

Hopkinton Town Library
REPORT FROM LIBRARY DIRECTOR

September 17, 2023

Library Staff: Jenny is on vacation until the 25th. We will have a staff meeting on September 27th. Goal Two 1c.

Finance: We are 75% through the year and used 59% of our budget. CIPs were submitted on 9/4. Budgets are due 10/11. Goal One 2bandc and Goal Two 1b.

Library Services: In July, library visits increased 24% over July 2023. A/V usage for Juvenile titles increased 38% in August. Study room usage fell slightly in August in comparison to last year as more patrons used the rooms for longer per visit. Goal One 1a 4a, Goal Two 2a-e.

Programs. August and the first half of September were quieter on programs. Sarah put together an excellent slate of programs for adults over the summer, leading to us doubling our adult program offerings compared to last year. Sarah tried out a new 'encore' option of book group, offering book club again at 4:30pm. She had 7 attendees the first time and we've had great feedback about offering it again in September.

Date	Program	# of Attendees
7/19/24	Stuffy Sleepover	47
7/23/24	STEAM for Littles	46
8/2/24	Summer Reading Program Wrap Party	39
8/9/24	Smokey Bear's 80 th Birthday Party	59

Coming up we have:

Date	Program
9/18 @ 1:30 and 4:30pm	Book Group (<i>Circe</i> by Madeline Miller)
9/19 @ 6:30pm	Flock of Poets
9/26 @ 6:30pm	Fiddles Plus Concert
9/27 @ 5:30pm	Gemma Soldati
10/9 @ 4-6pm	Halloween Teen Escape Room
10/15 @ 6pm	Open Mic with the Contookuleles

Family Storytime will return on 10/1 at 10:30am and Jenny will be starting a monthly Tummy Time Tales (second Friday of the month) on 10/11 at 10:30am, which is for babies (geared for 12months and younger) and their caregivers. Goal One 4a&b

Building: Darragh from Irish Electric met with ENE to make sure he understands which circuits run what for the HVAC system. The ENE technician also did our preventative maintenance. JP Pest sprayed outside as we had some carpenter bees in the live edging and a wasp nest in the base of one of the streetlights. They also treated for carpenter ants near the Welcome Desk. Technician recommended adding in twice-yearly spraying of outside of building for insects. Goal Two 2a and e.

Community Connections: On the 17th we hosted a Voter Registration Drive with the On September 27th we will host the community portion of the Artist in Residence program for Harold Martin and Maple Street Schools.

Respectfully submitted, Rose Jansen