



Leicestershire Libraries Newsletter

Summer 2022



Gadgeteers - Summer Reading Challenge 2022!

Get curious about reading with the Summer Reading Challenge!

Join the Gadgeteers for the Summer Reading Challenge to discover the amazing science and innovation behind the world around you, including some of your favourite things!

For this year's Challenge, The Reading Agency has partnered with the Science Museum Group to create 'Gadgeteers', inspiring children to use their curiosity and creativity to discover the science behind the everyday, and celebrate the role of the imagination in both reading and the sciences.

The Gadgeteers are planning an EPIC summer party! Help the Gadgeteers use their special skills to get everything ready by reading books and collecting rewards.

How to take part:

- Children aged 4-12 years can take part in Gadgeteers.
- The challenge is free to join and runs from Sat 2nd July - Sat 10th September in all Leicestershire Libraries including community managed libraries.
- Visit any [Leicestershire Library](https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/libraries) from Saturday 2nd July to join the challenge.
- Children take part by reading or listening to six library books, eBooks or eAudiobooks throughout the summer to collect special stickers for their collector's poster and special incentives including a certificate and medal when they complete the challenge.
- Children can also participate in the Challenge online by signing up at summerreadingchallenge.org.uk where they can find book recommendations, unlock digital badges and online rewards, play games, enter competitions and more!



Spark Arts—Recycled Rubbish

Live Family Theatre in your Library

Come and join our two excavators as they scuttle through the muck finding treasures hidden amongst a world of rubbish.

Recycled Rubbish was created in response to the pressure we all face to throw things away and update as often as possible. The show explores themes of recycling, the environment and the value of friendships. It was inspired by Theatre-Rites' successful show Rubbish which toured the UK and was featured on Blue Peter.

An inventive and playful show for 5+ years. Running time: 50 minutes. Price: £3.00. Contact individual [libraries](#) by phone to book your ticket. Dates:

Syston Library - 26th July 10.30am,
Birstall Library - 26th July 3.30pm,
Oadby Library - 27th July 10.30am,
Wigston Library - 27th July 3.30pm,
Coalville Library - 28th July 11.30am & 2.30pm.

Get Creative with Technology this Summer

National Space Centre Events

Bring out your future inventor! Create, innovate and design your own gadgets. Build a robot hand. Get up close with meteorites and much more! Free, drop in. For ages 4+.

Market Harborough Library - Thurs 21st July 1-2.30pm,

Glenfield Library - Wed 27th July, 11am-1pm,

Shepshed Library - Wed 17th August 11am-1pm.

Gadgeteers Makerspace Events

Fun, drop in sessions where you can programme Beebot robots, build using snap circuits or design and create your own gadget! Free, drop in. For ages 4+.

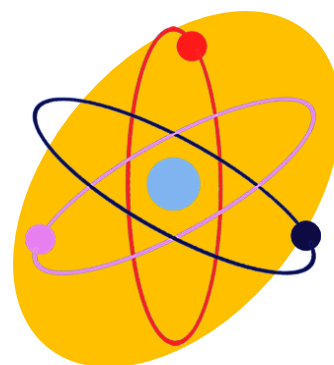
Hinckley Library - Tues 19th July, 10.30am-12pm,

Lutterworth Library—Tues 26th July 3-4.30pm,

Melton Mowbray Library—Wed 27th July 10.30am-12pm,

Loughborough Library—Thurs 28th July 10.30am-12pm,

Like our page [facebook/yourlibrary](https://www.facebook.com/yourlibrary) and keep checking back for further events in libraries over the summer.



The Gadgeteers Book Collection

Read Books you Love!

Read, listen to or share any books you love as part of the Summer Reading Challenge. You might also be inspired by the official [Gadgeteers book collection](#) specially chosen by an expert group of readers for everybody taking part in the Summer Reading Challenge to enjoy. Young people can also [request books for free](#) from their local

Leicestershire library throughout the summer and use our [free digital library](#)!