

Connect

2023
SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER



Sign Up and WIN! Student Sweepstakes

A Library card is *always* a winning ticket, but this fall elementary students could win a Nintendo Switch and secondary & post-secondary students could win a laptop just for visiting their branch and using their Library card.

Earn More Chances to Win

Discover all the amazing ways you can save money by borrowing from your Library instead of buying! Starting September 5, earn a chance to win each time you visit a Library branch and...

- Sign up as a new Library Member (it's FREE!)
- Renew your Library card
- Check out items from our collection

Signing up is Easy!

Bring a piece of ID (and a parent or guardian, if you're 12 or under) into a branch to fill out a Member Application. You'll receive a ballot for signing up or renewing, and you can start borrowing right away to earn more. Earn a new ballot every time you come into a branch and check out items until Friday, October 27. Grand Prize Draws will be held on Friday, November 3rd.



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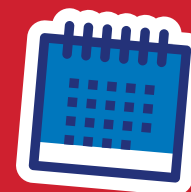


Phone (807) 345-8275

Email comments@tbpl.ca

Online www.tbpl.ca

hours & more



Hours of Operation

Waverley

285 Red River Road

Monday & Tuesday 9:30 am - 8 pm
Wednesday to Saturday 9:30 am - 5 pm

County Park

1020 Dawson Road (County Fair Mall)

Monday to Wednesday 9:30 am - 5 pm
Thursday 12:30 pm - 8 pm
Friday 9:30 am - 5 pm
Saturday Closed

Brodie

216 Brodie Street S.

Monday 9:30 am - 5 pm
Tuesday & Wednesday 9:30 am - 8 pm
Thursday & Friday 9:30 am - 5 pm
Saturday Closed

Mary J.L. Black

901 Edward Street S.

Monday & Tuesday 9:30 am - 5 pm
Wednesday & Thursday 9:30 am - 8 pm
Friday & Saturday 9:30 am - 5 pm

ON THE COVER

This whole family uses the Library and everyone proudly has their own Library card!



December Closure

TBPL will offer regular hours of operation at all four locations until Saturday, December 23.

All Library locations will be closed from Sunday, December 24 to Monday, January 1, 2024.

All branches will resume regular hours of operation on Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

Christmas hours of operation will be revised in 2024 so that two locations will remain open over the holiday season.

Happy Holidays!

We encourage you to stock up on your books and DVDs prior to the holiday closure.

Borrowing Limit

Have you ever wanted to know how many items you can take out at a time? We've recently revisited our maximum check-outs and that magic number is now 50. Within that total there are no limits on books, magazines, or audiobooks and you can check out 15 DVDs at a time. Your Library card also provides you with access to cloudLibrary for eBooks and eAudiobooks, digital magazines, and other online resources!

Holiday Closures

- **September 4** - Labour Day
- **September 29 & 30** - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- **October 9** - Thanksgiving
- **November 10 & 11** - Remembrance Day
- **December 24 - 31** - Holiday Closure
- **January 1** - New Year's Day

Change to Hours of Operation

Friday, October 13

All Library locations

Please note that **ALL** Library locations will be closed on **Friday, October 13 from 9:30 am to 1 pm** for staff development. Branches will be open from 1 pm - 5 pm.



CEO message



We have an exciting fall ahead of us and I'm thrilled to be leading TBPL through another incredible season. At a high level, we'll be continuing the path breaking work set forth in our Master Facilities Plan. With City Council unanimously approving our plan, the full design and costing for a new Central Library branch is moving ahead. In depth consultations will be happening with the community over the fall and winter to design a new space that best serves the needs of our diverse residents. In tandem with a new Library branch, we are redesigning a new website. Our digital experience will be vastly enhanced with more personalized recommendations, more intuitive design and a user experience that makes it easy for any age to navigate.

We're enthusiastic about our new board game collection! As we slowly build and test this new offering, we're adding lots of new games based on user demand. These family friendly games mean even more ways for friends and families to come together, learn, and have fun. We

love to showcase local game creators to help local business and let people try out new games before deciding to buy them for themselves.

I'm loving our book bag collections that will be featured this fall. Need some quick reads on-the-go? Want a curated selection of children's books? Our book bags and bundles give you everything you need with minimal effort. Stop by any branch or visit us online and sign up for a bag or bundle to get a specially curated collection of items just for you and your loved ones.

With the school year coming up quickly, our staff are getting ready. School trips to the library, STEM based story times, Science North exhibits and Canada Learning Code workshops are heating up as the weather cools. We work closely with teachers to enhance your child's education to make sure all our kids have the skills they need to excel. With so many amazing things happening at the Library this fall, we can't wait to get going!



Dr. Richard Togman, CEO

Richard Recommends:

The Worst Hard Time: The Untold Story of Those who Survived the Great American Dust Bowl by Timothy Egan
Compost by Ken Thompson
Fed Up: Emotional Labor, Women, and the Way Forward by Gemma Hartley
Affluence Without Abundance: The Disappearing World of the Bushmen by James Suzman

Other Things You Can Borrow!

Thunder Bay Museum, Thunder Bay Art Gallery and Fort William Historical Park Passes, Ontario Provincial Park Passes, Knitting Needle Kits, Garden Tools



new stuff



Adult

The Librarian of Crooked Lane by C.J. Archer

The Boy with the Bookstore by Sarah Echavarre Smith

I Only Read Murder

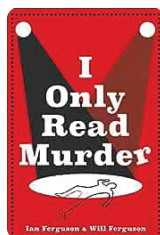
by Ian Ferguson & Will Ferguson

The Librarianist: A Novel

by Patrick deWitt

Circle of Death

by James Patterson & Brian Sitts



Children

The Mystery of the Monarchs: How Kids, Teachers, and Butterfly Fans Helped Fred and Norah Urquhart Track the Great Monarch Migration

by Barb Rosenstock

Nature School: Lessons and Activities to Inspire Children's Love for Everything Wild

by Lauren Giordano, Stephanie Hathaway, Laura Stroup

1000 Hours Outside: Activities to Match Screen Time With Green Time

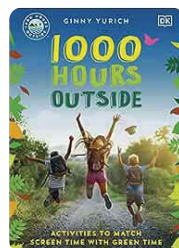
by Ginny Yurich

Why did the Monster Cross the Road?

by R.L. Stine

The Duck Never Blinks by Alex Latimer

What if I'm Not A Cat? by Kari-Lynn Winters



Non-fiction

Knife Drop: Creative Recipes Anyone Can Cook by Nick DiGiovanni

Bogie & Bacall: The Surprising True Story of Hollywood's Greatest Love Affair

by William J. Mann

My Friend Anne Frank: The Inspiring and Heartbreaking True Story of Best Friends Torn Apart and Reunited

Against All Odds by Hannah Pick-Goslar with Dina Kraft

100 Places to See After you Die: A Travel Guide to the Afterlife by Ken Jennings

Ghost Towns of Ontario's Cottage Country by Andrew Hind



Youth

The Unstoppable Bridget Bloom by Allison L. Bitz

The Dos and Donuts of Love by Adiba Jaigirdar

This is the Way the World Ends: A Novel by Jen Wilde

Where to Start: A Survival Guide to Anxiety, Depression, and Other Mental Health Challenges from Mental Health America

I Have Something To Tell You: A Memoir by Chasten Buttigieg



DVDs

Scream VI

The Last of Us Season 1

Knights of the Zodiac

Litvinenko

Are You There God?

It's Me, Margaret



books & more



Spice Club

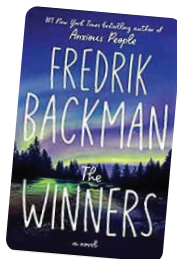
Do you enjoy cooking, and are you looking for more ideas in the kitchen? Take part in the TBPL Spice Club! Spice Club packages are available at each branch on the second Wednesday of each month. Packages contain a package of the monthly spice as well as a flyer containing information, recipes, and book recommendations! Pick-up is first come, first served, with a limited number at each location. For more information visit www.tbpl.ca/tbpl-spice-club



New Book Clubs in a Bag

Calling My Spirit Back by Elaine Alec
The Winners by Fredrik Backman
Nothing Ventured by Jeffrey Archer
Verity by Colleen Hoover
Demon Copperhead
by Barbara Kingsolver

10 copies of the same title are in each bag.



The Waverley Board Game Collection Awaits!

Looking for a board game to play with your family? Hosting an evening get-together with friends and want to try something different? Interested in trying some new board games before buying them? Want to see what the recent board game renaissance is about?

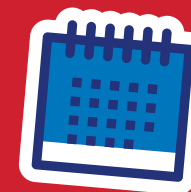
Waverley Library has a selection of over 50 board and card games available for three week loans! Visit and browse our collection of new and classic board games by local and international game designers.

Among our titles are:

Summit
Apples to Apples
Azul
Candyland
Settlers of Catan
Spirit Island
King of Tokyo
Magical Kitties Save the day!
Sushi Go!
and many more!



community



Partnerships with Service Providers at Brodie

As a community hub it is important to “meet people where they’re at” so that we are able to help our patrons access the services they need. With this in mind, the Thunder Bay Public Library has forged partnerships with local social service providers to have them offer their services in the Brodie Study Room on a regular basis.

Schedule:

Thunder Bay Indigenous Friendship Centre ... Mondays & Tuesdays 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Offers housing assistance (ie., short/long term emergency assistance, non-financial housing assistance), and community outreach & support services including mental health and addiction support for individuals not in supportive housing, basic needs support/referrals, case management, food security, employment, education & training supports.



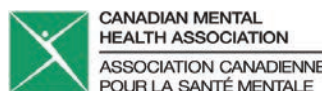
Alpha Court ... Thursdays 1 pm - 4 pm

Provides brief supportive counseling, connection to resources, assistance with completing applications & system navigation, including housing assistance.



Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) ... Fridays 1 pm - 4 pm

Assists with referrals to new foundations, first place clinic, Integrated Mobile Police Assessment Crisis Team (IMPACT), mobile crisis response, assistance with housing forms and referral to CMHC’s housing first program, connection to community partners, and support with access to basic food needs/food security.



We are always exploring new partnership opportunities. Contact Tina at 684-6813.

Michael Christie: Workshop and In Conversation Event

Work on your Writing with Michael Christie

Mary J.L. Black

Community Program Room

Saturday, September 9 @ 1 pm - 4:30 pm

Sunday, September 10 @ 9 am - 12 pm

A writing workshop hosted by Michael Christie where he will mentor you on your writing projects. A chance to receive advice and feedback from an award-winning Canadian author over the course of a weekend. Register through our online calendar at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar

In Conversation with Michael Christie

Waverley Auditorium

September 9 @ 7 pm

Hosted by CBC Thunder Bay’s Mary-Jean Cormier. Listen to Michael Christie discuss the influence Thunder Bay had on his writing and enjoy a reading of an excerpt from his latest book. Free tickets are required. Pick up tickets at Waverley or Mary J.L. Black Library beginning August 28.



celebrate!



Culture Days 2023

Celebrate Culture Days in Thunder Bay and at your Library September 22 - October 15. This year, Thunder Bay is a Festival Hub so you can expect exciting opportunities throughout the community starting with the Arts & Culture Under the Lights Launch at the Baggage Building Arts Centre, put on by the City of Thunder Bay. Immerse yourself in an unforgettable night of dance, entertainment and artisans on Friday, September 22 from 6 pm - 10 pm.

Join us for these events:

Author Reading

Mary J.L. Black

Community Program Room

Saturday, September 23

2 pm - The Copper Kettle

3 pm - Unlocking the Blue Door

Local Murillo author Margaret Schweitzer will be at the Library to read from and discuss her recent books. **The Copper Kettle** is a fiction novel set in Northern Ontario and **Unlocking the Blue Door** is a work of non-fiction discussing the difficult topic of grief.

Community Paint Day

Mary J.L. Black

Community Program Room

Thursday, October 5 @ 12 pm - 1 pm

Join us for a Community Paint Day sponsored by Chartwell Isabella Retirement Residence. Register beginning September 21 @ 9:30 am in person at any location, online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, or by calling us at (807) 345-8275.

Visit www.ontculturedays.ca/guides/thunder-bay for more information

Celebrating Public Libraries & Customer Appreciation Day

October is Canadian Library Month! During this month, libraries and library partners raise awareness of the valuable role libraries play in the lives of people in Canada.

In Ontario, the first week of October features First Nations Public Library Week (October 2-6), and the third week of October is Ontario Public Library Week (October 16-20).

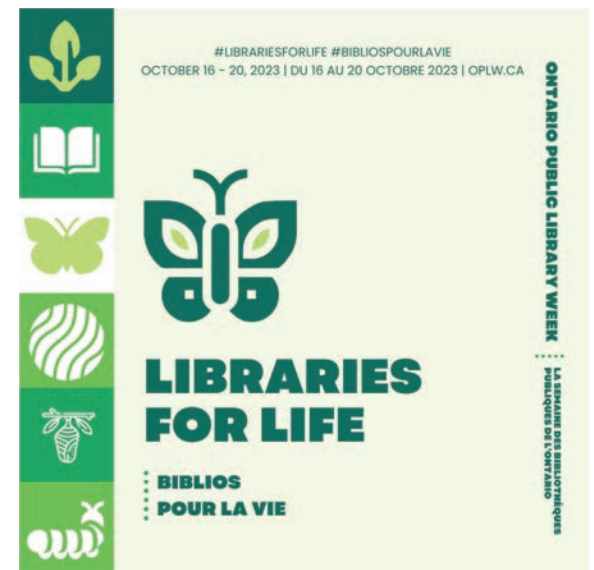
Visit the Library to take part in a wide variety of programs.

www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar



Customer Appreciation Day

Tuesday, October 17th will be Customer Appreciation Day at all library locations. Join us that day for yummy treats and free library swag! Remember to fill out a ballot for our attendance draws, featuring gift cards for local businesses! Libraries are for life!



library cards



Sign Up for a FREE Library Card Today!

There are three ways to sign up for a Library card.

Option 1: Apply for an eService card online at tbpl.ca/mycard

This option will get you signed up for an eService card, which will let you use our online resources right away.

If you already have a Library membership, once you fill out this online form you will receive an email with a reminder of your card number. If you do not remember your PIN please contact the Library at (807) 345-8275, comments@tbpl.ca, or visit us in person.

If you don't already have a Library membership you will receive an email with your new card number and PIN.

You can update this card to a Full Service card anytime by visiting any Library branch with current identification.

Option 2: Apply for a Library Card in person at any Library location.

Please bring ID to confirm your address. Library cards are free for people who live in Thunder Bay, Fort William First Nation and Lappe (through a service agreement).

Option 3: Apply by email for an eService card.

You may also apply for a Library Card by emailing comments@tbpl.ca with your name, address, date of birth, and phone number and we will issue you an eService card.

Call us at (807) 345-8275 during hours of operation and we would be happy to assist you.



Already Have a Library Card?

Log in to our online catalogue at <https://search.tbpl.ca> to place holds, renew items, check due dates, and more. Visit My Library Account for information about navigating your online Library account.

TBPL online



Explore Your Digital Library

Your Library card is your key to a vast array of online stuff that you can't get anywhere else! We offer eBooks, eAudiobooks, music, repair manuals, language courses, text books, magazines, news footage and more for FREE on the Library's website at www.tbpl.ca/digitallibrary

Do a little exploring and discover all of the free online resources for leisure and education for all ages. Here is a small sampling:

eBooks and eAudiobooks from cloudLibrary

Borrow and download eBooks and eAudiobooks via the cloudLibrary app or on your desktop

Magazines from cloudLibrary NewsStand

Borrow and download eMagazines via app or on your desktop

Tumblebooks

Access animated talking books and literacy games for kids in English and French

eComics and Graphic Novels from ComicsPlus

Borrow and download digital comics, graphic novels, and manga via app or on your desktop

Kanopy

Stream movies, documentaries, foreign films, classic cinema, independent films and educational videos that inspire, enrich and entertain on your TV, mobile phone, tablets and online

Kanopy Kids

Kanopy Kids has a diverse selection of educational and entertaining content including movies, TV series, animated storybooks and favourite characters like Sesame Street, Mo Willems stories, Franklin the Turtle, and tons more!

Explore it today @ tbpl.ca/digitallibrary



Featured Database - Transparent Language

Did you know that the library offers an online language learning program at no cost to you? It's called Transparent Language Online and it is a self-paced, online language-learning system.

Transparent Language Online offers:

- Over 100 different languages, with 1,500 to 2,000 words and phrases for every language
- ESL (English learning) for speakers of 25+ languages
- A flexible learning structure
- Access to the full site on any PC, Mac, or tablet

Check out this amazing resource for free with your library card at www.tbpl.ca/learnalanguage



adult programs



Poetry Hub*

Brodie Library

Tuesdays @ 5:30 pm - 7 pm

September 5 - Introduction & Poem

Show and Tell

September 19 - Black Out Poetry

October 3 - Favourite Song/Lyric Analysis

October 17 - Word Scramble Poetry

November 7 - Haiku Night/Picture

Inspired Poetry

November 21 - Book Spine Poetry

December 12 - Poetry Reading

You don't have to be Emily Dickinson to be a poet. Do you read poetry? Write it? Do you pay more attention to the lyrics and meaning of a song than the rhythm? Register for the Poetry Hub and explore the art of poetry with the rest of the club! Please refer to the online calendar for more information. (adults 18+) Register beginning August 22.

Calling all Book Clubs!

Do you belong to a book club? If so, your library wants to hear from you! We maintain a directory of local book clubs which is used to keep you informed of future author visits and new library services that may be of interest to your group.

Call the Mary J.L. Black Community Hub at 345-8275 ext. 7300 or email us at bookclub@tbpl.ca with contact details.

Subscription Book Bags for Adults

Curated book bags for adults have returned! Register and for the next 3 months, a specially selected bag of books will be waiting for you to pick up from your chosen branch in October, November, and December. Choose your genre and location, and we'll do the rest. If no genre is noted, we will surprise you! If you do not know your library card number, enter 12345 and staff will contact you.

Register beginning October 2 @ 9:30 am online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, in person at any location or by calling us at (807) 345-8275.

Read the Book, Watch the Movie!*

November 13

Which was better, the book or the movie? You be the judge! Simply pick your genre and we will pick out two books for you with their corresponding movie! Choose which branch you will pick up your bags from at registration. (ages 13+) Pickup begins November 13.

***Registration begins at 9:30 am two weeks prior to the program date by phone at (807) 345-8275, online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar or in person at any library location.**

Especially for 55+

Wit Knits

Mary J.L. Black

Thursdays @ 1:30 pm

September 14 - December 7

For new and experienced knitters aged 55+, you are welcome to join Wit Knits. We gather weekly to knit (and crochet). Share stories and laughs with fellow group members while you craft.

Wit Knits and Retirement Explorers are presented in partnership with



RECREATION & CULTURE DIVISION

Retirement Explorers

Mary J.L. Black

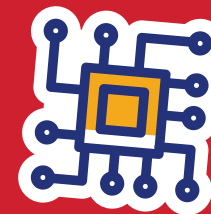
Fridays @ 1 pm

October 6 - December 1

(no meeting on November 10)

Retirement Explorers are a group of retirees who pursue active recreation options. Retirees and soon-to-be retirees are welcome to attend.

tech learning



Canada Learning Code - Introduction

Mary J.L. Black
Community Program Room
Saturday, September 23 @ 10 am

Come Learn about Canada Learning Code - Thunder Bay Chapter

Canada Learning Code designs, delivers and partners on computer science education with programs for women, kids, girls, teens, and teachers. Join us at our first meet-up as a learner, volunteer, sponsor or advocate, and hear about upcoming events, learning resources, exciting new partnerships and be part of the best networking group!

Students of science and digital creativity, teachers, entrepreneurs, and all those interested in being part of the creation of technology are welcome. (all ages)
Registration is required for all events.

Canada Learning Code - Workshops*

Bring your own laptop for each workshop. If you need a laptop to borrow for the duration of the workshop, please email aongaro@tbpl.ca

Ladies Learning Code

Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room
Saturday, October 14 @ 10 am

A beginner-friendly workshop and the best opportunity for people to learn to code and network. This program is open to adults of all ages and genders but is designed to be a space where women specifically are welcome to learn. (adults)

Kids Learning Code

The two classes below are hands-on experiences that empower kids to become creators, and not just consumers of technology. (ages 8-12)

Code Self-Driving Cars

Waverley Auditorium
Saturday, November 4 @ 10 am

Learners will discuss the future of transportation and build a game in Scratch that simulates how self-driving cars work. (ages 8-12)

Anti-Cyberbullying Assistant

Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room
Saturday, November 18 @ 10 am

Learners will create an AI-powered assistant that will help them identify cyberbullying. (ages 8-12)



**CANADA
LEARNING CODE**

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Indigenous programs



September: Truth & Reconciliation Month

Orange Medicine Pouch Workshop*

Waverley Indigenous Knowledge Centre

Wednesday, September 6 @ 10 am - 12 pm

Join us in making orange medicine pouches to honour Residential School survivors, their families, and their communities. (adults)

T-Shirt Making Workshop*

Mary J.L. Black Programming Room

Wednesday, September 13 @ 10 am - 12 pm

Come make your very own orange Every Child Matters t-shirt! Learn how the Orange shirt movement was established and more about why every child matters! (all ages)

Tikinagan Making Workshop*

County Park Mall Space

Wednesday, September 20 @ 10 am - 12 pm

Come make and learn about the traditional Tikinagan and why Indigenous communities would cradle their newborns. (adults)

Traditional Feast

Brodie Indigenous Knowledge Centre

Wednesday, September 27 @ 6 pm

To honour Truth and Reconciliation Day, we would like to invite you to a traditional feast in our Brodie Indigenous Knowledge Centre. Just drop in. Everyone is welcome.



Truth & Reconciliation Workshops*

Brodie & Waverley - Indigenous Knowledge Centre (IKC)

Wednesdays @ 1 pm - 4 pm

Join us for these workshops to make and learn about Indigenous traditions. *Some programs are for adults and registration is required.

Mini-Tipi Making Workshop*

Waverley IKC - October 25

Come build and learn about the lore behind the Tipi and their importance to Indigenous people. (all ages)

Tikinagan Making Workshop*

Brodie IKC - November 8

Waverley IKC - November 15

Learn the history of the traditional tikinagan (aka cradleboard) used by Indigenous people throughout Turtle Island while making your very own miniature tikinagan. (all ages)

Medicine Pouch Workshop*

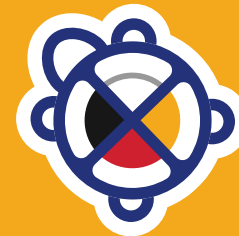
Brodie IKC - December 6

Waverley IKC - December 13

Participants will learn how to bead and sew a pouch by hand. Participants will be guided through the Sacred Medicine teachings and tobacco offerings will be given for the pouch. (adults)

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Indigenous programs



NDN Book Club*

Brodie Indigenous Knowledge Centre
Thursday, November 2 @ 6 pm - 7:30 pm

Join us as we explore some of the titles and authors in our Indigenous Knowledge Centre's collection. We will be reading together and discussing the content as a group after each chapter.

Dreamcatcher Workshop*

Brodie Indigenous Knowledge Centre
Friday, November 17 @ 1 pm

Come to the Brodie IKC to make your very own dreamcatcher and learn the meaning behind these gifts! (all ages)

Indigenous Action Council (IAC)

Brodie Indigenous Knowledge Centre
Tuesdays @ 6 pm

- September 26
- October 31
- November 28
- December 12

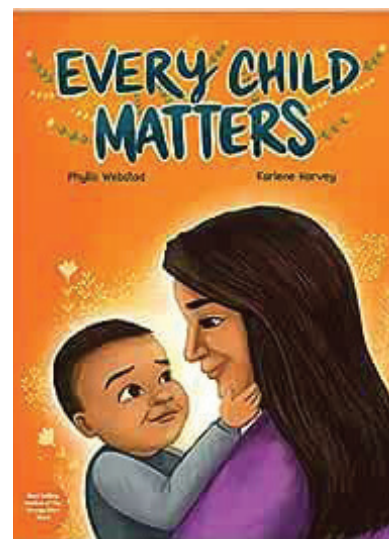
The role of the IAC is to serve as advisors to the Thunder Bay Public Library. Help guide and support the Library's ongoing decolonization and reconciliation efforts through meaningful discussion at our IAC consultation meetings.

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First Nations Public Library Week: Online Author Reading with Phyllis Webstad

Waverley Auditorium - Online Zoom event
Monday, October 2 @ 12 pm

As founder of Orange Shirt Day and ambassador for Orange Shirt Society, Phyllis Webstad facilitates dialogue around the Indian Residential School system and creates space for healing. Orange Shirt Day, recognized annually on September 30, is a day for people to reflect, educate themselves and commit to Truth and Reconciliation. At this online event, she will be reading from her new book, **Every Child Matters**.



programs for kids



Subscription Book Bags for Kids*

Register your child and for the next 3 months, a specially selected bag of books will be waiting for you to pick up from your chosen branch. Choose the genre, format, and location, and we'll do the rest. If you do not know your library card number, enter 12345 and staff will contact you.

Register beginning October 2 @ 9:30 am online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, in person at any location or by calling us at (807) 345-8275. (all ages)

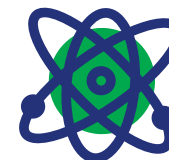
Bundled Up Kits for Kids*

Monday, December 18

Register your child for a Bundled Up kit filled with Library books, activities, and a special treat to enjoy over winter break! If you do not know your library card number, enter 12345 and staff will contact you.

Pick up at your selected location the week of December 18. Note: all locations close at 5 pm on December 23 and remain closed until after the new year. (all ages)

Science Literacy Week: September 18-23



Scientists in Situ: Do It Like da Vinci*

Monday, September 18 @ 4 pm

A fun, hands-on virtual STEM workshop, led by Scientists in School. Da Vinci was an accomplished artist and skilled scientist and you can be, too. Discover the joy of combining science and art! Each registered participant will receive a science kit that will need to be picked up at the library before the program date. Library staff will contact you when your science kit is available for pick-up. (ages 4-12)

Interview A Geologist

Mary J.L. Black

Children's Program Room

Wednesday, September 20

@ 5:30 pm - 7 pm

Are you interested in rocks and minerals, mining and geology? Do you have questions about working in the geology field? Drop in and interview a geologist!

Rock Talk

Mary J.L. Black Commons

Thursday, September 21 @ 3 pm - 5 pm

Have a favourite rock or one you can't identify? Bring it in and ask a geologist for their expert opinion.

A special visitor from the Ontario Geological Survey's Resident Geologist Program will be here during Northern Nature Trading. Drop in for all ages.

STEM FairyTale

Mary J.L. Black

Children's Program Room

Friday, September 22 @ 10:30 am

This program will include a storytime and craft plus related fairy tale themed STEM activities. A fun way to explore classic fairy tales and spark a love of science in little learners! Play Day to immediately follow. Drop in for all ages.

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it's science



Northern Nature Trading

Mary J.L. Black

Northern Nature Trading is a special kind of swap shop! Show us items you've found in nature and we'll award you points for what you know about your item, what makes it different, and the quality of it. Trade points for things in our collection like rocks, shells and pine cones.

For more information or to learn how you can trade virtually, email us at nnt@tbpl.ca or visit www.tbpl.ca/northernnaturetrading

Check out these one time, simple ways to earn 300 points! Visit during September to update your NNT trader details. Show us your library card in October, Canadian Library Month. Looking for additional ways to earn points? Connect with staff about alternate ways to earn points such as item identification and presentations.

Pop-Up Northern Nature Trading!

Waverley Children's Area

Wednesday, September 13 @ 2 pm - 4 pm

County Park Mall Space

Thursday, September 14 @ 2 pm - 4 pm

Brodie Programming Room

Tuesday, September 19 @ 2 pm - 4 pm

Northern Nature Trading (NNT) is on the move! Drop in and visit a pop-up NNT display.

 HOURS OF OPERATION	Northern Nature Trading is funded in part by				
Wednesday5 pm - 7 pm					
Thursday3 pm - 5 pm					
Saturday10 am - 12 pm					

THINK Hub Drop-In

Brodie Programming Room

Tuesdays & Wednesdays @ 4:30 pm - 7:30 pm

September 19 - December 13

School age children (aimed at 6+) will love exploring the Northern THINK Hub activities in our Programming Room. Younger children can enjoy puzzles, a scavenger hunt, and more in the Children's Department. Just drop in!

The THINK Hub contains small parts and heavy pieces and is not suitable for babies, toddlers, or any children still putting pieces in their mouths. Please keep little ones in the general Children's area to keep them safe. (ages 6+)

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Preschool Storytime*

Waverley
Mondays @ 10:30 am
October 2 - November 27
(no program October 9)

A school readiness program for children ages 3 and 4 to attend on their own while caregivers remain nearby in the Library. Caregiver participation is required for the craft and play portions of the program.

Tales for Twos*

Mary J.L. Black
Mondays @ 10:30 am
October 16 - November 27

Waverley
Tuesdays @ 10:30 am
October 3 - November 28

This program is for children from 24 months up to 3 years of age with a caregiver. There will be stories, songs and rhymes, crafts and other activities, with time for play and socialization.

Read. Sing. Play.

County Park
Wednesdays @ 10:30 am
October 4 - December 20

Brodie
Thursdays @ 10:30 am
October 5 - November 30
(note Nov. 2 will be drop-in playtime only)

Children and their family or caregivers will enjoy this 100% literacy-based drop-in storytime combining stories, music and rhymes, crafts and play. **Just drop in!** Daycares are welcome to attend but please call a day in advance to let us know.

*Registration for events with an * asterisk begins at 9:30 am two weeks prior to the program date by phone at (807) 345-8275, online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar or in person at any library location.

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Baby Time

Waverley
Thursdays @ 11:15 am & 1:15 pm
October 5 - November 30

Mary J.L. Black
Tuesdays @ 1:15
October 3 - November 21

A drop-in literacy-based program for babies from birth to 24 months. This program combines stories, music, rhymes and play.

Play Days

Mary J.L. Black
Fridays from 10 am - 4 pm
September 1 - December 22
Note - the following hours changes:
- Sept. 22 open 12 pm - 4 pm
- Oct. 13 open 1 pm - 4 pm
Note: no programs Sept. 29 and Nov. 10

The toys are out for free play! Drop in to socialize and play! (all ages)

Play Days

Waverley
Fridays from 10 am - 4 pm
October 6 - December 15
Note - the following hours changes:
- Oct. 13 open 1 pm - 4 pm
- Nov. 17 open 10 am - 1 pm
Note: no program Nov. 10

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Window Painting

County Park
Fridays @ 10 am
September 22
November 17
January 5, 2024

Drop in for a story and go crazy painting our big windows. Let your creative self have some fun! (all ages)

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LEGO Play @ Mary J

Mary J.L. Black
Children's Program Room
Mondays @ 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm
September 25
October 30
November 27
December 18

Build, colour or craft. Drop in for LEGO fun. Supervision recommended due to small parts. (ages 12 and under)

Blissful Beading

County Park
Thursdays @ 3 pm
September 7 - December 21

Drop in and relax while you create beaded trinkets, necklaces, keychains, and more. (ages 4+)

Baby Prints

Mary J.L. Black
Community Program Room
Friday, October 27 @ 10:30 am
Tuesday, December 5 @ 1:30 pm

Drop in to make a handprint or footprint craft and stay for a story, song, and lap rhyme. For babies 0-12 months.

Puzzle Play @ Mary J

Mary J.L. Black
Children's Program Room
Mondays @ 10 am - 1 pm
September 11
October 16
November 13
December 11

Drop in to put together puzzles and create your own!

Dazzling Dinosaurs Kit!*

Monday, September 18

Has your child gone bananas for Brachiosaurus? Are they gripped by Giganotosaurus? Sign them up for one of our Dazzling Dinosaur Kits! Enjoy stories, a craft, and activities about all kinds of dinos! For children ages 12 and under.

Register beginning September 5 at 9:30 am online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, in person at any library location or by calling (807) 345-8275. Pick up kits at selected location beginning September 18.

Rockin' Reptiles Kit!

Monday, November 27

Turtles, lizards, and snakes - oh my! If your child is interested in any of these creatures, they are sure to love a Rockin' Reptiles kit! Enjoy stories, a craft and activities about all kinds of reptiles! For children ages 12 and under. Kits will include at least 1 fiction and 1 non fiction book.

Register beginning November 13 at 9:30 am by calling (807)345-8275, online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar or in person at any location. Pickup kits at your selected location beginning November 27.

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Almost Hallowe'en Party for Kids

Brodie Programming Room
Thursday, October 26
@ 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Drop in and join us for not-so-spooky Halloween stories, crafts, and follow up with Trick-or-Treating in the Library! Costumes welcomed. (all ages)

Hallowe'en Spooktacular

Waverley Auditorium
Saturday, October 28 @ 10:30 am

Let's get a little spooky! Calling all Goblins and ghouls and ghosts and witches. Come vampires, princesses, unicorns and dragons to this haunted party with crafts, games and more and stay for trick or treating in the library. (all ages)



Drag Queen Storytime

Saturdays @ 2:30 pm
September 23 @ Waverley
December 2 @ Mary J.L. Black

Join the always wonderful Lady Fantasia La Premiere and Mz Molly Poppinz for a fun-filled Saturday storytime for all ages.



Puppy Perks Storytime

Brodie Programming Room
Tuesdays @ 10 am
September 19
October 24
November 21
December 12

Families, come join us for a monthly storytime with actual, live puppies! Join Tammy from PAWsitively Social for this fun-filled event. She will bring the puppies, you bring the smiles. Children of all ages are welcome, just drop in!



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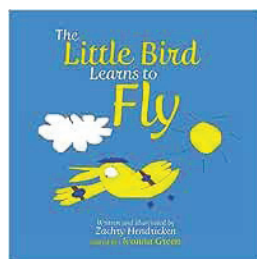
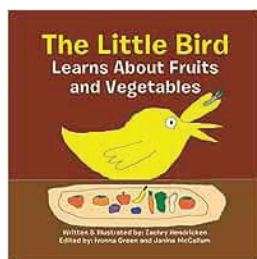
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Local Children's Author Visit Zachry Hendricken

Brodie Children's Department
Wednesday, September 20 @ 6 pm

Local author Zachry Hendricken, born with autism, has created positive, engaging picture books about a little bird named Jason. Drop in for a visit with Zachry as he introduces his new book, **The Little Bird Learns About Fruits and Vegetables**, a follow up to **The Little Bird Learns to Fly**. (all ages)



Fire Safety

Mary J.L. Black
Children's Program Room
Saturday, October 14 @ 10:30 am

October 8 - 14 is Fire Prevention Week! Do you have burning questions for a firefighter? Wonder how many seats are in a fire truck? Do your part during this important week by learning about fire safety and touring a fire truck. (Please note that in the event of an emergency this program may be canceled.)



PA Day Puppet Show: Arthurs' Christmas

Mary J.L. Black
Community Program Room
Friday, November 17 @ 10:30 am

Puppet show and a craft. Play Day to follow. (all ages)

PA Day Puppet Show: Christmas at Creepy Castle

Waverley Auditorium
Friday, November 17 @ 2:30 pm

Puppet show and a craft. Play Day prior to event from 10 am - 1 pm. (all ages)

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Help encourage your child's love of reading by joining this free literacy activity for children ages 0 - 5 with a goal to read 1000 books to your child before they start school. It's easier than you think! You can read one book or multiple books each day. How fast you reach the milestones is up to you.

3 books a day for 1 year = 1,095 books

1 book a day for 3 years = 1,095 books

Prizes are available for each 250 book milestone. For more information please visit our website at www.tbpl.ca/1000-books or email 1000books@tbpl.ca



just for YOUTH



Nicole Doesn't Know Anime!

Mary J.L. Black
Thursdays @ 4:30 pm
September 21 - YUGIOH
October 5 - Dragon Ball Z
November 2 - One Punch Man
November 30 - Hunter x Hunter

She's embarrassed to admit it, but Nicole really doesn't know anime. After listening to her attempt to describe the characters and plot, tell her just how wrong she is, eat Japanese snacks, and watch a few episodes of the show! (ages 13-18)

YOUTH Action Council

Mary J.L. Black
October 19 @ 6:30 pm
November 22 @ 6:30 pm
December 20 @ 6:30 pm

Earn volunteer hours and create a library you want to visit! Attend and help out at meetings, discuss changes, and help plan, attend, and promote Library events for YOUTH. Head to www.tbpl.ca/youth to join. (ages 13-18)

Discord YOUTH Server

Join our youth-only Discord server! Meet other Thunder Bay teens in a safe, welcoming digital community. Chat about games, memes, and upcoming events. Head to www.tbpl.ca/youth to join. (ages 13-18)

Rec Room

Mary J.L. Black
Thursdays @ 4:30 pm
September 28
October 19
November 16 & 23
December 7 & 21



Drop in and join the activity of the night - gaming, arts and crafts, sports and more. Check the online calendar for more details. (grades 7-12)

Writers' Club

Mary J.L. Black
Thursdays @ 4:30 pm
September 14
October 12
November 9
December 14

Flex your writing muscles! Come to the Library for a no-judgement writers' club. (grades 8-12)

YOUTH Knitters

Knit or crochet hats or scarves for those in need and get volunteer hours. Head to www.tbpl.ca/youth to join. (ages 13-18)

Minecraft

Thursdays @ 6:30 pm
Virtually or at Mary J.L. Black

Play Minecraft (bedrock) and add to our growing community. Don't have a device or account? We can provide one at the event! A link to join will be shared via Discord (email youth@tbpl.ca to join.) Grades 8-12



Completely Booked Book Bag

Each month from October to January you'll receive 2 hand-picked library books, candy, and some goodies. Supplies are limited, so sign up fast! Register beginning September 6 by calling (807) 345-8275, online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, or in person at any location. (ages 12-18)

YOUTH Review

Help your fellow readers by writing reviews of the books, or movies you love (or hate) for community service hours. Head to www.tbpl.ca/youth to join. (ages 13-18)

for teachers



Visit the Library with your Class

Library staff are available to meet with your class to provide students with an introduction to the Library and to learn about our collection and services. Contact your preferred branch to find out more about activities for your class to enjoy.

We can offer older grades short information tutorials for resources like Tumblebooks, Kanopy Kids, and Gale In Context: Elementary.

Workshops for Secondary Schools

Library staff are available to visit your class to provide an introduction to Library services, workshops, and more! Educators can choose from the following workshops:

Research 101

Enhance the research skills of your students by having Library staff walk them through a live how-to session using academic resources. Useful for preparing students to write essays, prepare works cited lists, projects, independent studies, and more. Both online collections and print material will be used.

Information Literacy

C.R.A.A.P. - Currency, Relevancy, Authority, Accuracy, and Purpose. Fake news ... alternative facts. Digital and media literacy is critical for students to learn. This workshop is ideal for grades 9-12.

Contact your preferred branch by telephone at (807) 345-8275 or by email to book a class visit or a workshop.

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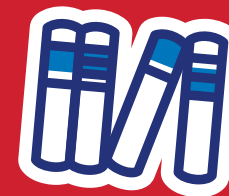
Tinker, Hack, Innovate, Network, and Know with the THINK Hub at Brodie!

Challenges require building, making, testing, problem-solving, and an opportunity for creativity and out-of-the-box thinking.

You can visit the library with your class and book the Tremendous Towers or Bridges program. These support the Grades 3-5 Structures and Mechanisms strands of the Ontario curriculum. To book, call Brodie at (807) 345-8275 or email thinkhub@tbpl.ca



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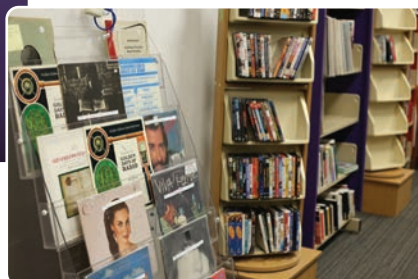


Friends of the Library Used Bookstore

Grand Opening Celebration:

Tuesday, October 17 @ 10:30 am

Brodie Library - Lower Level



Application Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Application Date: _____

Areas of Interest (Please check all that apply)

- Bingos
- Bookstore - located in the Brodie Library
- Home Service Delivery (must have a vehicle)
- Special Events
- Book Sales & Silent Auctions

References

Please provide the names of two references - one business or work reference and one reference from a current or previous volunteer position. Provision of these names implies consent to contact them for the purposes of obtaining personal information and gives permission for these individuals to disclose such information.

Business Reference name and phone number

Volunteer Reference name and phone number

Applications cannot be processed without two references and contact information. A current police information check is also required.

Volunteers Needed

The Friends of the Library are in need of volunteers! Are you interested in volunteering for a dynamic and energetic group of volunteers who love the Library and love books too? If you're looking for a new opportunity, now is the time to apply!

It's very easy to become a member. Fill out the application form on this page and drop it off at any library location or email it to friends@tbpl.ca



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Teacher Love Donations

Teachers pour their heart and soul into growing the minds and bodies of our children, and through TBPL's Teacher Love campaign, held in June 2023, families were able to express their appreciation for the teachers in their lives.

Every donor to the campaign received special cards to give to their teachers, and now that they are heading back to school again, we wanted to share the names of the teachers that were honoured!

Thank you to all the donors and especially to all the teachers!

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INDIGENOUS LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION SURVEY

AETS is collecting information through our survey to help us identify workforce gaps and needs, and to better match First Nations people with the right training and jobs. If you complete the survey, we will give you a \$10 gift card and enter you into our monthly draw for \$150 for your community.

To be eligible you should

- Be 15 years old or older.
- Belong to one of the First Nation communities listed.
- Have not done the survey in ten months. After 10 months you can do it again and update your info



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