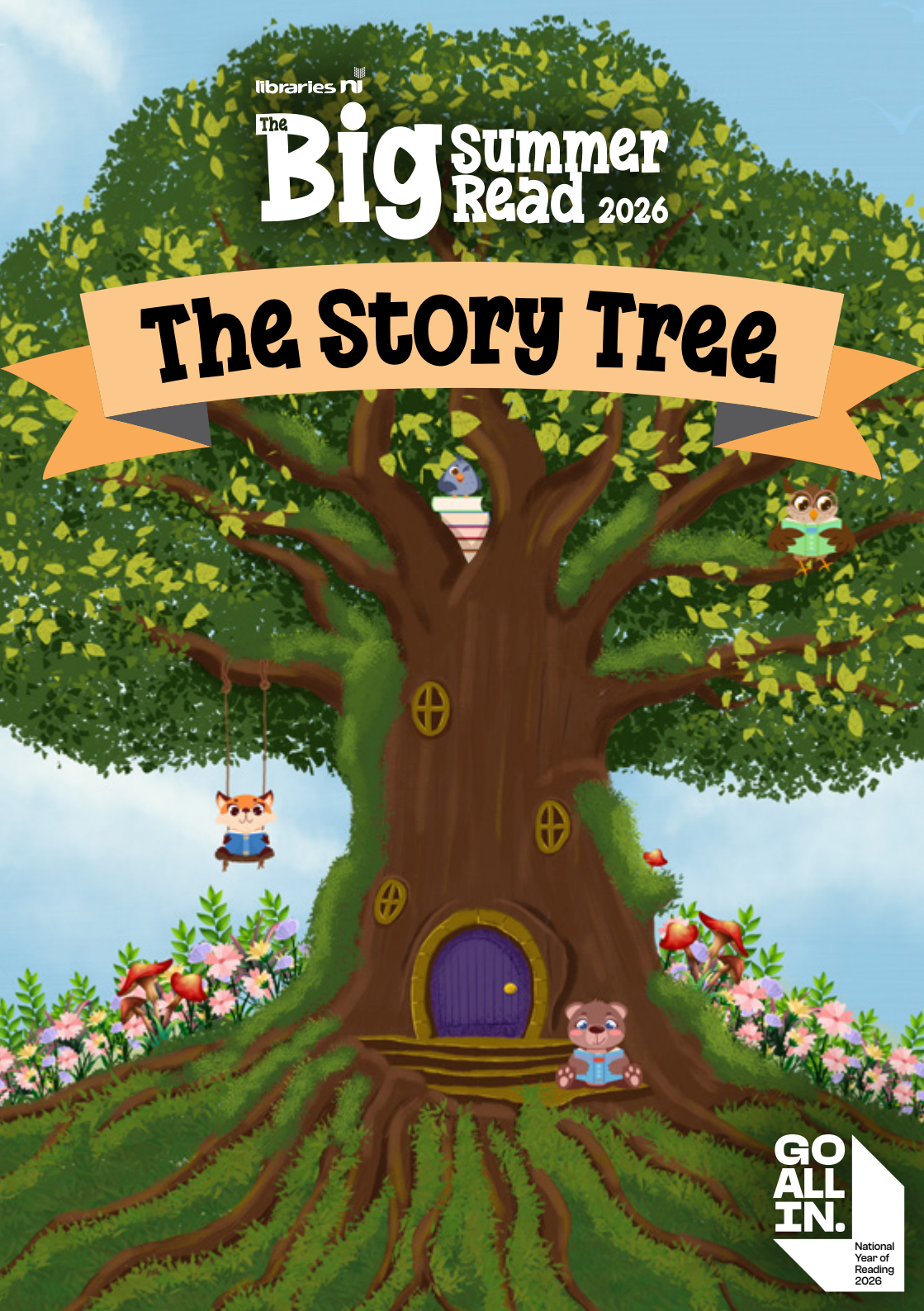


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The **Big** Summer Read 2026

The Story Tree



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2026

An easy way to keep your child learning over the summer

Delivered by Libraries NI, the Big Summer Read is a free summer programme designed to help primary school-aged children keep reading over the holidays.

Why it works

Over the summer, it's easy for reading habits to slip.

The Big Summer Read gives children a simple way to keep going, helping them to:

- stay confident with reading
- build a positive routine
- return to school ready to learn

No pressure. No set reading list.

Children can choose books they enjoy, read at their own pace, and visit the library as often as they like.

It's designed to fit around family life.

How to take part

Visit your local library, sign up, and start reading.

When?

29 June - 31 August 2026

Free at your local library

One library card gives access to books, eBooks, audiobooks and more. You can use your card at any library in Northern Ireland.



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