APPENDIX 2

Major Events in Libraries Jan 2024- Mar 2025

Event title	Description	Date
Story Makers 7 Emergency Services	28 weeks of Interactive storytelling at 3 libraries plus a weekly zoom session, creation of picture book, and Celebration Event, focussing on the Emergency Services. Funded by Community Safety Fund. Aimed at pre-school children and their carers, plus pre- school settings	Oct 2023- May 2025. Celebration Event 8 May 2024
Greater Manchester Festival of Libraries	A programme of events and activities across Greater Manchester, including Tameside, celebrating libraries. Funded by Arts Council England, and project managed by Manchester City Of Literature in partnership with local library authorities.	12-16 June 2024
TechKnow Festival	Events in libraries and across Tameside to promote digital skills and celebrate digital activities. In partnership with Employment and Skills	June 2024 (date tbc)
Summer Reading Challenge 2024	The Summer Reading Challenge encourages children to keep reading during the summer holidays. Complimented by a programme of summer holiday activities at all our libraries	July- September 2024
Story Makers 8	Subject to successful funding bid to Community Safety Fund. Approximately 28 weeks of interactive storytelling at several libraries and via zoom, creation of a picture book, and celebration event. Aimed at pre-school children, their carers and pre-school settings. Theme to be confirmed	Sep/ Oct 2024-May 2025
National Libraries Week	A time to celebrate everything libraries achieve and their importance to local communities and the country as a whole. A programme of events and activities in all our libraries to be confirmed	October 2024 (date tbc)
Get Online Week	A programme of events to help digitally excluded people learn new skills and get online. Programme to be confirmed. Libraries will work in partnership with the Employment and Skills Team	October 2024 (date tbc)
Ready Steady Read Children's Book Festival	A celebration of children's books and reading, with authors, illustrators and activities. Incorporating World Book Day and spring half term	Feb- Mar 2025