Dear Parent/Carer,

Your child has recently taken part in an assembly about Digifest, a celebration of digital creativity for 4-14 year olds, taking place at Norfolk Library branches countywide this February.

The assembly contained lots of information about what Digifest offers, the type of events taking place in libraries and how to take part in the sessions. We have provided your child’s school with a variety of additional information and links and asked them to share this with you, so please look out for this. Alternatively, you can find out more by visiting: [www.norfolk.gov.uk/digifest](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/digifest)

The free workshops will run throughout the month and hope to spark an interest in technology among Norfolk’s youngest residents. Digifest works within Norfolk County Council’s Digital Inclusion Strategy and helps young people with the use of creative digital technologies, aiming to inspire them to pursue a career in a digital industry.

Alongside Digifest, Norfolk Libraries offer a whole host of digital initiatives for all ages, including:

* A suite of apps, such as Press Reader, which allows you to read digital versions of magazines and newspapers, and Libby, which lets you borrow digital copies of books
* Digital Health Hubs which give people 1:1 support to get access to online health services
* The National Databank which provides adults in need with 6-months of free data via a SIM card
* A team of Digital Champions who help people, usually 1:1, to improve their computer skills
* Code Clubs and Robotics Clubs

If you’d like to join the library so you can explore everything we have to offer, please visit [www.norfolk.gov.uk/jointhelibrary](https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/libraries-local-history-and-archives/libraries/join) or pop along to your nearest branch and speak to staff.

If you have any questions regarding Digifest or Norfolk Libraries, please do not hesitate to contact us direct,

Best wishes,

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