



GALE FORECAST



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A New Chapter: Planning for the Future

As we turn the page on the new year, one in which we celebrated the Library's 150th anniversary, the Library is looking ahead and boldly planning for the future. We are currently conducting a community survey in order to gather feedback on how we can reorganize some of the interior spaces in the Library and create more meeting and study spaces, in addition to other building upgrades. We will be compiling the results and sharing them with the community in February. If you would like to participate in the survey, there is still time! Please visit this link and share your opinions: <https://tinyurl.com/ya8lzlg3>. One of the initiatives the Board of Trustees undertook this past year will help shape the financial health of the Library: Working with the Friends of the Library, we recently established an endowment fund at the Greater Worcester Community Foundation. In the coming year, the Trustees will be reaching out to the community to talk about how individuals and businesses can support the Library in order to create a lasting legacy. If you would like to donate to our annual appeal and make a charitable donation to the Library, please visit our online donation site at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/y8y49fbh>. Finally, we will be culminating our 150th anniversary with a 150th Jubilee on April 6, 2019 at The Haven Country Club in Boylston, Mass. Tickets will be going on sale soon so look for details on our website and in future issues of the Gale Forecast!



LIBRARY HOURS

MON
12:00PM - 8:30PM

TUES-WEDS
9:30AM - 8:30PM

THURS-SAT
9:30AM - 5:00PM

SUNDAY
CLOSED

JANUARY 2019

Adult Programs



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The Northborough Library Film & Discussion Series: Join us for a screening and discussion of *Christopher Robin* Saturday, January 5th from 2-5 pm

Christopher Robin, a family man living in London receives a surprise visit from his old childhood pal, Winnie-the-Pooh. With Christopher's help, Pooh embarks on a journey to find his friends -- Tigger, Eeyore, Owl, Piglet, Rabbit, Kanga and Roo. Once reunited, the lovable bear and the gang travel to the big city to help Christopher rediscover the joy of life. This PG rated film speaks to all ages for different reasons. The quiet messages prompted by the movie are great topics for discussion among kids and adults alike.

Registration is not required, but attendees are asked to stay for the entire program which includes the viewing of the film followed by a facilitated discussion.

This event kicks off a new film discussion series at the Library aimed at bringing our community together to view films, reflect upon them and share cultural views and experiences with discussions following each film facilitated by local educators, community organizers and film buffs.

Please join us for this exciting new program! Upcoming films in this series include:

Hidden Figures | Sat., February 9th | 2 - 5 pm
First Reformed | Thurs., February 28th | 7 - 10 pm
Fed Up | Thurs., March 14th | 7 - 10 pm
RBG | Sat., March 23rd | 2 - 5 pm
Bag It | Sat., April 6th | 2 - 5 pm

Adult Book Groups

Monday Evening Group
Mon., Jan. 28th | 7-8:30 PM
Conference Room

The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper by Phaedra Patrick

Mystery Book Group
Weds., Jan. 16th | 7-8:30 PM
Conference Room

The Switch
by Joseph Finder

Marie's Book Buddies
Fri., Jan. 11th | 10-11:30 AM
Conference Room

Cape Cod by Henry David Thoreau

Teen Programs



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Minecraft Club

Monday, Jan 7th | 6-8 PM

Monday, Jan 28th | 6-8 PM

Computer Lab ★

Join our growing club! You are not required to have your own Minecraft account to participate. Teens in grades 6-12 are welcome.



Graphic Novel Book Club

Wednesday, Jan 9th | 7-8 PM

Teen Room ★

This month we are reading *In Real Life* by Cory Doctorow. Teens in grades 6-10 are welcome. Don't forget to stop by the Teen Desk to pick up a copy of the book.



Improv Club

Wednesday, Jan 16th | 7-8 PM

Meeting Room ★

Joining our new Improv Club! At each meeting we will be testing out our acting skills with some hilarious improv games. Teens in grades 6-12 are welcome.



Teen Advisory Group (T.A.G.)

Wednesday, Jan 23rd | 7-8 PM

Meeting Room

T.A.G. meets once a month to discuss all things Teen. T.A.G. plans Teen events and helps the Teen Librarian choose new materials for the Teen Room. Teens in grades 6-12 are welcome.



January Kid Programs



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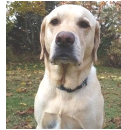


Registration Required

PAWS to Read with Finnegan

Wednesdays | 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM

Room of Requirement ★



Finnegan is an adorable golden retriever who is trained to sit with children and listen to them read. This kind of support from lovable puppies can foster your child's self-confidence, build reading skills, and it's just plain fun!

STEAM Lab

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 3:30 - 5:00 PM

Room of Requirement

Calling all curious minds: The STEAM Lab is open! Elementary school students are invited to drop by and explore a variety of STEAM concepts. This month's projects include **ice hockey science**, **sweet molecules**, **thaumatropes**, and much more. See online calendar for specific event descriptions.

Chew on This Book Club: Magazines

January 14th | 6:30-7:30 PM

Conference Room ★

Kids in grades 3 through 5 are invited to choose a magazine to read for this month's meeting. While we 'chew' on the magazines, we'll chew on a delicious themed or seasonal snack, too! The theme for January is **MAGAZINES**; feel free to check out one of the magazines available at the library.

NEW! Kids' Crochet Circle

January 16th | 6:30-7:30 PM

Room of Requirement ★

Do you love to crochet or would you love to learn? Stop by the library to unwind while you learn the basics of crochet or work on a favorite project. Beginners welcome! Best suited for kids in grades 3-5. Materials will be provided.

Building Executive Function Skills

January 9th | 6:30 - 8:00 PM

Meeting Room ★

Author Michael Delman, CEO of Beyond BookSmart, shares insights with parents from his new book, *Your Kid's Gonna Be Okay*. Parents will learn tips and tools from a lifelong educator and expert in Executive Function intervention - and that their kids will be okay when equipped with the skills they need today and for the future.



Read to Kodiak and Echo

Saturdays | 11:00 AM-12:30 PM

Room of Requirement ★

Sign up to read to our very special "read" dogs! Kodiak and Echo are Bernese Mountain Dogs who are trained to sit with children and listen to them read to help build confidence and reading skills. Plus, it's tons of fun!



A Very Merry Unbirthday Party

January 25th | 4:00-4:45 PM

Room of Requirement ★

In honor of Lewis Carroll's Birthday on 1/27, join us to celebrate your unbirthday at the library. Everyone has one birthday a year and 364 unbirthdays! Stop by to enjoy cake, games, prizes, and more. Come in costume if you'd like and join our mad tea party and very merry unbirthday to you!

Crafternoon: Beaded Snowflakes

January 11th | 3:00 - 4:30 PM

Room of Requirement

Unwind after a busy day with a fun craft at the library. Drop by to make a beautiful beaded snowflake. All materials will be provided. Families welcome!



Please visit www.northboroughlibrary.org
for a complete list of our events and
registration information.