

There are library branches across the Barnsley borough and Early Years Library Services are also available at some Surestart Children's Centres.

To find your nearest service point ring Barnsley Central Children's Library 01226 773952 or visit www.barnsley.gov.uk/libraries

To join the library, you will need to take a document to confirm your name and address. (eg. driving licence or household bill)

Services for YOUNG Child's first steps to...

bookstart bear club

The Bookstart Bear Club is a fun, free membership club open to library members aged 0-4.

Sign up and get great rewards when you share stories, books and rhymes in the library.

Use your Bookstart Bear Club Passport to keep a record of each time you take part in a Bookstart Bear Club activity at the library. Collect six stamps in your passport and you will receive a Bookstart Bear Club certificate to take home. There are ten different certificates to collect, including an extraspecial 10th certificate – why not try to collect them all?

To sign up and receive your free membership pack, ask at your local library.

Join the online Bookstart Bear Club for:

- fun games
- personalised book recommendations
- great local events

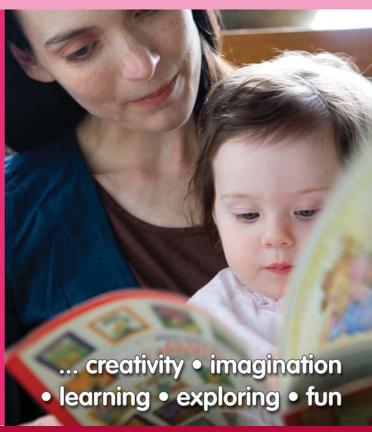




You can also visit our website at:

www.barnsley.gov.uk/libraries













A Parents' Collection is also available in all libraries. This range of useful books covers topics from child health and development to decorating children's bedrooms.

Most Libraries have FREE story time and toddler pop-in sessions. Drop into your nearest library for more details.

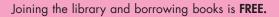
Bookstart

Bookstart offers the gift of free books to all children before they start school, to inspire a love of reading that will give children a flying start in life.

Barnsley Bookstart aims to encourage families in sharing books, rhymes and stories with their young children and to promote library usage.







Children can join the library from any age.





We provide free Bookstart packs for all children at:

- 6 months (through Health Visitors)
- 3 years (through Early Years settings)

You may also be entitled to additional resources through your local Children's Centre.

For further information contact: Deborah Blewitt (01226) 773935

Alternatively ask your

- Health Visitor
- Library or
- Nursery.

