



**June 2023
Newsletter**

WANTED – TRUSTEES FOR SETTLE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Settle Community Library is a charitable body managed locally by a team of trustees, each of whom serve for a maximum of six years. Several trustees are coming to the end of their terms of office so the remaining trustees are now looking for new members to join them. The role of the trustees is to determine policy for managing the library within rules set by North Yorkshire Council and the Charity Commission. A description of the role of Trustees generally is available on the Charity Commission website, at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/charity-trustee-whats-involved>.

Settle Community Library is staffed almost entirely by volunteers, and with this in mind the trustees must (a) ensure that the library has sufficient trained volunteers to provide a good service and (b) encourage the local community to make use of its facilities. The library's users range from small children to the most elderly adults and include people with disabilities. North Yorkshire Council also requires the library building to be made available for non-library uses outside public hours. The trustees need to consider applications for these other uses, assess their impacts on the library's revenues and costs, and strike a balance between possibly conflicting requirements.

Trustee meetings take place in the library, nine times per year. Meetings normally start at 10am and last between one and a half and two hours. Trustees are expected to attend *all* meetings except where their absence is unavoidable: the trustee role, though voluntary and unpaid, is by no means a casual one. Financial responsibility for the work of trustees is borne by North Yorkshire Council, not by the trustees.

Applicants for trusteeships should be regular users of Settle Community Library, computer literate and financially literate. Skills in modern IT-based communications would be especially welcome. If you meet these requirements and are interested in becoming a Trustee, please email a letter of interest to secretary@settlelibrary.org.uk by July 31st 2023.

A BIG THANK YOU to all the people who supported the Co-op backed Crowdfunding that we took part in as a library. We raised £850 towards our heating costs. We hope there will be another event in the future.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Settle Community Library is fortunate in having an active band of Friends who support the library in a variety of ways, but especially by means of their annual donations. We have some eighty Friends in our records, and we ask each to donate a minimum of £10 per annum. Some, generously, give far more than that, and some do so from afar – one Friend this year renewed her donation with an amount considerably in excess of £10, and another renewed from France. Against the ever-increasing costs that the Library faces, income from Friends is tremendously welcome.

A few of the activities we have on offer

Knit and Natter continues to meet on first and third Thursday of every month. Everyone welcome to join us from 10.30am

Breast Cancer charity afternoon tea will be held on 19th July in the afternoon. Please come and feel free to donate cakes or raffle prizes in advance of the day.

Asthma & Lung UK Peer Support group, 'Breathe Easy' first session on Wed 14th June and will meet second Wednesday of each month until December. 2pm start. Please come along to share information and advice with others to help manage your condition.

Stay and Play meets term times, but please to check with the library via social media or website to ensure the group is meeting on any particular week.

Volunteers

Our library is run by volunteers, in partnership with NYC. If you are interested in finding out more about us and ways you could volunteer, please contact us.

Please visit <http://settlelibrary.org.uk/> and see what we have to offer
we are so much more than just a Library.



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Summer Reading Challenge 2023



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READY SET READ! THE 2023 SUMMER READING CHALLENGE AT SETTLE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Children can once again sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge at Settle Community Library during the holidays. This year the theme is the power of play, sport, games and physical activity.



The challenge for children is to read 6 library books of their choice and collect special stickers and other prizes along the way – everyone who finishes will receive a limited edition Ready Set Read! medal and a certificate.

Any child aged 4 to 11 can join in, and the challenge runs from Saturday 15th July until Sat 9th Sept.

There will also be a fantastic programme of activities at Settle Community Library all summer, and all free, including a smoothie making workshop on Thursday 27 July 10 am – 1 pm.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE EVENTS AT SETTLE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Thursday 27th July 10am - 1pm

Sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge at our Smoothie Making Workshop for all the family.

Wednesday 2nd August 10.30 am – 12 noon

Ready, Set, Tech! Come and play with Lego, Code-a-pillars, Raspberry Pi Makeys Makeys, Micro:Bits and more.

Wednesday 23rd August 10.30 – 12 noon

Ready Set Lego! – come and build with us as we launch our lego club.

