

Newsletter from The Tottingham Centre April 2021.



We hope you all had a lovely Easter. The photograph above shows what we were up to in April 2019. Roll on Easter 2022! Over 30 of you ordered our Easter activity packs, we hope you and your family enjoyed them.



Good News: New opening times and an extension of our services to you.

The Tottingham Centre's new opening times from Monday April 19 are:

- Open to the public **Monday to Friday 10.30 - 1.30pm**. Closed for half an hour from 1.30 - 2pm.
- Open to the public **Monday to Friday 2 - 5pm**.
- Open to the public on **Saturday 10.30 - 12 noon**.

A new service: In person borrowing. (known nationally as "Grab and Go")

- Open for in person borrowing **Monday to Friday 10.30 - 1.30pm** and from **2 - 5pm Monday to Friday and Saturday 10.30 - 12 noon**.
- Customers are allowed in either as an individual or as a household. To respect social distancing measures, there will be a maximum of either one household or one individual at a time. This prevents indoor mixing between different households.
- Customers will have 10 minutes to browse and choose their books.
- Whilst customers are in the library, our volunteers will be at their workstations, they will not be moving around the library. This is to respect social distancing measures.
- We would ask customers, as they move around the library, to please keep their distance from other library members and our volunteers.

A new service: Computer use. (Tuesdays & Fridays only)

- We can accommodate one person at a time in the downstairs computer room.
- The maximum time slot will be 55 minutes, to allow the computer station to be sanitised between customers.
- If you wish to book the computer please either phone: **0790 267 1040** or email: info@tottenhamcentre.co.uk with your name, membership number, telephone number, for Track and Trace purposes and the slots you wish to book. (Data protection policies are in place - your personal data will be destroyed after 21 days)

The 55 minute slots are:

- **Tuesday and Friday mornings: 10.30 - 11.25am; 11.30 - 12.25pm; 12.30-1.25pm.**
- **Tuesday and Friday afternoons: 2 - 2.55pm; 3 - 3.55pm; 4 - 4.55pm.**
- Computer users must sanitise their computer station at the start and end of their slot.

“Order & Collect.”

This will continue as before: we will be open for “Order & Collect” Monday/Wednesday/Thursday 2 - 5pm and on Saturday 10.30 - 12noon.

Please order online at www.tottenhamcentre.co.uk or pick up an order form from the library.

Returning Books.

All returned books will be quarantined for 72 hours before becoming available for loan once again.

New Members.

New members wanting to join will need to fill in a membership form, available from our porch and bring proof of ID. A donation of £2.50 would be welcome.

Safety measures for you as our Members/Customers:

- Face Masks must be worn on entering the building. This is a legal requirement. Government guidance is that a face visor is not sufficient protection - if this is worn, an additional face covering over nose and mouth is required. (Children under 11 and those exempt do not need to wear a face covering)
- All visitors must sanitise their hands on entry - sanitisers will be available on tables
- By law we must collect details for Track and Trace. Visitors can either scan the NHS QR code at the entrance, using their phone, or enter their name

and phone number on a daily signing in sheet. (Data protection policies are in place - your personal data will be destroyed after 21 days)

- Ventilation. We will have the front doors open and some windows open all the time throughout the day.

Health and Safety.

Risk Assessments are carried out, as the Health and Safety of our volunteers and members is paramount. Social distancing and hygiene measures are in place. Books are quarantined for 72 hours and paper for 24 hours. We wash and sanitise our hands all the time so everything we handle has been sanitised. For further information or assistance please contact us during our opening times

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Throughout these challenging times, we have been so grateful for your support and we look forward to offering these new services to you. The Tottenham Centre Management Committee will constantly evaluate the success and safety of all these services and if we feel that we need to withdraw them or that we need to curtail the opening hours of The Tottenham Centre we will do so.

Children's Activity Packs.

The Easter activity packs were a huge success and so the Activities Team are hoping to produce some of their creative activity packs for children in the Spring and over the Summer. The Activities Team are busy designing new packs. When the packs are ready, posters will be posted on our website, Facebook page and on our Twitter account to let you know when to collect them. We will also let you know via our monthly newsletter.

Fundraising.

Coming soon: An open air stall:

We are intending to set up an outside stall to sell books and jigsaws each Thursday afternoon and Saturday morning. Weather permitting! We will keep you posted as to when this starts. Look out for posters around the village, outside the library, on our website page and on our Facebook and Twitter accounts.

One of our volunteers raised over £80 just by selling jigsaws. So we hope that this will be a successful fundraiser for us.

Inkjet Cartridges:

Please save any used/empty inkjet cartridges. Place in a carrier bag and there will be a box for you to drop these off. We will collect and recycle for the fundraising team.

The 100 Club:



Thank you so much for continuing to support The Tottington Centre 100 Club. You can join this fundraising draw by paying £5 a month or £60 a year, whichever suits you best. Packs are available via email: info@tottingtonlibrary.co.uk and we will send them out to you. The draw takes place on the third Friday of the month and the winners are announced on our social media platforms, our website and in this newsletter.

Latest results for the March draw:

- 1st prize Number 38 wins £102
- 2nd prize Number 5 wins £51
- 3rd prize Number 32 wins £17

Other ways we are fundraising:

Just Giving: www.justgiving.com/friendsoftottingtonlibrary

Easyfundraising: www.easyfundraising.org.uk

Thank you for your donations to help support The Tottington Centre.

Porch Boxes - Providing Crisis Packs For Those Most In Need.



The Tottington Centre is happy to partner with Porch Boxes to help support the local community.

A date for your diary - and a trip out to our car park!

On **Saturday 24th April from 10 - 11am**, there will be a Spring Collection in The Tottington Centre Car Park.

Food needed:

- Tinned food - Beans & Sausage, Hot Dogs, Meat, Meatballs, Ravioli, Tuna, Chickpeas, Spaghetti Bolognese, Chilli, Stews, Tinned Fruit.

- Biscuits, Tea Bags 40s, UHT Semi-skimmed milk and UHT Full fat milk.
- Packets - Instant Noodles, Rice, Savoury Rice.
- No fresh produce please.

This will be the third time that Porch Boxes have collected food in our car park. We did this joint venture at Harvest time and at Christmas, where 1865 items were donated. Can we beat 1865?

There is also a Porch Boxes donations box in the porch at The Tottington Centre and there are donation points at Morrison's in Ramsbottom, at Tesco's in Ramsbottom and at Tesco's Bury. Their Facebook page is: <https://m.Facebook.com/porchboxes> and **Twitter at Tweet us:@porchboxes.**

Bloomin' Kitchen - Home Delivery Service.



Enjoy the convenience of home cooked food deliveries for your family, friends or even treat yourself! New menus are posted every Friday/Saturday for ordering by 6pm the following Monday and deliveries are every Thursday.

Look out for new menus on our Facebook and Twitter accounts or at:

[Kelly- ann@bloominkitchen.com](mailto:Kelly-ann@bloominkitchen.com) or www.bloominkitchen.com

or phone: **0797 101 2204.**

You can also contact Kelly-Ann to be added to her Menu Mailing list.

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