

Eye Chat Weekly.

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Welcome to this week's quick update giving you news, views and information. Contact Alex or Ananché in the office, to offer us your article, or email admin@buryblindsociety.org

Summer: – Yes, believe it or not, it is summer, if somewhat sporadic! We understand you would like to be as comfortable as possible whilst you are at the centre and this might mean you need the windows and or doors open, but we do also need to keep you and the building safe. So, if you need a door open, please only open the garden door by requesting reception for the key. Once you have opened the door please return the key and let reception know when you are leaving so that the door can be locked. If you open a window please make sure it is closed and locked before you leave. Finally, please do not prop open the back door or the inner front door as we want to ensure that entry to the building is secure. Thank You!

Paid Intern Opportunity: Last chance to apply for this fantastic opportunity. Are you blind or partially sighted and a newly qualified graduate or looking for employment or a change in career? This position could be perfect for you! Supported by Thomas Pocklington's Get Set Progress Internship programme this is a paid role for nine months based at BBS, for a Sight Loss Support Intern. For further details and to apply, contact Alex or go to our website, www.buryblindsociety.org to download the application. It's a really short window to apply – closing date 31st July so get those applications in!

Will you be following The Paris Olympics? Follow our Medals Chart on display in the Lounge area! All countries have had BBS groups allocated to them so check if you're country is in the lead!

Bury 10K Run, 15th September. Talking of Olympics, volunteer Peter Halligan is running in the Bury 10K this year hoping to raise some much-needed funds for us. Can you show your support by sponsoring his efforts? Details on our Website or there's a sponsor form displayed in the Centre.

Bees Book Club – We are growing! If you would like to read the same book as the group members but are unable to join us please let us know. If you want to join us we meet on the third Saturday each month. This month's book is 'The Guest List' by Lucy Foley. Next meeting is on Saturday 18th August 11.00am

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Transport for Greater Manchester (TFGM) Following the recent visit of Andy Burnham, Mayor of Greater Manchester, a group from the society visited the offices of TFGM on Monday and had a very positive discussion with the team about the needs of visually impaired passengers. It was agreed that contact would be maintained with TFGM and of course we await with interest our appointment with Andy when he will take a bus journey with us, wearing SIM specs. We'll keep you posted!

Ukulele Band: A great time was had by all this week when the band played at our Monday Music session. If you missed them or would like to hear them again we have invited them back to celebrate our Open Day in October, so watch out for further details in the VI Bulletin.

Coming Up this week in the Centre:

Monday 29 July:

10.30am-12.00pm - Drop In at the Centre (Small Lounge area).

10.00am-11.30am - MEGs Group. (Large Lounge)

1.30pm-2.30pm – Fun music group for all abilities, everyone welcome to have a go.

Tuesday 30 July:

Centre closed for Drop In. Open for Appointments only.

Reminder: - The Ten Pin Bowling Group has been paused just over the Summer Holidays and will resume in September. In the meantime, you would be very welcome to join the group on a Wednesday afternoon – details below.

Wednesday 31 July:

10.30am-12.00pm - Drop In at the Centre.

1:30pm-2:30p - Walk and Talk or Run group – relocating over the school holidays to Manchester Road Community Park.

Thursday 1 August:

Session one is 10:30am-12:00pm, session two is 1:30-2:30pm

Olympic Themed Fun Workshop with Dorothy Bullough come and get creative and make your own medal!

Friday 2 August: 11.30am-2.30pm: - Soup and a sandwich with Mags – If you would like to join us, please contact the office on 0161 763 7014 by 11am Thursday for catering purposes.