

What's New in August

Tech Tuesdays!



We're excited to welcome BGC Leeds & Grenville and their STEM tech activities for school-aged kids (ages 8-teen).

Explore robotics and coding toys and tools, including LEGO Spike, Makey-Makeys and more! No experience needed – just curiosity and a willingness to experiment.

This drop-in program runs on **Tuesday afternoons from 3:00—5:00 pm.**

Eco-Literacy Workshops



Sign up for our Eco-Literacy Workshops with Tina in August. Learn about the science of molecules, river invertebrates, and more STEM activities — plus a Voyageur canoe day! These hands-on outdoor programs are for ages 6 – 12.

Workshops will be held on Aug 6, 20 & 27. These workshops are free, but **registration is required!** Contact the Library.

Magic Show Giveaway



The Outerbridge's **More Mysteries of the Keyhole House** will be at The Pews every Saturday this summer, and the Library will be giving away tickets for a show before Labour Day. Come by the Library and enter your name in the draw!

Museum & Park Passes



The Library lends family passes giving free admission to a family of 5 (2 adults & 3 youth) to these Ottawa museums: Nature, History, Science & Technology, Space & Aviation, Agriculture, and the War Museum.

For Summer: We also have family passes for Upper Canada Village and Fort Henry.

And Park passes to Ontario Provincial Parks and Rideau Valley Conservation Areas!

Check out a MAPsack – a nature-themed backpack for families with books and stuff to explore the great outdoors. We have MAPsacks about: Bugs, Otters, Transformers, Rivers, and Trees.

Contact the Library to find out more .

Story Trail



And take a walk on the **Story Trail** (a joint project with the Merrickville District Trails Society). Enjoy a favourite story while you explore the Woodland-Toboggan Hill Loop by Merrickville School.

Summer Reading Club



Our **TD Summer Reading Club** (sponsored by the TD Financial Group) is still going strong in August! Every book read over the summer earns a ticket to enter in our fabulous Prize Draw for the prize(s) of your choice. We have 75+ different prizes for Kinders to Teens.

The more books you read, the better your chances to win! It's not too late! Drop in anytime to sign up.

Visit tdsummerreadingclub.ca for jokes, trivia, the battle of the books – and always-available ebooks.

"Dive In" CraftSpace



Kids can also join us Wednesday mornings as we dive into sea creature-themed crafts and activities! It's never too late to join in. For ages 5-11.

Our regular Friday morning **StoryTime** runs all summer long at **10:00(ish)**

Enabled Talent



Reminder! **Enabled Talent's** series of free online seminars about career resources and supports for job-seekers with disabilities continues on the 4th Thursday of the month through the summer. This month's is Aug 27 at 1:00 pm.

Register at <https://luma.com/txqgepzs> .

Did You Know? Universal Class

Universal Class is an online learning platform offered free on the Library's website. With 600+ self-paced courses across more than 35 subjects, you can dive into anything from practical skills to pure fun. All you need is your library card to create your personal account and get started learning at your own pace.

Explore crafts & hobbies, DIY projects, business & entrepreneurship, health & medicine (including alternative medicine), personal development, spirituality, homeschooling, and so much more. Courses are available for adults and teens, and you can choose to earn continuing education credits or simply learn for interest. Find Universal Class on our website and see what inspires you next.

Thank You!

The Library would like to thank the **MaD (Merrickville and District) Gardeners** for putting in flowers in front of our building – and taking care of them- again this summer. The Library is looking good thanks to your efforts, and we appreciate it!

For more info about any of these programs, contact the Library:

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