At the Library, for the week of July 22, 2019

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The Library of Things.

The library is about books, and magazines, in their many different forms – from print, audio, digital and downloadable. But did you know – some of the other things you can borrow with your free public library card are: a GPS, pedometers, Nordic Walking Poles, a Fun Fit Pass, jigsaw puzzles, Play Packs, movie DVDs, Radon detectors, Memory Kits, Arts are for Everyone (deCoste Centre pass), snowshoes, Neurodiversity (Sensory, Visual, and Fidget) Tool Kits, DAISY Players (reader machines for the print impaired) and more ... from your local library too? For a full list, and details – please drop on by your local library, or visit the ‘Services’ section of our website http://www.parl.ns.ca/index.php.

In addition there are many services you can use while visiting the library, from Light Therapy lamps (for Seasonal Affected Disorder, SADS), public computers with internet access, printers and FAX machines, 3D printers, magnifying readers, more jigsaw puzzles, local newspapers, bike locks and basic bike repair kits – and a Bike Fixit station at our Stellarton Library. This summer, our technology interns at the library are also available to assist patrons with technology questions, provide free training sessions, and lead tech-related programming for all ages. You can contact, or drop into one of the following Library branches to book an appointment – New Glasgow, Pictou, River John, Stellarton, Westville and Trenton libraries. Several of our libraries also have small program rooms, meeting rooms and display cabinets that may be available for public use for community programs, http://www.parl.ns.ca/services/meeting.php.

This summer, the library has great summer reading clubs for all ages, with special programs and awesome prizes from our local community partners and sponsors to giveaway too – just for reading! From bikes to book bags, Festival Antigonish theatre tickets to “If you could wear my sneakers” (for children) to a night’s stay at the Holiday Inn (for adults). Read it, love it, and return it! Share with us your “Readers recommends” (or shelfies), fill out a ballot, and you might win a great prize too.

Coming up next week, the library is pleased to host two Summer Performers Tour programs with Trevor Gould, a Mi’kmaw dancer and singer. All are welcome to drop-in and join us at the New Glasgow library on Tuesday July 30 at 10:00am. Trevor will also be at the Westville Library, the following day on Wednesday July 31 at 10:00am. Space is limited for the program at the Westville Library, please contact the library to register, (902) 396-5022.

And if the summer heat is too much for you - do drop on by, spend some time with us, and cool down at our air-conditioned libraries in New Glasgow, Stellarton, Trenton, Westville and River John. We have comfy chairs, copies of the local newspapers, lots of magazines, public washrooms and helpful, friendly service.

For more information on upcoming library programs, special events and services, please drop by your local library branch, follow us on Twitter, find us on Facebook, or visit us online at www.parl.ns.ca.