

# Inspiring Stories

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Inspiring Stories from this quarter at NVDPL

## Inspiring Story: D & D Family Adventure

The Dungeons & Dragons Family Adventure at Parkgate Library was a great success, thanks to the efforts of a team of staff, volunteers, and participants. Dungeons & Dragons, or D & D, is a game that requires imagination, math, strategy, storytelling, and empathy. The Library offers Dungeons & Dragons Starter Kits for interested folks to borrow, but it can be daunting to learn how to play. The D & D Family Adventure was a 2.5-hour event that provided a unique opportunity for intergenerational play and imagination, with five volunteer Dungeon Masters and three teen volunteers guiding excited kids and parents through the world of D & D for the first time.

The event proved to be a hit with over 41 people participating! It was a shining example of the power of communal play and the joy of imaginative storytelling.



## Inspiring Story: Pokémon Scavenger Hunt

Spring Break at the Library was even busier than anticipated thanks to a fun program for kids! The Pokémon Scavenger Hunt was a major success with 1,200 kids participating across three branches. Participants traveled across the branches, searching for Pokémon hidden in the stacks and collecting badges all while engaging with content they love, just like the characters in the books and show. Kids displayed their badges with great pride and many enthusiastic children even came adorned in their favourite PokéGear.

1793 total buttons were handed out and over 300 children visited all three locations to receive all three badges. 120 children also visited Lions Gate Express Library to receive a special bonus sticker.

The event was a great opportunity for staff to create special moments for young community members to engage with the library and explore NVDPL locations, all while using their imagination and skills to locate characters!

