

FOSL NEWSLETTER

Somersham Community Library



We are participating at Somersham Carnival as we always have, which will be held from 9th to 17th June.

Information on the Carnival events will be available in the library.

Visit our stall at the Carnival. See what FOSL have to offer, how to join us and support our good work. And of course join us for some fun as well.

New heating system in the library

In early March, our long serving boiler finally packed up, just when we had that cold snap. We had to bring in extra heaters to cope but we managed to get through.

We now have a new heating system installed. This is not a rushed decision. The management team has been considering options for the boiler replacement for some time and have set aside funds for this.

Do come and see the new system. You will have to look up to the ceiling!

JUNIOR LIBRARY ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

In response to the decline in junior book borrowing in the past few years, we began a project in the summer of 2016 to enhance our Junior Library. Key tasks and outcomes of the project are:



Young Adult Section was moved from the children area to the area facing Adult Fiction. New titles were introduced. This has led to the doubling of items borrowed.

Closer working with the schools: Weekly school visits to the Library arranged. New library members signed up. More people borrow books regularly.



In July 2017 we asked Somersham Primary School pupils what their favourite authors and book series were. David Walliams and Roald Dahl come up top.



Favourite book series for each school year are: Horrid Henry, Harry Potter, Wimpy Kid, Story Tree House and Tom Gates. Our readers also like to read about animals and sport. We will use this information when we purchase new books.



Change in Book Borrowing 2016 – 2017

Junior Fiction	↑	27%
Junior Non-Fiction	↑	41%
Yong Adult	↑	96%

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CHANGING LIVES

A programme of activities specifically for people living with neurological conditions living in Somersham and its surrounding villages. This programme is supported by the Parish Council and the Timebank.

Contact Lucy Bird - 01487 841359 or 07443 619017

<http://www.somersham-pc.gov.uk/ChangingLives16428.aspx>

Sunday Drop-in

Every 2nd and 4th Sunday from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm

13 May	12 August
27 May	26 August
10 June	9 September
24 June	23 September
8 July	14 October
22 July	28 October



The Great Somersham Garage Sale is back!

16 September 2018

Have you got cash in your attic? Do you enjoy a bargain hunt?

Whether you want to flog it or pick up something going for song, this event is for you.

Further details to follow, but meanwhile save the date.

Libraries Week



We have received £297 from Waitrose Community Fund, thanks to all those green tokens you put in to support FOSL.

We will be celebrating the 15th anniversary of FOSL serving the community.

October 2018



We have received a donation of £200 from Eversheds Sutherland after our volunteer Vicky Moseley, who is an employee of the company, nominated us.



The **General Data Protection Regulation** comes into force on 25 May 2018. It strengthens the right of individuals in respect of their personal data and how it is stored and used.

FOSL keeps personal data of 3 main categories of individuals. The most appropriate lawful basis of us holding and processing this data is legitimate interests.

- > Cambridgeshire Libraries members — data including contact details and date of birth is stored on the County Council's library system, to enable us to deliver a lending library service. Our volunteers have agreed to the Code of Practice that sets out what we should and shouldn't do with this data.
- > FOSL members — We keep contact details and Gift Aid Declaration to enable us to claim Gift Aid rebate and to keep members informed of FOSL activities and news.
- > FOSL volunteers — Personal data and references are kept to ensure volunteers are sufficiently suitable and responsible to work for FOSL. This data is processed by our Volunteer Liaison, reporting to the Board of Trustees, and is kept securely in the library office. Operational contact details of volunteers are issued to all volunteers so that they can contact each other relating to the rota and other library functions.

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