

### **Branch News**

- **Coboconk branch** renovations are complete with a new public washroom area. The library branch has an improved service counter and now offers increased public space and new shelving. The branch reopened on July 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- **Lindsay Branch** will be closed from September 3-14 while carpet is replaced on the main floor. The Program department will be closed for a further two weeks to allow for a renovation to the shelving system of the juvenile collection and improved program delivery area. A pop up children's library will be offered in the latter half of September out of the Lindsay Meeting Room to allow for limited circulation of juvenile material and drop-in programs
- **Bethany branch** will be closed in October to allow for improvements to the ramp and entrances to that building.
- **New stand alone exterior book drops** are being purchased for Woodville and Bethany branches.

### **Programs, Outreach and Partnerships**

#### **Programs/Services**

- Dunsford had 67 students for **class visits** in June.
- The Kinmount Branch **Seed Swap** is going well. Patrons are enjoying picking up new seeds for their gardens as well as advice from the Garden Club.
- The Dalton Branch started a **Beginners Sewing Workshop**.
- **Read to a Dog** - Two monthly visits at Lindsay branch with St. Johns Ambulance Therapy dog Boom and Kim (handler) started in May and have continued now into July.
- **Bad Art Night** had a strong showing in July with 23 participants.
- Some of the library events offered to honour **Pride celebration** (June 22-July 6)
  - Rainbow Bingo – This reading challenge sheet was created by the Rainbow Book Club members.
  - Pride Storytime hosted for preschoolers on July 2, 4, and 6 saw 85 participants in total.
  - On July 6 Lindsay branch hosted a Pride Cookie Decorating workshop
- Lindsay Reference department provided 19 **One-on-One Tech Sessions** in June and 17 in July.

## Outreach

- The Library has a Storywalk at **The Grove Theatre** in Fenelon Falls during the July production of "Into the Woods" which follows a fractured fairy tale plot line. The Storywalk is a choose-your-own-adventure fairy tale book.
- Outreach staff attended the Bobcaygeon Farmer's Market during that community's **Welcome Back Summer** event on June 8<sup>th</sup>. As well staff attend the **Thursday Farmer Market** in Lindsay on a weekly basis to promote the libraries services, collections, and programs.
- Library staff attended **Pride in the Park** on July 12<sup>th</sup> at the Maryboro Lodge Museum in Fenelon Falls. Material promoting the library's LGBTQA+2 reading materials, and the Lindsay Rainbow Book Club were available.
- Library staff hosted an **outdoor pop-up storytime** with Parks and Recreation waterfront rentals on July 9<sup>th</sup> at the Bobcaygeon Beach for some beach story and a water safety talk provided by Parks and Recreation.

## Partnerships

- EarlyOn staff were at the Fenelon Library for their **Skills for School** program each Thursday in June.
- The library has partnered with Salvation Army, Kawartha Lakes FoodSource, Community Living, HKPR Health Unit and the Dalton Community Centre to offer a weekly **Summer Lunch Program** at Dalton. Approximately twenty-five children will receive a free bagged lunch each week over the course of July and August. This is the second year this program has run.

## Kudos

### Positive feedback for the Lindsay Programs department

Hello there, I just wanted to let you know some patrons came in from Peterborough today. The young boy specifically wanted to come back to our Lindsay Library... The patrons let me know how impressed they are with our department and our staff and said that Peterborough library children's department does nothing compared to what we do in our department here and the ptbo library could learn from us.

KPIs to June 30		
Branch Visits	Overall Circulation	Event Attendance
102,109	194,597	27,301