

Lucknow Branch

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Early Literacy Programs: Programs for babies, children, and parents that develop pre-reading skills	Story Time	Lucknow Branch holds a Story Time each Friday morning for pre-school children. The hour consists of songs, stories and a fine motor activity such as colouring and Mega Blocks. We used our parachute songs for both hand-eye coordination Over the month of July, 28 parents and children attended the program.
	Baby Time	Every Wednesday the Lucknow Branch holds a Baby Time group. Our goal is to introduce easy ways in which parents can share language and literacy development with their babies, and the long-term importance of these activities. This month, 16 babies and parents attended.
Community Development: community events, partnered programs with community groups	Sepoy Manor	Every other Wednesday the Supervisor visits the retirement home where we share short story collections and discuss other authors we enjoy. We were all in stitches reading from Vinyl Café Diaries by Stuart Mclean. In July, 18 residents enjoyed a visit and group discussions. These visits help to bring literature to those who can no longer read independently and can also address the loneliness some older adults can experience when living in care homes.
	Lucknow EarlyON	This month we joined our EarlyON friends for a morning of outdoor play, songs, and stories. We met with several new families to promote Summer Reading Club and other library programs geared towards children 0-6. In total, 28 parents and children attended the program.
Adult and Senior Programs	Vegan and Vegetarian Conversation Circle	Our clerk, Karen McGugan, is an experienced vegan who hosts this program for those who want to incorporate more plant-based recipes in their diet. This program has also encouraged participants to borrow our cookbooks for more recipe ideas. Five people participated in this month's meeting.

Technology Based Programs	Book a Coach	This month we helped two people navigate Libby on their devices and improve other internet skills.
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Other Children's and Teens Programs	TD Summer Reading Club (SRC)	This month we hosted five SRC programs that consisted of crafts, games, dinosaur egg hatching, and even real fossils from the borrowed Royal Ontario Museum kits. Over the course of July, 36 children participated in our activities.
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Total Circulation for July	1317 items
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Using air-dry clay, we made our very own dinosaur fossils!



We hatched baking soda dinosaur eggs using green vinegar. We pretended to be paleontologists and gently extracted our dinosaurs using brushes.