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The ESOL Tutor Newsletter



April 2022

Upcoming Events See what's happening this month.



Global Volunteer Month

Hi Everyone,

April is global volunteer month celebrating the people who create more vibrant communities by volunteering and by their everyday actions. That's you!!!

To all of you who "raise your hands" to help our students and tutors in so many ways every day – thank-you! To find out more, click here:

https://www.pointsoflight.org/

Call for ESOL Tutors

The next virtual Tutor Training starts April 20 and ends May 25; it will be held on Wednesday nights from 5:30-7:30pm.

If you know someone who might be interested in becoming a tutor, please let us know or have them contact us at fplmail4@ minlib.net or 508-532-5574.

Upcoming Events

Tutor Time - Tuesday, April 5, 2:00-3:15pm

We will take a look at Ellii (formerly known as the ESL library) and review how to set up a "class" for a tutor and student. Laurie will explain how she uses WhatsApp with her students and why.

Virtual New Tutor Information Session - Monday, April 11, 7:00-8:00PM

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Tutor Time REPEAT - Wednesday, April 20, 6:30-7:30PM

We will repeat the Tutor Time session on Ellii and WhatsApp described above.

Virtual Tutor/Student Social Hour: Tuesday, April 26, 6:00-7:30PM

A fun way to meet others while doing an icebreaker activity on Zoom. Invite your student(s) or classes if you have them.

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For Tutors

April Holidays

Literacy Unlimited and the libraries (Framingham and Natick) will be closed on Monday April 18 for Patriots' Day. The libraries will also be closed on Sunday, April 17.

Looking for ways to teach pronunciation?

One of our tutors discovered Eva Easton online and has found the videos and website helpful. Search "Eva Easton" on Google or go here https://www.evaeaston.com and check-it out. Thank you Tina for sharing! Rachel's English is another resource https://rachelsenglish.com/

Map & Workbook Donations

One of our tutors has graciously donated several maps, including a map of the world, map of Europe, and a map of the Caribbean. They are located in the Framingham Literacy resource bookshelf and can be used during tutoring sessions at the library. Thank you, Sue!

And while you are at it, check-out the resource books and workbooks we have available – we recently received many book donations and the staff has been hard at work categorizing them on the bookshelves.

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For Students (and Tutors!)

Share, Learn, Grow: Literacy Community Activities

We are delighted to introduce a new way to connect with our community! *Share, Learn, Grow* is the opportunity for a tutor or student to teach us something new; it could be anything from a

special talent to a fantastic life story!

On Thursday April 28 at 6:30, Rebecca will lead us in a **card making activity** in real time during the Zoom meeting. If you, or you and your student, are interested let us know fplmail4@ minlib.net. There will be a packet of materials that participants will want to pick-up at the library in advance of the Zoom meeting. This is a virtual, hands-on activity with students and tutors and we hope you will give it a try.



Annual Testing

Every year we are required to test all of our students in May and June to secure a major portion of our program's funding. We will start reaching out to students in mid-April to schedule their tests. Please assure your student that this happens every year for every student, we do not have expectations regarding individual test results, and they don't have to study for it but just do their best.

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Last Word

There is a lot going on in April, so thank you for reading through to the end. We hope you find some of the information useful and that we see you at at least one of our events in April. As always, please feel free to reach out to us with questions and suggestions.

Elyse, Laurie, Karen, LieHua, and Marjie

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