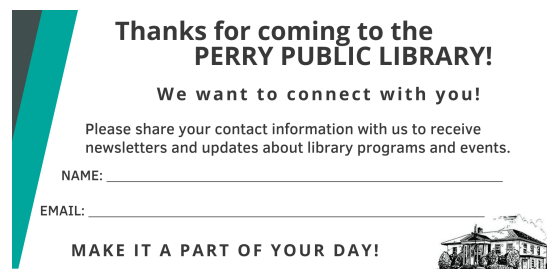


JANUARY RECAP

January was spent getting to know the library, coworkers, and some of the local businesses. I have tried to make a personal connection with each family that comes to the Children's Library through reader's advisory. I also collected their contact information for a future newsletter and inquired about programming topics and times. I spent some time working at the circulation desk in the main lobby also, getting familiar with PPL's processes and procedures.

- Disassembled the last of the summer take home bags that were loaned out.
- Surplus take home craft kits are still available in the main area of the library. I am brainstorming where to best locate and advertise these as they do not seem to be going out quickly. They do not seem to be going out in their current location so how best to advertise and disseminate.
- Created slips available to collect email addresses for future newsletter.
- Participated in the OWWL Libraries Mock Newbery.
- Started database for future newsletter.



Social Media

- Drafted social media policy for patrons and edited the policy for staff.
- Gained access to PPL's Facebook page.
- Advertised Take Your Child to the Library (TYCttL) and Storyhour on Facebook.

Storytime

- Starting 2/3/2022, it will be held weekly on Thursdays at 3pm. This time was decided after surveying the families that have come into the library since January 3, 2022. It will be for all ages.
- Flyers were made and hung in the library, posted to Facebook, and emailed to Noah's Ark preschool and SaraGrace Friday at PCSD with requests for dissemination to families.
- Personal invites were emailed to families that I have met so far this year.
- Saturdays in January:
 - Puzzle Snowflake
 - Polar Bear fork painting
 - Building club



FACILITIES/ COLLECTION

- A Storytime area is set up in the back corner of the library for the time being. The flannel board and board book bookshelves are arranged to cover holes in the plaster left from last year's flood. We are waiting until the spring thaw before making any further repairs to the wall. Once the repairs are made removing the mismatched wallpaper and a new coat of paint would freshen up and modernize the look and feel of the library.
- The bookcase at the bottom of the stairs is now for rotating thematic displays to welcome patrons to the library.
- I have concerns about the safety of the green book shelving in the center of the library. It is falling apart and one of the end caps fell off and nearly injured a young patron.

- I am considering how the physical space can be more accessible to families with young children and strollers. Several of the families that I have seen thus far 1. have a difficult time getting up the stairs with their young children and their books 2. leave the other parent and youngest sibling waiting in the car because it was too difficult to get the baby down to the library. This is a deterrent for attending programs or spending time enjoying the physical space.
- I am also looking at how the collection can be more accessible to patrons. Currently there is no OPAC in the Children's Library and the fiction books do not have spine labels.

OUTREACH

- Spoke with SaraGrace Friday at the Perry High School Library.
- Met Kellie from Noah's ark Preschool.
- Created weekly book bags of 10 picture books for an elementary teacher at PCSD.

FUTURE PLANS

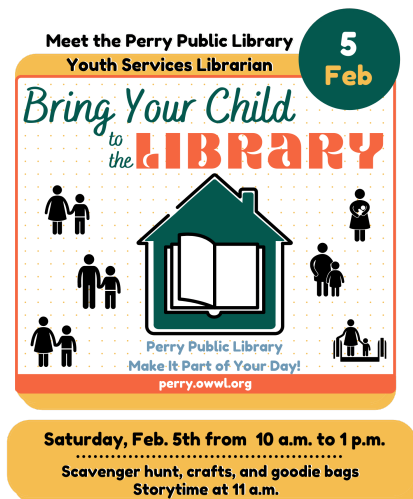
- 10 episodes of Snoozers TV (virtual storytime) will be shared out from March to June via social media.
- An internet connection will be installed to the back pole to add a OPAC station.
- Evaluation of current equipment & needs of space.
- Valentine Crafts/Activities
- Black History Month Activities
- Connect with Perry Elementary School, Gilead School, York Central Schools, local businesses and daycares about sharing program information with families.
- Expand the weekly book bag program to more schools and daycares.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Activities planned for Take Your Child to the Library: February 5th, 2022
- Storytime on 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month
- Family Storytime every Thursday at 3pm
- Building club on 3rd Saturday of the month
- One Book, OWWL in March

Overview: A new community read program sponsored by the

Pioneer Library Program. The goal is to create a shared reading experience among children and caregivers.



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WORKSHOPS/ TRAININGS/ SERVICE to the PROFESSION

- Youth Services is now the OWWL Libraries Youth Services Advisory Committee (YSAC). It will provide a forum for youth services staff to exchange ideas, engage in collaboration, and participate in personal and professional learning opportunities. It will also give input and guidance on programs, services, and initiatives being provided through the Pioneer Library System. Meetings will be held five times a year, and will be steered by a team of Officers and Suzanne Mcaulay. I have taken on the role of Secretary.
- Youth Services Advisory Council General Meeting
- Program Planning Made Easy with J. Burket Ragase
- Social Media Training with Nathan Heyer
- Evergreen Circulation system Winter Holdings Training
- Completed Civil Service exam



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