



# Harborfields PUBLIC LIBRARY

DECEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

## Emergency Blood Drive!

**Donate Blood Now! Blood Supplies are very low!**

**Tuesday, December 8, 1:00 - 7:00 PM**

Close to 2,000 men, women, and children in our community, including cancer, transplant and surgery patients, trauma victims, newborn babies, and many others need blood transfusions each day. Blood donors must be at least 16 years old (with signed permission form), weigh at least 110 pounds, and not have donated blood within the last 56 days. If you have any questions about your medical eligibility, call Long Island Blood Services at 1-800-688-0900. Please be sure to eat at your regular mealtimes and drink plenty of fluids. Please go to: [https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/284237](https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/284237) to make an appointment or call the Reference Desk at 757-4200 if you need assistance.

To remain in compliance with federal guidelines for social distancing, appointments are preferred. Walk-ins are welcome if drive capacity permits.



### Donors Presenting

- Must wear a mask or face covering, will have their temperature taken, may NOT donate if they have had a positive diagnostic test or experienced symptoms of COVID-19 in the last 14 days, and may NOT donate if they are currently on self-quarantine restrictions.

### HOLIDAY HOURS

**The Library will be closed on Thursdays & Fridays  
December 24th & 25th  
and  
December 31st & January 1st**



Coming Soon... Frosty Reads  
Adult Winter Reading Club  
January 2 - February 28, 2021

### Join the Adult Winter Reading Club!

Beginning January 2nd you can register online using READsquared. You will receive a chance to win a great gift card for every book you read or listen to up to eight books, to complete the program.

## Firefly Gallery Artists

In the Library Art Gallery

December 1 - January 29



Stop by the Gallery to see the fine art and crafts created by these local artists.

The Greenlawn Civic Association will be lighting the Christmas Tree on December 5th and the Menorah on December 13th on the front lawn of the library this year. Due to current circumstances there will not be any type of celebration or gathering for either event.



**The Harborfields Library and the Greenlawn Civic Association wish everyone in our community a healthy and happy holiday season!**



### The Harborfields Giving Tree is Back December 1 - January 2

Now more than ever we need to assist our community families who are in need. Help us in our "Gift of Giving" as we decorate the Children's Room Giving Tree with donated items for children in the Harborfields community. We are in search of new books, hats, mittens, and scarves as well as a number of food items - peanut butter, jellies, tuna fish, soup, cereals, and healthy snacks including granola bars. Thank you for showing that you care!





## Holiday Calligraphiti

Thursday, December 3, 3:00 PM

We all know how to type and text, but let's get back to the power of the pen and learn how to form letters the old-fashioned way. To learn the fun, cursive style known as Calligraphiti, all you need is a brush marker. Join us via Zoom to hand-letter the inspiring word, "Peace." Taught by Helen Murdock-Prep. Worksheets will be emailed to registered participants. Supplies needed to follow along (available at Michaels, Riebe's, Blick and online): Tombow Dual Brush markers in assorted colors (or any brush markers); Black Micron pen in any size; Optional: White gel pen (any brand).

## Painting the Seasons

*Fearless Watercolor Demonstration*

Wednesday, December 2, 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Watch and learn from artist Jan Guarino as she demonstrates her fearless watercolor techniques. Please register to receive an email reminder, Zoom link, and access to the Library's YouTube channel.

## Coming soon...Harborfields Public Library Reading Challenge 2021



## Nine Perfect Strangers Book Club

Tuesday, December 15, 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Led by Karen and Liz from the Adult Reference Department, this virtual book club will discuss the novel *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. This debut novel tells the unforgettable story of a young woman's determination to make her way in the wilds of North Carolina. To receive a link to the discussion, please register. Copies of this book are available at the Circulation Desk and through LiveLibrary-Downloads.

### FROM COVER to COVER VIRTUAL BOOK DISCUSSIONS with Donna Diamond

Third Wednesday of the Month, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Copies of these books will be available at the Circulation Desk and may be reserved online. Call the Reference Desk.

**At this time, our book discussions will continue to be held virtually. It is important that you register on the Library website to receive a link to the discussion.**

December 16 - *Finding Dorothy* by Elizabeth Letts

January 20 - *Dear Edward* by Ann Napolitano

## The Gift of Reading: Book Bundles for Adults

Treat yourself to a bundle of 3-5 specially selected books of various topics and genres that will get you in and out of the Library in no time! When you're checking out a book bundle, each item is checked out so books can be returned separately. Bundles will be displayed in the Reference Room with topics on cooking (soups, quick dinners), DIY home repair, cozy mysteries, health, and more.



## Healthy Holiday Eating

Thursday, December 10, 3:00 PM

The holidays are a time for friends, family, and food. Many of our traditional holiday dishes can be particularly decadent. In this virtual lecture we will talk about how to plan out a healthy holiday meal. We will discuss tips to take to any dinner table or menu. You will also be provided several delicious plant-based holiday recipes to wow your guests. Presented by Stephanie Schiff, CDE, RD of Northwell Health. This program is brought to you by the Town of Huntington Public Libraries. Please register to receive a Zoom link.

## Google...More than Just a Search Engine

*A SeniorNet Workshop*

Tuesday, December 8, 2:00 PM

You probably use Google at least a few times a week to find information online. But do you know that Google offers services and information far beyond its search features? In this virtual program SeniorNet will demonstrate various Google services, including Google Docs, Google Translate, video, maps, and Google Arts & Culture. This program is brought to you by the Town of Huntington Public Libraries. Please register to receive a Zoom link.

## Virtual Chair Yoga for Arthritis

Thursdays, December 3, 10, 17 and

January 7, 14, 21, 28 and February 4, 11, 18, 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Instructor Eden Bennett will guide you through this class while you remain safe in your own home. Make sure you have a sturdy chair. Optional items include an exercise band and small weights. Online registration required.

## HIICAP

*Health Insurance, Information, Counseling and Assistance*

Trained counselors from the Retired Senior Volunteer Program, sponsored by the Suffolk County Office of the Aging, offer free and accurate information, counseling, and assistance with Medicare and private health insurance. To schedule your telephone session on the first or third Wednesday, please call the Reference Desk or email [info@harborfieldslibrary.org](mailto:info@harborfieldslibrary.org).

# Children's Programs Babies & Toddlers

Children must be Harborfields residents to register for these programs. Please call Youth Services or register online for programs.

## Bundled Up Babies

*Children 0 – 17 months and a caregiver*

**Monday, December 21, 11:00 – 11:30 AM**

Celebrate the season and join us for wintry songs, stories, and play! Pick up a set of stacking cups in the Children's Room upon registration. Siblings are welcome.

## Let's Make Music

*Children 12- to 48 -months-old and a caregiver*

**Wednesdays, December 2, 9, & 16,**

**10:30 – 11:00 AM**

Sing and dance to lively musical tunes with instructor Diane Young. Siblings are welcome.

## Winter Wiggles

*Children 18 - 35 months and a caregiver*

**Tuesday, December 8, 11:00 – 11:30 AM**

Dance like a penguin and sing snowy songs as we celebrate the winter season and make a cute craft. Craft kits can be picked up in the Children's Room upon registration or curbside. Siblings are welcome.

## Winter Mittens

*Children 18 – 48 months-old and a caregiver*

**Thursday, December 10, 11:00 – 11:30 AM**

With the cold weather coming, let's make something that will warm us up. Join us as we design our own colorful pair of mittens during this snowy season. Craft kits can be picked up in the Children's Room upon registration or through curbside delivery. Siblings are welcome.

## Snowman Fun!

*Children ages 18 months – 5 years old and a caregiver*

**Monday, December 14, 11:00 – 11:30 AM**

Join A Time for Kids, Inc. for this program of music, movement, fine and gross motor development, and story telling! Shape and color recognition will be highlighted as we build our very own snowman! Siblings are welcome. Suggested materials (adults can pre-cut shapes so kids can identify and build) blue construction paper, 3 white circles (snowman body), black rectangle (hat brim), black square (hat) Small orange triangle (nose), 3 green ovals (buttons), Red skinny rectangle (scarf), 2 red mitten shapes, black marker.

## Snow White Polar Bear

*Children 3 to 5-years-old and a caregiver*

**Thursday, December 17, 2:00 - 2:30 PM**

Let's have some polar bear fun as we create our own polar bear! We will learn many interesting facts about these wonderful furry animals. Craft kits can be picked up in the Children's Room upon registration or through curbside delivery.



**NEW!**

*Get coding and creating with our new STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Art and Mathematics) Starter Discovery Kits for children of all ages.*

Choose a kit and borrow it for one week on an adult Harborfields Library card. Explore the science and art of coding and electronics as you play with robots and circuits. Build skills and develop your imagination! There is a variety of kits to choose from. A full list is available in the Children's Room. Please note: Parental supervision is required during use of the kit. One kit may be borrowed at a time per family. Kits will be available beginning December 1st.

## Reading Comes Alive with Yoga

*Children 3- to 5-years-old*

**Friday, December 18, 2:00 – 2:45 PM**

Join Theresa Banks, RCYT, for a fun and interactive yoga class as you become a part of the story by moving, stretching and holding yoga poses with each turn of the page. Siblings are welcome.

## Amazing Athletes

*Children 3 – to 6 years-old and a caregiver*

**Wednesday, December 9, 4:00 – 4:30 PM**

Children will be introduced to team building and effective communication in this interactive, multi-sport program. Focus on sports-fitness, nutrition and muscle groups while gaining confidence and having fun! Siblings are welcome.

## Shake, Rattle and Roll

*Children 3- to 6-years-old*

**Thursday, December 3, 6:30 – 7:15 PM**

Children will enjoy dancing, singing, and making music with Diane Young. Siblings welcome.

## Snowy Tales

*Children of all Ages*

**Tuesday, December 22, 3:00 – 3:30 PM**

Join a children's librarian for a half-hour of wintry tales, finger plays and more.

## Gingerbread Baby Workshop

*Children in grades K – 3*

**Monday, December 7, 6:30 – 7:00 PM**

We will read the book *Gingerbread Baby* by Jan Brett and make our own gingerbread man out of cinnamon salt dough. Craft kits can be picked up in the Children's Room upon registration or through curbside delivery.





The Library Board of Trustees Teleconference Meeting is Tuesday, December 22nd at 10:00 AM

## Coming in January!

Watch for the launch of the new Harborfields Public Library website and new easy-to-use calendar for program registrations.



With your library card and password visit our homepage to get digital access to ratings and reviews for over 9,000 products and services, find the best deals on top rated products by month, learn about automobile recalls, search current and past magazine articles, and much more. Consumer Reports is an independent nonprofit with more than 6 million members who fight for a fair and just marketplace for all.

### New!

#### Preserve Your Memories Project

Harborfields Library is pleased to offer these new digitization services to our community through our *Preserve Your Memories Project*.

- Convert VHS tapes
- Digitize 8 millimeter and Super 8 films
- Convert slides and negatives
- Convert audio cassettes
- Record a DVD biography of yourself

Simply drop off your items with a flash drive and we will convert them for you. Application forms to accompany your media are available in the Library.

#### Please note!

- Digitizing will not improve the original quality of the tape.
- Please, only four items at one time.
- Supply us with your own flash drive.
- Commercial items are not permitted to be copied.

**Please call Librarian Brian Adams for more information**  
**631-757-4200 ext. 120**

### Inclement Weather Notice!

In the event of inclement weather, please visit the Library Homepage at [www.harborfieldslibrary.org](http://www.harborfieldslibrary.org) for information regarding program cancellations or library closings. Check the website or call the Library at 631-757-4200 if you think there may be weather-related changes. All adjustments to the Library schedule during bad weather are determined solely for the safety of our patrons and Library staff.

Collection boxes are now in the Library Lobby for winter coats.



**Friends of the Library Book Shop is now offering books for sale in the Library Lobby.**

### DECEMBER \$5 A BAG SALE! In The Book Shop & In The Lobby

The Book Shop is open on  
**Tuesdays**  
**1:00 - 4:00 PM**  
& **Thursdays,**  
**10:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

*There is a limit of three shoppers in the book shop at any time. Please maintain social distancing guidelines.*

**Donations are accepted in the Library Lobby only, not in the book shop.**

The Friends book shop is accepting donations of books in very good condition only. **There is a limit of one bag or small box per day!**



**You shop, Amazon gives to the Friends of the Library**

**Remember, only purchases made at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) will result in donations when you select the Friends of the Library as your charity.**

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### Hours

**Monday - Thursday**  
**10 AM - 9 PM**

**Friday & Saturday**  
**10 AM - 5 PM**

**The Library is open on**  
**Sundays from 1 - 5 PM**

**Curbside Pickup is available during our regular operating hours.**

### Museum Passes Available Sponsored by the Friends of the Library

Museums have taken measures to reduce the risks of coronavirus (COVID-19) exposure to you, other visitors, and their staff. Please visit a museum's website to review their COVID-19 Safety Measures and what to expect when visiting. Reserve a pass by visiting -

**[www.harborfieldslibrary.org/museum.htm](http://www.harborfieldslibrary.org/museum.htm)**

**Notary Services**  
**Please call for availability**

### Dungeons & Dragons

For students in grades 6 – 10

**Saturday, December 12, 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM**

Meet up in Zoom to join our Dungeons and Dragons group. Learn the rules, create a character and meet our resident Dungeon Master Sean Fearon. You must have a Roll20 account to play. Please note that Roll20 cannot be played on a mobile device or using a Microsoft Edge browser. Please register.

### Storycrafters: A Teen Writers Group

**Friday, December 18, 4:00 – 5:30 PM**

Join us virtually for this month's story-crafting workshop where you will be *writing for the holidays!* We will talk about New Year Writing Resolutions—plotting your book for the new year—and have some fun writing holiday-based stories (from cheesy romance to crazy family holiday dramas). So heat up your favorite hot chocolate as we end 2020 with a writing toast to great things ahead! Please register.

### Virtual Teen Trivia Challenge: Winter Edition

**Thursday, December 17, 7:00- 8:00 PM**

Do you love winter? If the holiday season is your favorite, join your friends to test your knowledge of all things winter in a virtual teen trivia challenge! You will be playing using Kahoot, and two devices are required to play. Please register.

### Sign-up Subscription Box: "Purrfect Picks!"

If you love to read, you're really going to love Teen'Scape's Purrfect Picks, our personalized book subscription box for teens in grades 6 – 12 who enjoy reading. You pick the genre and we'll customize a box with a couple of selected library books we think you'll enjoy along with a few bookish surprises too! Return the books, but the rest is yours to keep. This month's box will be a holiday theme. Request your box beginning the 1st of the month by calling Teen'Scape or register online.



### Playing Card Magic

**Monday, December 28, 7:00 – 8:00 PM**

Join Ari Bisk, a professional close up card magician in this one hour, interactive Zoom program where he will be demonstrating sleight of hand card magic. In addition, you will have the opportunity to ask Ari questions and learn some beginner magic. Grab a deck of cards and get ready to enjoy a fun and engaging performance! Please register.

### Classic PC Games

**Tuesday, December 29, 4:30 – 6:00 PM**

In this virtual program learn about the history of console video gaming with this online-only program by Long Island Retro Gaming. Then afterwards play a number of classic PC games from the 80s and 90s right in your web browser! Please register.

### Take and Make Holiday Pop-up Card

**Monday, December 14, 7:00 – 8:00 PM**

In this virtual program, instructor Chris Vivas will share pop-up concepts with examples and ideas (a winter wonderland scene, festive elements like a gingerbread house, gingerbread man, snowman) and allow for participants to use their imagination to create and expand upon what they are shown. You will receive a supply kit prior to the program along with a Zoom invite to attend. Please register.

### Discord Meet up

**Thursday, December 10, 7:00 – 8:30 PM**

Join us for some gaming fun on the Library's Discord server. Play some online games with us! If you are new to Discord, please register.

### Advanced Battle of the Books 2021 Titles Release!

For students in grades 9 – 12

**Tuesday, December 1st**

Please register if you are interested in joining the Harborfields team in the 2021 Advanced Battle of the Books competition that will be held virtually in April 2021. The books will be available for pickup upon registration beginning December 1st.

### Teens Connect Holiday Service Projects



**Earn one hour of community service for each project**

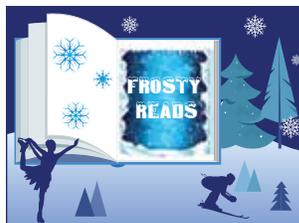
**Registration is required to reserve each take and make kit beginning December 1st at 10:00 AM**

#### Book Ornaments for Seniors

Create a charming ornament using a selected book to gift to the senior book groups at Paumanack Village. Return completed ornament to Teen'Scape by December 15th to receive one service hour.

#### Holiday Gifts for Shelter Animals

Create a paracord pet collar for our canine friends that will be donated to a local shelter. Return completed collar by December 14th to receive one service hour.



**\*Coming in January ...  
Frosty Reads Online Teen  
Winter Reading Club  
January 2 - February 28**

Welcome the New Year by reading for the fun of it! For the first time Teen'Scape is offering an online, interactive Winter Reading Club! Sign up is easy through the downloaded READSqured app or the link on the library's homepage. Earn points and collect digital badges for all of the books you log in and review. With the points you earn you may purchase raffle tickets for one of our four raffle baskets and our grand prize drawing.

# Children's Programs Grades K - 5

Children must be Harborfields residents to register for these programs. Please call Youth Services or register online for programs.

## Hands Up! Time to Sign!

*Children in grades K - 5*

Thursdays,

December 3 & 17,

5:00 - 5:30 PM

Join instructor Lisa Curley in an interactive program with a new theme for each class. Learn some ASL signs, play games, sign books and have some fun, all while learning something new! Send the instructor a selfie or just ask a question on Facebook or Instagram @curleycuesforkids.

## "A Book is a Present

You Can

### Open Again And Again!"

Give your favorite child a gift that will last a lifetime! The staff of the Children's Room have prepared a booklet listing books that represent the best of the best from 2020 and are perfect for holiday gift giving. Many of these books will be on display for your perusal. Please access "A Book is a Present You Can Open Again and Again" booklet on the Children's Blog or stop by the Children's Room for a copy of the booklet which will be available starting December 1st. You may check out any of the books on display.



## NEW! Take, Make, and Create Kits

December 14 - 19: CHIA PET

December 28 - January 2: POP ROCKETTS

Get creative with DIY Kits filled with supplies designed for fun, hands-on STEAM activities for children of all ages. Twice a month stop in and pick up a prepackaged activity kit that includes a QR Code that links to an instructional video found on the Harborfields YouTube channel. Our kits do not require registration and can be picked up from the Children's Room or curbside on a first-come, first-served basis during the specified week. Watch our instructional video on our YouTube channel and complete the project whenever it is convenient. Parental/caregiver supervision is strongly suggested.

## Yoga for Kids

*Children in grades K - 5*

Tuesdays, December 8 & 15, 4:30 - 5:15 PM

Learn basic yoga moves and tips on how to relax both your mind and body for a healthier you with certified yoga instructor Theresa Banks.

## Let it Snow!

*Families with Children in grades K - 5*

Monday, December 7, 4:30 - 5:00 PM

Let's celebrate winter! Listen to wintry tales and create beautiful snowflakes to decorate your home. Materials: printer paper (any color), scissors, pencil.

## Cool Kawaii Snowmen

*Children in grades K - 5*

Monday, December 28, 3:00 - 3:30 PM

Learn to create snowmen drawings in the cute Japanese Kawaii style. Materials: paper, pencil.

## Would You Rather?

*Children in grades K - 5*

Monday, December 14, 4:30 - 5:00 PM

Would you rather kiss a frog or hug a snake? Join us as we ask and answer all kinds of fun and wacky questions!

## All Children's Programs are held virtually through Zoom.

Register for our virtual programs by going to the Calendar of Events on the Library's homepage [www.harborfieldslibrary.org](http://www.harborfieldslibrary.org). An email address is required when registering in order to receive a Zoom meeting link. The Library will email you a direct link to the program as well as a Meeting ID and password the morning of the program. Registration is ongoing and open to children of all abilities.

## Artists Come Alive

*Children in grades K - 5*

Tuesday, December 29,

2:00 - 3:00 PM

Children will learn about the life and masterpieces of various artists with instructor Diane Young. Each child will create their own masterpiece.

## Amazing Athletes : Skills and Drills

*Children in grades 2 - 5*

Monday, December 21,

4:00 - 4:30 PM

Let's have fun while moving through strategic skills and drills. Learn about team building, conditioning and agility under the guidance of a certified instructor.

## December 2020 Featured Bookmark

by

JACKIE GALLI

Grade 5



## Frosty Reads Online Winter Reading Club

January 2 through February 28  
Children ages 4-years-old  
through Grade 5



Celebrate the beginning of 2021 by chilling-out with some Frosty Reads! Register online through READSqured, which can be accessed from the Library

homepage or through the downloadable app. Your reading options are limitless when you add audio and e-books. Collect "cool" digital badges as you earn points for each book you complete.

## Modern Painting: Piet Mondrian and Jackson Pollock

Children in grades 3 - 5

Wednesday, December 16, 4:30 - 5:15 PM

Discover and compare the paintings of these modern masters, then create your own abstract art inspired by their work. Materials: paper, crayons/markers/colored pencils.

## Holiday Cupcakes

Children in grades 3 - 5

Tuesday, December 15, 6:00 - 6:30 PM

The holidays are fast approaching. Join us as we decorate festive cupcakes just right for celebrating and eating. Craft kits can be picked up in the Children's Room upon registration or through curbside delivery. Family members are welcome.

## Virtual Book Discussions

\*Upon registration a copy of each book will be available in the Children's Room or for Curbside pick up beginning December 1st. Please have your child read the book before the book discussion.

### The Page Turners

Introductory book discussion and bingo for 2nd graders  
Thursday, December 17, 6:30 - 7:45 PM



Nate the Great and the Snowy Trail by Marjorie Sharmat. Children who participate will select a paperback of their choice to keep.\* Picture bingo sheets will accompany the book.

### 3rd Grade Kids Read & Bingo

Monday, December 14, 6:30 - 7:30 PM



I Survived the Bombing of Pearl Harbor, 1941 by Lauren Tarshis. Bingo Boards will be emailed prior to the class. Children who participate will select a paperback of their choice to keep.\*

### Virtual Read and Rap

Children in grades 4 - 6 and an adult  
Monday, December 21, 6:30 - 8:00 PM



Save Me A Seat by Sarah Weeks. Accompanying adults are asked to read the book. We'll play a lively game of virtual Jeopardy! following the discussion. \*Children who participate will select a paperback of their choice to keep.\*

2021 Membership Application  
January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021

YOU MAY JOIN OR RENEW YOUR FRIENDS MEMBERSHIP ONLINE.  
<http://harborfieldslibrary.org/friends.htm>

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Harborfields Resident 65 and up

\_\_\_\_\_ OUT OF DISTRICT Membership \$25

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Most Friends of the Library meetings are on the first Monday of each month. Check the newsletter for exact dates and times. All are welcome!