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Explore the Power of Your Library



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It's hard to believe a whole year has flown by, but it's the perfect moment to remind you of everything your library service continues to offer. Whether you're diving into research, brushing up on best practice, or simply looking for reliable information, we're here to make it easy.

Over the next 12 months, we'll be sharing updates, resources, and support to help you make the most of everything available to you and to bring the library even closer to its users - one step at a time.

That's why we're launching **"Getting to Know Your Library"** a series designed to answer the questions library users most often have about our services, resources, and how we can support your work. Our aim is simple: to make sure you feel confident, informed, and fully connected to everything your library can offer.

If there's anything you'd like us to cover, you can send your questions directly through our simple form: **"I'd like to know".** We'd love to hear what matters most to you.



Bertha Calles Cartas
Assistant Library Manager

Whiteleaf Library drop-in session

We'll be hosting library drop-ins at **Whiteleaf Library** on Monday **23rd February from 1pm to 3.30pm**. Staff and students are welcome to stop by with any questions about finding and using books, articles, or other library resources - **Bertha** will be on hand and happy to help.

If you'd prefer a drop-in session at your practice instead, just let us know and we can arrange it.

Kate Jones is leaving





Kate Jones
Outreach Librarian
Primary Care

Sadly my time in Primary Care Oxford has come to an end.

I am packing up my parachute and returning to my community role in Birmingham but I hope that I leave behind an awareness in Primary Care Oxford that the library service is there to support them in their evidence-based practice.

During my time in this role over 350 people have come to my training sessions and the number of Primary Care staff with an OpenAthens account has increased by 25%. To be honest, I am very disappointed with this last figure and hope that it will continue to grow rapidly. Whilst it's not really a precise metric for EBP engagement, it is some sort of indicator. Oxford Health will continue to provide a library service to all Primary Care staff in the county; please do take full advantage of this. The real proof of impact can be found in delivering the most evidence-based care to patients taking into account current research. I wish you all the very best.

Filming at the library

We had the pleasure of hosting a BBC interview in the library on Tuesday 13 January as part of their coverage for the **bicentenary of Warneford Hospital**.

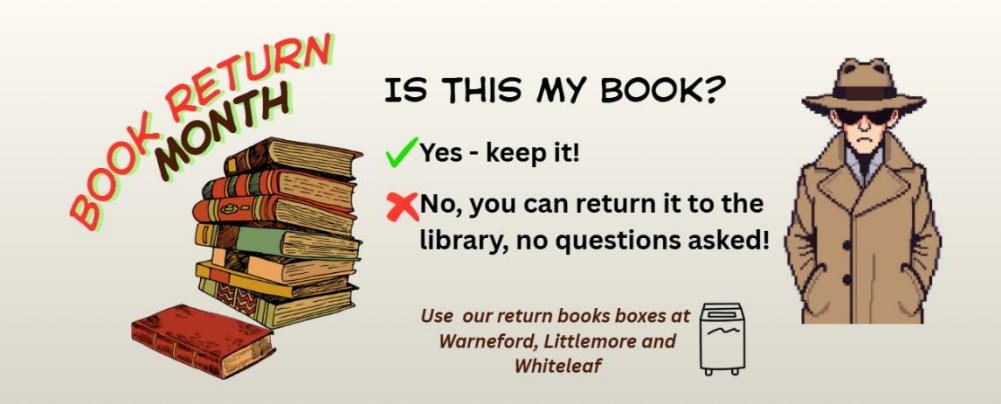
The interview with a former Warneford Hospital nurse features in a special BBC Radio Oxford programme, which looks at how mental health care has changed since Oxford's Warneford Hospital opened in 1826. You can listen to it on BBC Sounds.

To commemorate its bicentenary, Oxford Health Charity and partners have organised a year-long programme of events supported by a £156,000 grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund.

Events include a touring exhibition, the opening of a new therapy garden constructed in the Warneford grounds, theatre performances, workshops and talks for the public.

Since its opening in July 1826, the Warneford has been a working hospital at the heart of mental health care. The bicentenary is not just a moment to reflect on the past, it's a chance to uncover and share untold stories from patients, staff and the wider community and explore how mental health care has evolved in Oxfordshire over two centuries.
You can find out more about Warneford 200 at: https://warneford200.co.uk/

The website features details of events taking place throughout the year and an online exhibition, which includes a specially-commissioned film illustrating how attitudes to mental illness have changed over time. New content will continue to be added and visitors can sign up to receive latest news and updates.



Seeking NHS staff for user research

The Knowledge and Library Services Team at NHS England are conducting research to understand what NHS staff need from the services they use to access and use knowledge and evidence for their role.

They are looking for participants for a semi structured interview that will explore how staff and students currently access and use evidence. They would also like to know what could be done to improve your experience.

Interviews are expected to take between 30 and 45 minutes and can be scheduled at a time to suit you during February.

If you are interested in taking part, please register your interest via the brief online form.

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