



A very big **Thank you** to everyone who helped us celebrate our **40** wonderful years on Saturday 5th July. Over **170** members and friends, past and present came together to enjoy a walk down memory lane and share in a day of fun.



Important News!

As part of our **40th Birthday** celebrations our project has been chosen to receive a **Royal visit from HRH The Countess of Wessex GCVO on Friday 7th November**. This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase what the Newcastle Toy and Leisure Library is all about and will be a lovely end to our celebrations for our families and friends.

We hope many of you will be able to join us. Please speak to a member of staff for further information.

Other great news

One of our 40 challenges this year was to renew and update our soft play and huge thanks to **True Colours, Bailey Thomas, Community Foundation and Greggs** for their generous funding. This has enabled us to not only renew the majority of the soft play but amend the design to incorporate a hoist for wheelchair users and have some new sensory panels. This will all be fully completed by the end of the October and the soft play will continue to be a wonderful asset to all Toy Library members and friends for years to come. Hooray!

Please see the back of this newsletter for Saturday dates this term.

New Saturday Dates:-

- Saturday 4th October 10.30am - 12.30pm
- Saturday 18th October 10.30am - 12.30pm
- Saturday 8th November 10.30am - 12.30pm
- Saturday 22nd November 10.30am - 12.30pm
- *Saturday 6th December 10.30am - 12.30pm - Christmas Party*

Summer

Our summer programme consisted of 12 varied activities and outings and for once the weather was on our side (most of the time!). We enjoyed some great coach trips to Fairy Dell Medieval Festival, Washington Wetlands and Adventure Valley. A pirate fun day, empire cinema and Seven Stories were some of the other highlights.



October half term

After voting it has been decided that the film of choice this time is '**The Teenage Ninja Mutant Turtles**' at the Empire Cinema (The Gate). The preferred day is **Wednesday 29th October at 10.00am**, sign up from Saturday 4th October.

This 1 Group

Some of the group applied to the Youth and Community Opportunities Fund before the Summer Holidays to plan and run their own Cinema Club. The Young People's Panel voted it the number one project and have given £2280 for the group to plan and run 12 Cinema Club sessions, and to work with professional artists to plan film related creative activities as part of the club. We are all excited about this new project running from October to March 2015.