

Harborfields PUBLIC LIBRARY

MARCH 2021 NEWSLETTER

SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

62,423

eBooks & Audiobooks borrowed - a 41% increase

603
Virtual Programs
Offered

7,627
Virtual Program
Attendance

79,752 Visits to our Website



380 new accounts created for Overdrive



Harborfields Library Year in Review 2020

SERVICES ADDED IN RESPONSE TO COVID

- Curbside Pickup
- Virtual Programming
- Grab-and-Go Art Kits
- Live Online Chat
- Book Bundles
- Library YouTube Channel
- Online Reading Clubs



424

New library cards created



13, 185
Reference Questions

Answered

64% increase in LIVE tutoring sessions Countywide



Trustee Election and Budget Vote Tuesday, April 6, 2021, 3:00 - 9:00 PM

Letter from the Director

"The only thing that you absolutely have to know is the location of the library." - Albert Einstein

While it has been quite some time since we were simply a quiet building filled with books, 2020 impacted library services more than any other year in memory. When we closed our doors due to the Governor's executive order for COVID-19 in March 2020, we had to quickly change our mostly in-person service model to a completely virtual one. Staff had to learn new technologies and new techniques in order to perform their jobs and engage the community.

Every single staff member was eager to help in any way they could. Staff visited the building to take home items to process and books to mail out to homebound patrons. Maintenance staff visited the building to help install sneeze guards, hand sanitizing stations, upgraded air-filters and new touchless restroom fixtures. Our Program and Publicity staff kept our patrons informed on social media and published special newsletter editions highlighting our digital services. Teen, Children's and Adult staff began to find ways to host virtual programs via Zoom. Each department in the library answered calls from patrons from home. Our librarians started creating Storytime and craft making videos for our YouTube Channel. All of this was happening during the uncertainty of the communicable nature of COVID-19.

When we re-opened our doors in July of 2020, we faced a new reality. Social Distancing, mandated masks, sneeze guards, limited seating, curbside services, and virtual programming became the new-normal.

All of these changes, some of which will likely continue for the foreseeable future, were adapted to with a determination by our staff to do whatever needed to be done. We continue to develop new services and new ways to virtually connect with the community. It is an honor to work with such caring and devoted people.

Our proposed 2021-2022 operating budget will, for the second year in a row, reflect a 0% tax increase. The Library Board of Trustees, Administration and staff are very much aware of the unprecedented events that have created hardships for our community. Rest assured, the library will continue to meet the community's needs – we are in this together.

Ryan Athanas Library Director

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ITEMS	FINAL	PROPOSED
Salaries	\$2,240,865	\$2,212,396
Library Equipment	\$13,000	\$10,000
Computers	\$20,000	\$35,000
Furniture	\$30,000	\$20,000
Books and eMaterials	\$200,050	\$230,000
Reference Databases	\$35,000	\$35,000
Audio Books and Music CDs	\$18,500	\$18,500
DVDs and BluRays	\$36,500	\$36,500
Magazines	\$18,500	\$18,500
Contingency	\$10,000	\$1,000
Other Library Materials	\$1,000	\$0
Computer Software and Licensing	\$8,500	\$18,500
Office and Library Supplies	\$41,000	\$45,000
Telecommunications	\$26,000	\$32,000
Computer Equipment	\$12,000	\$9,000
Postage and Freight	\$12,000	\$12,000
Public Relations	\$74,750	\$50,000
Programs	\$58,450	\$70,000
Conference and Travel	\$14,000	\$14,000
SCLS Member Library Support	\$37,500	\$37,500
Professional Fees: Legal	\$6,500	\$6,500
Professional Fees: Accounting	\$19,000	\$17,000
Membership Dues	\$3,200	\$3,200
Equipment Service	\$16,000	\$13,000
Copiers	\$20,000	\$20,000
Partnership of Automated Libraries	\$21,000	\$21,000
Fuel and Utilities	\$162,000	\$150,000
Custodial Supplies	\$16,000	\$20,000
Building Maintenance	\$36,650	\$37,406
Insurance	\$56,250	\$56,250
Building Improvements	\$28,987	\$64,350
Building Services	\$54,000	\$54,700
Election Expenses	\$2,600	\$3,500
Payroll Fees	\$4,500	\$4,500
Retirement	\$293,000	\$345,000
Social Security	\$170,000	\$170,000
Workers Compensation	\$170,000	\$21,000
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Unemployment	\$4,000	\$2,000
Disability	\$7,200	\$7,200
Health Insurance	\$790,000	\$720,000
Transfer for Debt Service	\$470,000	\$468,000
BUDGET GRAND TOTAL:	\$5,109,502	\$5,109,502
	FINAL	PROPOSED
Copiers:	\$4,000	\$5,000
Interest:	\$10,000	\$12,000
NY State Incentive Aid:	\$6,000	\$5,000
Rental Fees:	\$3,000	\$1,000
Miscellaneous:	\$22,000	\$22,000
TOTAL INCOME:	\$45,000	\$45,000
BUDGET TOTALS	FINAL	PROPOSED
Amount Raised by Taxes:	\$5,064,502	\$5,064,502
Increase Amount Raised By Taxes:	\$0	\$0
% Budget Increase:	0.00%	0.00%
% Tax Increase:	0.00%	0.00%

Teen'Scape

Annual Meeting, Trustee Election and Budget Vote Tuesday, April 6, 2021 3:00 - 9:00 PM

The Annual Meeting of the Harborfields Public Library will be held on Tuesday, April 6 at 2:30 PM in the Library.

The Budget Vote and Trustee Election will be held immediately following from 3:00 PM until 9:00 PM.

Absentee ballot applications are available at the Harborfields Public Library Reference Desk and on our website (www.harborfieldslibrary.org) on or after February 5, 2021. Such applications must be received by the Library Director at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Upon approval of the application, an absentee ballot will be issued. All absentee ballots must be received at the Library by 5 PM on the day of the election in order to be counted.

In addition to the vote on the proposed operating budget, there will be an election for the position on the Library Board of Trustees presently held by David Clemens. This position has a five-year term of office, expiring on June 30th, 2026.

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. Most passes can be printed from home. Reserve a pass by visiting -

www.harborfieldslibrary.org/services/museum-passes

- Brooklyn Botanic Garden*
 - Children's Museum of the Fast End
- Cold Spring Harbor Fish Hatchery & Aquarium
 - Cold Spring Harbor Whaling Museum
 - · Cradle of Aviation
 - NYS Empire Pass*
- Fire Island Lighthouse
- Frick Collection (closed)
 - (NEW) Garvies Point Museum
 - Intrepid (closed)
- Heckscher Museum of Art

- Guggenheim*
- Long Island
 Children's Museum*
- Long Island
 Maritime Museum
- Long Island
 Science Center (closed)
- · Museum of Modern Art
 - Museum of the City of New York
 - Nassau County Museum of Art
- Old Westbury Gardens
- · Vanderbilt Museum

*Print on Demand is NOT available

Sign-up Subscription Box: "Purrfect Picks!"

If you love to read, you're really going to love Teen'Scape's Purriec 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. Request your box beginning March 1st by calling Teen'Scape or register online.

Changes To The SAT

An Informational Meeting For Students and Parents Wednesday, March 10, 6:00 – 7:00 PM

Join us in a virtual meeting with Mindy Lampert from C2 Education as she discusses the recent announcement from the College Board that the SAT Subject Tests will no longer be offered, and the SAT Essay will no longer be required beginning June 2021. She will also discuss what "SAT Test Optional" means and how students can position themselves well to gain admission, secure scholarship funds, and be placed in the right course level once they start attending college. Parents and students are welcome to attend. Please register.

Practice ACT Exam

Saturday, March 6,10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Register to take a practice ACT exam offered by Huntington Learning Center. The instructor will proctor the exam through Zoom. Please register by Friday, March 5th at 5:00 PM. Please include an email address for exam and Zoom invite upon registration.

TEENS CONNECT



Troopons: Coupons for Troops

Open to Students in grades 7 – 12 Registration begins March 1st

The Support Our Troops® Troopons® program enhances the well-being of overseas and domestic military families by sending them food, non-food, baby, pet and medicine manufacturer coupons to make their hard-earned dollars go farther. Collect and cut out manufacturers coupons and we will donate them to our Troops. Return coupons to Teen'Scape by Monday, March 29th. Earn one hour of community service. Please register.

Bee Fearless: Dream Like A Kid

Book Discussion Open to Students in grades 7 – 12 Tuesday, March 23, 7:00 – 7:45 PM

Join us in a virtual book discussion of *Bee Fearless: Dream Like A Kid*. Part memoir, part business guide, fifteen-year-old Mikaila shares her personal journey and special brand of mindful entrepreneurship. She offers helpful tips and guidance for young readers interested in pursuing their own ventures, instilling in them the bee-lief that they can bee fearless and achieve their dreams too. Registration begins and copies of the book are available for pick up on March 1st at 10:00 AM. Teens will earn four hours of community service for attending this discussion. Active participation is required.

Teen'Scape

All Teen Programs Are Being Held Virtually. Please register with your email address to receive a Zoom invite.

*All teen program registrations are ongoing unless a starting date is specified.

Teens must be Harborfields residents in grades 6 - 12 to register for these programs, unless otherwise noted. Please call Teen'Scape or register online.

Dungeons & Dragons Saturday, March 13, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM For students in grades 6 – 10

In a virtual Zoom meet up, 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 a Microsoft Edge browser. Please register.

Take & Make: Rainbow Sand Art Terrarium Kits and registration begin Monday, March 1st at 10:00 AM

Imagine a leprechaun finding a pot of gold in one of these sand art terrariums! Register to make a beautiful terrarium with colored layered sand and faux succulent; perfect for bringing cheer to your room or study space! Kits will be available to pick up in Teen'Scape upon registration in the program. Supplies are limited.

Storycrafters: A Teen Writers Group Friday, March 19, 4:30 - 6:00 PM

Join us virtually for this month's story-crafting workshop where you will hone your creative writing skills and share your written work with others that share your passion. Please register.

Super Smash Brothers Tournament on Discord Thursdays, March 11& 25, 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Join us for some gaming fun as we play Super Smash Brothers on the library's Discord server. A Nintendo Switch and Nintendo online subscription are required. Please register.

Go Graphic! A Teen Graphic Novel Discussion Saturday, March 27, 11:00 - 11:45 AM

Join others who enjoy reading and discussing graphic novels in a virtual discussion of Last Pick, where aliens invade the Earth abducting everyone they deem useful. The ones spared are those that are too young or too old, and of little value. Twins Sam and Wyatt are ready to ditch their labels and start a revolution. It's time for the kids last picked to step into the game. This is the first book of a dystopian graphic novel trilogy where the kids that are last picked are humanity's last hope. Copies of the book will be available beginning March 1st. Please register.

March Book Cover Contest

Do you have a favorite book that you think deserves a better cover? Or maybe it's not the cover you envision. If so, enter Teen'Scape's book cover contest by breaking out your markers, pencils or paint and design a cover of your favorite book. Take a picture of your cover and email the cover to be entered in a contest to win a prize to: teenscape@harborfieldslibrary.org

3D Design with Tinkercad

A 4 week virtual workshop

Thursdays, March 11, 18, 25 & April 1, 4:30 - 5:30 PM

Learn the basics of 3D Design and Printing in this 4 week course that will be taught through Zoom from Project Excel. A Tinkercad account is required. Please register.

The Art of Calligraffiti

A 4-Week virtual workshop Tuesdays, March 9, 16, 23, 30, 4:00 - 5:00 PM

We know you know how to talk and text, but come back to the power of the pen! Learn this method of bold style brush lettering called

Calligraffiti. We will supply you with a kit that includes a brush marker, thin marker and a white gel pen along with worksheets to get you started. Registration begins March 1st at 10:00 AM and kits will be available a day or two prior to the first class. Spaces are limited. Please register.

College Admissions and the Importance of Community Service in the time of COVID-19 Monday, March 22, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

For Parents and students

This virtual presentation from Stand Out for College is designed to help families understand how COVID-19 is changing the college admissions landscape and how it will affect high school freshmen, sophomores, and juniors. With the opportunity for visiting colleges curtailed, you will learn how to engage with colleges virtually and how to develop a preliminary list of colleges to consider visiting when campuses are fully open. Admissions officers, especially due to the effects from the pandemic, are placing a great emphasis on a student's character and how the student has been able to give back and help others during these challenging times. Please register.



National Pi(e) Day Wednesday, March 17, 7:00 PM

In celebration of National Pi day, March 14th, join others in this virtual instructional baking class with our favorite librarian/baker, Mrs. Boshnack. She will

demonstrate how to make a delicious apple pie. Pie kits will be available several days prior to the program. Please register beginning March 1st at 10:00 AM.

Girls Who Code

Ongoing, Mondays through April 5, 4:30 - 5:30 PM

Do you have a curiosity about emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence, website apps and game development? You will learn about these interests and more in a fun and relaxed environment in this 8 week program run by an instructor from Project Excel. Please register.

Please call the Reference Desk or register online for adult programs unless otherwise noted.

Art Talk: Leonardo da Vinci Wednesday, March 3, 7:00 PM

Explore the life and work of the Italian Renaissance artist, Leonardo da Vinci, with art historian Jay Schuck. Artwork to be examined will include the Virgin of the Rocks, the Last Supper, the Mona Lisa, and more. Please register to receive a Zoom link to this virtual program.



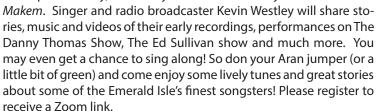
Savvy Social Security Planning for Baby Boomers Tuesday, March 16, 7:00 PM

After being told for years that Social Security is "going broke," baby boomers are realizing that it will soon be their turn to collect. But the decisions you make now can have a tremendous impact on the total amount of benefits you stand to receive over your lifetime. Learn not only the basics but also little known strategies for maximizing your benefits. This program will cover when it makes sense to delay benefits, how earnings affect your benefits, how benefits are taxed, how to integrate benefits with other retirement income sources, and how to coordinate benefits with your spouse. Each attendee will receive a free copy of *The Baby Boomer's Guide to Social Security* which summarizes key retirement benefit provisions. Please register.

The Clancy Brothers and Tommy Makem – The Early Days

Monday, March 22, 7:00 PM

Please join us for this virtual presentation of one of the most beloved and influential Irish folk groups of the past century, *The Clancy Brothers and Tommy*



SeniorNet: Using the iPad or the iPhone as an e-Reader

Wednesday, March 24, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

The iPad is a great device for reading books, magazines, and newspapers – in fact, in many ways it's superior to traditional ink on paper. You'll also learn how to download e-books and audiobooks from your library using Libby, the new app from Overdrive. Join SeniorNet's free webinar to enjoy the ease of an e-reader right from your iPad or iPhone. Please register to receive a Zoom link.

Global Viewpoints

Tuesday, March 9, 2:00 - 4:00 PM
Top 10 Geopolitical Risks for 2021 What Are They, and What Can Be Done?

John Busch will facilitate this discussion which is based on an annual report put out by lan Bremmer and The Eurasa Group. Please register to receive a Zoom link.

Historic Preservation for Long Island Communities: Centerport and Greenlawn

Thursday, March 18, 7:00 PM

Join us for a presentation and discussion about preservation policies and practices with Sarah Kautz, Preservation Director at Preservation Long Island. Explore how historic places are protected and ways to get involved in supporting historic preservation in your community. Please register to receive a Zoom link.



Ancestry has extended the remote access for cardholders through March 31, 2021, so you can continue doing your research from home for free.

Genealogy: Remember the Ladies! *In Recognition of Women's History Month*

Monday, March 22, 2:00 PM

So often genealogy research focuses on the males, but 50% of our family tree is made up of women. Learn how to uncover your maternal ancestors' stories and where she might be hiding in the record collections. Please register to receive a Zoom link to the program.

Spark your love of reading with Book Lovers Challenge 2021



Registration is underway in person at the Reference Desk. Once completed you will be eligible to enter our raffle drawing and benefit from an enlightened reading list.

Copies of books for discussion groups are available at the Circulation Desk and through Livebrary-Downloads.

Cover to Cover Book Discussion

Wednesday, March 17, 11:00 AM

Donna Diamond facilitates this monthly book discussion.

American Dirt by Jeanine Cummins

April Title: Long Island Reads Selection: The Vanishing Half by Brit Bennett

Paged to Perfection

Wednesday, March 24, 10:00 – 11:00 AM A virtual book discussion of

The Long Flight Home by Alan Hlad

In September 1940, the events of World War II bring together British pigeon-keeper Susan Shepard, American pilot Ollie Evans, and a pigeon named Duchess on a very special mission. Please register to receive a Zoom link and join Karen and Liz from the Adult Reference Department in the discussion.

Frosty Reads Recap

Thank You to the 90 patrons who joined this year's Adult Winter



Reading Club and logged in and posted reviews of nearly 300 books. The most popular title was American Dirt by Jeanine Cummins. The ten lucky winners of the \$25 gift cards to local stores will be posted on the Adult Reference Blog on March 1.

Please call the Reference Desk or register online for adult programs unless otherwise noted.

Calligraphy: Meditation in Motion Demonstration Wednesday, March 24, 4:00 – 5:00 PM

Join Helen Murdock-Prep in the third demonstration on the various styles of calligraphy and the writing tools used to form them. The third demonstration will focus on the writing instrument most people think of when they hear the word "calligraphy." Its chiseld edge helps us create the styles known as Italic, Gothic, Foundational and Unical. Please register.

DIY Upcycled Book Safe Tuesday, March 30, 11:00 AM

Join Karen and Liz in creating a Book Safe of your very own. You will need to supply your own Mod Podge, utility knife, masking or painters tape, a



ruler, pencil and some plastic or wax paper. Registration begins March 1st and is limited to Harborfields Library cardholders. Upon registration you will receive a Zoom link to this virtual program. You can pick up supplies at the library beginning March 22nd.

The Science Behind COVID-19 and Vaccines

Wednesday, March 10, 7:00 PM

COVID-19 is the #1 health crisis in America and across the world. Pharmacologist Andrew G. Clair, Ph.D will discuss the approval of two vaccines for COVID-19, and will review many unanswered questions you may have. In addition to including information on the safety and side effects of the vaccines, why they require two doses, when immunity starts and how long immunity may last, this program also will address the history of worldwide pandemics, why COVID-19 is so contagious, what long-term effects of the infection may be and who is most at risk for a fatal or non-fatal outcome and why. There will be time for a Q & A session at the end of the presentation. Please register to receive a Zoom link.

Colon Cancer Awareness

Thursday, March 11, 7:00 PM

Dr. Rivadeneira, a Northwell Health Huntington-based colorectal surgeon and Director of the Northwell Health Cancer Institute at Huntington, will discuss preventing, diagnosing, and treating colorectal cancer as well as explain the differences between colon and rectal cancer. He will discuss risk reducing strategies as well as the need for colonoscopy and the role of surgery in colorectal cancer. In addition, Dr. Rivadeneira will explain what cutting-edge technologies are being used to benefit patients with colorectal cancer. Please register.

Healthy Living Workshop Series

Thursdays, March 4 - April 8, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

This series empowers older adults to take charge of ongoing health conditions and learn how to maintain an active and fulfilling lifestyle. Learn how to feel better and get relief from pain, fatigue, and difficult emotions. You will learn how to communicate effectively with family, friends & health professionals and make informed treatment decisions. You can participate from the comfort of your own home. Each week will build upon information and exercises that you learned in previous weeks, so you must commit to the entire six-week workshop. Registration is limited to Harborfields Library cardholders and is required to receive a Zoom link. This program funded by a grant from the Suffolk County Office for the aging and is brought to you courtesy of your Town of Huntington Public Libraries.

Neck & Shoulder Pain Workshop

Tuesday, March 16, 3:00 PM

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Many people are often confused by their pain and limitations because they've been told so many different things, by multiple people. Perhaps you think you have a neck problem - but did you know that it could very well be your shoulder where the problem is? Or what you think is a shoulder problem is very often originating from the neck. Dr. Shaden Ghattas, specialist Physical Therapist, will discuss why neck and shoulder problems last much longer than they should and strategies to stop or ease this annoying, daily, irritating neck and shoulder pain, naturally- before it gets worse! Please register.

Dance Therapeutics

Mondays, March 15 - April 19, 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Participants are encouraged to move and workout at their own pace under the direction of certified fitness instructor Barbara Schwenker during this virtual six-week series. Registration opens March 1st and Harborfields Library cardholders are given priority. Please have your Library card from your home library handy to register online or over the phone. Non-residents will be placed on a wait list and added to the class on March 8th if space remains. For your safety, participants are asked to enable the camera during the Zoom session so the instructor can monitor your movements.

Gentle Vinyasa Yoga

Tuesdays, April 6 - May 11, 10:00 - 11:00 AM

In this virtual class, Alice Weiser will lead you in this flowing yoga practice that links yoga poses with breath to create a moving meditation. Participants will need a yoga mat and should be able to stand, sit and lay on the mat as we explore various yoga poses. Yoga blocks and straps are also helpful. Registration opens Tuesday, March 9th and Harborfields Library cardholders are given priority. Please have your Library card from your home library handy to register online or over the phone. Non-residents will be placed on a wait list and added to the class on March 16th if space remains.

Medicare Counselor HIICAP

Health Insurance, Information, Counseling and Assistance Wednesdays, March 3 & 17, 1:00 - 3:00 PM

To schedule your telephone session with a trained counselor on the first or third Wednesday, please call the Reference Desk or email info@harborfieldslibrary.org.

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.



Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!

Grades K - 2

Thursday, March 4, 5:00 - 5:30 PM

Let's celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday with some of his classic stories, activities, and games! Kits will be available in the Children's Room or for curbside pickup beginning 3/1.

Who Doesn't Belong?

Grades K-2

Friday, March 19, 4:30 - 5:00 PM

Get learners thinking creatively with this visual discrimination game! Four photos are shown, three belong, and one does not. You decide who or what!

Incredible Kid Day

Grades K - 5

Thursday, March 18, 4:30 - 5:00 PM

Celebrate how unique and special you are for Absolutely Incredible Kid Day! We'll learn about some incredible kids and then draw a "selfie". Craft kits are available for pick up in the Children's Room or through curbside delivery beginning 3/8. Materials needed at home: markers/crayons/colored pencils.



Fun with Fairy Tales

Grades K - 5

Thursday, March 11, 4:30 - 5:00 PM

Test your fairy tale knowledge and play fairy tale bingo. Bingo boards are available for pick up in the Children's Room or through curbside delivery beginning 3/1. Materials needed from home: pencil/marker

Yoga for Kids

Grades K - 5

Tuesdays, March 9 & 16, 4:30 - 5:15 PM

Practice yoga in a fun and supportive environment. Learn to relax your mind while exercising your body under the direction of certified yoga instructor, Theresa Banks. Please register.

Artists Come Alive

Grades K - 5

Wednesday, March 10, 4:30 - 5:30 PM

Children of all abilities will learn about a variety of artists including when they lived and the style of art that they created with instructor Diane Young. Each child will create their own unique masterpiece.

Play Away Launchpads

Stop by the Children's Room to check out our selection of Launchpads. Children of all ages can explore, learn, play, and stay sharp with pre-loaded apps and games . These multi-media tablets also contain interactive storybooks, videos, and apps that will help children progress through reading levels. Launchpads can be checked out on an adult library card.

Bookish Bites-Ravenclaw Hand Pies

Grades 3 - 5

Friday, March 12

Enjoy a video tutorial demonstrating how to make fruity hand pies inspired by JK Rowling's Harry Potter Series. Kits will be available in the Children's Room or through curbside pickup beginning 3/1.

Backpack Charms

Grades 3 - 5

Wednesday, March 24, 6:30 - 7:15 PM

Decorate your backpacks with these fun and colorful charms using beads, pom poms and lots of creativity. Kits will be available in the Children's Room or through curbside pickup beginning 3/15.

Corner Bookmark Workshop

Grades 3 - 5

Wednesday, March 31, 4:30 - 5:00 PM

Save your place with a bookmark you make yourself! Bring your creativity and make bookmarks for all your favorite novels! Materials need: colored printer paper, scissors, glue & markers.

Mystery Photo Guessing Game

Grades 3 - 5

Thursday, March 25, 4:30 - 5:00 PM

Join us as we learn new facts, and use visual clues to identify each mysterious picture in this fun game.

Stress Busters

Grades 3 – 5

Tuesdays, March 23 & 30, 5:00 - 5:45 PM

Join instructor Theresa Banks, RCYT in a beginner meditation class. The first class will include making your own mindfullness jar. Learn how to manage your emotions, ease your anxiety and stay focused all while having fun with your peers. Kits will be available in the Children's Room through curbside pickup beginning March 15. You will also need water, clear dishsoap and glue.

Pom Pom Bunnies

Grades 3 - 5

Monday, March 29, 6:30 - 7:15 PM

Celebrate the start of Spring. Learn how to make your own cuddly bunnies. Kits will be available in the Children's Room or through curbside pickup beginning 3/22. Materials from home: Glue & Scissors.

Candy Sushi

Grades 3 - 5

Monday, March 15, 6:30 - 7:00 PM

Learn how to roll your own sushi. We will use candy and sweets to make adorable sushi look-alikes. Kits will be available in the Children's Room or through curbside pickup beginning 3/8.

Grades K - 5

Amazing Athletes

Ages 3 – 8 years-old and an adult Monday, March 8, 5:00 – 5:30 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!



Passport to Our World Kits

Children of All Ages

Week of March 15 – 20: Welcome to Ireland Stop by and pick up a passport and join us as we travel to different countries around the world. Each month the Children's Room will be offering a kit to a select country for one week. Kits will in-

clude a welcome informational sheet, simple recipes and activities relating to the country. Tune into our YouTube channel to listen to a story read by one of the Children's librarians about the country we are visiting.

Virtual Book Discussions

Pick up a copy of the book in the Children's Room or through curbside pickup upon registration. You may pick up your books beginning February 22nd. Participating children will select a paperback to keep.

Chapter One

Grade 1

Thursday, March 11, 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Pearl and Wagner: Three Secrets by Kate McMullan. You will receive a Bingo board with the book.

The Page Turners

Grade 2

Thursday, March 25, 6:30 - 7:45 PM

Stink Moody in Master of Disaster by Megan McDonald. You will receive a Bingo board with the book.

3rd Grade Kids Read

Monday, March 22, 6:30 - 7:30 PM

The Curtain Went Up, My Pants Fell Down by Henry Winkler and Lin Oliver. Please have your child read the entire book before the book discussion. Bingo boards will be emailed prior to the class.

Read and Rap

Grades 4 - 6 and an adult

Wednesday, March 17, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Among the Hidden by Margaret Peterson Haddix. Accompanying adults are asked to read the book. We'll play a game of Jeopardy! following the discussion.

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. An email address is required when registering in order to receive a Zoom meeting link. You will receive a confirmation and reminder email to the program with the Zoom link and password. Registration is ongoing and open to children of all abilities.

Grab and Go Kits – Hello Spring!

Children of All Ages

Are you ready for Spring? Stop by the Children's Room and receive age-appropriate kits for children in preschool through grade 5. Kits containing an activity packet and a craft are available to be picked up in the Children's Room or curbside during library hours.

Take, Make & Create Kits

Week of March 8 – 13: Paper Roll Bird Feeder Week of March 22 – 27: Crystal Creations



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 are a variety of kits to choose from. A full list is available in the Children's Room. Please note: Parental supervision is required. One kit may be borrowed at a time per family.

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GRADE 3

March

Babies & Toddlers

Grades K - 5

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

Patty Cake! Patty Cake!

Birth to 17-months-old and an adult; siblings welcome Mondays,March 8, 15, & 22, 11:00 - 11:30 AM

A half-hour of board books, nursery rhymes, songs and more. A kit containing board books and song packets are available in the Children's Room or through curbside pickup upon registration.

Let's Make Music

Ages 12- to 48-months-old and an adult; siblings welcome Wednesdays, March 10, 17, & 24, 10:30 - 11:00 AM

A half-hour of singing and dancing to lively musical tunes with instructor Diane Young.

Spring Into Stories

Families with children of all ages
Wednesdays, March 10, 17, 24, & 31, 3:00 - 3:30 PM
Join a children's librarian for a half-hour of fun tales, finger plays and more in this virtual program.



When It's Time to Go!

Toilet training can be a challenging process for both you and your child. The Children's Room is now circulating two Toilet Training Kits with either a Pirate or a Princess theme. Each kit includes three books. 2 DVDs, a folder with a motivational chart and stickers to track your child's progress, and informational handouts. Each kit can be reserved and checked out from the Children's Room for a 2-week loan period. Please call the Children's Room for additional information.

1, 2, Buckle My Shoe

Ages 18- to 35-months-old and an adult Tuesdays, March 9, 16, 30, 11:00 - 11:30 AM Finger plays, movement, and

Dr. Seuss Celebrates Reading!

Ages 18 months to 4-years-old and an adult Thursday, March 11,

11:00 - 11:30 AM

Come join A Time for Kids, Inc. as we salute Dr. Seuss and celebrate reading! Activities include music, movement, fine and gross motor development and story telling. There will also be a cute Dr. Seuss hat craft. Suggested materials: paper plate, red and white paper, scissors, glue.

Scavenger Hunt for Preschoolers

Ages 24 to 48-months-old and an adult; siblings welcome Monday, March 29, 11:00 - 11:30 AM

Let's go on a scavenger hunt looking for textured items (soft, hard, furry, etc.), numbers, colors, and items that make a Sound!

Colors of the Rainbow Preschool Craft

Ages 24-months to 5-years-old and an adult Tuesday, March 9, 2:00 - 2:30 PM

As the snow melts and the weather (hopefully) warms, it's time to turn our attention to the colors of flowers blooming, butterflies emerging, and rainbows coming from the rainy weather. Join us as we to listen to stories and make our very own rainbow craft at home. Kits will be available in the Children's Room or for curbside pickup beginning 3/1.



"Pete the Cat" Story Art Ages 3 -to 5- years - old and an adult Friday, March 19, 2:30 - 3:00 PM

Join us as we read some books about *Pete the Cat*, We will explore colors and placement of shapes when we create our own character at home. Kits will be available in the Children's Room or for curbside pickup beginning 3/8.

Developmental Milestones Parents of Children Birth to 5 years-old Friday, March 12, 10:30 – 11:15 AM

Join, David S. Tellerman, MA, CCC, SLP Director of Business Development from New York Therapy Placement Services, Inc. as he presents the developmental stages and milestones for each age group from birth through 5 years. This is a great opportunity to discuss and share information and concerns with others. Informational handouts will be available for pickup in the Children's Room or for curbside pickup.

Helping Children Cope and Thrive During the COVID-19 Crisis

Parents of Children Birth to 13-years-old Thursday, March 18, 7:00 – 8:00 PM

Kerri Kreh Reda, Human Development Specialist, from Cornell Cooperative Extension will offer parents suggestions on how they can help their children cope and thrive despite the stressful conditions that the coronavirus has created. Topics of the discussion will include the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on families, how we can help our children be more resilient, and suggestions on ways parents can better support their children. Handouts will be emailed prior to the program.

Read 1000 B00kS Before Kindergarten Challenge

Parents are invited to visit the Children's Room to register and pick-up a reading packet for children birth to entering Kindergarten and suggested reading list for the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Reading Challenge. It is a fun and creative way for you and your child to bond through shared reading and to start your child on the path to life-long reading success.



Get on Board and Read!

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GROW YOUR OWN!

Each Harborfields family may choose up to four packets per month from our curated selection of purchased, donated and shared vegetable, herb and flower seeds. Bring your selections to the Reference Desk to check out.

You will find a variety of resources and books to learn more about home gardening at our display in the Reference Room. Send your garden photos and timely tips to info@harborfieldslibrary.org

Easily Register for All Programs using our Interactive Newsletter

It may be easier to register for programs if you click on our interactive newsletter from the Library homepage. Hover over and click on any program and you will be connected to the registration page for that program. You can still find the link for all programs on the event calendar On the new website. If you need assistance with registrations please call the Library to connect with the Adult, Teen or Children's Departments.



Friends of the Library Book Shop

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

For up-to-date Book Shop Hours check the online events calendar.

Friends Virtual Meeting Monday, March 1, 5:00 PM

Please register on our event calendar to receive a Zoom invitation to attend. All are welcome!

Starting Seeds Indoors

Wednesday, March 10, 11:00 AM

Join Donna Rusinski from the Centerport Garden Club for advice on how to grow your own plants from seeds. Now is the perfect time to get a head start on your summer vegetable garden or flowering plants to enhance your landscape. Starting plants from seeds will save money and allow you to choose the exact plants you want without having to settle for what is in stock at the garden center. You will learn everything you need to know to successfully start seeds indoors under lights or on your windowsill. Happy gardening! Please register.

IDEAL SCENES Landscapes, Florals & Waterviews



Scenic Images by Tim Votapka In the Gallery March 1 - 30

Stay Tuned For Updates About The Bobwhite Quail vs Tick Study

If you attended the virtual presentation last month from CEED and are curious about what the library's involvement is and how the program has been progressing, please contact Teen'Scape and we will be happy to fill you in.

Free Career Counseling Available

During this difficult time the Library is pleased to offer career counseling remotely. Contact Librarian Valarie Henrichson at vhenrichson@harborfieldslibrary.org to schedule your appointment with our career counselor Mary Ann Verdolino. Sessions last an hour and can be scheduled using Zoom or by telephone. In your email, please include your name, phone number, library card number (if you have it) and what you would like to discuss at your session. Sessions can take place during the week after 5:00 PM or on a Saturday. District residents only.

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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.

Notary Services Please call for availability

The next meeting of the Library Board of Trustees is scheduled, in person, for Thursday, March 25th at 7:30 PM following the **Budget & Information Meeting**

at 7:00 PM

If circumstances change due to the pandemic, the meeting will switch to a teleconference. Please check our website for up-to-date information.