

# PLYMOUTH LIBRARIES

## Children's PLUS (Public Library Users Survey)



- 91% thought the library was good
- 77% could access to a computer at home
- 60% did not use a computer in the library
- 64% read library books
- 34% used library books to improve their reading
- 39% had someone else read library books to them
- 21% borrowed library books rather than buy books
- 86% thought books in the library were good
- 35% attended a holiday activity
- 96% said the library was a place that they wanted to come to
- 59% thought the library helped them read better

| YOUR COMMENTS  | OUR ACTIONS   |
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| <p>More teenager books</p> <p>I think there should be more fiction books for teenager.</p> <p>Make the teen area bigger, i.e., more books.</p> <p>Some more Manga/Anima books.</p> | <p>In addition to those in Southway, Efford and Plymstock Libraries, there are now specific Teen Areas in the reconfigured Central Library and newly opened St Aubyn (Devonport) Library. In addition, plans for the new Plympton Library (opening February 2012) include a Headspace Teen Area.</p> <p>Stock for young people, including teen fiction and Manga has been increased over the past year, and is under constant review.</p> |
| <p>Facebook</p>  | <p>Facebook is now available to customers aged at least 13 years old (meeting Facebook's criteria)</p>  |
| <p>Nintendo Wii</p>  | <p>A Nintendo Wii console is available at Efford. Others are being provided at St Aubyn (Devonport) and the new Plympton Library (opening February 2012).</p>   |
| <p>Childrens and rhymetime area at the back away from the doors (Plympton)</p>   | <p>In the new Plympton Library (opening February 2012), the children's area will be located well away from doors.</p>   |
| <p>More computers are needed. (Plympton)</p>   | <p>The new Plympton Library (opening February 2012), will have at least two computers specifically for young people (currently none).</p>   |
| <p>To still have librarians but to have those machines were you can check books out yourself. (They have</p>   | <p>In the Autumn of 2010 self-service RFID machines were installed in the seven largest libraries in</p>  |

them in Cornwall library)

Plymouth at no cost to staffing levels.