## SPRING 2017 **STAND** Char What's Happening at Stannington Library

# Stannington's award-winning volunteers



Already in 2017, no fewer than 24 people have worked on our front desk, whilst 21 others have carried out behind-the-scenes tasks.

It was no small task to recruit teams of volunteers ready to take on the job of running most of Sheffield's public libraries.

It was no easier ensuring these teams had the commitment and professional outlook to keep the libraries open for the community. Nevertheless all of Sheffield's volunteer libraries have without exception achieved this. And the fact so impressed Voluntary Action Sheffield that they acknowledged it with their 2016 *Make a Difference Award* in the *Engaging/Supporting Volunteers* category.

At Stannington, we're more than happy to share the accolade with all our volunteers: they're the ones who have really made the difference.

Of course, there are still opportunities for you to get involved. Your time and your skills really will be appreciated. *Just let us know you would like to* 

become part of the team.

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If the picture is any guide, they do seem to have enjoyed themselves.

**Changes in your library** Our small, dedicated team of skilled workers spent much of the Easter holiday in the library carrying out changes.







May we thank all involved, especially Rachel Haynes who drew up the plans, Dot Russell who integrated our different collections and made the space, John Russell who installed the baby change unit, and Malcolm and Neil Cooper, and their staff at NCNS, for all the electrical work and for making the library ready for the new IT systems that are next on our list.

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# More new books in the library

In our Spring 2016 edition, we told you that the number of books borrowed from our collection had reached 601 in the Oct-Dec 2015 quarter. In the quarter just ended, Jan-Mar 2017, the figure has more than doubled - to 1389 - numbers on top of our loans from Sheffield Libraries stock. Latest additions include titles by Polly Clark, Clive Cussler, Helen Dunmore, Adam Haslett, Carole Matthews and many other well-known authors. And already they're flying off our shelves.

# Horrid Henry invades Stannington

During February half-term, Hall Park Centre and Stannington Library welcomed Horrid Henry fans with games, puzzles and readings about their hero's more dreadful escapades.

After the stories, more than 40 young readers told Horrid Henry jokes, made Horrid Henry masks, and coloured in pictures of Henry and





pals with the most horrid colours they could find. Solving our treasure hunt revealed the message *Reading Is Fun* and those who solved it fastest won prizes. Lots of children - and their parents - had lots of fun at both these events.

We can only hope they didn't all go home with too many horrid ideas!



Stannington Library Writers Group last year produced **1Stannthology**, a collection of work by its members. Readers can borrow the book from Stannington and from other Sheffield volunteer libraries, or it can be bought from Amazon - just search for the title.



Writers group leader Sharon Brady-Smith (left) presented a copy of **1Stannthology** to volunteers at Ecclesfield Library where she leads a similar group.

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## **Meeting Franki Fossil**



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