

1 OUTER SPACE

PETERBOROUGH MUSEUM AND ART GALLERY (L)

Created by: Adam Pekar

Inspired by: Space travel the ultimate journey.

2 FUNKY CHICKENS

PETERBOROUGH MUSEUM AND ART GALLERY (M)

Created by: Welland Academy

Inspired by: The new members of our school - our chickens!

3 ST THOMAS MORE BENCH

PETERBOROUGH MUSEUM AND ART GALLERY (M)

Created by: St Thomas More RC (Aided) Primary

Inspired by: A celebration of the value we place on reading for enjoyment.

4 A SEAT FOR FRIENDS

PETERBOROUGH RAILWAY STATION (L)

Created by: Judith Berrill

Inspired by: Finding the perfect cosy spot and a whole host of new friends, whilst being absorbed in a good book.

5 THE MAGIC OF BOOKS!

PETERBOROUGH RAILWAY STATION (M)

Created by: Nene Valley Primary School

Inspired by: Our whole school's love of reading.

6 COLOUR YOUR IMAGINATION

QUEENSGATE SHOPPING CENTRE (L)

Created by: Art+Believe

Inspired by: Getting lost in a good book.

7 BOOKS THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS

QUEENSGATE SHOPPING CENTRE (M)

Created by: Lime Academy Watergall

Inspired by: Our commitment to developing a love of reading for pleasure.

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8 NEWARK HILL BENCH

QUEENSGATE SHOPPING CENTRE (M)

Created by: Newark Hill Primary Academy

Inspired by: Our love of books and reading for pleasure.

9 TIME TO SIT AND REFLECT

PETERBOROUGH CATHEDRAL (L)

Created by: Lois Cordelia

Inspired by: The peace and tranquility of a perfect reading spot.

10 UNLOCK YOUR POTENTIAL

PETERBOROUGH CATHEDRAL (M)

Created by: Lime Academy Abbotsmede

Inspired by: Our curriculum intent to promote a lifelong love of reading.

11 A TOUCH OF MAGIC

PETERBOROUGH CATHEDRAL (M)

Created by: Old Fletton Primary School

Inspired by: Our belief that reading should be valued and enjoyed by everyone.

12 WELCOME TO THE LIBRARY!

PETERBOROUGH CENTRAL LIBRARY (L)

Created by: Anne-Marie Byrne

Inspired by: Cheeky literary bear puns.

TRAIL MAP

Don't forget to share your photos from the Peterborough Reads BookBench Project on social media and use the hashtags

#PeterboroughReads #BookBench



Please note BookBenches may be moved in their venues and between locations. Venue opening restrictions will apply and you are advised to check in advance. While every effort has been made to ensure that the information is correct and accurate, Wild in Art cannot accept any responsibility in respect of any errors, omissions or cancelled events.

This project is kindly supported by:



13 50 YEARS OF MR MEN

PETERBOROUGH CENTRAL LIBRARY (M)

Created by: Peakirk-cum-Glinton CofE Primary School

Inspired by: 50 years celebration of the Mr Men books.

14 OUR FAVOURITE CHARACTERS

PETERBOROUGH CENTRAL LIBRARY (M)

Created by: Queen's Drive Infant School

Inspired by: Our favourite book characters from stories read to us in school.

15 HOW TO CATCH A STORY!

KEY THEATRE (L)

Created by: Dogsthorpe Infant School

Inspired by: A celebration of our favourite stories and our aim to always reach for the stars!

16 FAIRYTALE DREAMS

SERPENTINE GREEN SHOPPING CENTRE

Created by: Jess Perin (L)

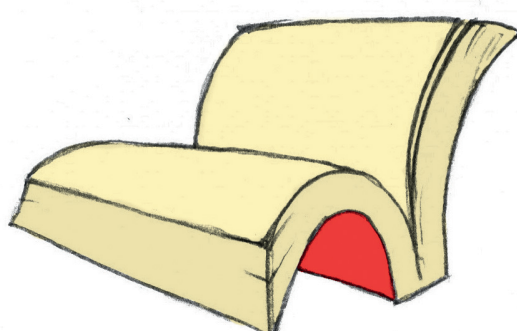
Inspired by: Classic fairytale stories and their iconography.

17 PADDINGTON COMES TO PETERBOROUGH

SERPENTINE GREEN SHOPPING CENTRE (M)

Created by: St. Michael's Church School

Inspired by: The link between one of our favourite characters with the city we live in.



Happy trails!

I'd also like to say a massive thank you to all of our sponsors, as this project wouldn't have been possible without their generosity. Each business you can see on this trail has done something truly special to help their community.

Follow us on Facebook, by searching for "Peterborough Reads", to stay up to date with our activities and events.

Are you a member of your local library?

It is free to join and opens a world of stories, ideas and opportunities.

Find your nearest library at vivacity-peterborough.com/libraries-and-archives

These BookBenchs were designed by talented schoolchildren from across the city. Some based their designs on their favourite book, whilst others used their favourite characters as inspiration. The wonderful pieces of sculpture you can see are a combination of their incredible creativity and love of stories.

"Hi, I'm Sally Atkinson, the manager of the Peterborough Reads Literacy Hub, and I'm really excited for you to take part in our BookBench trail across the city."

Welcome from the National Literacy Trust

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Trail Map and Activities

Monday 28th June –
Monday 6th September



Connecting
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Bringing BookBenchs to the city

Dedicated to raising literacy levels



Take a seat



Wild in Art is a leading creative producer of spectacular mass-appeal public art events. Connecting businesses, artists and communities through the power of creativity and innovation, it passionately believes in the power of the arts to shape and change lives. The BookBench sculpture is designed as a fun and engaging 3D canvas to help promote literacy.

The National Literacy Trust is an independent charity dedicated to improving the reading, writing, speaking and listening skills of those who need it most, giving them the best possible chance of success in school, work and life. We support communities, schools and early years settings and campaign to make literacy a priority. In Peterborough we are known locally as Peterborough Reads, and we focus on supporting children and young people's literacy. The Connecting Stories initiative, funded by Arts Council England, aims to increase children and young people's interest in reading and writing, and to promote diverse voices and stories.

To find out more about our work, including how we're supporting children's learning following the Covid-19 pandemic, see literacytrust.org.uk



Can you find our mystery word?

There's a different letter hiding on each of the A-Boards next to the BookBench sculptures...

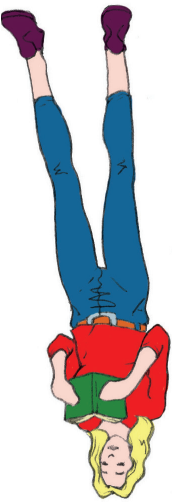
All you have to do is write down each of the letters that you find, and then unscramble them to reveal a secret phrase. We've given you a head start with two of the letters, but to complete the word you'll need to visit all of the BookBenchs on the trail.

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Have you found the answer?

Send us your answer or a picture of your completed trail map to Peterboroughcs@literacytrust.org.uk by Tuesday 7th September and we will enter you into an exciting prize draw!

We would also love to see any pictures that you've taken of you enjoying the trail.



Can you find all 17 BookBench sculptures across the city?

They have been decorated by schools, community groups and artists and feature designs inspired by their favourite books.

The sculptures are displayed in libraries, museums, art galleries, shopping centres and visitor attractions throughout Peterborough. Discover these amazing buildings on the trail and celebrate the incredible history of the city.

Looking for more fun?

Find out more about fun family activities at Peterborough Reads
Facebook Page: facebook.com/PeterboroughReads



Words For Life

provides parents, children and young people with activities and support to improve their language, literacy and communication skills from home:
wordsforlife.org.uk

Discover

more opportunities for reading and enjoyment at Peterborough Libraries:
<https://vivacity.org/libraries-and-archives/online-library-services/>

Explore

more about the National Literacy Trust's work in Peterborough:
<https://literacytrust.org.uk/communities/peterborough>

Find out

how Arts Council England and National Literacy Trust are working together to put on exciting events in Peterborough
literacytrust.org.uk/communities/connecting-stories

Engage

with history coming alive at Peterborough Museum:
vivacity.org/heritage-venues/peterborough-museum-art-gallery

Monthly events

are taking place at Nene Park that can support young children's literacy:
www.nenepark.org.uk/Pages/Events