

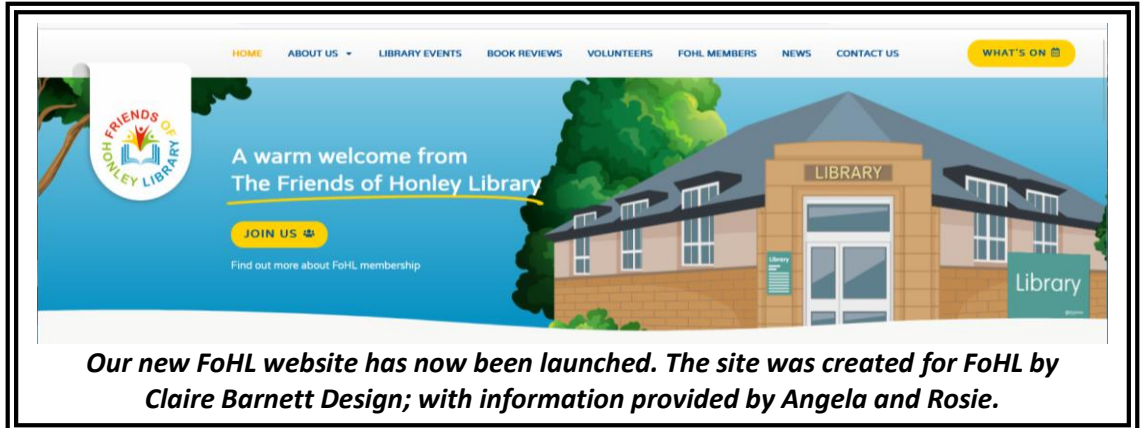
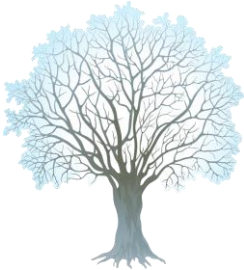
Library Matters

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Our new FoHL website has now been launched. The site was created for FoHL by Claire Barnett Design; with information provided by Angela and Rosie.

Library Opening Times

Monday:
CLOSED

Tuesday:
13:00 – 18:00

Wednesday:
10:00 – 13:00
This session is run by FoHL Volunteers

Thursday:
CLOSED

Friday:
13:00 – 17:00

Saturday:
10:00 – 13:00

Sunday:
CLOSED

Honley Library

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Library Update: **Community Asset Transfer Completed!**

At last! After five years of negotiations Honley library building is now officially owned by Holme Valley Parish Council and sublet to Friends of Honley Library.

We have much to do to make the changes that we have planned and, at the time you are reading this, work will be continuing to improve the lighting, heating and fire safety requirements.

The library service will continue to be provided by Kirklees Council, and we will work together with the library staff to enhance and develop this. However, we cannot do it without support from the community, so please follow us on our website and on social media as we shall be asking for your help.

Very best wishes for 2023.

Jenny Lockwood and Ann Brooks

On behalf of the Trustees of Friends of Honley Library

Volunteering with FoHL:



A new era is creating greater opportunities and a wider variety of roles for volunteers to be part of the future of the new Honley Library Community Hub.

There are roles in management and development, events for children and adults, promotion and publicity as well as supporting the key library services. Check out the Volunteers tab on the website for details of what these might be and how to register your interest in joining us.

Find us on Social Media: Please remember to check out our media profile; don't forget to like, share and become involved in our social media channels. We're on Instagram @honleylibrary, Twitter @friends_honley and Facebook (Friends of Honley Library). We also connect with local publications, including the Honley Flyer and Honley Info website, to ensure wider publicity for events.



Look out for details of a **GRAND OPENING** in the coming months to celebrate the major changes taking place to YOUR community library!!



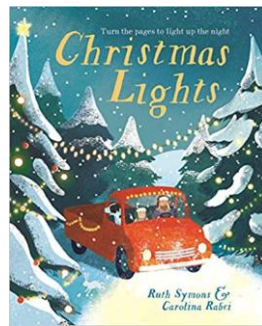
Activities and Events for Children & Adults



Once again Honley Library opened for an extended session on Saturday 3rd December as part of the Honley Together at Christmas day. Ian Pollitt excelled himself once again, this time with an even bigger Lego village display. FoHL also held a book sale and donations from the day boosted funds for future events by £127.00.



Children's activities at Honley Library at Christmas included a special 'Babies into Books' session, based on 'Happy Christmas Boris' by Sam Lloyd. The children met 'Santa Boris' and made some special salt dough gifts.



A reading and crafts activity based on Ruth Symons' 'Christmas Lights' returned by popular request. The children enjoyed mindfulness activities and crafts that included making Christmas cards. Some comments from the children:

I liked doing the angels the best and
I loved the outfits you wore

Very super fun 5/5

I loved all of it

With so much going on to develop the library and related activities, there have been fewer events for adults than usual. However, the reading groups are doing well, and we are now posting their book reviews on the website. The next meeting of the Thursday group is on 26th January when they will be discussing 'Three Things About Elsie' by Joanne Cannon. Maybe you have read it... if so join us!

Future events will also need to work around a number of planned alterations to the library building structure. These started on 9th January when the library closed for a week to allow for some essential safety and security work to be carried out.

Watch this space for news of future developments to your new Honley Library Community Hub.

Your regular library activities and events

Story-time for under fives
Fridays 14:00
(term time only)

Lego Club
Saturdays 10:00

Babies Into Books
Thursdays
10:00 – 11:00
(term time only)

Knit & Natter
Tuesdays 13:30

Monthly Reading Groups
2nd Wednesday 10:30
4th Thursday 19:30

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