

# At the Library, for the week of December 11, 2017

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## **Holiday fun at the library,**

This week and next, there are candy canes and crafts, cookies and hot chocolate, puppet shows and parties, scavenger hunts and a special visitor in a red suit too. All welcome to drop by and join us, free and fun for all ages.

Bring your best singing voices; the Pictou Library is hosting a "Merry Christmas Musical" puppet show on Wednesday December 13, at 10:30am. Later in the week, the library is hosting a Holiday Open House on Friday December 15 with hot apple cider, treats, crafts and music from 11:00am until 5:00pm. And on Saturday December 16 at 11:00am there will be another festive puppet show 'Twas the Night before Christmas', with a visit from Santa too! Join us for hot chocolate, candy canes and books from Adopt-a-Library Literacy Program.

The Elf Hunt continues at the Stellarton library. All are welcome to drop by and find all the little elves hidden on the library's shelves until December 23<sup>rd</sup>. Also on display, our Mitten Tree decorated with donations of beautiful warm woolen items, which will be given to a local community organization. And we invite you to visit our Arts and Crafts table to make a holiday card for someone special until December 23. Plus, on Thursday December 21 (from 12:00pm – 8:00pm), we'll be making Reindeer Food, for Santa's visit!

Saturday December 16 is a holiday-filled day at the Library. The Westville Library is hosting a drop-in Holiday Ornament making session from 10:00am to 3:00pm, and the Trenton Library is hosting a special drop-in Snowman Scavenger Hunt from 11:00am – 3:30pm. It is also the last day of coloring the Giant Gingerbread House at the River John Library, and later that afternoon, there will be a draw to win the house!

And next week, there will be a special visitor from the North Pole will be stopping by the Westville Library for an evening of Family Holiday Celebrations with cookie decorating, and crafts on Thursday December 21, from 6:00pm – 7:30pm. All are welcome to drop by and join in the festivities.

Still searching for that perfect holiday gift? How about buying a book, DVD box set or audiobook for your local public library? How do you gift-a-book? Simply drop by one of our seven local library locations to see a display of gift books and DVDs, or visit us online at [www.parl.ns.ca](http://www.parl.ns.ca) to view our **Holiday Wish List of Books**. Then pick a title (or suggest a title), make your donation, and as soon as the book (or DVD) is ready to lend – we will let you know.

## **Holiday hours,**

As we celebrate the holiday season upon us, please note - the Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library will be closed on Sunday December 24, Monday December 25 and Tuesday December 26, 2017. The Library will be open regular hours from Wednesday December 27 to Saturday December 30, 2017. The library will also be closed on Sunday December 31, and Monday January 1, 2018.

Happy holidays and best wishes, from everyone at the Library! And we'll see you in the New Year (... library programs resume starting January 2, 2018. Please contact your local library for details.)

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