

Knowsley Libraries Big Lock In

Hi All

While we're all still having to adjust and **stay safe** at this worrying time, we thought we'd bring you another issue of **Knowsley Libraries Big Lock In**. Lots of us are missing our family, friends and especially going out to our favourite places like the Library ☺ We decided that we'd put together this little newsletter with lots of bits and bobs in such as recipes, book recommendations, and we've even included a quiz to help ease the boredom.

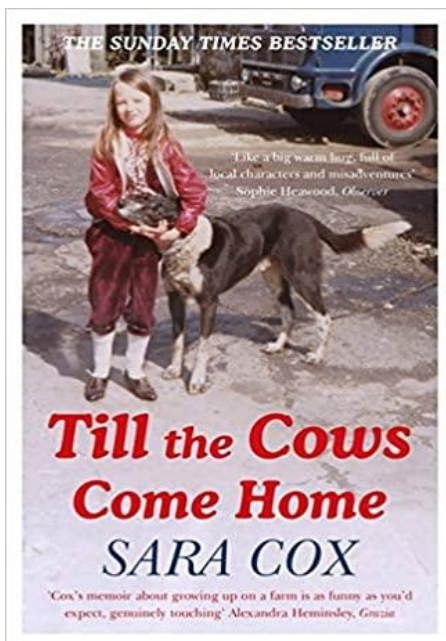
So, a little bit of homework for you while you're unable to go out and about. I was wondering if you'd share with us 'What You're Reading in Lockdown', or your favourite book/author that you'd like to recommend to others.

I've asked friends, family and colleagues to share with us what they're reading and it's quite a mix!

What are people reading?

Till the Cows Come Home

By Sara Cox



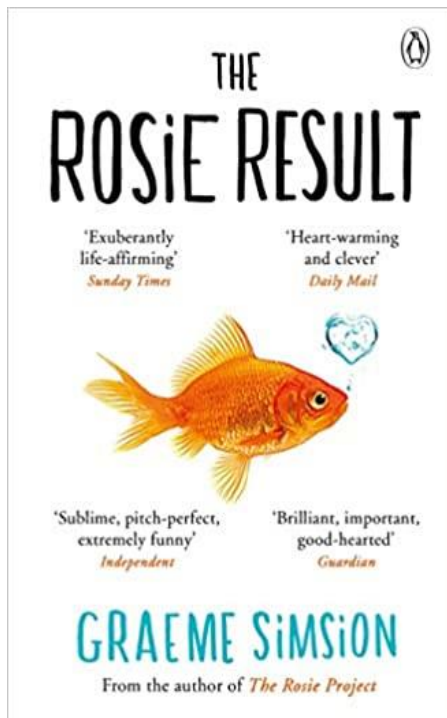
The youngest of five siblings, Sara Cox grew up on her father's cattle farm surrounded by dogs, cows, horses, fields and 'lots of cack'. The lanky kid sister - half girl, half forehead - a nuisance to the older kids, the farm was her very own dangerous adventure playground, 'a Bolton version of Narnia'. Her writing conjures up a time of wagon rides and haymaking and agricultural shows, alongside chain smoking pensioners, cabaret nights at the Conservative club and benign parenting.

This funny, big-hearted and often moving telling of Sara's upbringing is not what you'd expect from the original 'ladette', and one of radio's most enduring and well-loved presenters.

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The Rosie Result

By Graeme Simsion



3rd Book in The Rosie Project Series

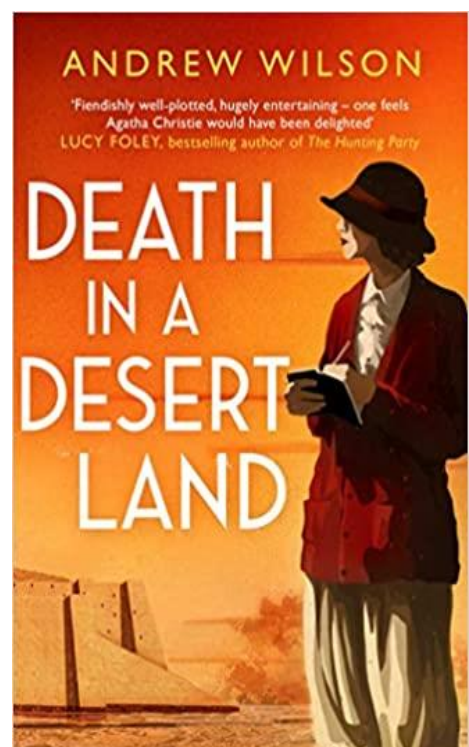
Until twelve years ago, geneticist Don Tillman had never had a second date. Then he developed The Wife Project and met Rosie, 'the world's most incompatible woman'. Now, having survived 4,380 days of marriage, Don's life-contentment graph, recently at its highest point, is curving downwards. Rosie has just returned to work and is struggling with an obnoxious co-worker. Don, meanwhile, is in hot water after his latest lecture goes viral. But their real worry is their son, Hudson, who is having trouble at school: his teachers say he isn't fitting in with the other kids. For Don, learning to be a good parent as well as a good partner will require the help of friends old and new. It will mean letting Hudson make his way in the world, and grappling with difficult truths about his own identity. It will also mean opening a cocktail bar.

Death in a Desert Land

By Andrew Wilson

In Baghdad, 1928 - Agatha Christie sets off on a mission, determined to investigate the unresolved mystery of the explorer and writer, Gertrude Bell. Believed to have taken her own life, an unearthed letter now reveals that Gertrude was afraid someone was out to kill her.

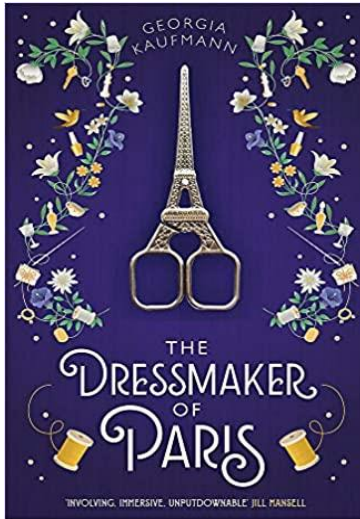
As Agatha begins to look into the untimely death of Gertrude Bell, she soon is put to the test against a killer who is determined to stay hidden beneath the desert sands.



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The Dressmaker of Paris

By Georgia Kaufmann



Rosa Kusstatscher has built a global fashion empire upon her ability to find the perfect outfit for any occasion. But tonight, as she prepares for the most important meeting of her life, her usual certainty eludes her. What brought her to this moment? As she struggles to select her dress and choose the right shade of lipstick, Rosa begins to tell her incredible story. The story of a poor country girl from a village high in the mountains of Italy. Of Nazi occupation and fleeing in the night. Of hope and heartbreak in Switzerland; glamour and love in Paris. Of ambition and devastation in Rio de Janeiro; success and self-discovery in New York. A life spent running, she sees now. But she will run no longer.

A Mother's Sacrifice

By Jennie Felton

Martha Packer is much loved by everyone in the village of Hillsbridge. As the landlady of The Three Feathers, she runs a respectable establishment and is known for her generosity and care for her family and others around her - she even took in two orphan girls to save them from a life of cruelty in the workhouse. So when Martha announces that she has killed her son, Garth, the community is shocked. Garth was undoubtedly a bad seed, but they knew how much Martha adored her first-born. What could have driven Martha to such extreme actions? Martha refuses to give a reason but her other children cannot believe their mother is capable of murder and they begin to believe that she is protecting someone - maybe even one of them.



I hope these snippets help, if you'd like to tell us what you're reading we'd love to hear from you, and also if you've read any of the books recommended and what you thought of them. Please email yourlibrary@knowsley.gov.uk and we'll post your book recommendations.

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Do you know anyone who would benefit from Home Delivery Library Service?

Do you know anyone who doesn't want to or is unable to venture out at the moment, struggles to carry books, finds it difficult to get to their local library?

Just pass on our number and ask them to give us a call on **0151 443 3734**

We will deliver 5 books per month to their door.

We're here to help 😊



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Quiz: provided by Hilary, Library Assistant

MARCH – Quiz

1. The Ides of March is a day on the Roman calendar that corresponds to which date?
2. Complete the saying 'March comes in like a Lion and goes out like a
3. On the 5th March 1946, what did Churchill warn was falling across Europe?
4. Which UK saint's day is on March 1st
5. The lives of the four March sisters feature in which famous novel?
6. March Hare is a character from which books?
7. What is the full name of the actor that won Academy Awards for Best actor in both 1932 and 1946?
8. Symbolizing courage, name March's birthstone?
9. 'Dear March – Come in' was a poem by which reclusive 19th Century American poet?
10. On what date in March is St. Patrick's Day

I'll add the answers next week, good luck!

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The answers to last week's teaser are as follows:

1. Got to be a joker/He just do what he please – from Come Together
2. Someone to Love/Someone like you – from Love Me Do
3. Wearing the face that she keeps in a jar by the door – from Eleanor Rigby
4. Then you can start to make it better – from Hey Jude
5. Little Darling, it seems like years since it's been here – from Here Comes the Sun
6. And the little children laugh at him behind his back – Penny Lane
7. I am the Walrus/Goo goo g'joob – from I Am The Walrus
8. It's easy – from All You Need Is Love
9. Misunderstanding all you see – from Strawberry Fields
10. There's a shadow hanging over me/Oh, yesterday came suddenly – from Yesterday
11. For money can't buy me Love – from Can't Buy Me Love
12. Speaking words of wisdom/Let It be – from Let It Be

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Recipe:

I'd like to share some easy to follow and lovely to eat recipes from family, friends, colleagues and some that I've come across.

This one is from **Lee**

LAMB KOFTA KEBABS



Prep time: 15 minutes **Cook:** 10 minutes **Serves:** 8 **Easy**

Extra time: 2hrs chilling

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INGREDIENTS

- 900g Lean minced lamb
- 2 onions, finely chopped
- 15g fresh mint leaves, finely chopped
- 1tbsp ginger paste
- 2tbsp chilli paste
- 2tsp ground coriander
- 2tsp ground cumin
- 2tsp paprika
- 1tsp cayenne pepper
- 2tsp salt
- 4 tbsp vegetable oil
- 8 skewers

METHOD

In a large bowl, mix minced lamb, onions, mint, coriander, ginger paste and chilli paste.

Season with cumin, coriander, paprika, cayenne and salt.

Cover and refrigerate for 2 hours.

Shape 1/8th of the lamb mixture into sausages around skewers. Make sure the meat is spread to an even thickness.

Refrigerate until you are ready to cook.

Brush baking tray liberally with oil and arrange skewers under a hot grill.

Cook for 10 minutes or until well done, turning as needed to brown evenly.

ENJOY

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Something for the Kids:

QUIZ

1. Who wrote Hamlet?
2. What is the name of Harry Potter's pet owl?
3. What is the name of Batman's crime fighting partner?
4. In which capital city in Europe would you find the Eiffel Tower?
5. How many sides does a triangle have?
6. Which country is home to the Kangaroo?
7. A Scientist who studies rocks is called a what?
8. What could make Harry Potter invisible?
9. What food do Panda's eat?
10. Which famous ocean liner sank on her first voyage in 1912?

QUIZ ANSWERS

How well did you do with last week's quiz? You can check to see how many you got correct, may be all ten! The answers are below for you to check

1. Sound
2. Jack
3. Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban
4. A Mouse
5. Eight
6. Taylor Swift
7. Three
8. Eleven
9. Flock
10. China

We'll have another Quiz for you next week.

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CRAFT TIME

Recycled Cereal Box Bookmarks



You will need

- Cereal boxes
- Paint
- Brushes
- A hole punch
- Ribbon, wool or similar to decorate the top

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How To:

The side panels of the cereal box are pretty much ready-made bookmarks.

Cut the whole panel out, keeping the top flap attached. This you can cut into a fringe.



Next you need to paint and decorate. You can paint both sides, letting the first one dry and painting the back later, or just one side if preferred.



You could gift to your Family, Friends or Teacher's who you know like to read. Don't forget to make one for yourself.

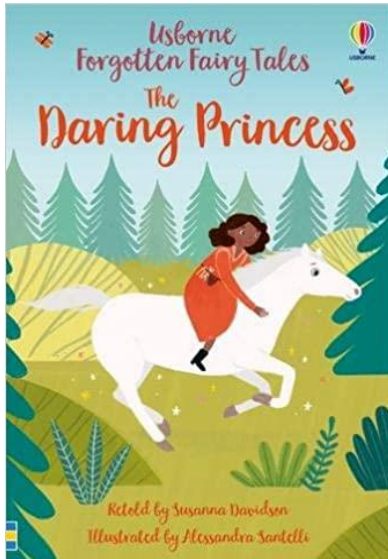
Happy Crafting, Happy Reading

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BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

The Daring Princess

By Susanna Davidson



A sparkling re-telling of the Grimm fairy-tale, 'The Iron Stove', in which a princess frees a prince from an iron stove, after he was trapped there by a wicked witch.

But no sooner has she freed him, than the witch appears and snatches the prince away.

Now the princess must climb a glass mountain, cross a lake and field of slashing swords to save him.

Albert Johnson and the Buns of Steel

By Phil Earle

Dad is a Master Baker and Albert is expected to one day follow in his footsteps. There's just one problem, **Albert doesn't care about baking**, he only cares about football, tennis, cricket and any other sport you can think of. When his dad invents the 'Dough master 5000' to help out around the bakery, it seems all their problems have been solved. But disaster is never far away and soon Dad's miracle solution is a rampaging nightmare! With just a pair of football boots, a tennis racket and a cricket bat to hand, can Albert really come to the rescue and fix this mess?



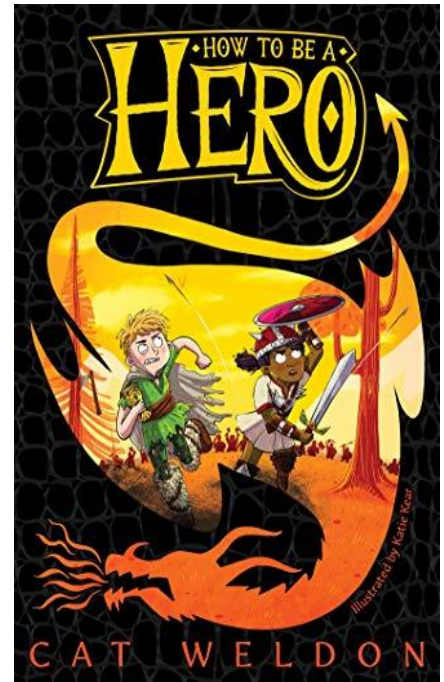
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How to be a HERO

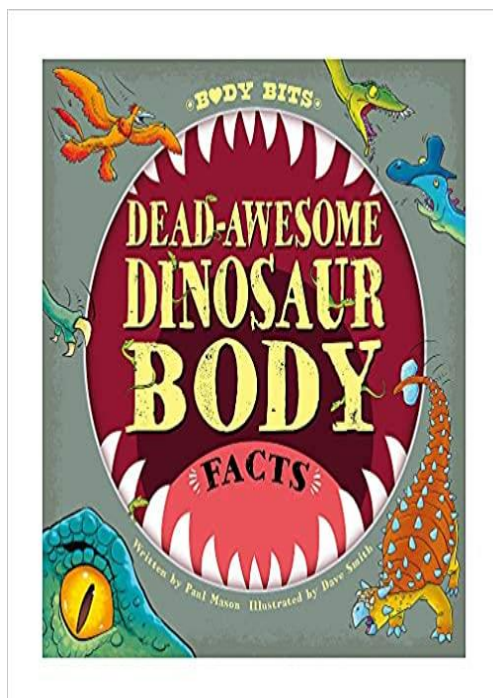
By Cat Weldon

The first in a hilarious and fast-paced trilogy about how to be brave, what it means to be a hero and just how confusing the Norse Gods really are.

When failing trainee valkyrie Lotta mistakes an unconscious viking thief, Whetstone, for a fallen hero and takes him triumphantly to Valhalla, things are definitely *not* turning out to be epic or glorious. Having lost a precious talking cup, Whetstone is also desperate to cover up his mistake and the two embark on a quarrelsome journey to find it and regain their heroic status. But Loki the trickster God is desperate to get his hands on the cup with a plan to unleash chaos across the nine worlds. Can Whetstone prove himself a hero after all when it matters most?



DEAD-AWESOME DINOSAUR BODY FACTS



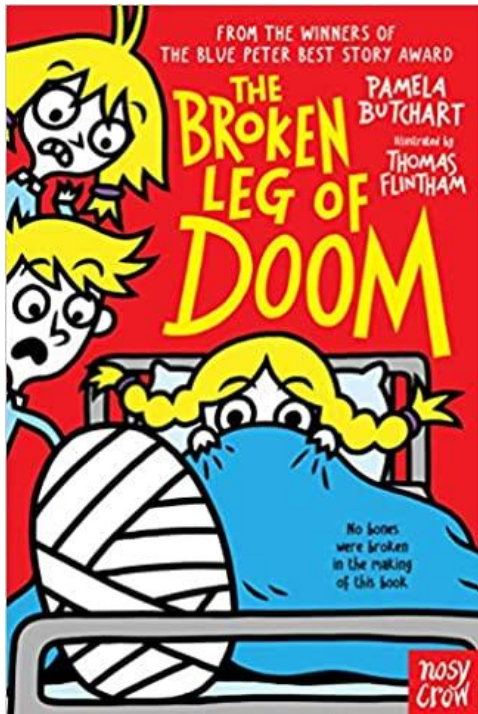
In *Dead-awesome Dinosaur Body Facts*, you'll learn about some of the most astonishing creatures that used to roam on Earth. From sails to feathers, armour to wrecking-ball tails - finding out about dinosaur body bits has never been more engaging or uproariously funny!

Books in the series include:
Hair-raising Human Body Facts
Astounding Animal Body Facts
Eye-popping Plant Part Facts

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The Broken Leg of DOOM

By Pamela Butchart



Hilarious, illustrated school-based antics where everything that happens leads to **DRAMA** and **RUNNING AROUND** and even some **FAINTING!**

When a session of extreme dancing leaves Maisie in hospital with a broken leg, things take a turn for the weird! Strange noises in the ward at night, missing cuddly toys and a sandwich trolley that only ever has **TUNA** sandwiches. Could Maisie's leg be **CURSED**? If it is, and it **DEFINITELY IS**, then everything is **DOOMED!**



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