

Hopkinton Town Library
REPORT FROM LIBRARY DIRECTOR

January 20th, 2026

Library Staff: Circulation staff had a staff meeting on January 10th. On January 15th, staff attended an Active Shooter Talk for town employees. Goal Two 1c.

Finance: 2025 books close today. We have used 95.23% of our 2025 budget with a few invoices left to clear. Goal One 2bandc and Goal Two 1b.

Library Services: We finished 2025 with 91,014 checkouts, 22,327 visitors, 251 programs, and 1,022 computer uses, all higher than 2024.

Shipments from Ingram picked up in the new year, closing out many of our purchase orders from October, November, and December. They have not issued any updated communication to customers about normalization of services, nor when they may be able to onboard new customers for processing.

Programs. We had 251 programs in 2025 with 8,389 attendees! After a brief programming break at the end of December, programming resumed in 2026. We held our first Homeschoolers Library Tour on 1/15 with 20 participants. It allowed homeschoolers the experience of a library tour like the Kindergarten visit with Harold Martin. Some other highlights include:

Date	Program	# of Attendees
12/5-12/7/25	Wee Folks Bookshoppe	124
12/6/25	Crafts during Waffles and Warm Hearts	197
12/12/25	Ziggity Zag Music	34
1/14/26	Lego Club	10

Coming up we also have:

Date	Program
1/21/26 1pm	Book Group (<i>Wuthering Heights</i> by Emily Bronte)
1/21/26 6pm	Animals and Birds of India, Botswana, and Tanzania with Tony Gilmore
1/23-1/24/26	Puzzle Swap
1/25/26 2pm	Square Inch Project with Julie May Daniels
1/28/26 4pm	New Hampshire Wildlife with Squam Lakes
1/29/26 6:30pm	Flock of Poets
1/31/26 1pm	Readers' Roundup
1/31/26 2pm	Fireside Knitting
2/4/26 4pm	Lindsay and Her Puppet Pals
2/3/26 6-8pm	Open Mic with the Contookuleles
2/7/26 12pm	Rubber Stamp Making

Goal One 4a&b

Building: Irish Electric is continuing with upgrading our lighting to LEDs. Proposed next consideration is to install automatic sensors in bathrooms to reduce lights left on accidentally. Goal Two 1a

Community Connections: The Hopkinton Waste Reduction Committee and The Conservation Commission have reached out about cosponsoring programs with the library. The Hopkinton Rotary donated again to purchase children's books. They will have speakers sign and date book plates that will be added to the books purchased with the funds. Goal Two 1k.

Respectfully submitted, Rose Jansen