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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Great news! We are almost done with the flood repairs and should have the whole non-fiction collection accessible in mid March! When you are dealing with repairs to a historical building there are always surprises to be addressed which can add time on to the process.

Next steps for renovations at the Carpenter Building will be for some roof repairs this spring so we can start more interior paint and abatement work. That may mean some closures of the library parking lot during the spring so please check our website, social media and signs in the building for more information as it becomes available to us.

I also want to take the time to acknowledge the fantastic staff we have here at our library that have worked around this construction project to assist the public with humor and grace. Our team stepped up to save materials when it was raining inside and will soon have the "honor" of moving our materials back to their original homes shortly.

It will be another very busy spring at our library buildings with great programs and many new materials to get us ready for our Summer Reading Programs!

Thank you so much for your patience during our repairs!

Warm regards,

Denise van Zanten
Library Director

NOTE FROM THE MANCHESTER CITY LIBRARY FOUNDATION

The Manchester City Library Foundation is a dedicated nonprofit organization focused on providing essential supplemental support to the Manchester City Library through strategic fundraising initiatives. The Foundation advocates for sustained and increased public investment in the library, while also serving as a key driver in securing private contributions from individuals, businesses, organizations, and foundations. These efforts aim to enhance the library's

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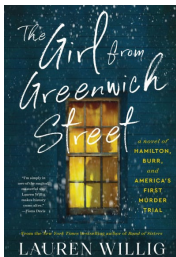
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services and enrich the community we serve.

We are currently seeking passionate individuals to join our Board of Directors. If you are interested in contributing to the growth and success of the library, please submit your resume along with a brief letter explaining why you are motivated to support library fundraising efforts. Visit us at <https://manchestercitylibraryfoundation.org/> for more information!

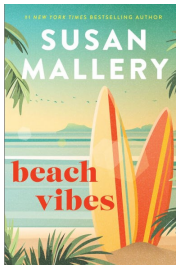
NEW FICTION COMING SOON!

Here's a sneak peek at some of the new fiction coming out over the next few months. It's not too early to get yourself on the waiting list for these hot titles:



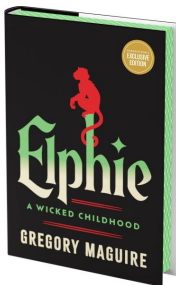
Willig, Lauren – The girl from Greenwich Street

Bitter rivals Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr unite to defend a carpenter accused of murdering Elma Sands, a mysterious young woman found in a well, intertwining a high-profile trial with their own political ambitions and personal enmity. Based on a true story. Due out March 4.



Mallery, Susan – Beach vibes

Beth's idyllic life running her Malibu beach shop unravels when she discovers her brother's infidelity and must make a moral decision threatening her newfound happiness and forcing her to choose between love and loyalty. Due out March 18.



Maguire, Gregory – Elphie

Describes the coming-of-age story of Elphaba, the Wicked Witch of the West, as she is molded by her promiscuous mother and her pious father, becomes jealous of her siblings and encounters mistreatment of animal populations of Oz. Due out March 25.

Chiaverini, Jennifer – The world's fair quilt

Sylvia Bergstrom Compson is contemplating the future of her beloved Elm Creek Quilts when Summer Sullivan asks to borrow an antique quilt for an exhibit at the Waterford Historical Society. As she retraces the quilt's story for Summer, Sylvia makes an unexpected discovery – one that helps shine some light on a way forward for the Elm Creek Quilts community. Due out April 1.



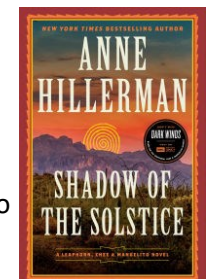
Harris, C.S. – Who will remember

The gruesome murder of a prominent nobleman throws an already unsettled London into chaos as England is in the grip of what will become known as the Year Without a Summer. Due out April 15.



Hillerman, Anne – Shadow of the solstice

The Navajo Nation police are on high alert when a U.S. Cabinet Secretary schedules and unprecedented trip to the little Navajo town of Shiprock, New Mexico. Tensions escalate when the body of a stranger is found in an area restricted for the disposal of radioactive uranium waste. Due out April 25.



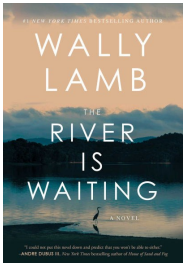
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Allende, Isabel – My name is Emilia del Valle

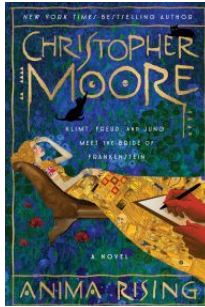
Tells the story of Emilia del Valle, a young woman caught between two worlds – her Chilean roots and the Irish upbringing of her stepfather – as she forges a path as a writer in a man’s world. Due out May 6.



Lamb, Wally – The river is waiting
Sentenced to prison, Corby Ledbetter struggles to survive. But buoyed by the small acts of kindness he sees, and his mother’s enduring faith in him, he begins to transcend

the boundaries of his confinement, sustained by his hope that mercy and reconciliation might still be possible. Due out May 6.

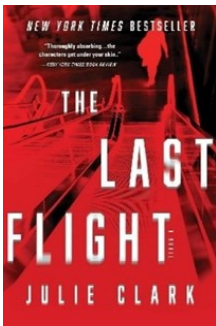
Moore, Christopher – Anima rising



In early 20th-century Vienna, famed painter Gustav Klimt finds a naked woman floating in the canal. Startled to find she is actually alive, he takes her back to his studio, and sets off a strange story of murder, art, and memory, that includes Dr. Frankenstein, Sigmund Freud, Carl Jung, a Dutch policeman, and a giant wolf-dog. Due out May 13.

ADULT BOOK CLUBS

The Brown Bag Book Club meets on the last Tuesday of each month from 12:15 -1:30PM in the Hunt Room. For more information, contact David at 603-624-6550 x7643.



Tuesday, March 25, 2025 12:15 – 1:30 pm

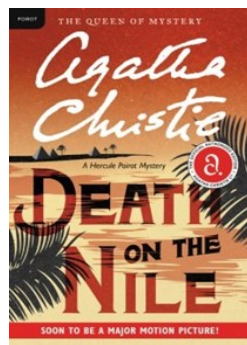
The Last Flight, by Julie Clark
Two women, distraught by their current lives and unknown to each other, swap tickets in an airport bar. Secrets about another’s life will be revealed.

new husband take a cruise on the Nile, where they meet the brilliant detective Hercule Poirot. It should be an idyllic trip, yet Poirot has a vague, uneasy feeling that something is dangerously amiss.

Tuesday, April 29, 2025 12:15- 1:30 pm

Death on the Nile, by Agatha Christie

Linnet Doyle is young, beautiful, and rich. She's the girl who has everything-including the man her best friend loves. Linnet and her



Tuesday, May 27, 2025 12:15- 1:30 pm

Circling the Sun, by Paula McLain

Beryl Markham finds herself in a love triangle as her understanding of the world crumbles apart, after growing up on an English estate in early 20th century Africa.



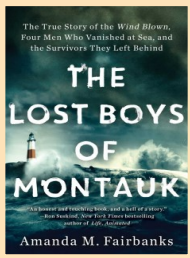
WEDNESDAY EVENING BOOK GROUP

Do you like talking about books as much you enjoy reading them?

Consider joining our monthly book club! We meet in the Winchell Room on the second Wednesday of the month, September through June, and you can attend either in person or via Zoom.

Selections include fiction, nonfiction and biographies, both recent and classic.

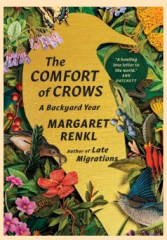
For more information contact Steve Viggiano at sviggiano@manchesternh.gov.



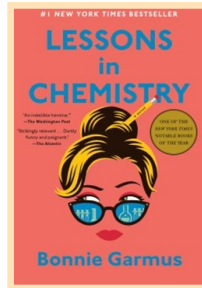
- Wednesday, March 12, 2025, 6:30pm**
The Lost Boys of Montauk: The Story of the Wind-Blown, Four Men Who Vanished at Sea, and the Survivors They Left Behind, by Amanda M. Fairbanks.

New York Times opinion writer and best-selling author presents this stunning literary devotional that follows the creatures and plants in her backyard over the course of the year, tracing the passing of the seasons, personal and natural.

This immersive account of the 1984 tragedy of the fishing boat Wind-Blown--whose repercussions haunt its survivors to this day--explores one of the most important questions we face as humans: how do memories of the dead inform the lives of those left behind?



- Wednesday, April 9, 2025 6:30 pm**
The Comfort of Crows: a Backyard Year, by Margaret Renkl.



- Wednesday, May 14, 2025 6:30pm**
Lessons in Chemistry, by Bonnie Garmus.
 In the early 1960s, chemist and single mother Elizabeth Zott, the reluctant star of America's most beloved cooking show due to her revolutionary skills in the kitchen, uses this opportunity to dare women to change the status quo.

REMEMBERING TOGETHER!



Mondays at 10:30am, March 10 & 24, April 7 & 21, May 5 & 19
In-Person at the Senior Center, or Virtually via Zoom

Our lives are made up of stories. The Remembering Together program offers seniors a unique opportunity to share with one another some of their memorable life stories. These stories are often a source of encouragement, mutual appreciation, perspective, and a sense of connection. Of course, there are also times when a story gives everyone a good laugh.

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Please join The Mental Health Center of Greater Manchester and the Manchester City Library for a conversational group at the Senior Center on **Mondays at 10:30am, March 10 & 24, April 7 & 21, May 5 & 19**. Virtual attendance is also available!

For questions, call Susan Harmon at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email sharmon@manchesternh.gov Signup for this program is encouraged! We will send you a reminder email before the meeting as well as a zoom link if you wish to attend virtually. Sign up [here](#) or visit www.manchesterlibrary.org and click on "Upcoming Events" to view the library calendar. You can also sign up by calling the library at 603-624-6550.

WRITERS' GROUP

Wednesdays March 19, April 16, and May 21 6:30-7:30pm

Join the Manchester City Library on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm either in person or virtually via Zoom for our writers' group! Meet with other writers, discuss what you're writing, critique others' work, and give feedback. This group is open to writers of all abilities, aged teen and up. Please sign up to participate.

For questions, call Tess at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email tkimsey@manchesternh.gov Signup for this program is required, please sign up through our library calendar! Visit www.manchesterlibrary.org and click on "Upcoming Events" to view the library calendar. Click [here](#) to be taken directly to the event, or copy and paste the link below into your browser.
<https://manchester-lib-nh.libcal.com/>



TAX HELP

The Manchester City Library, in partnership with the Hooksett Public Library, is excited to offer a program on tax help.

This virtual online program will be on

Tuesday, March 18th from 2:00pm to 3:30pm via Microsoft Teams. Learn how the U.S. tax system works and enjoy getting help answering your tax form questions.

This class includes: An introduction to the basics of the American tax system for individuals who would like learn more about how taxes work. Attendees will also get help understanding key filing requirements and will also learn about common tax forms. The presentation will simplify the tax process and help attendees navigate the tax system with confidence.

Presented by Toni Tello, consumer law paralegal and tax clinic director at 603 Legal Aid along with colleague and Attorney Lee Goldberg.

For questions, call Amy Hanmer at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email ahanmer@manchesternh.gov

Microsoft Teams Link: https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ZjIhNTIhNTItYTFiNC00NWY5LThlZmUtNzM0MzlmMDIzMTk3%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22dd3a74cc-6426-43e3-a8a7-61d146a8e705%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22f8a80839-0703-4f7d-a1ca-5e9fe242b20c%22%7d

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New England UFOs - Author Talk with Ronny Le Blanc



This author event is happening on **Saturday March 29thth** starting at **11 AM** in the Library Auditorium

Join Monsterland author and Leominster, MA native Ronny Le Blanc from Discovery Channel's Expedition Bigfoot and Travel Channel's Paranormal Caught on Camera as he talks about UFOs in New England.

Come listen to the presentation and ask your own questions.

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<https://manchester-lib-nh.libcal.com/event/14066390>

SEED SWAP



The Manchester City Library invites you to a Seed Swap in preparation for the 2024 growing season! **Join us in the Winchell Room on Thursday, April 3 at 1pm.**

Please bring with you any

seeds you wish to donate. These can be seeds you harvested, seeds you weren't able to use last year, or any other *identifiable* seeds *no older than 2 years*. There will be plenty of donation envelopes on hand to package up your donated seeds for inclusion in the Manchester Seed Library. You can also take some seeds home with you!

[The Manchester Garden Club](#) has been promoting gardening and horticulture for over 90 years. Their goal is to aide in the conservation and protection of

our natural environment and to continue to further enhance the beautification of the Manchester Community. New members are encouraged, and many garden centers offer discounts to members. For more information, visit <https://manchesternhgardenclub.weebly.com/>

For questions, call Sue Harmon at 603-624-6550 ext. 7620 or email sharmon@manchesternh.gov

Signup for this program is not required, but if you'd like a reminder email, you can sign up through our library calendar! Visit www.manchesterlibrary.org and click on "Upcoming Events" to view the library calendar. Click [here](#) to be taken directly to the event or copy and paste the link below into your browser.



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BOOK SALE



The Spring book sale will take place on **May 17th from 10 AM to 1 PM**. The pricing will be \$10 per average sized grocery bag. Bring your own bag or we can provide one. Fill it up with whatever materials can fit! Individual items can also be purchased for \$2 each for hardcover books and \$1 each for most other materials.

All proceeds from this book sale will go towards the library's museum pass program.

ERIC MINTEL INVESTIGATES: PARANORMAL MYSTERIES IN NEW ENGLAND

Friday, May 23, 2025, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Library Auditorium

Calling all Paranormal enthusiasts: Join us in the library auditorium with TV personality Eric Mintel from the hit television show *Eric Mintel Investigates* as he dives into the world of Ghosts, UFO's, Bigfoot, Dogman and more with investigations right here in our local area. Since 2016, Eric Mintel Investigates has encountered bizarre and otherworldly activity that he will show you from various clips from the Eric Mintel Investigates TV show, followed by a short Q& A. Eric will also sign copies of his new book *Eric Mintel Investigates Casebook Investigations*. An exciting afternoon of paranormal discovery awaits! For questions, call Tess at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email tkimsey@manchesternh.gov



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<https://manchester-lib-nh.libcal.com/event/14219244>

WEST ADULT TAKE AND MAKE CRAFTS-SEED STARTING!

April Showers Bring May Flowers, as they say! Now is the perfect time to get your plants going for the season.



This quarter at the West Branch Library, pick up your very own seed starting kit equipped with pots, peat pellets and a small selection of seeds! These kits are perfect if you have always wanted to try your hand at gardening, but weren't sure where to start. Start your seeds in these pots and watch them grow! You can transfer them to a larger pot or garden bed outdoors after they have sprouted and the ground has thawed.

Kits will be available on Tuesday, April 8th at the Manchester West Branch Library while supplies last.

TEEN PROGRAMS: Spring 2025

Teen Plus: Crafts

Wednesdays: 3/5, 4/2, and 5/7

6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Main Library, Winchell Room

New this spring - teens in grades 6-12 can bring their plus 1 (or more) for some cool crafting fun. Bring your favorite adult, sibling, or friend to create our special Teen Plus monthly craft. Anyone not in grades 6-12

must be accompanied by a teen, and children under 8 must have an adult in attendance as well as a teen. Please note that the craft projects are intended for teens and adults and may not be suitable for younger children. Please register in advance to help us plan.

MARCH: Ugly Dolls

APRIL: Mini Terrariums

MAY: Mason Jar Luminaries



Teen Thursdays

Thursdays: 3/6 – 5/29 (no meeting 5/1, 5/8)

3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Main Library, Winchell Room

Every Thursday, come hang out in the Winchell Room after school. We'll have snacks, arts and craft supplies, Nintendo Switch, and other games. Once or twice a month we'll have a special structured craft or activity.

Check the teen website for further details at www.manchesterlibrary.org/teens. For teens in grades 6 - 12.

Teen Movie & Pizza Nights

Wednesdays: 3/19, 4/30, and 5/21

5:30 pm – 7:45 pm (approximate end time)

Main Library, Auditorium



Come for a movie and pizza in the auditorium, where we'll watch a teen movie on the big screen. For teens in grades 6 – 12. Movies may be rated PG-13 or PG.

Registration in advance is requested to help us plan. If you have food allergies or restrictions, let us know when you register or email Dori ahead of time at

mclyouthservices@manchesternh.gov. Please feel free to also email with movie suggestions you would like to watch!



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING



Family & Baby Storytimes

Our spring storytimes have begun. **Family Storytime** for 2-5 years old will be held Thursday mornings. There are two sessions; 10:00 am & 11:00 am. And for our youngest patrons, 0-23 months, **Lap-sit storytime** will be on Friday mornings at 10:00 am. All sessions are in the Winchell Room and there is no registration for either storytime. This session will run until the week of May 12th.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten



Don't forget we are offering a reading program for our youngest readers. Through READsquared, parents can register their children ages 1-5 for our 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten. You will create an account where you can enter the number of books they read, listen to storytimes, or use the several booklists that the staff have put together. Once registered, don't forget to pick up your reading bag. Kids will earn little prizes as they read towards their goal of 1,000 books before Kindergarten.

Peppa Pig Party

Tuesday, March 11, 2025
10:00 am, Winchell Room

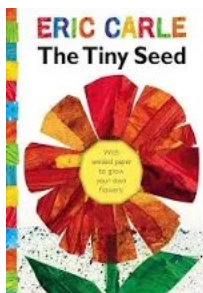
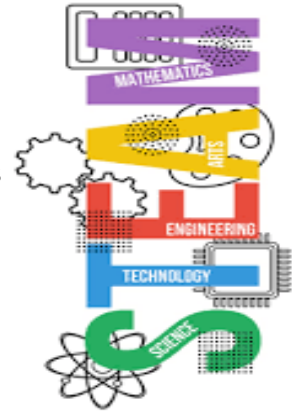
We are joining Peppa Pig and her family on their many adventures. We will listen to fun stories; take a car trip with Peppa and her baby brother. There will be a cute Peppa Pig craft to make and take home. Children 1-5 years are invited to come. Registration is requested to make sure that we have enough materials for everyone. For more information, please call 624-6550, ext. 7628.



Storytime Science

Wednesdays, March 12 & April 9 & May 14, 2025

The Children's Room staff are excited to announce our Storytime program with SEE Science Center. Once a month, kids ages 2-6 years old are invited to join Ms. Yvonne and Ms. Amanda from the SEE Science Center for Storytime Science. This storytime is based on a STEM/STEAM theme with hands-on activities afterwards. Registration will be required to make sure that we have enough materials for everyone. Storytime Science is a program of the SEE Science Center's First Steps in Science Initiative presented by Dartmouth Health Children's. This program is a great way to introduce our youngest patrons to fun STEM/STEAM hands on activities. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



Signs of Spring Storytime

Wednesday, March 19, 2025
10:00 am, Winchell Room

Join Ms. Karyn along with Ms. Heather from Amoskeag Health at 10:00 am in the Winchell Room. We will listen to *The Tiny Seed* by Eric Carle along with other stories on what we see during the arrival of Spring. Afterwards, there will be a cute craft to make and take home. This storytime is for ages 1-5 years old. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.

Lego Afternoon

Friday, March 21st, 2025
3:00-4:30 pm, Winchell Room

Once a month, come build with the 10,000 Lego pieces that have been donated by Lego System. This is a drop-in session, no registration is required. This program is for ages 3-12 years old. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 7628



Slime-of-the-Month Club

Wednesday, March 26, 2025
3:30pm-4:30pm, Winchell Room

We will be making Candy Slime, by special request! This slime needs a little more patience and more adult help to heat our candy into a playable form, so be prepared to listen to instructions as well as to get messy! Registration is required to make sure that we have enough supplies prepared for all. For Grades 1-6





Blast off with Winter Reading Continues!

Ages 5-18 record your reading minutes, unlock in-app stories and games, and earn coupons and prizes! Sign up and log your reading online at <https://manchesternh.readsquared.com/> or get a paper log at the Children's Desk. You have until the **end of March** to try and complete your mission—good luck!

Storytime at the Mall

Tuesday, April 8, 2025

11:30 am, JC Penney Sitting Area

Manchester City Library Children's Room and the Mall of New Hampshire have teamed up for Storytime at the Mall. Our next Mall Storytime will be on Tuesday, April 8 beginning at 11:30 am in front of JC Penney. We will have holiday stories and have a special guest. Afterwards, there is a cute craft to make and take home. Recommended for all ages. Registration is not required. For more information, call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



Elementary Experiments

Tuesday, April 8, 2025

3:30pm-4:30pm, Winchell Room



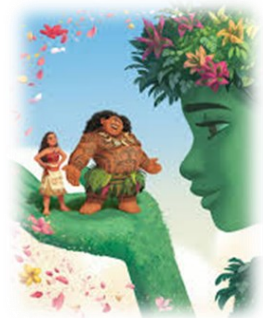
Anyone grades 1-6 can join us for activities and crafts with a STEAM focus on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. This month we are seeing where a **Penny for Your Thoughts** will get you. We are hoping for some shiny pennies and a fun toy when we are done with our experiments! Remember to register so we can make sure we have enough supplies.

Spring Moana Party

Wednesday, April 9, 2025

1:00-2:00 pm, Winchell Room

Join Ms. Karyn and the Manchester School of Technology Education Students for a fun Moana program. We will listen to the story of Moana and dance to Moana music. There will be a seashell scavenger hunt. You will get to build a boat that floats for you to take home. This program is for ages 1-5 years. Registration is required. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



Spring Celebration

Saturday, April 12, 2025

11:00 am, Winchell Room

Let's celebrate the arrival of Spring with a celebration on Saturday, April 12, 2025 beginning at 11:00 am in the Winchell Room. We will read spring stories, make a simple craft and go on a small egg hunt on the library lawn. Children ages 1-7 years old are invited to this celebration. Registration is recommended. For more information, please call at 624-6550 ext., 7628.



Slime-of-the-Month Club

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

3:30pm-4:30pm, Winchell Room

We will be making **Glitter Slime**, by special request and to celebrate spring! Come ready to get messy! Registration is required to make sure that we have enough supplies prepared for all. For Grades 1-6



Lion King Party

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

10:00 am Winchell Room

We are having a Lion King Party on Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 10:00 am in the Winchell. We will listen to stories about Simba, Nala and others, play fun games and make a cute craft to take home. Children 1-5 years are invited to come. Registration is requested to make sure that we have enough materials for everyone. For more information, please call 624-6550, ext. 7628.

Spring Animals Storytime

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

10:00 am, Winchell Room

Join Ms. Karyn along with Ms. Heather from Amoskeag Health at 10:00 am in the Winchell Room. Spring has sprung! We will listen to fun stories about our animal friends who are waking up from a long nap. Afterwards, there will be a cute craft to make and take home. This storytime is for ages 1-5 years old. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



Earth Day Celebration

Saturday, April 26, 2025

11:00 am Winchell Room

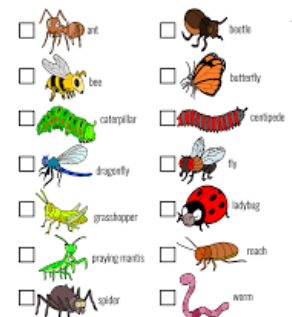
Families are invited to join Education students from UNH-Manchester, the New Hampshire Toy Library along with Ms. Karyn on Saturday April 26, 2025 from 11:00-1:00PM in the Winchell Room. There will be fun crafts to make from recycled materials as well as fun games to play. This is a drop-in program; registration is not required. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.

We're Going on a Bug Hunt!

Tuesday, May 13, 2025

10:00 am Winchell Room/Side Lawn

On Tuesday, May 13, 2025 at 10:00 am in the Winchell Room and on our side lawn, we will be going on a bug hunt. If you like bugs, this is your party. We will listen to bug stories, play games and make a cute bug craft to take home. Come dressed for an outside 'bug hunt' activities. Children ages 1-5 years of are invited. Registration is requested to make sure that we have enough materials for everyone. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.





Nature Storytime

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

10:00 am, Winchell Room

Join Ms. Karyn along with Ms. Heather from Amoskeag Health at 10:00 am in the Winchell Room. We are taking a nature walk as we listen to fun stories. Afterwards, there will be a cute craft to make and take home. This storytime is for ages 1-5 years old. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.

Elementary Experiments

Tuesdays, March 11; April 8; and May 13, 2025

3:30-4:30 pm, Winchell Room

In Elementary Experiments anyone grades 1-6 can join us for activities and crafts with a STEAM focus (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) on the 2nd Wednesdays in the Winchell Room from 3:30-4:30 pm. After the program, we will post how-to videos on Facebook and YouTube all of that month's activities and crafts! If you are unable to come to the in-person session, craft kits will be available at the Children's Reference desk after each program. Please register on our website or call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628 so we make sure to have enough supplies for everyone!



Family Game Night

Tuesday Nights, 4:00-7:30pm

Children's Room

Drop by the children's room on Tuesday nights for Family Game Night. We will have different board games and puzzles for families to enjoy as you browse for books. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 7628.



May the Fourth Eve/Star Wars Party

Saturday, May 3, 2025

10:00 am-Noon

Drop-in from 10:00 am to Noon on Saturday, May 3rd to celebrate a time long ago in a galaxy far, far away! We will have Star Wars themed crafts and activities out all afternoon for the whole family to enjoy! While you are here, be sure to try the lightsaber training, droid programming, and to test your knowledge at the Star Wars Trivia Contest. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628

Slime-of-the-Month Club

Wednesday, May 28, 2025, 3:30pm-4:30pm

Winchell Room

We will be making Soda Slime, come in and try out this real soda, fizzy, smell-good slime! Come ready to get messy! Registration is required to make sure that we have enough supplies prepared for all. For Grades 1-6



Spring Vacation Week

We have many activities planned for you during your break from school.



We are having a **Messy Art Morning** on **Monday, April 28, 2025**. We will listen to fun stories and then create a messy art masterpiece. **Registration is required** so we have enough art supplies for everyone. For ages 2-6 years. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7635.

On Monday, April 28, 2025, the Minions are back! We will be having a **Minion Party** at 3:00 pm in the Winchell Room. Not only do they love bananas but they also love their library. There will be minion activities and refreshments. You will make your very own minion pal. For grades K-5. **Registration is required** to make sure we have enough materials for everyone. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 7628.



Come join us for the Manchester City Library's Annual **Teddy Bear Picnic**. **On Tuesday, April 29, 2025 at 11:30 am**, we will gather in the Children's Room. When everyone is ready, we will parade through the library and then outside to the side lawn for a picnic. Beginning at noon, Musician Mr. Aaron will be returning with a fun toe-tapping show. Don't forget to bring your teddy bears! Registration is not required. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 7628.

On Tuesday, April 29, 2025 – STEM Challenge– Join Ms. Yvonne from 3:00-4:30 pm in the Winchell Room to check out several activities and/or crafts based on science, technology, engineering, art and math. How long of a chain reaction can you build before it all explodes? We are pulling out all of our craft sticks so you can build the most potential energy by bending and weaving the most craft sticks. The longer the chain, the higher the craft sticks will jump when the energy is released! Weaving the chain can be hard, so it is suggested main builders be at least 8 years or up in age. This is a drop-in program. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext.7628.



On Wednesday, April 30, 2025- Community Morning at 10:00 am in the Winchell Room and Library Parking Lot. Families are invited to come and meet some of Manchester's Community Helpers. Milly, Manchester's Comfort Pony along with one of the Manchester Fire Trucks and others will be here for you to meet. This is a drop-in program. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.

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On Wednesday, April 30, 2025, - Slime of the Month Club will be held in the Winchell Room from 3:30 -4:30 pm for grades 1-6. Register for a bowl at the table. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.

On Thursday, May 1, 2025 – Family Storytime – Join Ms. Rose at 10:00 am and 11:00 am in the Winchell Room for stories, finger plays, and songs. For ages 2-5 years. There will be a take and make craft after the program. This is a drop-in program. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



Kids of all ages are invited to join Nate and Brenda of **Morphs & Milestones** on **Thursday, May 1, 2025 from 2:00-4:00 pm in our auditorium** to learn about snakes, tur-



ties and other reptiles from around the world. Through hands-on opportunities, kids will learn about their environments where they live; what they eat and other fun and interesting facts. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 7628.



Friday, May 2, 2025 – Baby Storytime – Join Ms. Karyn at **10:00 am** for a singing, dancing and stories. There might even be bubbles! For ages, 6 to 24 months. This is a drop-in program. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.

On Friday, May 2, 2025 - Lego Afternoon– Drop by the Winchell Room from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm to create a Lego masterpiece for our display case. This program is for ages 3-12 years. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



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