



# Welcome to the Library!

Do you have a library card?

## ***What Makes Cavendish Fletcher Community Library Different?***

Just glancing at the Cavendish Fletcher Community Library from the street tells you that we are just a bit different. We are attached to Cavendish Town Elementary School. Are we a public library? YES! Are we also a school library? YES!



That's right, while school is in session the library serves as the school library on Mondays and Thursdays. Students Kindergarten through 6th grade attend library classes which consist of activities that help them learn how to locate books for both pleasure and research and how to conduct that research. On those days the library is not open to the public.

On Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays the public is welcome to visit the library from 9:00am - 6:00pm. During the school year public patrons must park on the street and walk directly to the library entrance. Summer months and school breaks (Holidays, etc.), the public has access to the front parking area.

Library patrons have access to the library collection (fiction and nonfiction, including a Vermont section), passes for parks and museums, and discovery kits for children and adults. In addition we offer digital services that include access to audiobooks, e-books, movies, language learning, and more! Throughout the year we host programs for all ages including storytellers, nature and science programs, movie nights, and more!

If you haven't been in to see us, we encourage you to stop by and get your library card or update your current library account. As you have now learned, we are a public library, a school library, and more!

## What Your Student Can Expect In Library Class

It was a pleasure to welcome your child to their first day of Library Class! All students have Library Class on Mondays and Thursdays. With the exception of Kindergarten students who have an opportunity to check out one book for one week, students are able to check out at least one book for two weeks. We do not charge fines however, students will not be allowed to check out a book if any books are overdue. If your student brings a library book home, please help them keep track of it and return it on time.

This year the library is partnering with different organizations to enhance your student's library experience. I am excited to announce that the Kindergarten and 1st Grade classes will participate in the "Adopt a Cow" program. Through this program students will learn about farming in general and dairy farming in particular. The program officially begins in October! Fifth-Grade students will participate in VT Kid Governor, an award-winning civic engagement program led by the Office of the Vermont Secretary of State. Fifth-graders across the state will learn about state government, voting, and the importance of civic engagement.

Your child will also learn basic library organization (how to find a book) and the difference between fiction and nonfiction. They will become familiar with "book vocabulary" such as pages, covers, table of contents, etc. As the school year progresses, they will have the ability to demonstrate understanding of text either through writing or drawing, sequencing of a story. There will also be a short unit on financial literacy where they will play games designed to introduce the ideas of making, spending, and saving money.

I am very excited to have your child in Library Class. If you or your child want to check out more than one book per week, you are more than welcome to visit the library during the public library hours: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:00am - 6:00pm. We are more than a school library!



## Mark your calendars for upcoming programs!

The Summer Reading Program has come to an end but fun and educational programs haven't. Here's a quick look at what's currently scheduled in the next couple of months!

- **September (all month long)**: Library Card Sign-up Month - One card, Endless Possibilities! Read the above for all you have access to with your card.
- **September 20, 2025**: Vermont Fairy Tale Festival at the library in Killington from 10:00am - 4:00pm. Librarians and others from across the state participate in a day of fairy tale related crafts and games, music, stories, and more! Your favorite librarians will be there with activities to celebrate the Magical World of Eragon. This event is for all ages and is free with a donation of a non-perishable food item.

- **September 30, 2025:** *Child of the Wild: Nature, Baby Animals, and Limericks* with Author & Illustrator, **Jonathon Otto** at 6:00pm. This program is for all ages.
- **October 15, 2025:** Magnificent Migration with Vermont Institute of Natural Science (VINS) at 6:00 pm. This program is for all ages.
- **October 17, 2025:** Gothic Victorian Tales by Candlelight, performed by Rita Parisi from Waterfall Productions. This program is geared for ages 13 and up.

For more information on these programs and what's being planned in addition to these, call the library at 802-226-7503 or check out our updated website at [www.cavendishlibrary.org](http://www.cavendishlibrary.org), our FaceBook page, [The Real Cavendish Fletcher Community Library](#). Or better yet, stop in and take a look for yourself!

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