

KEY MONTHLY LIBRARY ACTIVITIES - 2011

Month: September

Location: Erin Meadows

REACHING OUT TO...

FAMILIES AND CAREGIVERS

1. Children's programming started for the fall session at Erin Meadows Library. Children and staff alike are excited to be starting a new session.

YOUTH

1. Teens returned to the popular lunchtime gaming programs offered in the Erin Meadows Library through a partnership with the Erin Meadows Community Centre. Over seventy teens have shown up for the first two sessions of the school year.

2. The first meeting for the youth book club was held. Participants decided to meet once a month after school. Leviathan is the first choice of book.

3. Erin Meadows staff shared their expertise with the John Fraser Secondary School's parenting classes and showed them how to find suitable library materials for young children. Library staff will be returning to the school to listen to the student presentations.

4. Art students from St. Aloysius Gonzaga Secondary School created a beautiful display of their sculptures in the large display case.

NEWCOMERS

1. Peel Multicultural Council is staffing a table in the Erin Meadows Library every Thursday for two hours. They have found this to be a successful way to meet newcomers and offer their expertise to them.

COMPLETING OUR NEIGHBOURHOODS

1. Erin Meadows Library and Community Centre celebrated its 10th Anniversary with a big community event. Councillor Pat Saito hosted her annual BBQ in conjunction with the library and community centre celebration. Local businesses Loblaws, Starbucks and Panago contributed with food and drink. Organizations like Eden Community Food Bank, Peel Regional Police, Ontario

Provincial Police, and the Mississauga Fire Department all had a presence and met with local residents. Teen volunteers and staff hosted fun activities like a bouncy castle, bubbles, skipping rope, and outdoor chess. Inside there was free swimming, storytime, birthday card making, popcorn and other activities. Councillor Saito welcomed Library Board Chair Darrel Carvalho and Commissioner Paul Mitcham who spoke and welcomed the hundreds of guests. It was a great day and offered an opportunity for local residents to come out and meet each other and learn what makes Mississauga so special.