AFFA4Kids Adopt-A-Book Challenge

AFFA4Kids is challenging YOU to **Adopt-A-Book**! *Why*? Because they will match up to **\$2,500** in funds raised and it all goes directly to Your Library!

You can Adopt-A-Book at any NCPL Branch by donating \$20 (or more)! An adoption nameplate will be placed inside the front cover of the book and you'll receive a charitable receipt!

WHO AND WHY:



AFFA4Kids (Active, Fellowship, Faith, Advocacy) was formed in 2017 by churchmen who believe there is a need in our community for programs to support children and teens requiring an encouraging opportunity to enhance their quality of life. To date they have supported Norfolk County families by providing bursaries for camps of their choosing, purchasing and installing outdoor activity stencils on playgrounds, and matching thousands of dollars toward the purchasing of books for young people.

The Adopt-A-Book Challenge is a way for supporters to help promote literacy and add to the Library collection a gift that will keep on giving. Your donation helps support the purchase of books for children and youth at all NCPL Branches!



SUMPLY OF

NORFOLK COUNTY **PUBLIC LIBRARY'S** 2023 **SUMMER READING** PROGRAM!



HELLO, SUMMER!

Are you ready for MORE Summer? Because we are!

Our annual Summer Reading Program is for kids young and old, and this year we're keeping the same fun while adding in some exciting new changes! The program will run for SIX full weeks, highlighting all the ways the Norfolk County Public Library is MORE than books!



INTRODUCING BEANSTACK!

This year we are excited to introduce **Beanstack**, a web-based platform that we will be using for registering and participating in the MORE Summer Reading Challenge!

Go to norfolklibrary.beanstack.org - it's as easy as 1, 2, 3:

- 1. Sign up with your email address (parents, you can add more than one reader on your account!)
- 2. Log books read and complete level challenge badges to earn prizes!
- 3. Let us contact you when your prize is ready to pick up!

Beanstack even has a mobile app to make participating as fun and easy as possible! It's called "Beanstack Tracker" and you can find it in your app store!

Find friends on the platform and stay motivated by tracking the books you're reading, the activities you're doing, and reaching each level of prizes!



Information Sessions

If you have questions, we have answers! Ride Norfolk will be available to answer questions about the app, booking a ride, using the bus, and everything in between! Stop by at **1:00 p.m.** on

Monday, July 10 at the Simcoe Branch Tuesday, July 11 at the Delhi Branch Thursday, July 12 at the Port Dover Branch Tuesday, July 13 at the Port Rowan Branch Tuesday, August 8 at the Waterford Branch

SCAVENGER HUNT!

Our mascot Branches is enjoying MORE summer and is sending us lots of photos! So, guess what we did? We turned them into a Scavenger Hunt! Visit all five Library Branches and find all of the fun Branches is experiencing! Maybe it will inspire you to do some, too!



ONLINE RESOURCES!

You can access amazing Online Resources for **FREE** with your Library card! Read animated picture books with Tumble Books Library, stream movies on Kanopy Kids, download music with Freegal, and MORE! Just go to ncpl.ca and find them on the homepage!





REGULAR PROGRAMS

<u>Storytime</u>

This interactive program is filled with stories, songs, rhymes, movement, crafts, and social time for children from 0 to 6 years old.

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

• Delhi Branch

Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

- Port Dover Branch
- Simcoe Branch
- Waterford Branch Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.
- Port Rowan Branch
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LEGO Club

Can you complete the LEGO Challenge of the week???

Thursdays at 4:00 p.m.

Delhi Branch

<u>Science Saturday</u>

Explore through fun hands-on activities, experiments, and literacy! Drop in for some selfdirected science fun!

Saturday, July 15 at 1:00 p.m. • Simcoe Branch

Baby Bear

Babies from ages 0 to 2 years old and their caregivers are invited to meet new friends, read stories, learn songs and rhymes, and discover your library's services and resources!

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Port Dover Branch

Drop-In Tech Help

Do you have tech questions? We have tech answers! Drop in from **1:00 - 4:00 p.m.** for help or to get MakerSpace training or assistance!

Every Tuesday

Simcoe Branch
Wednesday, July 5
Wednesday, August 2
Delhi Branch
Wednesday, July 12
Wednesday, August 9
Port Dover Branch
Wednesday, July19

Port Rowan Branch
Wednesday, July 26
Waterford Branch



Things look a little different this year, but they are pretty much the same! When a reader is being registered on Beanstack, it will ask for their age. Based on their age, readers will either report total books read or pages read (*levels are accumulative*). The prizes for each level are the same for every child, but this distinction allows equal opportunity for readers to achieve badges and win prizes!

N PR	Prize Level	Total Books Read for Picture Book readers (ages 0-7)	Total Pages Read for Chapter Book readers (ages 8-17)	Total Books Read for Adult readers (ages 18+)
	1	15	300	1
	2	30	600	2
	3	50	900	3
	4	75	1200	4
	5	100	1500	5



Level 1 Create Your Own Book Bag Kit

Level 2 Book, bookmark, and fidget

Level 3 Science Kit: Grow a Plant + beach ball

Level 4 Board Game or LEGO

Level 5 3D-Printed Wind Chime Kit + surprise bag **Please Note** that adult readers participating in the MORE Summer reading challenge will receive **one** grand prize upon completion!





SIGN UP FOR DAY CAMPS!

We are excited to offer Day Camps again this summer! Camp activities focus on "STREAM" education (Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Arts, Math), and each week is centered around a theme!



Camps run from **1:00 until 4:00 p.m.** on the Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of the week and are geared toward kids ages **8 to 12 years old**. The cost for all three afternoons is **\$20** per child payable on the Tuesday of the camp. Space is limited and each camp can have up to **10 participants.** Registered participants are expected to attend each day. Register by going to ncpl.ca or scanning the QR code!

play MORE!

July 11, 12, 13 Waterford Branch

Play MORE this week! We will have a games day, a water day, and a maker day!



July 25, 26, 27 Delhi Branch

Connect MORE this week! We will connect and have fun with our favourite fantasy friends: Harry, Percy, and Reynie!



July 18, 19, 20 Simcoe Branch Create MORE this week! We will have arts and crafts and MakerSpace fun!



August 1, 2, 3 Port Dover Branch

Learn MORE this week! We will be learning about all kinds of weather through fun activities and experiments!

BACKUS HERITAGE CONSERVATION AREA

1267 2nd Concession Rd. Port Rowan, ON

Backus Camp Stories

Join NCPL staff at the historic Backus Heritage Conservation Area! Stories and fun will take place in the historical village near the school house.

Friday, July 14 at 8:00 p.m.

Backus Fishing Derby

A partnership with the Long Point Regional Conservation Authority, join us for the Fishing Derby! Our mascot Branches will be popping by to learn how to fish! *Please* note that there may be costs associated with this offsite program.

Saturday, July 8 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Firefly Walk

Enjoy a walk through the historical Backus Mill searching for fireflies. You'll take home beautiful memories and an activity to do the next morning!

Friday, August 4 at 8:30 p.m.



LONG POINT ECO-ADVENTURES

1730 Front Rd. St Williams, ON

Adult Book Club

Meet us at ECO Adventures for a book club with a view! Enjoy fresh air and good book talks while you look over the marsh. Feel free to bring money to buy an adult beverage or two!

Fridays at 1:00 p.m. from July 7 until August 11

Glow Party

Let's get glowing at ECO Adventures! Visit us at dusk for games, stories, and glow in the dark fun on

Thursday, July 20 at 8:00 p.m.

Ghost Stories

If you're not too scared, join us as we retell some of the spookiest stories that Norfolk County has to offer!

Friday, July 28 at 8:00 p.m.



"OFF SITE" PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Teddy Bear Picnic

Right after our regular storytime at the Delhi Branch, we'll head over to Quance Park for a Teddy Bean Picnic! Bring your teddy and a picnic lunch and join us for stories and games!

Tuesday, July 4 at 11:00 a.m. 200 Talbot Road Delhi, ON

Family Stories on Apple Hill Lavender Farm

Bring your family for stories on the historic, century-old family farm featuring lavender fields and beautiful apple orchards!

Monday, July 10, 17, 24, 31 at 10:30 a.m.

1795 Windham Road 11 Windham Centre, ON



Camping Stories

Join us for a family game of BINGO and stories at the pavilion at Deer Creek Conservation Area!

Friday, August 11 at 7:00 p.m. 1929 Norfolk County Road 45 Langton, ON

POP-UP STORYTIMES

Join us at 1:00 p.m. for fun and interactive outdoor storytimes inspired by some of our favourite things!

Little Mermaid Storytime at Turkey Point Park

Monday, July 10 at 1:00 p.m. 6 Turkey Point Rd, St Williams

Marvel Superhero Storytime at Waterford Lions Park

Monday, July 17 at 1:00 p.m. 2 Mechanic St W, Waterford

Star Wars Storytime at Courtland Park

Monday, July 24 at 1:00 p.m. 329 Main Street of Courtland

ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR...

Build a Birdhouse

(by donation)

We have the supplies, so bring your creativity to make your very own birdhouse! Suggested donation: \$5.00. Donations will support the children enrolled in Norfolk's Chapter of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.

Tuesday, July 11 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. • Port Rowan Branch

Tween Writing Workshop

Are you 9-13 years old? You're invited to a Writing Workshop! Learn about our Norfolk Literary Prize writing contest and work on your submission!

Friday, July 7 at 1:00 p.m.Delhi Branch

Make Mini

Learn how to make mini: mini figures, mini food, mini objects, and other mini things! Space and supplies are limited. Registration is required. *PLEASE NOTE: the* 1:00 p.m. time is for participants ages 8 - 14 years old and the 4:00 p.m. time is for participants ages 14 and older.

Wednesdays July 19 and 26 Wednesdays August 2 and 9 at 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Port Rowan Branch



Scan to register or visit ncpl.ca and click the banner!



Do you enjoy writing? Enter the Norfolk Literary Prize! It's NCPL's annual writing contest where winners can win money and have their work printed in an in-house publication! The Norfolk Literary Prize has two writing categories, poetry and short story, and three age groups, kids, youth, and adult.

To enter you must have been born in or after 2014 and have



an active Library membership. Visit ncpl.ca and look under current events for entry details and to submit your work!

Submission Deadline: Monday, July 31, 2023

WARK CALENDARS

We have free programs for kids of all ages! Scan the QR code to download the complete calendar of programs and events happening this summer at NCPL!

Storytime with the Mayor

Meet our Mayor, Amy Martin, and enjoy a special storytime!

- Friday, July 7 at 10:30 a.m.
- Waterford Branch

Break and Take

Come and break some stuff (like old electronics and gadgets), and make them into something brand new to take home and enjoy!

- Thursday, July 6 at 1:00 p.m.Waterford Branch
- Tuesday, July 25 at 1:00 p.m.
 - Port Rowan Branch
- Tuesday, August 8 at 1:00 p.m.
- Delhi Branch

<u>Crafternoon</u>

Come and get artsy and crafty with us!

- Thursday, July 13 at 1:00 p.m.
- Simcoe Branch
- Tuesday, July 18 at 1:00 p.m.
- Port Dover Branch
- Wednesday, July 26 at 1:00 p.m.
- Waterford Branch
- Thursday, August 3 at 1:00 p.m.
- Port Rowan Branch
- Wednesday, August 9 at 1:00 p.m.
- Delhi Branch

Kitchen Sink Band

Let's make some music with instruments we'll make with supplies from under and around the kitchen sink! With help from the Online Resources Tumblebooks and Creativebug, we'll be the next big hit!

Tuesday, July 18 at 1:00 p.m.Delhi Branch

OPP Storytime

Meet a real-life officer and join us for this special storytime with the local Ontario Provincial Police!

Friday, July 21 at 10:30 a.m.Simcoe Branch!

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Karaoke Party

Let's get loud and enjoy singing Karaoke!

Friday, July 28 at 1:00 p.m.

• Port Dover Branch

LEGO Challenge

Are you a master builder? Then show us your stuff at this epic LEGO challenge!

Monday, July 31 at 11:00 a.m.

Simcoe Branch!

Teen BYOG

Are you a teen who loves board games? Come to this weekly program and bring your friends! Don't forget to "Bring Your Own Game!"

Thursdays at 4:00 p.m.Waterford Branch

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, BRANCHES!

Come and sing HAPPY BIRTHDAY because it's NCPL's mascot Branches' birthday and you're invited to the party!! Enjoy all the birthday fun, including cupcakes, but don't worry about bringing a present: your friendship is the best gift Branches could ask for!

Saturday, July 22 at 11:00 a.m.Waterford Branch