



The first 6 week Introduction to Libraries participant finishing their course - there have been 70 in total so far!



The launch of the Abilities for Life social group for adults with additional support needs aged 25+.

They meet at Cosham Community Centre and celebrated their 1<sup>st</sup> birthday recently!

A partnership between Volunteer Futures, Together in HIVE Portsmouth, Independence and Wellbeing Team, Bivol Trust, and Portsmouth Parent Voice



A story teller entertaining families with wildlife related stories at St Michael's Church, Paulsgrove as part of Wilder Paulsgrove, part of the Volunteer Futures 'emPOW!er Paulsgrove' project



The project began with a Volunteer Celebration tea party for libraries in the Menuhin Theatre Lily and Lime catered and around 18 volunteers from 7 groups attended. The project has co-hosted and funded many other celebration parties.



For Volunteers Week 2023 - 16 volunteers took part representing 13 organisations on a video played on the Big Screen

It will now be shown and owned by Together in HIVE Portsmouth



Partnering with City of Portsmouth College, around 50 ESOL students have partaken in the 6 week Introduction to Libraries, and have been supported with other voluntary and social opportunities, including making crafts for library displays and helping to decorate the Libraries of Sanctuary party, and writing multi-lingual book reviews.



A volunteer has been supported to map their family tree and create a presentation around their knowledge and links to the Dockyard, in partnership with the Portsmouth History Centre. They are awaiting a posthumous medal for their deceased father as a result.



Another volunteer has been supported to meet their lifelong dream of volunteering with videography, they recently reconnected with their teacher after 40 years! In partnership with the University of Portsmouth and the Portsmouth History Centre.