



GRAFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

CHILDREN'S ROOM JANUARY NEWSLETTER

*What was your favorite children's book that you read
this year?*

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SOME OF OUR FAVORITE
CHILDREN'S BOOKS OF 2022.
WHAT WERE YOURS?

Ms. Sarah says: Jeff goes wild by Angie Rozelaar
Ms. Cyndi says: The Big Bad Wolf in my House by Valerie Fontaine

Tell us your favorites on Facebook!



2023 is going to be your year!

Why not try to learn a new language? Write a book or graphic novel. Haven't you always wanted to learn how to cook?

Visit the Grafton Public Library for help and resources to help you achieve your goals for the new year.



**Saturday, December 31st
11:30am-1:00pm**

One of our most popular programs is back! Join us in our big community room for a kid-friendly New Year's celebration. They'll be music, dancing, bubbles, photo opportunities, and a special countdown at 11:59am.

This is an all-ages program but does skew toward the toddler crowd. Fancy dress is not required. Drop-in.



Parents of school-aged children, we'd love your feedback on what type of programming to offer.

Please fill out this form and let us know whay you'd like to see at the Grafton Public Library.

IN-ROOM ACTIVITES



Have you met Jack? Watch him all month as he decomposes and turns into something new!



We've added to our winter wonderland. Make sure to stop in to see what is new!



Our Holiday Hunt continues in January. Can you find all the hidden items in the children's room?

What was your favorite December feature?

Holiday hunt

Select

Arctic Animals

Select

Mitten Match

Select

Sensory Table

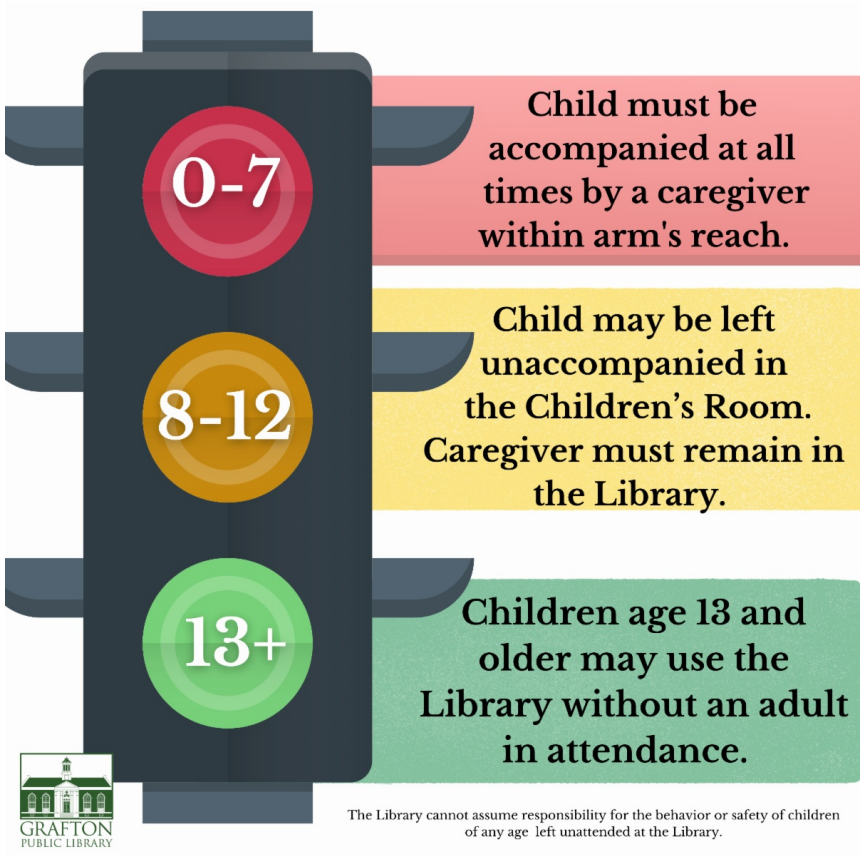
Select

Winter Art

Select

We are delighted to see so many students who want to use the Library after school, but must remind parents of our *Unattended Child Policy*:

- youth ages 0-7 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian at all times;
- youth ages 8-12 must be accompanied by parent/guardian remaining in the Library;
- youth ages 13+ may be unaccompanied, provided your child is able to use Library independently and follow the *Library's Code of Conduct*.



A graphic of a traffic light with three colored circles: red (top), yellow (middle), and green (bottom). Each circle contains an age range. To the right of each circle is a corresponding colored box with text explaining the supervision requirements for that age group. At the bottom left is the Grafton Public Library logo, and at the bottom right is a disclaimer.

Age Group	Supervision Requirement
0-7	Child must be accompanied at all times by a caregiver within arm's reach.
8-12	Child may be left unaccompanied in the Children's Room. Caregiver must remain in the Library.
13+	Children age 13 and older may use the Library without an adult in attendance.

The Library cannot assume responsibility for the behavior or safety of children of any age left unattended at the Library.

JANUARY EVENTS

Due to ongoing construction and HVAC issues, we are offering a limited slate of programs in January. Please note that room locations may change. We will try to give as much notice as possible when a program has to be cancelled. Thank you for your patience as we deal with these unexpected and **frustrating** issues.



INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURE



If there is **NO SCHOOL** in Grafton due to inclement weather, **all programs are CANCELED.**

If there is a **DELAYED** opening, **MORNING** programs are **CANCELED.**

If Grafton Public Schools **DISMISSES EARLY** due to inclement weather, **AFTERNOON** programs are **CANCELED.**

All Library policies are online.



Once Upon A Storytime

Join us for a special storytime, fun activities, and see a highlighted feature of the Willard House & Clock Museum.

Wednesday, January 11th
at 3:30pm

This program is for preschoolers ages 3-5 and registration is required.

[Register Now](#)

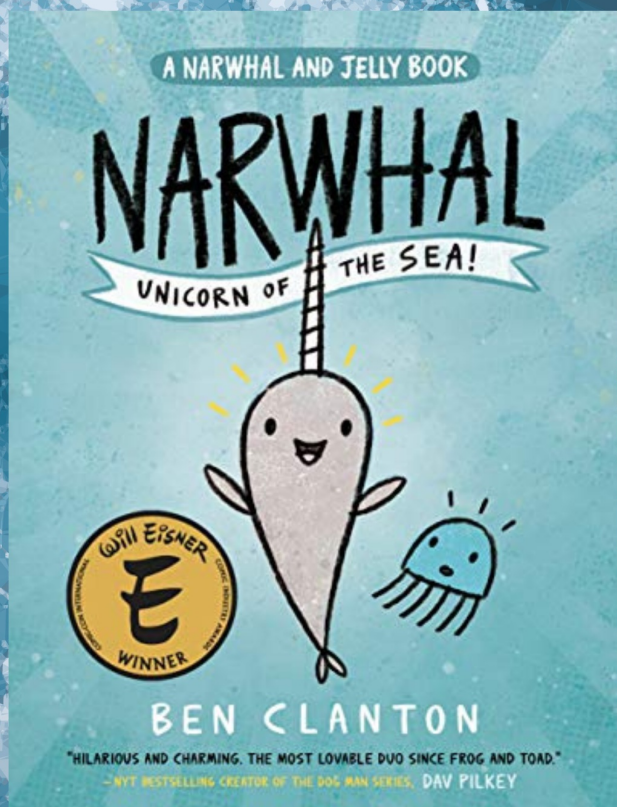


Join Ms. Kristin for a book discussion for kids! Registration is required.

Bookworms
Book Club
for
Grades K-1

Tuesday,
January 10th
5:45-6:15 pm

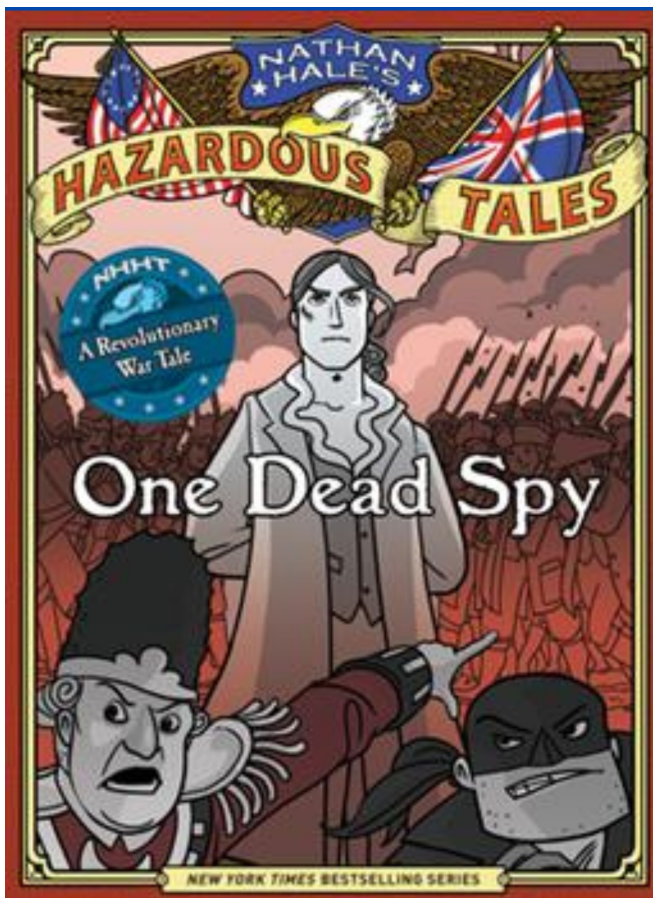
Registration
Required



Kindergarten through first grade meets at 5:45pm.

The book Narwahl Unicorn the Sea will be available for pick-up at the library.

[Register Now](#)



Bookworms
Book Club
for
Grades 2-3

Tuesday,
January 10th
6:30-7:00 pm

Registration
Required

Second and third grade meets at 6:30pm.

Copies of the book Nathan Hales' Hazardous Tales: One Dead Spy will be available for pick-up at the library.

[Register Now](#)

Bookworms Book Club for Grades 4-5

Tuesday,
January 10th
7:15-7:45 pm

Registration
Required



The companion to the #1 New York Times Bestseller *Smile*
Raina Telgemeier



Guts

SCHOLASTIC

Third through fifth grade meets at **7:15pm**.

Copies of the book Guts will be available for pick-up at the library.

Register Now



LIBRARY BABIES

STORYTIME FOR BABIES FROM BIRTH TO WALKING
TUESDAYS AT 9:15 AM



Library Babies

Library Babies is a 20-minute program for our very youngest visitors, ages birth-walking+ Join us as we read stories, sing songs, recite favorite nursery rhymes, and interact with the babies using bounces and finger plays.

Because the 9:15am program takes place before the library opens to the public, please enter through the children's program room door on the left side of the

January 24th and 31st
at 9:15am

library. There will be directional signage posted outside the library on storytime days. Please arrive on time for these programs. Due to their short run time, we cannot allow any latecomers to enter after the program has begun.

This is a drop-in program; registration is not required.



**January 25th
at 9:15am AND 10:30am**

[Register Now](#)

Toddler Time

Toddler Time is a 30-minute program for children who are walking-age 3 years. We will share stories, sing songs, enjoy movement activities, and recite rhymes and finger plays together.

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**January 26th
at 9:15am**

[Register Now](#)

Preschool Storytime

Preschool Storytime is a 45-minute program for children ages 3-5. Join Ms.Sarah to share stories, songs, felt board fun, and movement activities.

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Registration is required.



Saturday Storytime

Saturday storytime is an all-ages program that repeats some elements from our popular weekday programs. Join Ms. Jen for seasonal stories and songs!

January 28th
at 3:00pm

See all of our upcoming LIVE and PASSIVE PROGRAM events:

GPL Event Calendar

See what's happening around town:

Grafton Community Calendar



NEW BOOKS



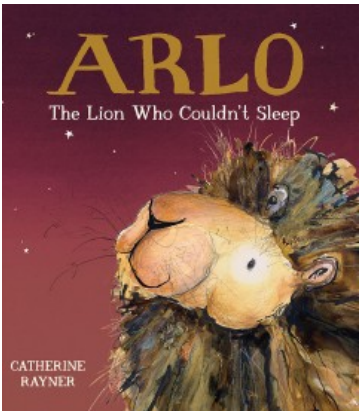
Begin One Way: A Children's Book of Road Signs by Stoian Ioanas

Enjoy a walk through an urban neighborhood guided by a child eager to share their love of road signs. By the end of this journey, children will be familiar with many common road signs and their meanings.



A family for Louie by Alexandra Thompson

A French bulldog who loves gourmet food has trouble finding a family that is just right for him.



Arlo : the lion who couldn't sleep by Catherine Rayner

Unable to get comfortable enough to fall asleep in spite of exhaustion, Arlo the lion gratefully follows the advice of a clever owl who shares helpful recommendations based in balance and mindfulness. Illustrations.

24/7 DIGITAL BRANCH: ONLINE RESOURCES

The Grafton Public Library's website functions as a digital Library branch available 24/7. *Visit our [Electronic Resource page](#) for A complete list of digital resources and databases.*

Log in with your library card number and PIN. HINT: your PIN is usually the last 4 digits of your primary phone number. Call us at 508-839-4649 or email us at graftonlibrary.ma@gmail.com if you need your pin reset.

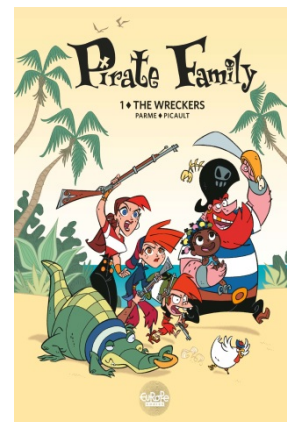
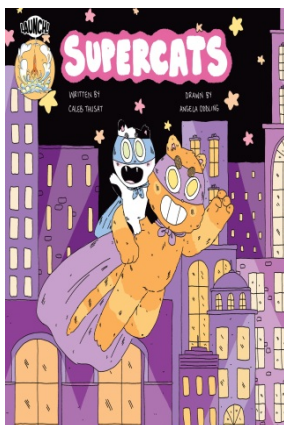
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THE LIBRARY OF THINGS



Have you heard of our Library of Things? We have over a hundred board games, puzzles and kits available to check out. Look for the white binder next to the video game section. It has a listing of all of our items and their availability.

In addition to board and card games, our collection of try-before-you-buy includes gaming consoles, tools, musical instruments, technology items, and hobby supplies. You can borrow a sewing machine, a telescope, a metal detector, a line leveler, gardening tools, a multimeter for vehicle diagnostics, cake pans, a Go-Pro camera, ukuleles, a digital projector, a 360 degree camera for remote meetings, and more! New additions for fall 2022 with a self-care theme include a Zen rock garden kit, therapy cards, and a photo therapy lamp.



1000 Books Before Kindergarten



See more challenges at griftonlibrary.org/beanstack

