

Colehill Community Library

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Famous Author Endorses Community Library

From: Tess Gerritsen, 4 March 2018, To: Derek Henderson Thank you for the update on your library. How nice to know it's still up and running, thanks to your dedicated volunteers! Please let everyone know how delighted I am to know the library is thriving. It's always wonderful to know that books bring a community together! tess. >> see overleaf

THE READING AGENCY AND LIBRARIES PRESENT



Parents and Grandparents Does Dennis the Menace stir some nostalgic memories of the weekly delight of reading The Beano? Was it a guilty pleasure or something that helped you into a lifelong love of reading?

The Library will be offering you the chance to relive some of those memories as you share the fun of the 2018 Summer Reading Challenge with the children of Colehill.

This year the title for the Challenge is "Mischief Makers" and it is helping "The Beano" to celebrate its 80th year by incorporating Dennis, Gnasher and friends into the theme.

Our wonderfully supportive Colehill schools have invited us to talk to the children about the Challenge and encourage them to sign up. Starting on Saturday 7th July and carrying on until Saturday 8th September.

It is **FREE**, **FUN**, **FRIENDLY** and **LOCAL**. If your family are visiting from elsewhere it is a lovely activity to do with them.

The children (no one is too young, as sharing a book counts) start by signing up at Colehill Community Library (*other libraries are available*) and collecting a free collectors map of Beanotown, They go on to collect six Mischief Makers stickers as they read or listen to library books and briefly tell one of our volunteers about their choices. On completing the Challenge they will be presented with a medal. Their schools will present them with a certificate in the Autumn term or they can receive it at the Library.

There will be related quizzes and games all through the summer and everyone who completes the Challenge at Colehill will be entered into a prize draw to win a copy of the latest Beano Annual. We will also be aiming to record over 2000 issues of books for young people over this period. PLEASE HELP US TO ACHIEVE THIS TARGET!

100 Issues!

Issue 1 of the original 'Friends of Colehill Library' newsletter came out in May 2002. We are delighted with the progress we've made, especially since becoming a community library.

Another change coming shortly is a smart new Customer Self Service machine, which will be quite similar in use to the current ones but will

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be able to take the new coinage, among other updates. Our volunteers will be on hand to help.

And thank you to Daisy Summerfield, for reworking a familiar picture into a new logo for us.

John Gooch, Chairman.

Special InterestGroups

In the Library, 10am - noon unless stated. Please check the noticeboard or the website for changes to the monthly schedule.

Family History meets on Thursday, 12th July (not the 5th). **Just Write** is not meeting in August.

Book Club – The Colehill Reading Group: Do you enjoy a good book and would like someone to share it with? We meet at the Library from 1-2 pm on the second Tuesday of the month. We are looking for a couple of new people to join our friendly group. If you are interested just leave your contact details at the Library and someone will get back to you.

Knit and Natter meets on the last Thursday of the month.

The **Adult Colouring** group has been running for 2+ years now and along with a broad range of colouring choices, members also have the opportunity to try card making and even water colour painting.

Along with the creative element, much conversation and laughter also takes place in a very friendly, informal and supportive environment - not forgetting the coffee and biscuits of course!

So if you are "crafty" and fancy a couple of hours joining a friendly, fun group we meet on the last Friday of the month, from 10-12. Everyone welcome. *Theresa Jansen*.

About Tess Gerritsen

Internationally bestselling author with books published in forty countries, and more than 30 million copies sold around the world.



Having graduated from the University of California with an M

University of California with an M.D. it was not until she was on maternity leave that she began to write fiction; initially romantic thrillers. In 1987, her first novel was published. 'Call After Midnight', followed by eight more in the same genre.

However in 1996 she gained nationwide acclaim with Harvest, her first medical suspense novel. Since then Tess has maintained a steady output, almost annually, of well grounded thrillers with clever plots and sound medical detail; several of which have been recognised with Awards. Many are regularly mentioned on "best sellers" lists; she now writes full time. She lives in Maine.

Her work is represented over here on TV via her series of novels featuring homicide detective Jane Rizzoli and medical examiner Maura Isles, which inspired the television series 'Rizzoli & Isles'.

With such a heavy work load it is heartening to receive encouraging emails from Tess in which she recognises the good work we are doing to maintain our library.



A refresh for our 100th edition

Your library newsletter is celebrating its 100th issue with a bit of a makeover. We have a new logo based on Daisy Summerfield's design that she created for the community written book, 'Life on the Hill'. We are also considering a future refresh for both layout and content. We would really like to know what you think about this.

- What do you like about the current library newsletter?
- Is there anything new or different you would like to see included?
- What aspects of Colehill Community Library interest you?

Do you have any ideas or feedback you'd like to give? Just email the library or comment on Facebook and one of the team will get back to you for a chat.

Memories...

If anyone has old photographs of Colehill would they lend them to the library and allow copying for our Memories Box? Credit will be given to the lender. Similarly, it is so important for the memories of elderly residents to be recorded. So many slip through and then it is too late. I am sure there are several volunteers who would spend an hour or two with someone and record or make notes and then write the reminiscences up so that the social history of Colehill is recorded for the future.

Please drop a note into the library or phone 01202 886676 and ask for someone to contact you.

An opportunity to visit Malverleys

10 acres of dynamic gardens which have been developed over the last 7 years to include magnificent mixed borders and a series of contrasting yew hedged rooms, hosting flame borders, a cool garden, a pond garden, walled veg garden and new stumpery. Mat Reese, the Head Gardener, trained at Ness, Wisley, Kew and finally six years at Great Dixter – he's ambitious, talented and plant mad.

The part of the garden most in tune with Mat's gardening ethos is the area at the back of the house, where he has replanted the long borders, filling them with his own experimental mix of plants.

In the afternoon we visit Longstock Park Nursery, Farm Shop and Café. This is on the Leckford Estate owned by Waitrose where they grow a wide range of produce for the supermarket. The produce is also available in the Farm Shop and the Nursery has a wide range of plants including the National Collection of buddleias.

Coach trip to and tour of **Malverleys Garden**



Then on to John Lewis' Longstock Park Plant Nursery, Café and Farm Shop

Wednesday 25th July £25 pp

Includes driver's gratuity

Leaving Colehill Library at 9 am

Tickets available in Colehill Community Library For more information contact Kate on 01202 840620 Fund-raising for Colehill Community Library (charity no. 1151552)

The following coach trip will be on Monday 22nd October to the Houses of Parliament - details on our website.

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