

# Library Resources & Services

As we navigate 2021, Oakville Public Library (OPL) continues to offer a wide variety of programs and services that help to promote learning and literacy for all ages. All students need is an OPL library card to access our vast collection of free resources and library materials. Connect with our skilled and enthusiastic library staff in one of our virtual learning programs, or use one of our contactless pickup services to safely borrow library materials.

## **Virtual Programs for Learning**

#### Jr. Kids Library Club (Ages 4-7) and Kids Library Club (Ages 8-12)

Designed to foster social connection for kids through fun learning activities. Kids are introduced to new concepts and ideas in fun and engaging ways. Topics range from a variety of educational disciplines including science and technology, arts, social studies and more.

#### Jr. Fan Club (Ages 4-7) and Fan Club (Ages 8-12)

Join other fans as you celebrate a beloved character or series from your favourite books.

#### **Online Teen Programs**

Our virtual programs for teens are designed to build new skills and prepare teens for the future while connecting with others.

Note: All programs are held virtually using Zoom, unless otherwise indicated.

### **Summer Reading Challenge**

#### 2021 Summer Reading Challenge: Celebrating Community

This summer, expand your world at home through our fun reading challenge for the whole family to enjoy. Also available will be related learning programs co-hosted by local organizations. You also have a chance to win some exciting prizes. The more you read the more chances to win! Registration starts on June 1 at: <u>Summer Reading Challenge</u>

# **Online Resources**

All of our online resources can be accessed using your OPL library card and PIN.

<u>Tumblebook Library</u> lets you enjoy interactive eBooks for kids in English, French, and Spanish.

KanopyKids offers unlimited access to high-quality movies and TV shows including Arthur and Sesame Street.

<u>Hoopla</u> allows you to instantly stream or download children's movies, television shows, audiobooks and music.

Little Pim is an online language learning system for children ages 0-6.

<u>Encyclopedia Britannica – Kids</u> provides separate search capabilities for elementary and middle school students and includes interactive exercises and activities, as well as links to magazine articles and clips.

<u>cloudLibrary</u> offers a growing collection of eBooks and audiobooks for adults, teens, and kids. Read and listen through the mobile or desktop app on your computer, smartphone, or tablet.

### **Recommended Reads**

Check out these our recommended reading lists that include print books, eBooks and audiobooks for various age groups and interests.

Early Readers – Explore some options for beginner readers

First Chapter Books – New titles for a first foray into chapter books

Let's Learn - Browse this selection of non-fiction books for the primary grades.

Fiction for the Middle Grades – Novels for Grades 4-8 students

Social Science for Junior Grades – Learn about history, geography, biographies and more!

STEAM @ Home – Discover books related to science, technology, engineering, art, and math.

### **Grab and Go**

Not sure what you're in the mood for? Reserve a <u>Grab and Go bag</u> put together by library staff, to discover new stories and authors. Choose from Picture Books, Early Readers, First Chapter Books or Junior Fiction.

### **Library Takeout**

Although our branches are closed for in-person browsing, Library Takeout is a contactless hold pickup service available by appointment. Place holds for the whole family online or by calling one of our branches. Once you receive confirmation that your library hold is ready, you can book an appointment to pick it up. <u>Click here</u> for more information.

### Visit us online

We look forward to seeing all of our young friends back in our branches soon. Until then, please visit us at <u>www.opl.ca</u> for all the latest from OPL!

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