

**The Repair Café** - The group feel strongly that so much of what we throw away in the UK has little wrong with it, and could be easily used again after a simple repair, and so they volunteer their time and expertise to mend what people bring in. Last Saturday (22 January)) was their first session at the library and it was really buzzing. Customers brought, for example, lamps, radios, a jacket for a replacement zip, a duvet cover, a magnifying glass, a plaster statue, and a roof top bag. Several customers mentioned to us at the counter how good they thought it was for the environment. Our visitor count was 145 compared to 70/80 on recent Saturday mornings, and the Facebook post has currently reached roughly 5,300 people with 820 engagements – Fiona King, Acting Senior Library Assistant.

**Fruitful Malmesbury** have planted winter pansies and edibles so the library now contributes to their aim of reducing food waste and encouraging the growing and eating of healthy food by local residents.

