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FALL READING PROGRAM

Congratulations to Jessica Tabor,

our fall winter reading program winner of a Yeti mug!

2021 ANNUAL MAGAZINE SALE February 1-13

To limit the number of people in the library at one time, we are unable to hold our usual magazine sale in the meeting room. This year, our weeded magazines will be sold by the bag, one title per bag – no browsing or picking and choosing of specific issues. Every bag is \$0.50.

Titles can be purchased at the Main Desk of the library (sorry, no holds).

Magazine Sale

CHANGES ATTHE LIBRARY

Starting in February, the library will begin preparing the building for the renovation and construction scheduled to occur starting in March 2021. It is likely the library may need to close for a short period of time in March or April – the exact dates are as yet unknown.

In light of this, we are waiving the 15 book limit for local materials starting in February. We have also continued to waive all overdue fines for materials (hotspots excluded).

In March, you will see major work happening at the back of the library as the atrium will be removed and a small addition constructed in its place. You'll also see a new outdoor classroom being built in the current location of the climbing structure. Due to all of this activity, we will need to close the park for a time. Barriers will be put in place, but parents will also need to instruct their children to avoid the area while construction is occurring.

We thank you for your patience while we work to make the library a better place for the community!

See below for a draft of the back entrance facelift coming this year.



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HARTFORD CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

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CHILDREN'S WINTER READING PROGRAM

For Children Birth - 12 January 4 - February 8

Sign up on Beanstack via the Hartford City Library's Website OR sign up in Children's Services.

You may win a prize! Three prizes will be awarded for the most minutes read.

VIRTUAL STORY TIMES

Join Miss Amy on Wednesdays for story time!

A Visit with Ms. Amy Wednesdays 8:00 a.m.

A Bedtime Story with Ms. Amy Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.

See our Facebook page to follow along.



MYSTERY BOOK

When you come into the library, you'll see a number of wrapped books [Christmas continues! ;)]. Feel free to choose a wrapped mystery book, unwrap it and read it. Some of the books will have a surprise inside. Happy Sleuthing!

THE AWESOME LIT SOCIETY

For 4th—8th graders

January 2021: Pages & Co. The Bookwanderers by Anna James

Ever since her mother's disappearance, eleven-year-old Tilly Pages has found comfort in the stories at Pages & Co., her grandparents' bookshop. But when her favorite characters, Anne of Green Gables and Alice from Wonderland, start showing up at the shop, Tilly's adventures become very real. Not only can she follow Anne and Alice into their books, she discovers she can bookwander into any story she chooses. Tilly's surprising new ability leads her to fun and exciting adventures, but danger may be lurking on the very next page . . . When new secrets are uncovered, it's up to Tilly to solve the mystery of that happened to her mother all those years ago. From debut author Anna James comes an enchanting story about the magic of books and the power of imagination.

February 2021: Ottoline and the Yellow Cat by Chris Riddell



Ottoline Brown lives in apartment 243 of what used to be called the P.W. Huffledinck Tower, but it looks like a pepper pot, so that's why everybody actually calls it The Pepperpot Building. Anyway, this apartment is furnished with her parents' collections from all over the world and also Mr. Munroe, who is covered in hair and used to live in a bog in Norway. Yeah. He's come a long, long way. He's Ottoline's best friend. Suddenly there begins a string of daring burglaries in Big City, and precious lapdogs (and jewels) are disappearing! Ottoline and Mr. Munroe have to put their heads together to come up with a clever plan to catch whoever is behind this crime wave.

This delightful book probably has sixty-percent illustrations and forty-percent words, but when you put them all together you have a witty story with fantasticadocious details that will tickle readers pink, yellow, red, and more!

There's even a chance to see inside all of the rooms with the roof off! Really. If you don't believe us, come to book club and FIND OUT!

Request to join our group at *The Awesome LIT Society FB Group:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/567764023845310

*This is a private group as members are 4th-8th graders. The Zoom meeting link is pinned to the top of the group for members of the group to participate, safely, online. Parents may join the group by answering the entry questions and then access everything we offer in the group. If you have any questions, please feel free to send a FB message. I'll hop on and help you get all set up! —Miss Bri