The Reading Agency and Libraries Present

SPACE CHASE

Summer Reading Challenge 2019

SATURDAY 29 JUNE – SATURDAY 31 AUGUST

Join in Leicester libraries reading challenge for children age 0-15 years

VISIT A CITY LIBRARY THREE TIMES AND READ SIX BOOKS TO WIN YOUR REWARDS!
The summer reading challenge at Leicester libraries and community centres

Make space to read this summer with your library. Track down six amazing books with our super space family, the Rockets, in the summer reading challenge and win collectibles for your mission folder along the way!

Space to Read

Adults: You can be a role model and support your children by joining in and reading six books too. Pick up your Space to Read form at your local library.

Launch Day

Saturday 29 June, 11am – 3pm in most city libraries, 10am – 1pm in Aylestone Library, Beaumont Leys Library, New Parks Centre, Pork Pie Library and Community Centre and Rushey Mead Library

Visit your local library on Space Chase Launch Day! Collect your mission folder, track down the Space Chase characters hidden around the library, take part in free, fun activities and borrow your first books for the summer.
Join us on a mission to have a marvellous time at your local library. Have fun with our space-themed challenges, games and quizzes. Don’t forget to borrow a book from the library!

**AYLESTONE LIBRARY**
Aylestone Leisure Centre
2 Knighton Lane East
Leicester LE2 6LU
0116 233 3040
**Monday 5 August**

**BEAUMONT LEYS LIBRARY**
Beaumont Way
Leicester LE4 1DS
0116 299 5460
**Wednesday 24 July**

**BELGRAVE LIBRARY**
Cossington Street
Leicester LE4 6JD
0116 299 5500
**Wednesday 31 July**

**THE BRITE CENTRE**
Braunstone Avenue
Leicester LE3 1LE
0116 299 5476
**Tuesday 23 July**

**EVINGTON LIBRARY**
200 Evington Lane
Leicester LE5 6DH
0116 221 1286
**Thursday 8 August**

**FOSSNEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE**
Mantle Road
Leicester LE3 5HG
0116 225 4995
**Thursday 25 July**

**HAMILTON LIBRARY & COMMUNITY CENTRE**
20 Maidenwell Avenue
Leicester LE5 1BL
0116 221 2790
**Tuesday 30 July**

**HIGHFIELDS LIBRARY**
98 Melbourne Road
Leicester LE2 0DS
0116 299 5494
**Monday 15 July**

**KNIGHTON LIBRARY**
167-9 Clarendon Park Road
Leicester LE2 3AJ
0116 299 5477
**Tuesday 6 August**
**Curve Family Day**

**Tuesday 20 August, 11am - 3pm**

Join us for some space-themed fun at Leicester’s Curve theatre with performances, readings, activities and workshops – including the National Space Centre StarDome.

Don’t forget to dip in to the Rocket family’s pop-up library and share a story!
Be a winner for your school!

Be an amazing summer reader and complete the Space Chase six book reading challenge to win a special space activity session for your school from the National Space Centre. The city school with the highest percentage of children completing the challenge will win!

Live family theatre in your library or community centre

The Spark Arts for Children, in association with Inspire: Culture, Learning and Libraries present

The Girl of Ink and Stars

A new play by Satinder Chohan, based on the book by Kiran Millwood Hargrave. It is a tale of maps, myths and monsters – an adventure story about children, their bravery and curiosity. Suitable for age 7+. Running time about 50 minutes.

Performances from Tuesday 13 to Monday 19 August at:

• The BRITE Centre
• New Parks Centre
• St Barnabas Library
• Beaumont Leys Library
• Highfields Library
• Pork Pie Library and Community Centre
• Westcotes Library
• Hamilton Library and Community Centre
• Belgrave Neighbourhood Centre

Information and tickets available from the above venues and Sparks Arts for Children at thesparkarts.co.uk
Picnic on the moon

Children under five can join in an out-of-this-world adventure at local Leicester library Toddler Times over the summer. Enjoy space-themed activities and stories as well as a chance for families to join the fun on Facebook and see their own toy having a ‘picnic on the moon’. Ask your Toddler Time assistant for details or for session information go to leicester.gov.uk/libraries

#LeicesterMoonwalk

Get Leicester walking this summer! Join us for #LeicesterMoonwalk, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing. Starting on 1 June at the Riverside Festival and ending in a celebratory event at Victoria Park on 21 August, join together to take 478 million steps (238,857 miles / 384,403 km), which is the distance to the moon.

So, make every step count and get Leicester moving to the moon! Look out for ‘Space steps and stories’ – family group walks this summer. For more information, contact your local children, young people and families centre, library or community centre.

Get Up and Go

The Get Up and Go summer initiative is all about encouraging children, young people and their families to be more physically active during the summer holidays and beyond.

Sign up at your local children, young people and family centre or at the Town Hall Wednesday play events from Wednesday 17 July. Receive your Get Up and Go passport and a citywide summer play timetable filled with activities, sessions and events that you can get involved with. Plenty of prizes to be won throughout the summer!
Collect your rewards!

Visit a Leicester city library three times during the summer to borrow and read at least six books and win the entire collection of Space Chase goodies including your Space Chase medal! It’s free to join the challenge and you can sign up at your local library.

Younger children can choose to collect Space Chase stickers as they borrow books, and they receive a certificate at the end. Simply ask for an Early Years Card at your local library or at participating children’s centres.

**VISIT 1**
Sign up and receive your mission folder and sticker sheet 1, available from 29 June.

**VISIT 2**
Receive your wristband and sticker sheet 2!

**VISIT 3**
Collect your medal, certificate, sticker sheet 3 and your special prize from the National Space Centre. Congratulations!
WE HAVE LOTS OF FUN ACTIVITIES AND LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN AND IT’S FREE TO JOIN.

Join the library
All ages are welcome to join Leicester libraries. It’s free with no proof required for children – just give your name, address and date of birth. For 0-15 yrs there are no charges if you accidently lose, damage or return books late.

For further details about Leicester libraries:
leicester.gov.uk/libraries
libraries@leicester.gov.uk
0116 454 3540
@LeicesterLibrar
/leicesterlibraries

Space Chase games and activities
For Space Chase games and activities, plus the chance to read about popular authors, go to spacechase.org.uk

National Space Centre
Children completing the Space Chase summer reading challenge in Leicester can also win a special National Space Centre prize at their local Leicester library.

Launch Day 29 June - Join the National Space Centre at Belgrave and The Brite Centre libraries for Journey to Space activities:

THE BRITE CENTRE
11 - 11.45am
‘Journey to Space’ family talk and Q&A

BELGRAVE LIBRARY
1 - 3pm
‘Journey to Space’ drop-in space activities

Family Fun Days - join the National Space Centre for drop-in family space activities at:

THE BRITE CENTRE
Tuesday 23 July

BELGRAVE LIBRARY
Wednesday 31 July

LEICESTER CENTRAL LIBRARY
Wednesday 7 August
(National Play Day)

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