

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL**Annual report to parish council : Staplehurst 2010****Events and activities held throughout the past year:**

Staplehurst library has had a successful year. Our popular children's activities continue to be well supported, including baby rhyme time, storytime and craft sessions. We have also welcome visits from the local Beavers group, pre-school and nursery groups, and regular visits from the primary school. Author Giselle Green gave an entertaining talk in July. The reading group continues to be well supported. A varied and interesting selection of book displays have been promoted throughout the year. The enthusiastic and committed user group have continued their support of the library through the year. A popular Silver Surfer IT session was arranged to support Adult Learners' Week in May. The library has a computer buddy available to assist people using the computers. We are pleased to be a venue for community surgeries, including the police, Community Warden, Maidstone borough and parish councillors, Neighbourhood Watch and the CAB.

Services Provided:

Lend books, fiction and non-fiction, suitable for all ages and interests- a free service
 Lend DVDs and audio material, for a small charge
 Free computers with internet
 Support for local reading groups
 Volunteering opportunities as computer buddies of Home Library Service couriers
 Provision of information, including use of a large and comprehensive on-line reference library, available through our website with a Kent library card
 Home Library Service, where books are delivered to people who cannot access the library

Statistics: Total number of items issued April-March 2010: 50,337. This is a decrease of 7.51%.

Concluding remarks: I would like to thank the local staff for their hard work and enthusiasm. We welcome any comments that you may have about the service.

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