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From the Editor

I love the contrast of Spring. The combination of the sudden rush of new life and the fierce cold blasts that come out of nowhere. This edition of Shelf life highlights some books around this theme. From a practical guide to getting your vege patch going to an autobiography where someone has created their own new life after a personal kind of storm.

In upcoming months I'd love to feature some of your writing. Do you have a poem or short story you'd like to share? If you do you can drop it at the desk, just put ATTN Kylie for Shelf life on it and hopefully you'll see it printed in upcoming issues.

Kylie Parry- Team Librarian (and editor)

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Happy Reading!

ONLINE NEWSLETTER

Did you know that you can stay updated with what's going on at the library by signing up for our email newsletter? Receive the Shelf Life before it gets printed and download it to your phone, tablet or computer. Visit <https://library.mstn.govt.nz/my-library/shelf-life/> to sign up now.

From your Library...an update

Masterton Library - Libraries Transform

If you have a garden and a library you have everything you need – Marcus Tullius Cicero

We are coming into spring when all the gardens will flourish, the evenings will lengthen and people will spend more time outside.

For the Library September has traditionally been one of our lowest issue months for the year. Many of our staff are gardeners and enjoy being outside when they can and even they don't have the same time for reading.

Although you may not have the same time available to indulge in reading your favourite authors don't forget that we have books to help you with your planting and garden design, building outdoor structures and woodwork, and, home repairs and maintenance. Check our online catalogue at <https://masterton.spydus.co.nz/cgi-bin/spydus.exe/MSGTRN/WPAC/HOME> and reserve your items from Masterton Library or the other SMART Libraries.

Maybe a magazine that you can flick through

rather than reading a full book could be useful over spring check out our magazines or access over 7,000 magazines and newspapers online through PressReader <https://www.pressreader.com/> Access is free with your library card number and PIN, select Masterton Library.

As it is our new financial year we will be working hard to select and order all the new titles that you will want to read, when you have your gardens up to scratch and the weather is too hot to spend time outside. We plan to spend most of our budgets to have new books available for the Christmas break and Summer Reading Programmes when our monthly issues go up again.

The seasons and time of the year influence the way the library operates and we make plans for the changes in demand, in the same way the seasons influence our lives and the things we do.

Have a great spring and don't forget your library while you are out in the garden and spending time out and about. **Sandy Green Library Manager**



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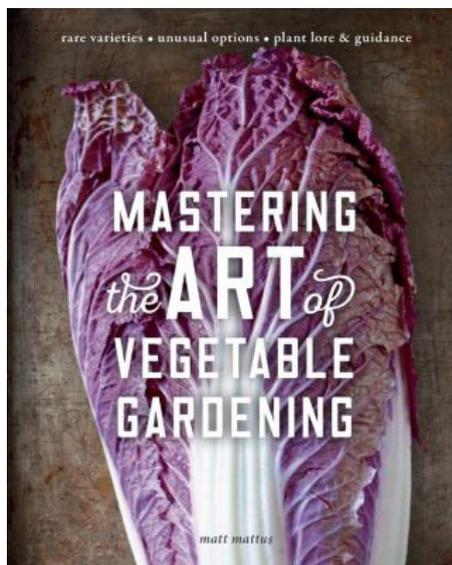
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Spring Books

Mastering the Art of Vegetable Gardening : Rare Varieties - Unusual Options - Plant Lore & Guidance

Mastering the Art of Vegetable Gardening is your "201" level course in cultivating produce. Expand your knowledge base and discover options that go beyond the ordinary! Prepare to encounter new varieties of common plant species, learn their history and benefits, and, most of all, identify fascinating new edibles to grow in your own gardens. Written by gardening expert Matt Mattus, Mastering the Art of Vegetable Gardening offers a wealth of new and exciting opportunities, alongside beautiful photography, lore, insight, and humor that can only come from someone who has grown each vegetable himself and truly loves gardening. More than 200 varieties of vegetables and herbs from the 50 most popular groups are featured in hands-on profiles that tell you how, where, and why to grow each one. Take artichokes for example: They are far from the most common edibles home growers choose, but when and if you choose to grow artichokes, you'll be fortunate



to find more than one seed option, even at the better nurseries. In truth, there are nearly a dozen varieties of artichoke that are suitable for home growing in just about any climate, and each has its own unique benefits and characteristics. In Mastering the Art of Vegetable Gardening, you will find 10 types of artichoke described in through, loving detail—along with helpful tips on where and how to acquire seeds for each. And artichokes are just one item in this field-tested garden basket. Other popular and fascinating vegetables include: celtuce, Asian

greens, cowpeas, carrots and parsnips, potatoes, parsley, and of course the tomato—you'll find over two dozen varieties discussed. If you are one of the more than 800,000 folks per year who has begun growing vegetables at home, Mastering the Art of Vegetable Gardening is the reference you need to pursue this rewarding activity to a whole new level of excellence, satisfaction, and success.

Orchard House

For fans of Anne Lamott, a profoundly moving memoir of rediscovering, reinventing, and reconnecting, as an estranged mother and daughter come together to revive a long-abandoned garden and ultimately their relationship and themselves. Peeling paint, stained floors, vined-over windows, a neglected and wild garden—Tara Austen Weaver can't get the Seattle real estate listing out of her head. Any sane person would have seen the abandoned property for what it was: a ramshackle half-acre filled with dead grass, blackberry vines, and trouble. But Tara sees potential and promise—not only for the edible bounty the garden could yield for her family, but for the personal renewal she and her mother might reap along the

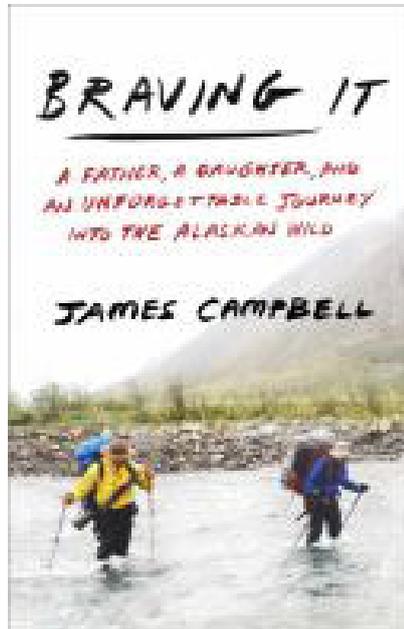


way. So begins Orchard House, a story of rehabilitation and cultivation—of land and soul. Through bleak winters, springs that sputter with rain and cold, golden days of summer, and autumns full of apples, pears, and pumpkins, this evocative memoir recounts the Weavers' trials and triumphs, detailing what grew and what didn't, the obstacles overcome and the lessons learned. Inexorably, as mother and daughter tend this wild patch and the fruits of their labor begin to flourish, green shoots of hope emerge from the darkness of their past. For everyone who has ever planted something that they wished would survive—or tried to mend something that seemed forever broken—Orchard House is a tale of healing and growth set in a most unlikely place.

Braving It : A Father, a Daughter, and an Unforgettable Journey to the Alaskan Wild

Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, home to only a handful of people, is a harsh and lonely place. So when James Campbell's cousin Heimo Korth asked him to spend a summer building a cabin in the rugged Interior, Campbell hesitated about inviting his fifteen-year-old daughter, Aidan, to join him—Would she be able to withstand clouds of mosquitoes, the threat of grizzlies, bathing in an ice-cold river, and hours of grueling labor, peeling and hauling logs? But

once there, Aidan embraced the wild. She even agreed to return a few months later to help the Korths work their traplines and hunt for caribou and moose. Despite windchills of 50 degrees below zero, father and daughter ventured out daily to track, hunt, and trap. Under the supervision of Edna, Heimo's Yupik Eskimo wife, Aidan grew

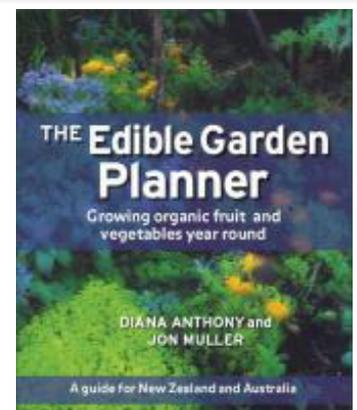


more confident in the woods. Campbell knew that in traditional Eskimo cultures, some daughters earned a rite of passage usually reserved for young men. So he decided to take Aidan back to Alaska one final time before she left home. It would be their third and most ambitious trip, backpacking over Alaska's Brooks Range to the headwaters of the mighty Hulahula River, where they would assemble a folding canoe and paddle to the Arctic Ocean. The journey would test them, and their relationship, in one of the

planet's most remote places— a land of wolves, musk oxen, Dall sheep, golden eagles, and polar bears. At turns poignant and humorous, *Braving It* is an ode to America's disappearing wilderness and a profound meditation on what it means for a child to grow up—and a parent to finally, fully let go.

Edible Garden Planner

Whether it is sowing, planting, feeding, or pruning, harvesting or storing, the keys to successful vegetable and fruit growing are to carry out tasks correctly and at the right time. A companion volume to *The Small Edible Garden*, this new book features co-author Jon Muller. Creating an edible garden doesn't take a lot of money and effort.



Reserve these books online
<https://masterton.spydus.co.nz>

From the Wairarapa Archive



Mauriceville School 1895

Starting at school

School records are among the most popular of all genealogical tools. In days gone by, when children started at a school their names were entered into the Registers of Admission, Progress and Withdrawal. If the registers were filled in fully, the date of admittance, date of birth, and a record of the child's progress through the school, including when they left, and what their destination was, were all noted.

This can provide a good record of where a family lived, especially if the parents were not precise about that information on the electoral roll. It also provides a way of following a family's progress as they moved around, especially important for agricultural workers who tended to be migratory.

There is a problem though – there were so many

schools in Wairarapa!

Masterton researcher Robin Carlyon has devoted many years to looking into the history of Wairarapa's primary schools – and he has located over 100 schools, with another large number in the Bush area, now part of Tararua district.

Fortunately this research is available in the Wairarapa Archive, and is also on-line at <https://wairapaschoolhistory.co.nz/>

The Archive hold the records of many of these schools, while others are at Archives New Zealand. Sadly, some records, primarily of the smaller schools, have been lost over time. If you have a school-related enquiry, pop in and see the staff at the Archive.

School Holidays and more



Stories for Generations

Tuesdays during Term 4: 10:30am
@ Masterton Library | 54 Queen St

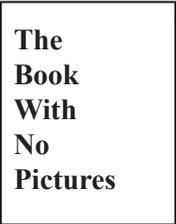
A new collaborative story time bringing together all generations.

We all have something to teach each other, and this is recognised through the tuakana-teina learning relationships. Intergenerational programmes between older adults and young children provides learning opportunities and strengthens the bond between families and the greater community.

Join us for Stories for Generations as we welcome children, parents, caregivers and seniors to a story time where we blend past and present favourites. Share stories, songs, crafts and come together for fun. All ages are welcome!

School Holidays @ Masterton Library



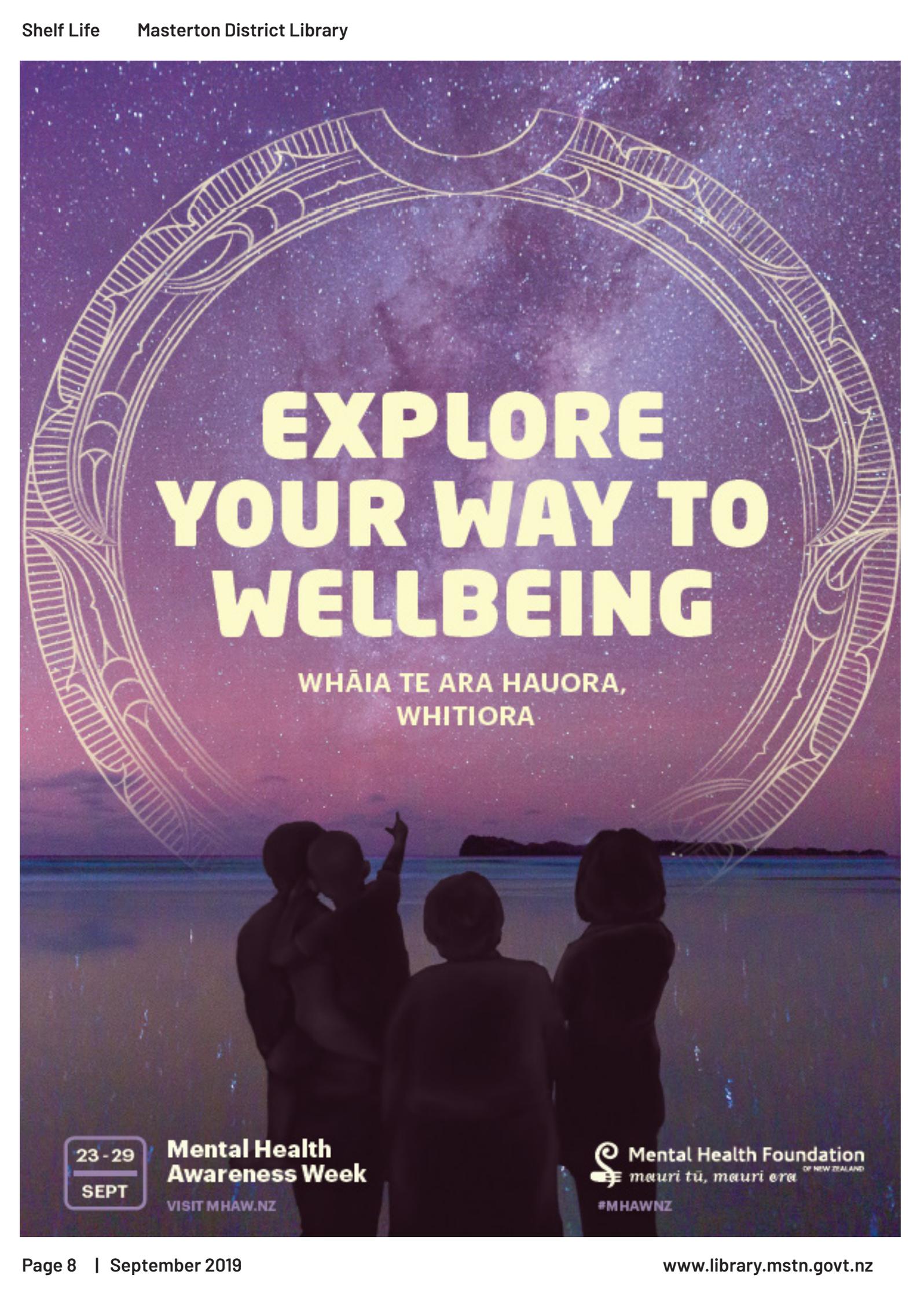
MONDAY 30 10:30 - Learn how to Draw DOGMAN (all ages)	TUESDAY 1 2:00 - Tech Tuesday (ages 8+)**	WEDNESDAY 2 10:30 - Alice in Wonderland Storytime with Collaborative Craft (ages 2+) 	THURSDAY 3  3:30-5:30 - LEGO® Play (all ages)	FRIDAY 4 2:00 - Super Hero Party Come dressed as your favourite superhero and take part in our quiz and costume making (ages 5+)
MONDAY 7 10:30 - Story and Craft (all ages) 	TUESDAY 8 10:30 - Tech Tuesday (ages 8+)**	WEDNESDAY 9 10:30 - Sarah Brydon an interactive musical experience with movement and play (all ages) 	THURSDAY 10 3:30-5:30 - LEGO® Play - build a space station (all ages)	FRIDAY 11 Summer Reading Signups start 18 November



Celebrate World Space Week by competing in our colouring contest. Pick up your sheet starting Monday the 30th and turn in by Wednesday the 9th to be entered into the contest to win free books.
Age groups 0-4, 5-8, 9+

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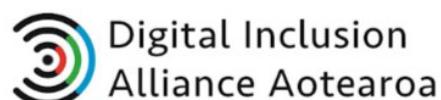
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Free technology training at Masterton District Library

Course	Date	Time	Location
Online Banking	Tuesday 23 July	10am-noon	Wairarapa Archive
Spark Jump	Tuesday 30 July	10am-noon	Wairarapa Archive
Intro to Tablets	Tuesday 6 August	10am-noon	Wairarapa Archive
Spark Jump	Thursday 15 August	6-8pm	Masterton Library
Google and the Internet	Tuesday 20 August	10am-noon	Wairarapa Archive
Intro to Chromebooks	Tuesday 27 August	10am-noon	Wairarapa Archive
Spark Jump	Tuesday 3 September	10am-noon	Wairarapa Archive
Internet Security & Safety	Thursday 12 September	6-8pm	Masterton Library
Tablets/Smartphones 2	Tuesday 17 September	10am-noon	Wairarapa Archive
Spark Jump	Thursday 19 September	6-8pm	Masterton Library
Online Banking	Tuesday 24 September	10am-noon	Wairarapa Archive

Register now at steppingup.nz
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Youth Programmes

Story Go Round Programme

Pre-School
10:30-11:30am

Fun with stories, music and crafts.
Every Wednesday during school term.
Dates: 4 Sept, 11 Sept, 18 Sept, 25 Sept



LEGO® Play

All ages
3:30-5:30pm

Drop in any time between 3:30 and 5:30 pm and have fun building and creating with LEGO® bricks. *Every Thursday.*



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Hour of Code

Ages 8+ 3:30-4:30am

Hour of Code is a one-hour introduction to computer science programme designed to demystify "code". Students will need to register for each session they want to attend. *Registration Required for each session. Every Monday during school term.*

Dates: 2 Sept, 9 Sept, 16 Sept, 23 Sept

HOUR
OF
CODE

Tech Club

Ages 10-14
3:30-4:30pm

Join our tech club and learn about different types of coding. Tech Club is a term long programme and students must be able to attend all sessions. *Registration Required. Every Tuesday during school term.*

Dates: 3 Sept, 10 Sept, 17 Sept, 24 Sept

Advocates & Officers



Justice of the Peace

All Ages
10am-noon

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

If registration is required, please visit our website to reserve your spot
www.library.mstn.govt.nz

Book Clubs

Book Bugs Book Club

Ages 10-13
5:30-6:30pm

For kids aged between 10-13 years old who love books. Fun for all with crafts, speakers, activities and books.

Dates: 4 Sept, 2 Oct, 6 Nov, Finale-TBC



Book Ends Book Club

Adults
1-2pm

Come join us for an enjoyable hour of sharing books and authors.

Members choose their own titles to share and discuss.

Fourth Monday of each month.

Dates: , 23 Sept, 21 Oct, 25 Nov

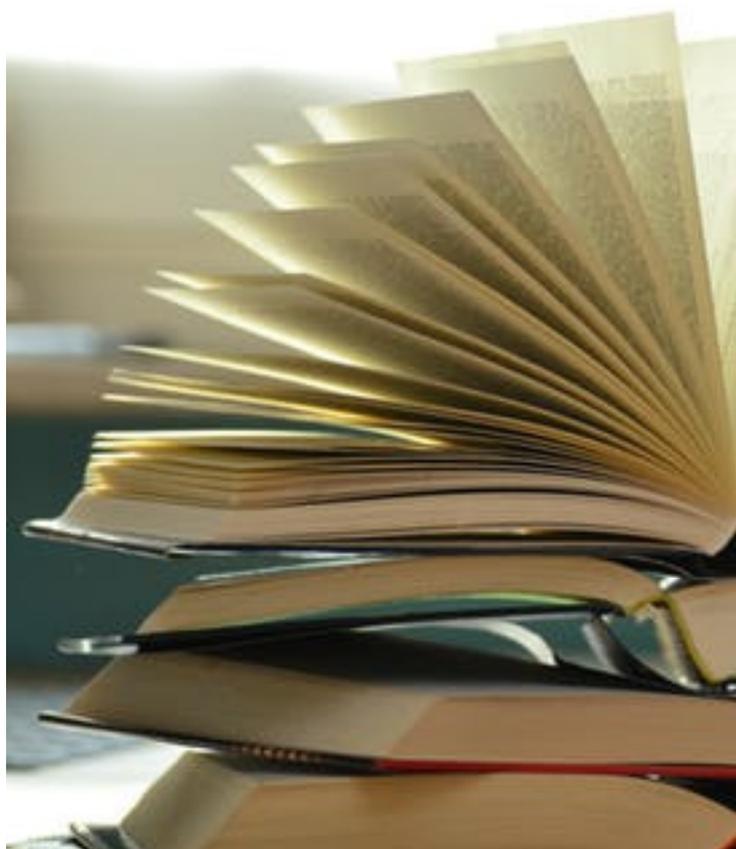


Last Thursdays Evening (LTE) Book Club

Adults
7-8pm

Members read the same book and meet to discuss it and exchange views. *Last Thursday of each month.*

Dates, 26 Sept, 31 Oct, 28 Nov



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.*



Write on Masterton

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.*
Dates: 5 Sept, 3 Oct, 7 Nov, 5 Dec



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.*



Digital Seniors

Digital Seniors NZ
Masteron Hub
Seniors
10am-noon

Drop-in, free coaching for seniors on how to use mobile phones, tablets, iPad or laptops. *Every Wednesday.*



Spark Jump Workshops

Adults with school aged children

Spark Jump is 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 15 August 6-8pm at the Library

Visit steppingup.nz to register



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Spark Jump
Tuesday, 10am. 3 Sept.

Tablets and Smart phones part 2.
Tuesday, 10am. 17 Sept

Digital Banking.
Tuesday, 10am. 24 Sept.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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