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A Newsletter by Whiting Library Youth Services Librarian Carrie King

FEATURED THIS MONTH:

Meet Deirdre Doran, Whiting Library's new Director

Let's Reconnect over Zoom

Free Audible.com audiobooks for kids

Learning in the time of Coronavirus: VT Libraries Offer Digital Programming

WHITING LIBRARY WELCOMED DEIRDRE DORAN, NEW LIBRARY DIRECTOR, ON APRIL 1, 2020.

Sharon Tanzer is retiring after 12 years of service on April 28, 2020.

Welcome to Whiting Library, Deirdre! What aspects of your new position as Library Director are you most excited about? I love connecting people with books, information, and each other. I'm excited to learn what people are looking to find in the library and making sure we provide it. That includes researching and buying great new books for the collection!

What made you decide to become a librarian? What do you like most about it? If I could choose anywhere to spend my workday it would be in a library. I even like to spend my free time at the library reading a good book! I enjoy the library atmosphere and sharing it with other people who love books, learning, and community.

What was your favorite age growing up? Every age is great! I'll go with 9 years old, when I could spend the whole summer climbing trees in order to read books in the calm, cool shade.

What's your favorite way to spend a weekend? The best weekends are the ones I spend enjoying the outdoors, hiking with my dog, Cosmo.

LET'S RECONNECT OVER ZOOM!

Social distancing doesn't have to equal social isolation.

Unprecedented times call for unprecedented creativity. I plan to bring two library programs online to continue providing our services to youth in the virtual world.

In alignment with the Stay At Home Order issued by the Vermont, I will be providing digital services until further notice. LMK if you need help getting set up with Zoom.

Send me your updated Contact Information and include:

- parent name(s);
- your child(ren)'s name & age;
- email to receive your Zoom invitation;
- any particular subjects or special interests for your child(ren).

Please submit this information to Youth Services Librarian Carrie King by emailing whitinglibrary3@gmail.com.

WHITING LIBRARY STORY TIME ON ZOOM!

Fridays at 10:30 a.m. starting April 17th.

Email me if your family would like to reconnect for a weekly Story Time (geared toward ages 5 and under, yet all are welcome) on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. via Zoom.

APRIL BOOK CLUB ON ZOOM!

Monday, April 20 at 12 p.m.

Email me if your student would like to reconnect for our monthly Kids Book Club (geared toward ages 9-12) on Monday 4/20 at 12 p.m. over Zoom. DCF Books are the focus of this Book Club.

NEW BOOKS BEING ADDED TO LIBRARY!

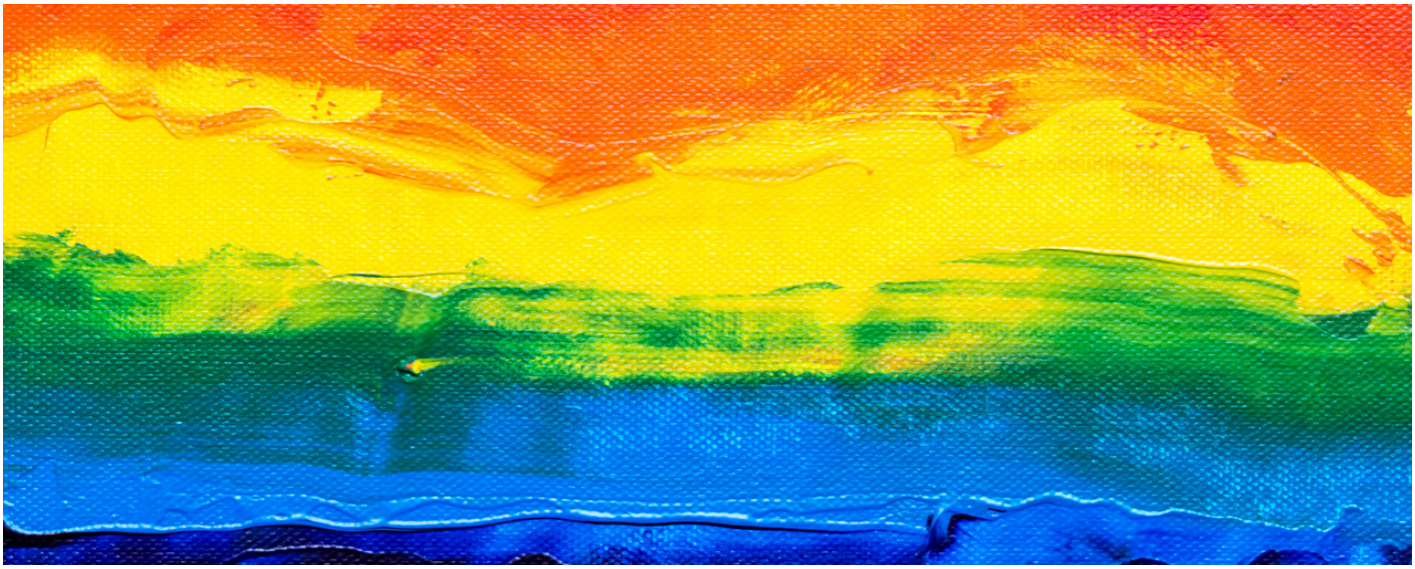
The youth collection is continuing to grow. The new books will be here for you when we reopen.

Families might be stuck inside their homes due to COVID-19 concerns, but you can still share some love and support our community during this challenging time. Around the world, children are leaving rainbow art on their windows as a message of hope. Click this link to learn more about this project.

TRY THESE FUN RAINBOW CRAFTS AND BRIGHTEN UP YOUR DAY!

Enjoy this Rainbow Sensory Collage with colorful objects found around your house.

Try this simple Rainbow Paper Collage Art Project.



FREE KIDS AUDIO BOOKS ON AUDIBLE.COM

All stories are free to stream on your desktop, laptop, phone or tablet.

As long as schools are closed, Audible.com will offer free content to stream.

200 FREE KIDS EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Video resources, apps, books, websites, resources and more!

It's all free. It's all enriching. But it's also scattered across the web, and not easy to find. This site's whole mission is to centralize this content, curate it, and give you easy access to this high quality content whenever and wherever you want it.

LEARNING IN THE TIME OF CORONAVIRUS: VERMONT LIBRARIES OFFER DIGITAL PROGRAMMING

Link to this article by Kids VT

"Vermont libraries have closed their doors to slow coronavirus, but librarians are still serving the public. Many libraries are offering online programming, from story times for preschoolers to educational resources for older students. Since these options are free and available to everyone, check out different libraries to see what works best for your family."

WAITSFIELD, VT LIBRARY OFFERS CLASSIC VT OUTDOOR ADVENTURE STORYTIME VIDEOS

New videos posted on YouTube weekly.

Anna Church, Children's Librarian at Joslin Memorial Library posts delightful virtual story time videos each week on their YouTube channel. Kids will enjoy learning about maple sap sugaring season and discover the delights of mud season in Vermont. Go on fun outdoor adventures with Library Bear and Anna plus enjoy a variety of colorful books each week. Hooray for tree sap, mud and imaginative play kitchens in the woods!