

Port Elgin Branch

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Early Literacy Programs: Programs for babies, children, and parents that develop pre-reading skills	Story Time	This preschool program invites preschoolers and their families to come out to play games, read stories, make crafts, learn and have fun. This month a total of 46 children participated.
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Community Development: community events, partnered programs with community groups	Port Elgin Montessori School	Sixteen students and 16 parents listened to stories celebrating Mother's Day and participated in some STEAM related activities.
	Port Elgin-Saugeen Central School	At this JK/SK class visit, 31 students played and explored the Ozobots, Dash and Dot, Plan-a-path and Cubelets.
	Port Elgin-Saugeen Central School	Nineteen Grade 1 students played and explored the Ozobots, Dash and Dot, Plan-a-path and Cubelets.

Adult and Senior Programs	One World Movie	Eight adults attended the movie Indian Horse .
	Book Club	The group discussed the book The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood. There were 6 in attendance.
	Knitting Circle	This month 63 crafters connected and shared with each other while working on their handcrafted projects.

Technology Based Programs	Tech Coach	We provided one-on-one support to 22 people with technology related questions.
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Other Children's and Teens Programs	STEAM On!	STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math). Twenty-one young people participated. Program themes this month included: 1. Bird Feeders constructed out of popsicle sticks - Engineering 2. Tornado in a Jar - Science/Nature 3. STEAM kits - Engineering kits: Cup stacking; Playdough and Straws; KEVA planks and cubes.
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Patron Feedback	<p>“I just wanted to let you know about an incident with one of your staff at the Port Elgin branch. Nancy (don’t have her last name) let me know that I had some overdue books. I was confused as I thought I had returned them early. She showed me the computer screen and again I was confused but said I would deal with it later. I came home to a phone call from Nancy on my machine. She had looked at my account and was calling to clarify the information for me.</p> <p>In this situation I was the one in the wrong and yet she was so patient and communicated to me at the branch and then went above and beyond to call me after.</p> <p>Just thought you should know about a great staff member you have.” Brian Martin</p>
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Total Circulation for May	4210 items
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Story Time - Mother’s Day Tea

