Bournemouth until 28
Talk: **Bournemouth's Victoria Cross winners part 3**
Bournemouth 11am – 12 .30pm
Aspects of History with Rod Arnold ★
- Fri Pop-up reading group: **The Four Winds**
3 **by Kristin Hannah**
Oakdale 2.30 – 3.30pm
- Tue Talk: **Cyber security hints and tips**
7 Springbourne 5 – 6.30pm
Safe from scams – meet our Tech Buddy
Poole 10am – 12 noon
- Wed **Ballads without Notes** – Stories from the
8 Child Ballads with Ian Tovey
Bournemouth 2 – 3pm Age 14+
- Thu Workshop: **Write Here, Write Now –**
9 **Queer Love**
Springbourne 10.30am – 12 noon
Talk: **The Scottish Enlightenment**
Westbourne 2.30 – 3.30pm
With Stuart Sherring, social historian ★

- Wed Q&A: **Stay safe online with our**
15 **Tech Buddy**
Canford Cliffs 2 – 4pm
- Thu Talk: **Behind the scenes at BCP Libraries**
16 Christchurch 2.30 – 4pm FOCHL £3/£5
With Graham Brown & Rachel Tarling
- Mon Talk: **University Hospitals Dorset**
20 **updates**
Westbourne 2.30 – 4pm
With Keith Mitchell, UHD Governor
- Tue Coffee morning: **Memories of a Land Girl**
21 Charminster 11am – 12 noon
With Gwen Raggett MBE
- Fri Book chat: **Novels based in Dorset**
24 Parkstone 10.30am – 12 noon

March

- Wed Quiz: **Celebrating famous women**
1 Oakdale until 31
- Thu Talk: **Attitudes to crime and punishment**
2 Westbourne 2.30 – 3.30pm
With Stuart Sherring, social historian ★
- Sat Coffee morning: **Explore the archives**
11 Winton 10.30 – 11.30am
- Thu Talk: **Local literary connections**
16 Christchurch 2.30 – 4pm
With Nick Saunders FOCHL £3/£5 ★
- Thu **Quiz evening**
23 Charminster 5 – 7pm ★
- Fri Coffee, Community & Chat:
24 **Empowering women**
Parkstone 10.30am – 12 noon
- Fri Display: **International Transgender**
31 **Day of Visibility** Boscombe

For children & families ...

★ = Please book for this event

January	
Tue 3	Arctic Explorers treasure hunt Castlepoint until 31
	Code club Springbourne 5 – 6pm
	64 Million Artists challenges Christchurch after school every day and Sats until 31
Sat 7	Creative writing with Explore Learning Castlepoint 10 – 11am Ages 6-10 Also on 4 Feb, 4 Mar
Tue 17	Alice in Wonderland Night Christchurch 6.30 – 7.45pm Ages 7-11
Sat 21	Rock painting – family crafts Springbourne 10am – 12 noon
	Superhero shapes with Explore Learning Southbourne 10 – 11am Ages 4-6

February	
Thu 2	Imagination station Christchurch 10am – 12 noon Under 5s
Children's Mental Health Week 6–12 February Book displays in all libraries	
Mon 6	Decorate your own self-soothe box Oakdale until 11
Tue 7	Meet mental health charity Stormbreak Parkstone 4pm
	Dinosaur roar Charminster 2 – 3pm
Fri 10	Valentines crafts Rossmore 3 - 4pm

Half-term fun! 13–18 February	
Drop-in crafts all week	
Boscombe	Night animals takeaway craft
Bournemouth	Spirograph craft
Branksome	Kindness week
Christchurch	Pets creation station
Creekmoor	Habits of rabbits
Hamworthy	Crafty creations
Highcliffe	Half-term hullabaloo
Kinson	Pirates ahoy!

Mon 13	Write and record a radio play Springbourne 2.30 – 4.30pm
	Valentines craft Tuckton 10am – 1pm Canford Heath 2.30 – 4.30pm Also on Tue 14 at West Howe 3.30 – 4.30pm
	Chef's hat crafts Highcliffe 10am – 6.30pm 5+

Tue 14	Author talk: <i>The wonderful world of wellies</i> with Lisa Esposito Tuckton 2.30 – 3.30pm
	Superhero toddler tales Charminster 2 – 3pm ★
	Hoodies and hightops Oakdale 10 – 11am
	Safer internet day Chicken clicking story Parkstone 10 – 10.30am
	Make Paddington Bear and his sandwich Winton 10am – 12 noon

Wed 15	Rainbows – colourful crafts Broadstone 11am – 12 noon ★
	Healthy eating with Tesco Community Champions Branksome 11am – 1pm

Thu 16	Make a surprise for Random Acts of Kindness day Springbourne 2.30 – 4.30pm
	Author talk: <i>The Yarns of Sid Seven-Legs</i> by Alan J Hill Southbourne 10 – 11am Ages 10-12 ★

Fri 17	Captain Underpants crafts Charminster 10 – 11am ★
	A knight's journey with Explore Learning Southbourne 12 noon – 1pm Ages 7-9
	Paper plate pancakes Canford Cliffs 2.30 - 4pm

Sat 18	Make robot friends Springbourne 10am – 12 noon
Tue 21	Mother Language Day picture hunt Creekmoor opening hours until 25 February

World Book Day Thursday 2 March	
Online Emoji book quiz and competition.	
Themed storytimes and wriggle & rhymes:	
Boscombe	10 – 10.30am (3 Mar)
Charminster	10 – 10.30am
Christchurch	10am – 12 noon
Ensbury Park	11.30am – 12 noon
Highcliffe	11 – 11.30am
Kinson	10.30 – 11am
Winton	2.15 – 2.45pm
After school crafts – come in costume to: Boscombe, Broadstone, Canford Cliffs, Castlepoint, Hamworthy, Parkstone, Springbourne, West Howe	

March	
British Science Week 10–19 March	
Tue 7	Fun experiments West Howe 3.45 – 4.30pm
Fri 10	Make a musical shaker Creekmoor 2 – 5.30pm, drop in
	Sculpting paper cities Oakdale drop in until Sat 18
	Spacecraft Castlepoint until Sat 18
Sat 11	Model railway display Broadstone + activities until Sat 18
	Interactive talk: Amphibian and Reptile Conservation Group Boscombe 10am – 12 noon Ages 5+
	Experiment with science Christchurch, until Sat 18
	Make a lemon volcano Parkstone 10am – 12 noon
Wed 15	Build a Lego or Duplo robot Canford Cliffs 2.30 – 3.30pm
Sat 18	Magnetic mazes Parkstone 10am – 12 noon
	Make a paper plate weather station Canford Heath 10am – 12 noon
	Make paper flowers Springbourne 10am – 12 noon
	Mother's Day crafts Poole 10.30 – 11.30am Westbourne drop in

Shakespeare Week 20–26 March	
Search for Shakespeare Christchurch, Ensbury Park, Westbourne	
Make a Shakespeare finger puppet Hamworthy, Kinson	
Shakespeare quiz Boscombe, Tuckton	
Shakespeare crafts Boscombe, Broadstone, Canford Cliffs	
Tue 21	Shakespeare Crafts West Howe 3.30 - 4.30pm Ages 5 – 11
Sat 25	Make Shakespeare's Dreamcatcher Oakdale 10am – 12.30pm
	Spring in your step with Explore Learning Southbourne 10 – 11am ★
	Are you a Budding Shakespeare? Play creation Poole 10.30 – 11.30am ★
	Fairies & Princesses, wands & crowns Parkstone 10.30am – 12 noon
Mon 27	Make an Easter card and garland Rossmore 4 – 5pm

Chinese New Year celebrations

16–21 January
The Year of the Rabbit starts on 22 January

Stories and crafts at

Boscombe	Fri 20 10 – 10.30am
Branksome	all week
Broadstone	all week
Canford Cliffs	all week
Canford Heath	Sat 21 10am – 12 noon
Castlepoint	all week
Charminster	Sat 21 10 – 11 am
Creekmoor	Tue 24 2 – 5.30pm
Ensbury Park	Thu 19 11.30am – 12 noon
Hamworthy	Fri 20 all day
Highcliffe	Sat 21 10am – 12.30pm
Kinson	Sat 21 10am – 1.30pm
Oakdale	all week
Parkstone	Sat 21 10am – 12 noon
Poole	Sat 21 10.30 – 11.30am
West Howe	Tue 24 3.30 – 4.30pm
Westbourne	all week

National Storytelling Week

30 January – 3 February

Special Story Sack
Storytimes – with props!

Boscombe	Fri 3 10 – 10.30am
Branksome	Fri 3 3.30 – 4.30pm Polish and English stories
Broadstone	Sat 4 11am – 12 noon
Canford Cliffs	Wed 1 2.30 – 3.30pm
Christchurch	Tue 31 10.15 – 10.45am
Creekmoor	every day 4.15 – 4.45pm
Ensbury Park	Thu 2 11.30am – 12 noon
Hamworthy	Thu 2 10.30 – 11am
Oakdale	Mon 30 2.15 – 2.45pm
Parkstone	Tue 31 10 – 11am
Poole	every day 11 – 11.30am
Springbourne	Mon 30 10.30 – 11am
West Howe	Tue 31 10.30 – 11am
Winton	Thu 2 2.15 – 2.45pm