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From the Editor

Welcome to summer???

With all this rain, it's hard to believe that summer is just around the corner. Here at the library we've been hard at work planning for the Summer Reading Programme. Take a look at all the activities we have planned on page 10 and 11 and stop by the library and register.

In this month's magazine, we feature the holiday traditions of some of the library and archive staff along with some bookish holiday traditions that you can start this year.

Summer is a great time of the year to get outside. So whether you are an experienced gardener, or if you are like me and can just barely keep things alive, check out our selection of books for life outside on page 7.

From the staff of the Masterton District Library and the Wairarapa Archive, we wish you and your family a wonderful holiday season.

Tiffany Daubitz - Team Librarian, Outreach Services




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From your Library...

Masterton Library - Year of reading & literacy 2018



The Library has a really busy time over the Christmas and New Year period with the Summer Reading Programme for 400 plus in full swing and all those of you with time off wanting to catch up on your reading.

Our selectors have been very busy over the past 3 months ordering new books and our acquisitions and cataloguing staff have been working to make them available as quickly as possible. Many of these new books go straight out on loan to customers who have reserved them. We want you to get your hands on the new books and have several ways that you can find out what is up and coming and what is new to our collections. Please ask about *Book Alerts* as these are really easy

to set up and you will be alerted to new items as we order them and be able to reserve them. We have a list of about 400 popular authors that we receive their latest book automatically and sometimes have them on the catalogue and available to place a reserve 12 months in advance of them being published.

A second method to find out what we have on order is to use the link on the right hand side of the catalogue home page 'Coming Soon'. Click on the area that interests you and wait for the list to load, this may take some time. You can then go through the list of items we have on order and place your reserves. Note that we do not have a limit on the number of reserves you can place or the number of items you borrow.

Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year and a restful break with lots of time for reading and relaxing. Library staff will be here to help you to find what you want to read and get you set up to get the new books as quickly as possible, right through the Christmas New Year period.

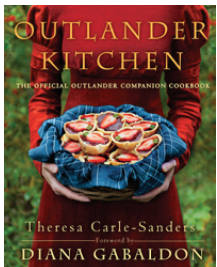
Sandy Green, Library Manager

"One can never have enough socks," said Dumbledore. "Another Christmas has come and gone and I didn't get a single pair. People will insist on giving me books." - J.K. Rowling, Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone

5 BOOKISH CHRISTMAS EVE TRADITIONS TO START THIS YEAR

1. JOIN IN "THE CHRISTMAS BOOK FLOOD". Icelanders have a beautiful tradition of giving books to each other on Christmas Eve and then spending the night reading.

2. HOST A HOLIDAY BOOK EXCHANGE. Instead of buying new books this year, get together with your friends and family and trade books. You never know what you will discover.



3. COOK A LITERARY CHRISTMAS DISH. Add a new dish to your Christmas feast from one of your favourite books. There are lots of great literary cookbooks to choose from—The Jane Austen Cookbook, Outlander Kitchen, The Unofficial Harry Potter Cookbook, A Feast of Ice and Fire, and The Book Lover's Cookbook are just a few to try.

4. CREATE A BOOK ADVENT CALENDAR. Visit the library and check out 24 books. Wrap each book and let your children open one a day until Christmas.

**Note—Unlike chocolate advent calendars, books are not edible.

5. MAKE A CHRISTMAS TREE USING BOOKS. Gather all your books and create a unique Christmas tree. Add ornaments and lights. No water required.



Holiday Traditions



We have a few holiday traditions... the first is my mum's bacon wrapped stuffing rolls, which can be found in my sister-in-laws book, *My Garden Kitchen* (available at the library) and the second is the tradition of honouring someone in the family. Each adult buys for one person and when we exchange gifts, we honour the person we are

gifting to. We tell them what they mean to us, or how they impact others in their life, or recognize something that they have accomplished. This is a tradition I became part of when I moved to New Zealand, and since my family is back in the states, this tradition has made me feel welcomed into my partner's family and makes me a little less home sick for my family during Christmas. Finally we always spend Boxing Day in the water diving for a feed of crayfish and paua.

- Tiffany



On Christmas Eve our tradition is to drive around town and visit all the houses that have Christmas lights displayed. Our Christmas day tradition is lots of kai at everyone's houses.

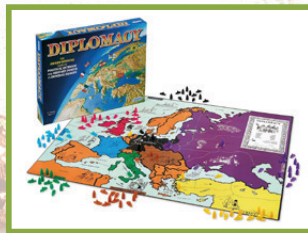
- Georgia-May



The Greville's hit the board game cupboard, play a sprawling game of diplomacy until a clear victor has emerged from among the corpses of his enemies and then we don't

speak to one another until June.

- Paul



We must be the only family that hopes for a slightly windy Christmas Day. We can then follow our family's Christmas afternoon tradition of flying kites, blowing soap bubbles, shooting Nerf guns, throwing parachute toys and frisbees and generally exercising off the midday feast. Christmas is a breeze for the Winter family. - Gareth

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Masterton Library's 2018 Top 10 Most Borrowed Items

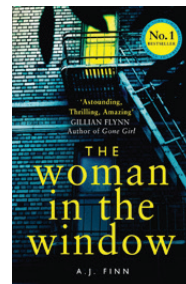
#1 - The midnight line
by Lee Child



#2 - Still me
by Jojo Moyes



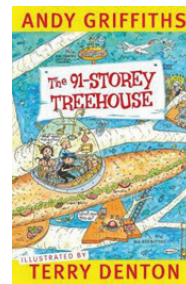
#3 - The woman in the window
by A.J. Finn



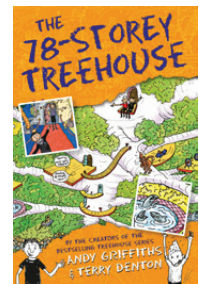
#4 - Diary of a wimpy kid : hard luck
by Jeff Kinney



#5 - The 91-storey treehouse
by Andy Griffiths



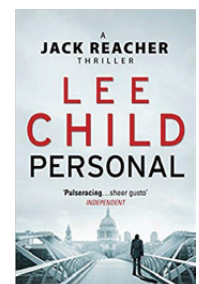
#6 - The 78-storey treehouse
by Andy Griffiths



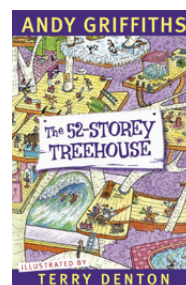
#7 - Secrets in death
by J.D. Robb



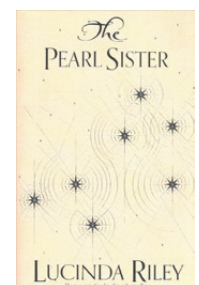
#8 - Personal : a Jack Reacher novel
by Lee Child



#9 - The 52-storey treehouse
by Andy Griffiths



#10 - The pearl sister : CeCe's story
by Lucina Riley



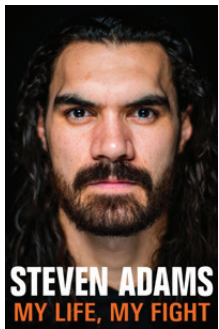
New Releases

That F word : growing up feminist in Aotearoa by Lizzie Marvelly

A wake-up call and a battle-cry for all Kiwi women, Lizzie Marvelly tells the story of New Zealand's feminist roots, then traverses the modern landscape, tearing apart areas of gender imbalance and pervading attitudes to Kiwi women. In particular, Lizzie examines how men have been brought up with certain values - the rugby, racing and beer mentality we know all too well. Lizzie grew up an ardent Chiefs and All Blacks fan, but a wiser head now recognises that there are still endemic issues for society to address. Lizzie speaks about her own first-hand experiences with sexism and male misconduct, while also offering advice to young girls on how to take full control of their lives. ANF 305.42 MAR



My life, my fight by Steven Adams and Madeleine Chapman.



Steven Adams shares the story behind his meteoric rise from the streets of Rotorua to his emerging stardom in the NBA. Adams overcame the odds to become a top prospect in the 2013 NBA draft. From there he went on to secure a four-year contract with the Oklahoma City Thunder - making him New Zealand's highest-paid sportsman ever. In this intimate account of his life story so far, the seven-foot centre reflects on his humble upbringing, the impact of his father's death when he was just 13, the multiple challenges and setbacks he has faced, early career-defining moments, and what basketball means to him.

ANF 927.96323

What If It's Us by Becky Albertalli & Adam Silvera

Meet Ben and Arthur. Ben is a battered dreamer who's shipping his ex-boyfriend's things back to him. Arthur is new to New York and struggling to fit in. After a memorable meet-cute in a New York post office, the boys lose touch only to be brought back together via a 'missed connection' advert. Is it fate? It looks like it. But after a series of disastrous first dates, Ben and Arthur may have to accept the universe should've minded its business. YA ALB

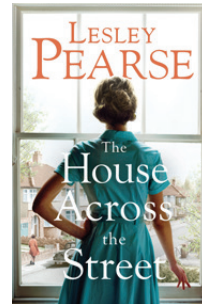


The second story by Neil Patrick Harris & Alec Azam

Leila and the other Magic Misfits have the opportunity to perform with a famous stage psychic known as Madame Esmeralda, who may hold secrets to Leila's past. JF HARR

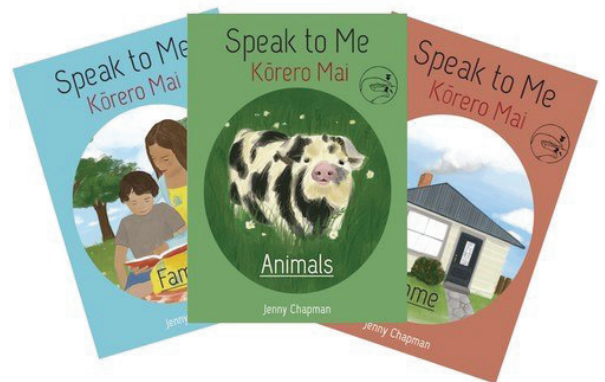


The house across the street by Lesley Pearse



Twenty-three year old Katy Speed is fascinated by the house across the street. The woman who lives there, Gloria, is the most glamorous neighbour on the avenue, owning a fashionable dress shop in Bexhill-on-Sea. But who is the woman who arrives in the black car most Saturdays while Gloria is at work? Sometimes she brings women to the

house, other times they have children. Then one night, the house burns down. In the wreckage, the bodies of Gloria and her daughter are found. Katy is sure the unexplained visitors must be responsible until her father is arrested and charged with murder. Have the police arrested the correct person? Are the rest of the street safe? Can Katy find the truth before it's too late? FN PEAR



Speak to Me: Animals: Kōrero Mai: Kararehe
Speak to Me: family: Kōrero Mai: whanau
Speak to Me: Home: Kōrero Mai: Kainga
 by Jenny Chapman

Babies and children understand much more than they can say. It's never too early to start using Te Reo Māori or sign language of Aotearoa. Speaking Te Reo Māori and using sign language alongside English is a beautiful way to not only acknowledge the official languages of New Zealand, but also boost brain development. Speak to your baby as often as you can, narrate your day. The more language you share with them, the more their brain grows! BB

From the Wairarapa Archive

The festive season of 1918

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year?

The holiday season in 1918 was a sombre one. The world had been racked by war for four years, and the cessation of festivities on November 11 had not been able to be properly celebrated as Armistice Day coincided with the arrival of the Spanish Flu in Masterton.

Local commission agent, ardent diarist and elderberry wine enthusiast Frederick Welch was not very enthusiastic about the yearend festivities, although he did manage to obtain some alcohol. Masterton was dry, and had been for six years, but he did get some beer, albeit illegally.

On December 21 he recorded in his diary that he had: "Got ½ dozen bottles of Ale from Clemas for Xmas he having procured it from their traveller, R Kibblewhite & I am paying him by way of exchange giving him Elder wine which he states is excellent."



The lead up to Christmas day was wet. Welch recorded that Christmas Eve had brought cold sleety rain with occasional hail storms – 'like wintery weather'. However, his children had taken advantage of the shops staying open late that night and had gone to town and "spent as much as they could afford on Xmas purchases".

The day itself was celebrated in unusual fashion in the Welch household, as he recorded.



"Cold day. Rain from S East during early morning. None of our family rose from bed until 9 o'clock barring Marjory [his daughter] who was anxious to see what Father Xmas had been heaving round during the night. Went to milk Henry's cows returning about 10 when Mr G A Jones & his father happened along & we had Xmas cheer in Elder wine. Put the day in at planting potatoes finishing all but one row by 7 pm. Bern [his son] busy best part of day at photography, printing of views etc taken some time back."

He finished his day off by writing to his eldest son who was a soldier encamped at Brocton in England - he had received a lot of mail and cards from him leading up to Christmas. He also recorded receiving a card from his nephew who was serving in France.

For the next few days of the festive season he was back to work in his office in town, showing people around properties for sale, and working about the house and in the garden.

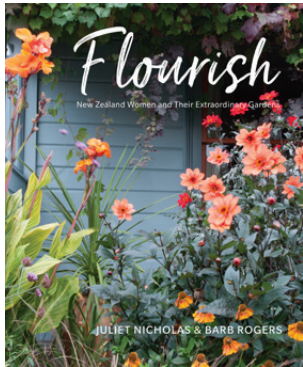
In his last entry for the year he allowed himself the indulgence of thinking back over the year, and of looking forward to the one ahead.

"Thus ends the old year, one of sad memories and heart breaks in millions of homes throughout the world. May the New Year help to bring peace to those who have suffered, and God's blessing to all."

-Gareth Winter, District Archivist

Life Outside

Flourish: New Zealand Women and Their Extraordinary Gardens by Barb Rogers

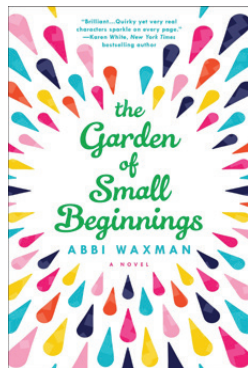


A look at gardens that are living works of art, developed by creative women all around New Zealand. This book celebrates the endeavours and achievements of women gardeners who are responsible for some of the most admired gardens within New Zealand. Often starting as a home-based hobby, fitting

around child care and other domestic tasks, the gardens developed by the women featured in this book have evolved into living works of art. ANF 635.082 NIC

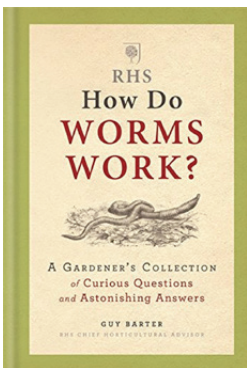
The garden of small beginnings by Abbi Waxman

In the three years since her husband died in a car accident, Lili has just about managed to resume her day-to-day life as a single mother and successful illustrator. She can now get her two girls to school, show up to work, AND watch TV like a pro. Well, most of the time, anyway. The only problem is that it doesn't leave time for a whole lot else. But when she is commissioned to illustrate



a vegetable encyclopaedia, Lili agrees to attend a gardening class where she learns what it takes to nurture plants - and friendships. With the help of a very patient teacher and a class that likes to dig deeper than the surface, Lili starts to see the fragile green shoots of her life begin to blossom and bloom. FN WAXM

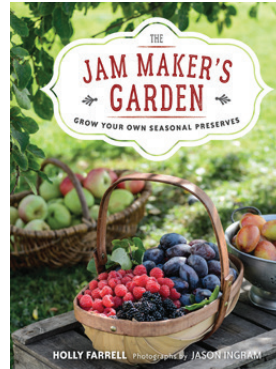
How do worms work? : a gardener's collection of curious questions and astonishing answers by Guy Barter



Ever wondered how worms breathe? Or why exactly trees are so big? This book covers all aspects of gardens and gardening, and will satisfy all your horticultural curiosity. Packed with photographs, vintage engravings and diagrams, this book will answer everything from the practical to the quirky and whimsical. Feature boxes provide practical guidance, so that

you can apply your new-found knowledge to your own garden. ANF 635 BAR

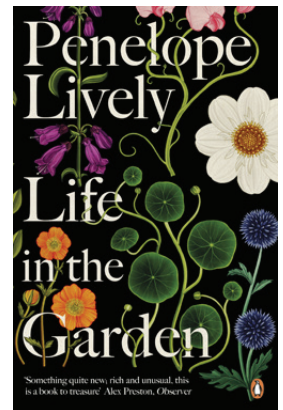
Jam maker's garden: grow your own seasonal preserves by Holly Farrell



This book shows how to grow 28 of the best home-grown ingredients in conserves, chutneys, cordials and sauces. This book also includes more than 50 of the tastiest recipes for fruits, vegetables, herbs and flowers. ANF 641.852 FAR

Life in the garden by Penelope Lively

Penelope Lively has always been a keen gardener. This book is partly a memoir of her own life in gardens: the large garden at home in Cairo where she spent most of her childhood, her grandmother's garden in a sloping Somerset field, then two successive Oxfordshire gardens of her own, and the smaller urban garden in the North London home she lives in today. It is also an a wise, engaging and far-ranging exploration of gardens in literature, from Paradise Lost to Alice in Wonderland, and of writers and their gardens, from Virginia Woolf to Philip Larkin. ANF 635 LIV



Garden crafts for children: 35 fun projects for children to sow, grow, and make by Dawn Isaac



Garden Crafts for Children is crammed full of inspirational ideas to get kids excited about gardening and nature. Produced by Dawn Isaac, a Chelsea Flower Show award-winning garden designer, there are 35 projects, including a wheelbarrow vegetable garden and herb tasting tower. The projects

include step-by-step photos and clear advice. There are also gardening tips for kids and adults. JNF 745.5 ISA

Technology Help

Device Advice

All Ages

11am-noon

Drop in with your technology questions during one of these weekly sessions. Staff can help you with eBooks, tablets, Microsoft office, online library resources, internet searching and more! *Every Monday.*



Spark Jump Workshops

Adults with school aged children

Spark Jump Workshop for families with children who do not have an internet connection in their homes. \$10 for 30GB, pre-pay service with no fixed contract. Free wifi modem. **Registration Required.**



Thursday 13th December 6-8pm at the Library

Social Enrichment

Sit, Knit & Yarn

Adults

10am-noon

Sit, Knit & Yarn is an opportunity for crafty people to share their ideas and skills and assist each other with their knitty problems. Members knit for donation, most notably for newborns at Masterton Maternity, as well as working on their own projects for family and friends. This is a free activity and everyone is welcome! Morning tea is provided. *Every Friday.*



For Readers and Writers

Write on Masterton with Catherine Cooper

Adults

6:30-8pm

A writer's get-together to explore creativity through the written word. Free and open to anyone who loves or longs to write. *First Thursday of each month.*



Advocates & Officers



Justice of the Peace

All Ages

10am-noon

JP available to witness signatures, verify documents and more. *Every Saturday.* No registration required.

Youth Programmes

Makercrate drop in sessions

All Ages

3:15-5:15pm

Come along to one of our Drop in sessions at the MakerCrate. Get hands on with our 3D design software and 3D printers. Create your own designs and have them laser cut. Learn about the 'Maker' technology, have a go or watch a demonstration. *Monday, Tuesday & Friday.*

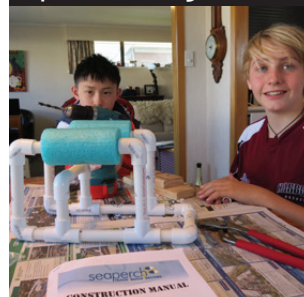


Library Supporting You

The library can support your organisation in a variety of ways. These could include:

- historical talks
- storytimes at your location
- research assistance for your students
- STEM activities in your classroom
- School term-long projects geared towards your curriculum

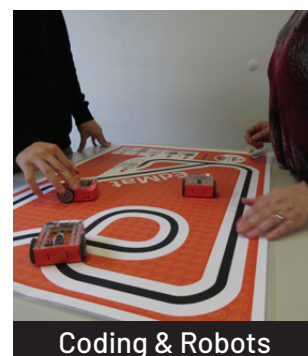
Aquabot Design & Build



3D Printing



Virtual Reality



Coding & Robots

Free technology training at Masterton District Library.



Learn tablet and smartphone basics in our introduction course and then build upon those skills in level 2. Spark Jump courses available for those with children and without internet.

Course	Date	Time	Location
Spark Jump	Thursday 25 October	6-8pm	Masterton Library
Spark Jump	Tuesday 30 October	10am-noon	Wairarapa Archive
Introduction to Tablets	Tuesday 6 November	10am-noon	Wairarapa Archive
Introduction to Smartphones	Thursday 15 November	6-8pm	Masterton Library
Spark Jump	Thursday 22 November	6-8pm	Masterton Library
Tablets & Smartphone 2	Tuesday 27 November	10am-noon	Wairarapa Archive
Introduction to Tablets	Tuesday 4 December	10am-noon	Wairarapa Archive
Tablets & Smartphones 2	Tuesday 11 December	10am-noon	Wairarapa Archive
Spark Jump	Thursday 13 December	6-8pm	Masterton Library

Register now at www.steppingup.nz or (06) 370 6253.



Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before!
 ❄️ What if Christmas, he thought, doesn't come from a store. What if Christmas...perhaps...means a little bit
 ❄️ more!

Dr Seuss, How the Grinch Stole Christmas

❄️ It was the beginning of the greatest Christmas ever. ❄️ Little food. No presents. But there was a snowman in their basement.

Markus Zusak, The Book Thief



Stop Motion
 Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
 17-19th December
 2 sessions each day
 10am-noon
 2-4pm
 8+ years

*Registration required.
 Please limit registration to only 1 or 2 sessions.

Movie premier
Friday
21st December
2pm

Register at:
library.mstn.govt.nz

Christmas Craft
 Make a Christmas Craft to take home.



Giant Games
 Come play GIANT games in the library square.
 Pixie Sticks, Jenga, Tic-tac-toe, Chess
 Dominoes

Zappo the Magician
 An exciting performance filled with songs, stories, puppetry, and astonishing tricks.




Twinkle
 Come watch an original puppet play by Little Dog Barking theatre company.



THE STORY OF A GIRL WITH A VIVID IMAGINATION

Game Night
 After hours game night.
 Join in the fun of board games and compete for prizes.

Teddy Bear Sleepover with Bedtime Stories
 Bring your teddy bear along for a fun packed evening with crafts, games, and bedtime stories. Then, leave your teddy bear with the librarians for a sleepover they won't forget.



Lego
 What can you build with Lego?
 Come on out to the library and show us what you can create.



Create your own Maze
 Put your skills to work creating your own marble maze.



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
WEEK ONE	3 December START Reporting in	4 December	5 December Lego 3:30-4:30pm 5-7 years	6 December	7 December Game Night 5:30-7:30pm 7+ years		
WEEK TWO	10 December	11 December	12 December Lego 3:30-4:30pm 8+ years	13 December	14 December		
WEEK THREE	17 December Stop Motion 10am-noon & 2-4pm 8+ years	18 December Stop Motion 10am-noon 2-4pm 8+ years	19 December Stop Motion 10am-noon 2-4pm 8+ years Giant Games 10am-noon All ages	20 December Christmas Craft 10:30-11:30am All ages	21 December Stop Motion Movie Premier 2pm		
WEEK FOUR	24 December Christmas Eve: 9:30am-1pm	25 December CLOSED	26 December CLOSED	27 December 10am-5pm	28 December 10am-5pm		
WEEK FIVE	31 December New Years Eve: 9:30am-1pm	1 January 2019 CLOSED	2 January CLOSED	3 January	4 January Create your own Maze 10:30-11:30am All ages		
WEEK SIX	7 January	8 January Zappo the Magician 1-2pm All ages	9 January Giant Games 10am-noon All ages	10 January Teddy Bear Sleepover 6:30-7:30pm All ages	11 January		
WEEK SEVEN	14 January TWINKLE: Little Dog Barking 1-2pm All ages	15 January	16 January Last Day to report in	17 January	18 January FINALE		

Te Pūnui Kōwhiri
THE AMAZING READ



Reporting-In
Monday: 10am-5pm
Tuesday: 10am-5pm
Wednesday: 10am-5pm
Thursday: 10am-7:30pm
Friday: 10am-5pm
Saturday: NO REPORTING IN

**Last day to report-in:
Wednesday 16 January**

**4 Report-Ins to qualify
for the Finale**



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>RR</p> <p>Registration Required Visit our website to reserve your spot www.library.mstn.govt.nz</p>						<p>1</p> <p>10am: Justice of the Peace</p>
<p>2</p> <p>MakerCrate drop in sessions: Monday, Tuesday and Friday 3:15-5:15pm</p> 	<p>3</p> <p>11am: Device Advice</p>	<p>4</p> <p>RR 10am: Stepping Up Introduction to Tablets</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10:30am: Story Go Round</p>	<p>6</p> <p>10:30am: Puanga Kohanga Te Reo Storytime 6:30pm: Write on Masterton</p>	<p>7</p> <p>10am: Sit, Knit & Yarn</p>	<p>8</p> <p>10am: Justice of the Peace</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>11am: Device Advice</p>	<p>11</p> <p>RR 10am: Stepping Up Tablets and Smartphones 2</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>RR 6pm: Stepping Up Spark Jump</p>	<p>14</p> <p>10am: Sit, Knit & Yarn</p>	<p>15</p> <p>10am: Justice of the Peace</p>
<p>16</p> <p>SUMMER READING</p> 	<p>17</p> <p>11am: Device Advice</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> 	<p>21</p> <p>10am: Sit, Knit & Yarn</p>	<p>22</p>
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