

The living room of the community

Coaldale Public Library

January - February 2024



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Library Closure Days

December 25 & 26

January 1

February 19

Visit Us

Mon	9:30 am - 9:00 pm
Tues	9:30 am - 9:00 pm
Wed	9:30 am - 9:00 pm
Thurs	9:30 am - 9:00 pm
Fri	11:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sat	11:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sun	Closed



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- Story time with the Peace Officers
- Tour of the Fire Hall
- Snacks

Friday, January 26

10:00 - 11:00 am

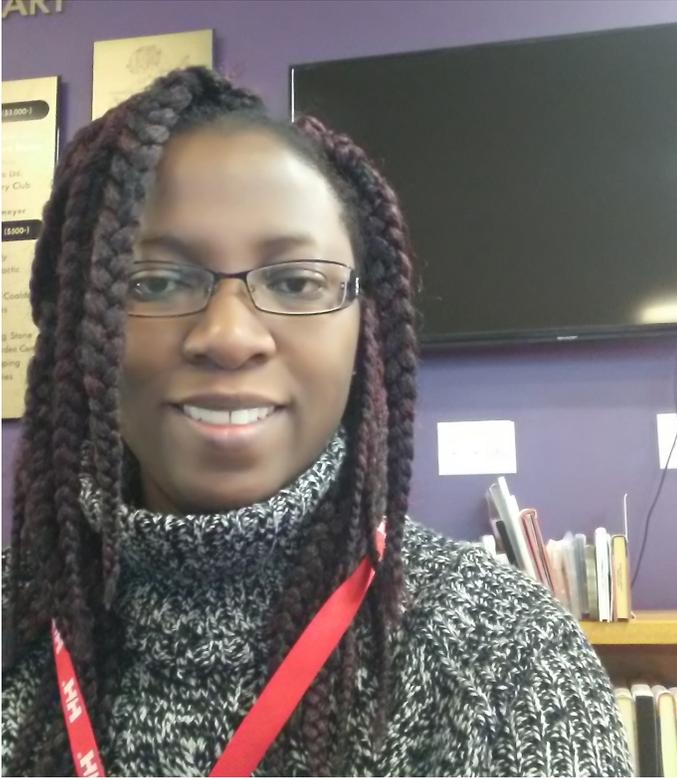
Location

1507 20th Ave



County of
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Community
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Council

Saying Goodbye to our Head Librarian



We regret to inform you that Dothlyn McFarlane recently tendered her resignation as Head Librarian effective December 15, 2023. Dothlyn has accepted the position of Associate Director at Chinook Arch Regional Library System. We want to thank her for her dedicated and visionary leadership during her 6 years with the Coaldale Public Library. We will certainly miss among other things, her friendly and warm smile. We appreciated having her at the Library and wish her the very best in her future endeavors.

In the same breath, please join us in congratulating Kindra Birss on her promotion to the position of Head Librarian effective December 16, 2023. Kindra joined the Library in September 2019 as one of our Library Clerks. In her time here, she has proven to be a dedicated and integral part of our team. We look forward to her bringing a creative and innovative aspect to her leadership.

Farewell, Dothlyn and congratulations, Kindra!

- Coaldale Public Library Board



Hello to our new Head Librarian



Most of you probably recognize my face from the front desk but I thought I would tell you a bit about myself. I've lived in Coaldale for the past 14 years and love being apart of this community. I have a husband, 4 kids, and a King Charles cavalier dog (who really is the cutest). I am a former teacher and have both a Bachelor of Education and a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the University of Lethbridge. I have loved being at the Coaldale Public Library for the past 4 years and have learned a lot under Dothlyn's mentorship. I'm looking forward to continuing to provide excellent programs and resources to the community of Coaldale in this new role.

- Kindra Birss

Welcome, our new Library Clerk

We are very excited to welcome Myla Demers to our team as our new Library Clerk! Here are a few interesting things to get to know her better:

- She recently graduated from the University of Lethbridge with a BA in Political Science and Art (Museum Studies). She spent two semesters in Quebec and one semester in Germany during her degree.
- She got her first library card from the Coaldale Public Library when she was only five years old.
- She enjoys painting, reading, language learning, and sustainable fashion. She also loves going to movies and art exhibits .
- She would like people know that they should feel free to say hi! She is looking forward to getting to connect with more members of our Coaldale community.



Read for 15

Help Coaldale record the most people in Alberta reading for 15 minutes on January 26 & 27th!

How can you help? Read anything (book, newspaper, Facebook, Ikea furniture instructions) anywhere (at the library, on the playground, in the car) and report back to the library by midnight on January 27th. The community with the highest readership will be crowned the "Most Readerly Community."

Ways to report your reading:

- In person at the library
- Phone: 403-345-1340
- Tag us on social media
- Email: help@coaldalelibrary.ca



Call your friends, challenge your adversaries and rally the troops to help us reach this goal!

Course Offering

St. John Ambulance: Babysitting Basics

This course is for youth aged 11 to 15 years old. It teaches the new babysitter the necessary skills to provide care to children in a variety of situations.

Saturday January 27th, 9am - 4pm

Cost: \$70 Space is Limited

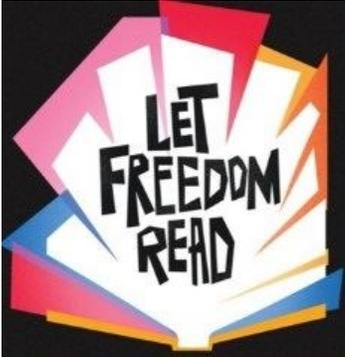
please bring a bagged lunch, paper & pen

Please contact the Coaldale Public Library to register by January 19th

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Freedom to Read



Freedom to Read

February 18-24, 2024

Freedom to Read Week is all about raising awareness of the importance of free expression and the struggle to provide free and equitable access of all kinds of information to all people. This year it's taking place February 18-24, 2024. Please come in to explore our selection of challenged and banned books and let freedom read!

If fines on your library card are a barrier to reading, we want to help with that.

Food For Fines

Tuesday Feb 20th – Saturday Feb 24th

Bring in any healthy, unopened, non-perishable food items and we'll waive \$5.00 off your overdue or hold fines for each item you contribute for the Food Bank.



0-5 Year Old Programs

Weekly programs resume January 15th!



LITTLE MAKERS
Stories, Songs & Building with
Duplo for ages 2-5
Tuesdays 3:45-4:30pm

SMALL WONDERS

Rhymes, tickles, and fun for infants,
toddlers, preschoolers and a
caregiver.

Small Wonders runs **Wednesday**
mornings from **10:00-10:30am**.



0-5 Year Old Programs Continued

Messy Mornings

Join us on Friday mornings as we explore creativity and read stories, with the occasional mess. It's a great program for you to enjoy with your toddlers and preschoolers.



Fridays 11:00 - 11:30 AM



Kids Grades K-7 Programs

LEGO CLUB

Come and create! What Lego creation will you build today?

Children ages 5-12 are invited to join us to build, create, and play with Legos followed by a tasty snack.

Every Tuesday
3:30-4:30pm



Kids Grades K-7 Programs

HEBOCON



ROBOT BATTLES

Compete to see who can build the best low tech robot. With prizes for both the best and worst robot.

Ages 10+

Wednesday January 3rd

2:00-4:00 pm

Pre-register at the library front desk

Street Fighter 6 Tournament



Ring in the new year
with a video game
tournament.

Learn to Play
1:30-2:00 pm

Friday January 5th
Ages 10+

Tournament
2:00-4:00 pm

Pre-register at the Library front desk

Kids Grades K-7 Programs

Weekly programs resume January 15th!

CHESS CLUB

We are partnering with Jumping Knight Chess to teach kids in
Grades 1-8 to play chess and improve their skills

\$100 per child

50% off for the first 7 participants to sign up

Sign up by January 9th

Program runs from

Jan 16th - Mar 26th



Contact us at 403-345-1340 to register

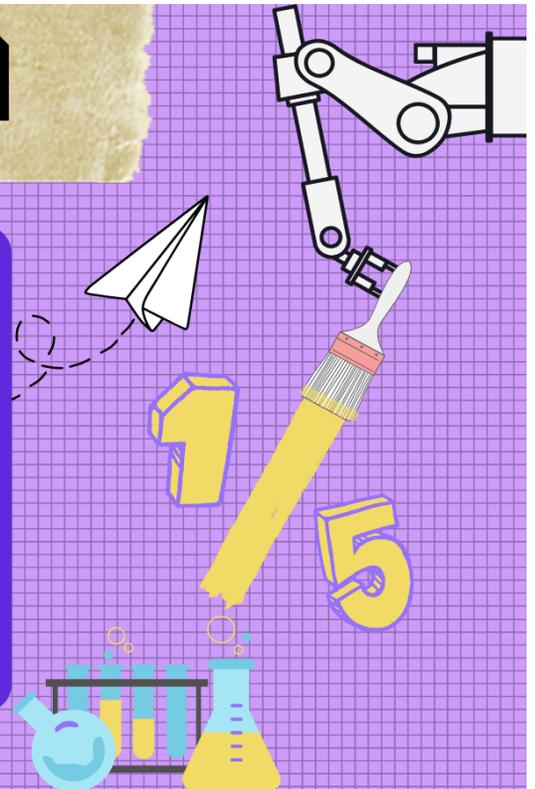
TUESDAYS 6:00-7:00PM



STEM STATION

Students in grades 4-7 are invited to join us at the library as we explore STEM in all of its various forms, followed by a snack!

**Thursdays
3:45-4:45 pm**



Teen Programs

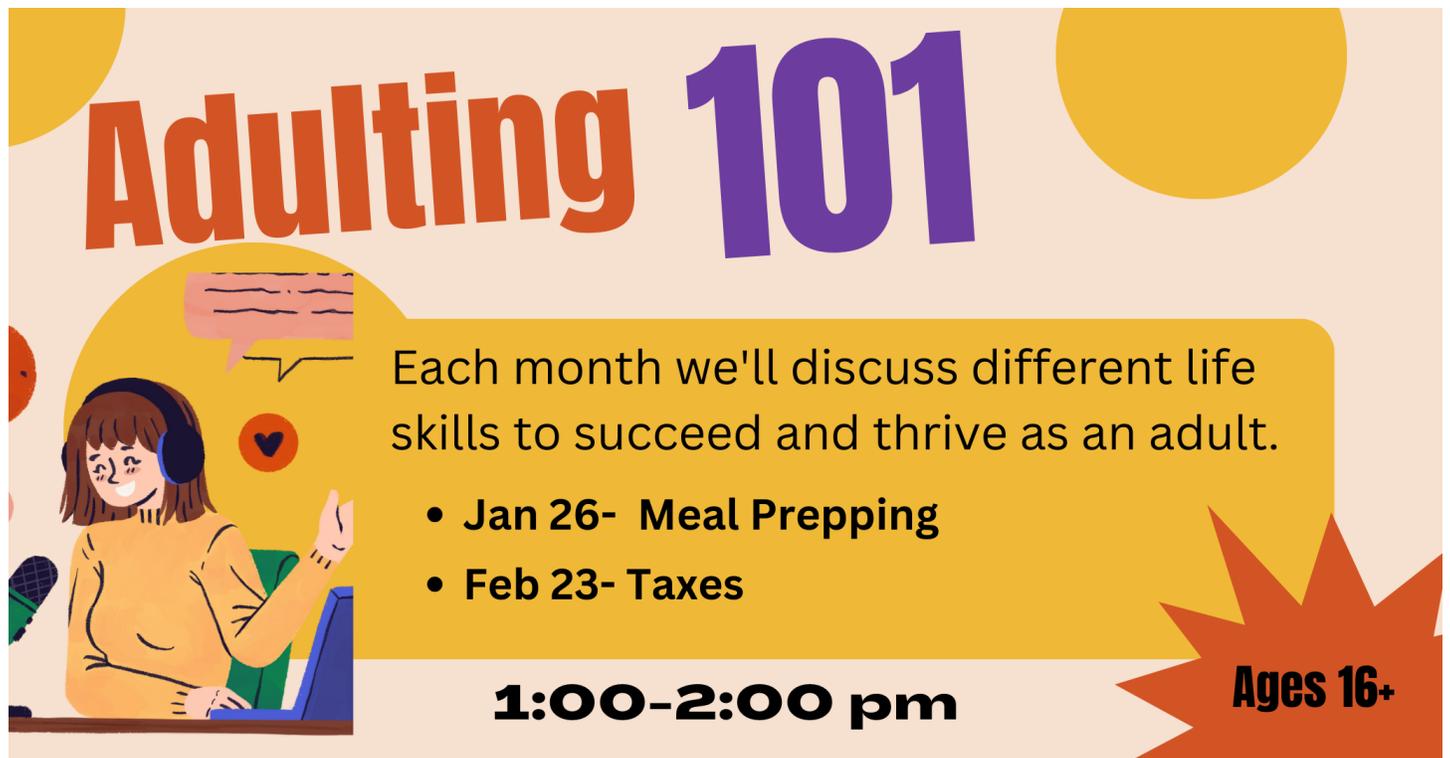
A vibrant, neon-themed graphic for a 'Teen Zone' program. The background is dark blue with glowing yellow and purple lines and shapes. On the left is a glowing yellow video game controller. On the right is a glowing blue and purple palette with a paintbrush. In the center, a pink-outlined box contains the title 'Teen Zone' in a stylized font. Below it, a blue rounded rectangle contains the text 'Join us at the library for games, crafting, and activities throughout the School Year.' and 'Ages 12+'. At the bottom, a white rounded rectangle contains the dates 'January 19 and February 9' and the time '12:45-2:00 pm'.

Teen Zone

Join us at the library for games, crafting, and activities throughout the School Year.

Ages 12+

January 19 and February 9
12:45-2:00 pm

A colorful graphic for an 'Adulting 101' program. The background is light orange with large yellow circles. The title 'Adulting 101' is written in large, bold, orange and purple letters. On the left, an illustration shows a woman with brown hair wearing headphones, sitting at a desk with a microphone and a laptop. A speech bubble with a heart icon is above her. To the right, a yellow rounded rectangle contains the text 'Each month we'll discuss different life skills to succeed and thrive as an adult.' and a list of topics: 'Jan 26- Meal Prepping' and 'Feb 23- Taxes'. At the bottom, a white rounded rectangle contains the time '1:00-2:00 pm'. In the bottom right corner, a red starburst shape contains the text 'Ages 16+'.

Adulting 101

Each month we'll discuss different life skills to succeed and thrive as an adult.

- Jan 26- Meal Prepping
- Feb 23- Taxes

1:00-2:00 pm

Ages 16+

Adult Programs

YOGA AT THE LIBRARY

January 15- March 27

Fenfit fitness will be offering Yogafit classes in the McCain Gallery.

People of all ages and skill levels are welcome.

Monday 10:00-11:00 am and 1:00-2:00 pm

Wednesday 1:00-2:00 pm

For registration questions contact Kathy at 403-382-5733

Cost is \$100 for the whole session

Please give payment directly to instructor.



Adult Book Club

Members of the Coaldale Adult Book Club read and discuss a variety of current and classic books. Meetings are held the last Monday of each month at 7 pm in the McCain gallery.

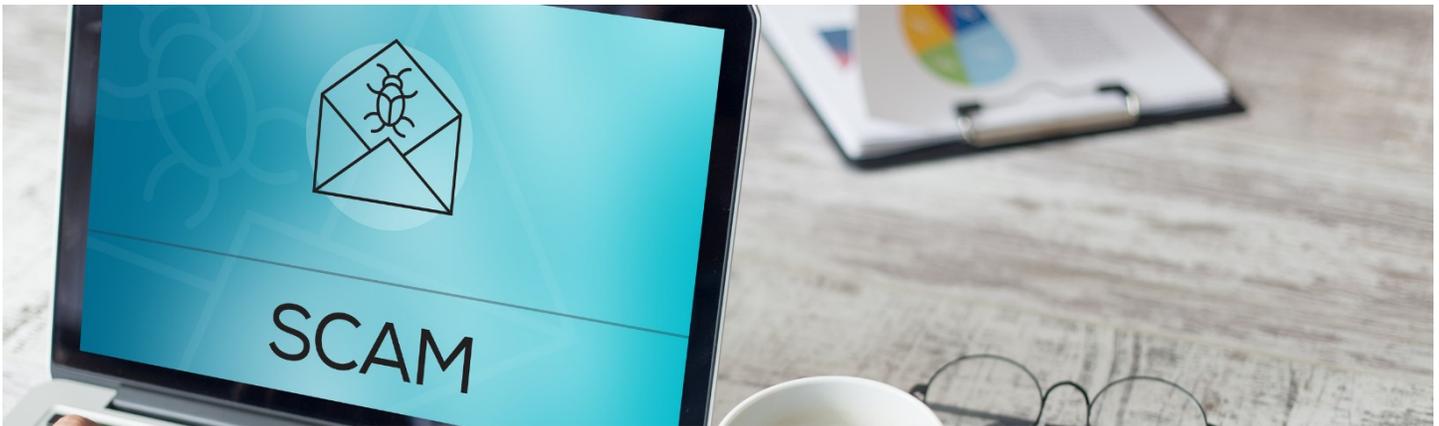
New members are always welcome!

Next Meeting:



January 29

Adult Programs



Better Business Bureau Presentations

Scams and fraud are everywhere. From robo-calls to phishing attacks they are getting harder and harder to recognize. Join the Better Business Bureau at the Coaldale Public Library to help you discern fact from fiction.

Call or email us to register: 403-345-1340 or help@coaldalelibrary.ca

Technology Fraud January 17: 4:00-5:00 pm

Cybersecurity for Seniors February 21: 4:00-5:00 pm



Blind Date With a Book

Spice up your reading life with our variety of wrapped books. Will your "date" be a thriller, a romance, a mystery, or something completely different? You may just discover a new genre you love. Rate the book and return your review to be entered to win a gift basket!



Family Program

Family Movie Matinees

Enjoy a movie night on us with our monthly movie kits!

Each kit comes with a movie and snacks. Kits are limited,
so call or email us to make sure to get yours!

Kits available January 24 & February 21



Culture Bites

Session 4
Lebanon



Join our table for a little culture and a little food

We are hosting presenters to share their culture and food with the community. To register contact us at 403-345-1343 or msorensen@coaldalelibrary.ca

Register by January 19th

January 25 7:00 pm- 8:00 pm

Homeschool Programs

Programming on Demand

Homeschool Edition

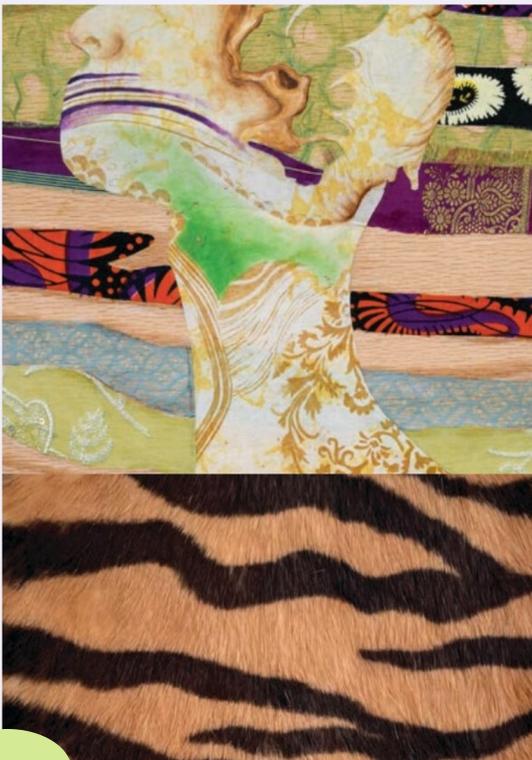
- 3D Printing
- Adulting 101
- Art Attack
- Chess Time
- Coding Corner
- Exceptional Engineers
- Lego Challenge

Educational programs for Home Schooled families.

➔ Pick a topic from the List. ➔ Call us to schedule a date.
➔ Let us explore!

Call or email 403-345-1340 or
help@coaldalelibrary.ca

In the Gallery



PATCH SOUND PORTRAITS BUDDAN

on display at Coaldale Public Library

Dec 21 - Jan 24

County of Lethbridge Community Learning Council

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Office phone: 403-345-6009

Phone/text/WhatsApp 📞 : 403-915-3145

Email: clclcoffice@gmail.com

Website: communityclasses.ca

Visit: 2014 - 18 Street, Coaldale (Coaldale Public Library)



Community Survey & Focus Groups

We are doing research and want to hear from **individuals, employers and organizations** about adult learning needs in your community.

Enter to win an iPad

by taking our 10-minute survey.
(QR Code or link below)



Receive a \$10 gift card

by participating in our focus groups

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English Language Classes

- Coaldale
- Picture Butte
- Shaughnessy

Some daytime classes offer free childcare during class. Classes start the last week of January 2024.

➤➤ Digital Drop in



Tuesdays from
1:00 - 2:30 pm

or book a time that is convenient for you!

Drop in and get assistance with your tablet, cell phone, laptop, social media, etc...