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Please note that per the Hopedale Board of Health and Hopedale Select Board, all library visitors, age 2 and above, must wear masks and maintain social distancing protocols while in the Library, regardless of vaccination status.

Presidents Day



The Library will be **CLOSED** on Monday, February 21 in observance of Presidents Day.

Model Train Display

Please come into the Bancroft Memorial Library and enjoy the new display of model trains in our display case. Walter Unruh, a library patron and train enthusiast, has set up examples of his trains on tracks for all to enjoy. There is a very little train (z gauge) on a small track up to a larger train (00 gauge) on a larger track. There is even a train that is a telephone!

We would like to thank Walter for setting up this display and sharing his collection with our patrons.

Hygge Knitting Workshop

As we continue to celebrate Hygge this winter, join us for a peaceful knitting afternoon on Saturday, February 19. Experienced knitters, new knitters, and those eager to learn are all welcome to experience the relaxation of knitting with lovely Hygge yarn.

We will supply yarn and instructions for warm, soft scarves. Size 9 needles will be needed. This program, which will take place from 12-1:30pm, is open to participants aged 12 years and older. Space is limited. Please be sure to call Mrs. Kraimer at (508)634-2209 to register.

Jigsaw Puzzles

Is winter weather driving you crazy? Need something to do while watching the snow fall and the thermometer drop? Nine hundred channels and nothing on TV?? How about a jigsaw puzzle? No need to rush....stop and start when you want. Do a little or a lot at a time. Enjoy seeing the picture appear.

You don't have to buy a puzzle. Why not borrow a jigsaw puzzle from the Bancroft Memorial Library? We have a new collection of jigsaw puzzles with many lovely pictures to choose from, anywhere from 300 to 1000 pieces. You have 3 weeks to work on it so take your time. When you're done just return it to the library and pick out a new one. Simple! Stop by the library and pick up a puzzle today!

Library Parking

Did you know there is parking in the rear of the building? Follow the driveway past the medical building on the left. There are spaces to the right of the handicap parking space in the back of the library (facing the library building). These are designated library spaces, marked "library."

Ongoing Monthly Library Events

Helen Symonds Book Group

The Hopedale Book Discussion Group meets monthly on the first Wednesday of the month at 1:00pm in the Bancroft Memorial Library meeting room. New members are always welcome. If interested in joining the group, please leave your contact information at the Circulation Desk.

The group will meet on Wednesday, February 2 at 1pm to discuss The Vanishing Half by Brit Bennett. "The Vignes twin sisters are identical, growing up together in a small, Southern black community in the 1950's and running away at age sixteen. We follow the sisters as they take different paths, one returning home and the other passing as white. Brit Bennett produces a story that is at once a riveting, emotional family story and a brilliant exploration of the American history of passing." –Book Summary

The book to be discussed in March will be The Four Winds by Kristin Hannah. "Hannah brings Dust Bowl migration to life in this riveting story of love, courage, and sacrifice." - Publishers Weekly





Wednesday Needlework Group

Join us for an evening of needlework every Wednesday night from 6:00pm until 7:45pm. Bring your latest project. No commitment required – come when you can!

Friends of the Hopedale Library

Don't forget to visit our Ongoing Book Sale in the Reference Room of the Bancroft Memorial Library! Thanks to our book donation days, we are restocked with new items to peruse. It is a great time to stock up for snow days!

The Friends meet the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm. New members are always welcome! Please call or stop by the upstairs circulation desk to join.

The Friends of the Hopedale Library support the Library by providing funds for equipment, materials and programs to supplement the regular operating budget. They offer adult events September- June and fund the children's summer reading and other programs. More information can be found at https://www.hopedale-ma.gov/bancroft-memorial-library/pages/friends-library.

News from the Marjorie Hattersley Children's Room



Winter Story Hours

Winter Story Hours continue into February for ages 3 and up on Tuesdays at 3:15pm! Come in from the cold and listen to stories, sing songs, and make a craft. Mrs. Kraimer has a special theme for each week!

February 1 - Tales from China February 8 - Stories of Friendship February 15 - American Legends February 22 - Pirates!

Space is limited and registration is required. Please call Mrs. Kraimer to register today at (508)634-2209.

Take Your Child to the Library Day

Celebrate "Take Your Child to the Library Day" on Saturday, February 5 at 11am.

Start the morning singing with perennial favorite, Kathy Earabino, and then create a special winter craft afterwards. This program is for children of all ages. Please call Mrs. Kraimer to register today at (508)634-2209.

Valentine's Day Crafts

Create a valentine for your special person on Thursday, February 10 at 3:30pm for ages 4-9. Registration is required. Please call Mrs. Kraimer to register at (508)634-2209.

Owl Moon

Wednesday, February 16 will be a full moon, and time for the Children's Room to host its annual celebration of <u>Owl Moon</u>. Children, ages 3 through 7, are invited to join us at 6pm to read Jane Yolen's classic story. Then join us through the quiet darkness as we search for the elusive Snowy Owl in the Children's room. Each child is asked to bring a flashlight. Please call Mrs. Kraimer to register at (508)634-2209.

Mars Rover

Come in on Wednesday, February 23 at 3:15pm and race our Mars Rovers with Vinny and Brent! This program is open to 2nd and 3rd graders and space is limited to 8 participants. Please call Mrs. Kraimer to register at (508)634-2209.

Afternoon Movie Special

Looking for something to do during vacation? Join us on Thursday, February 24 at 2pm for an afternoon movie special. Which movie shall we watch? *Pete's Dragon* or *Peter Rabbit*? Register with Mrs. Kraimer at (508)634-2209 and vote!