

# At the Library, for the week of May 1, 2023 (Antigonish & Pictou Counties)

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## May we see you soon, at the library

May begins with celebrating the Canadian Children's Book Week from May 1-5, 2023, and the library is pleased to host a series of fantastic authors and illustrators offering workshops and author readings from comic books to folk tales and furry tails – online! Feel free to join us from wherever you are – at school, or home, with family and friends. For more information please visit our [PARLevents calendar](#), and to register - please contact Kristel Fleuren-Hunter, Children's Services Librarian by calling ((902) 863-4276), or email [kfhunter@parl.ns.ca](mailto:kfhunter@parl.ns.ca). (Pre-registration is required to provide the login information.)

Also coming up on May 4<sup>th</sup> (May the Forth/Force be with you) is Star Wars Day. The library will host intergalactic activities for all ages at most of our library locations, with free-to-take home, new Star Wars themed-books from Adopt-A-Library Literacy Program. Yoda (you) don't want to miss it! And we'll be extending the fun 'til Saturday May 6 for Free Comic Book Day, with celebrating our favorite superheroes - all day long at our New Glasgow, Stellarton, Trenton, Westville and Pictou libraries.

From reading to writing, painting to pebble art, embroidery to gardening, learning languages and more – it's time to drop by your local library, today! Collect pebbles? Join us for a Pebble Art workshop in River John on May 6, or Pictou on May 17. Wondering how to stitch? Join us for a Beginners Embroidery workshop in Stellarton on May 18, or join the Sewing Club in River John on May 10. Contemplating painting with watercolor? Join us for Craft Night for Adults in Antigonish on May 18. Want to learn how to draw? Join us for a Learn to Draw workshop in Trenton on May 20, or in Pictou on May 24. Want to learn how to play guitar? Join us in Westville for a 4-week session beginning May 16. Have bike issues? The FixIt Café in River John is all about basic bike maintenance on May 20. Struggling with writing? Join our "How to write a blurb" workshop in Trenton on May 27. Registration is required for all workshops as seating and supplies are limited - please call the library to register.

Got a green thumb (with plants and seeds to share)? There will be a Great Library Plant Giveaway at the Pictou Library on May 6, a Seed & Seedling Swap at the River John Library on May 13, and a Plant & Seedling Exchange at the New Glasgow Library on May 27.

Movies at the library in May include "Lyle, Lyle Crocodile" in New Glasgow on May 13 at 1:30pm and "Turning Red" in Antigonish on May 20 at 1pm. Also on the big screen, "A Man Called Otto" in New Glasgow on May 18 at 6pm and Antigonish on May 30 at 1:30pm. "Love, Scott" is featured in Pictou on May 30 at 6:30pm.

New books and local authors! We have two local authors sharing their books at the library this month. Dawn Peters reads "Ozzy the Incredible Wonder Cat" in Trenton on May 6 at 11am, and in Westville (May 13) and Stellarton (May 20) at 12pm. "The Pets that Came to Palmerston Street | Na Peataichean a thàinig gu Sràid Phalmerston", a children's book launch with Laurie Stanley-Blackwell, Teresa MacKenzie and Effie Rankin will be held at 2pm in Antigonish on May 13 and Pictou on May 20.

Art on Display in the Antigonish Library this month features Nancy Steven's TREES FOR LIFE; paintings highlighting the dominant species in the Acadian Forest, and a plea for understanding the effects of climate change on the natural world. And "The Gaels of Nova Scotia" a travelling display for [Gaelic Nova Scotia month](#) will be at our Antigonish, Westville, Stellarton and Pictou libraries. In addition, a presentation by Lewis MacKinnon with the Office of Gaelic NS Affairs, "Introduction to Nova Scotia Gaels' Language, Culture, and Identity" will be held on May 30 at 6:30pm at the Antigonish Library.

Please note, all locations of the Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library will be closed for the Victoria Day holiday on Monday May 22, 2023. During this time, library services are available online at [www.parl.ns.ca](http://www.parl.ns.ca), and library return drop boxes are open.

For more information on all our upcoming library programs and services, please call or drop by your local library, follow us on *Twitter*, find us on *Facebook*, or visit us online at [www.parl.ns.ca](http://www.parl.ns.ca).