Dear Library Community,

Hoping that this latest edition of the Framingham Public Library’s newsletter finds you and your family well since we last met. On April 1st we unveiled the first ever all-electronic edition of Look Here First, in which we shared with you the events that led up to the closure of the Library, and why this unprecedented step was taken. The events of the past month, that have brought so many unthinkable changes to our lives, and brought indescribable sadness to so many families, are known to all of us, and need no further explanation here.

Since the moment the Library closed its doors, staff have been working to keep as many Library services as possible available to you and your family. We have expanded, and in many instances, enhanced your access to the Library’s electronic resources. These services are available 24/7. Please see the Library’s webpage www.framinghamlibrary.org/find-online for more information. We expanded ways for you to reach out to a librarian with questions or help accessing electronic resources. Please see the CHAT icon at the bottom right of our webpage. We have moved many of our programs online, and we are launching more every day. And we will continue to post the latest information from the City and other reliable sources pertaining to this crisis prominently on our website.

And we have been busy doing more. At the direction of Mayor Spicer, and in partnership with the Callahan Center, Library staff have been making “wellness check-in” telephone calls to thousands of Framingham senior citizens. Our design team assisted the City in developing a mailing that was also directed at our senior citizens providing valuable information and access to needed resources. Working with the City’s Department of Public Health we repurposed our book drops to become collection points for donated homemade cloth facial coverings that will be distributed to City residents. Please see page five on how you can help with this important project. And Library staff are helping the City’s Community and Economic Development Department communicate with Portuguese and Spanish speaking businesspersons accessing the Emergency Small Business Grant Program. Information on this can be found on the City's website.

And we will do more, all that we can do, to assist you and the City we care so deeply about during this unprecedented time. I encourage you to check the Library’s website often to see the latest updates. Thank you. Be safe. We look forward to being all together again soon.

For the Trustees, Staff, Friends of the Library, and our volunteers,
Sincerely yours,

Mark Contois
Library Director

FIND INSIDE! Find our new Online Programs, like Adventures in Lifelong Learning, exercise classes, book discussions, a yarn social hour and more on page two. We also have new Staff Recommendations and information about some of our latest offerings like Chat, Resources for Seniors, our Library Blog, and our YouTube Channel. Take a look at these and more, plus our fun-filled Young Adult and Children's pages!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:
• For resources about the Coronavirus and appropriate precautions, click here.
• NO late charges. Please keep items at home.
• Free WiFi is available in both Library parking lots. Please practice safe 6 ft. distancing and use the Library’s wireless access in a legal and responsible manner.
• We will keep you updated on any changes to our status.

Protect yourself, protect others. The City of Framingham is accepting donations of homemade cloth face coverings that will be distributed in the community. LEARN MORE about our Library drop-off locations.

Funding for this newsletter is provided by The Friends of the Framingham Library. Funding for Library programs and refreshments is provided in part by the Friends of the Framingham Library. Additional refreshments generously provided by Trader Joe’s.
Spring 2020

Adventures in Lifelong Learning

Tuesdays May 5, 12, 19, 26 and June 2, 9, 16

Enjoy these classes on ZOOM!

Registration is required and is due by Monday, May 4.

Please go to www.framinghamlibrary.org/adventures for full class descriptions, registration information, and instructions for using Zoom (by computer, tablet or phone).

Questions: Please email lifelonglearning@framingham.edu or phone 508-626-4603.

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This program is supported in part by the Framingham, Ashland, and Holliston Cultural Councils, local agencies which are supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency. Programming is free to all participants, thanks to partial funding support from the Older Americans Act as granted by BayPath Elder Services, Inc.

Yarn Social Hour Zoom Virtual Hangout

Wednesdays, 6-7pm

Join us for a knitting, crochet, and yarn crafting social hour! Email us for the Zoom link at YarnSocialHour@gmail.com.

Poetry Workshop

Zoom Sessions, Thursdays, 7-9pm – Led by Alan Feldman, Professor Emeritus at Framingham State University

This class welcomes serious poets of all ages and levels of experience who would like to participate for one or more sessions. We begin with a discussion of a topic in poetry. Poets may discuss their work. If you are new to the group and would like to participate, please email FPLpoetryworkshop@gmail.com.

BOOK GROUPS Now online!

Main/McAuliffe

Saints for All Occasions by J. Courtney Sullivan

ZOOM Session, Wednesday May 6, 2-3pm

This year’s best book about family... Elegant... Captivating... Deft and insightful... A quiet masterpiece... Impressive. Saints for All Occasions is so unassuming that its artistry looks practically invisible. In a simple style that never commits a flutter of extravagance, Sullivan draws us into the lives of the Raffertys, and in the rare miracle of fiction makes us care about them like they were our own family.” – Ron Charles, The Washington Post. Please email framinghamlibrarybookgroups2@gmail.com by 1pm to participate.

The Keeper of Lost Things by Ruth Hogan

ZOOM Session, Tuesday May 19, 7-8pm

Forty years ago, Anthony Peardew carelessly lost a keepsake from his beloved fiancée. That same day she died unexpectedly. Brokenhearted, Anthony sought consolation in rescuing lost objects—the things others have dropped, misplaced, or accidentally left behind—and writing stories about them. In the twilight of his life, he worries that he has not fully discharged his duty to reconcile all the lost things with their owners. He bequeaths his secret life’s mission to his assistant, leaving her his house and all its lost treasures, including an irritable ghost. Led by Jillian Holmberg. Please email framinghamlibrarybookgroups@gmail.com to participate.

Sci-Fi

Dune by Frank Herbert

ZOOM Session, Wednesday May 13, 7-8pm

Set on the desert planet Arrakis, Dune is the story of the boy Paul Atreides, heir to a noble family tasked with ruling an inhospitable world where the only thing of value is the “spice” melange, a highly coveted drug capable of extending life and enhancing consciousness. When House Atreides is betrayed, the destruction of Paul’s family will set the boy on a journey toward an unimaginable destiny. Led by Marcy Maiorana. Please email mmiorana@minlib.net to participate.

LVM Literacy Unlimited

Literacy Unlimited is still in business! We are now tutoring and conversing in the virtual world (check out our updated website framinghamlibrary.org/literacy/our-program). We are ready to help adult learners who are interested in improving their spoken English or their reading ability. If you are interested or know someone who is interested, please contact us at 508-532-5574 or fpml4@minlib.net.

For more information please visit our website: www.framinghamlibrary.org
eBooks & Digital Audiobooks

Meet Libby, the New Overdrive App!

Libby, the new app from OverDrive, makes it easy to borrow ebooks and audiobooks and enjoy them on a smartphone or other portable device. Just download the free Libby app, then enter your library card number to browse, or search, thousands of digital titles. The virtual bookshelf lists all the titles you have borrowed or have placed on hold. You will get an email notice when a book on hold is available.

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OverDrive

Borrow eBooks and digital audiobooks from Overdrive for 7, 14, or 21 days. Use on a computer or download the app.

Hoopla

Digital books, comics and audiobooks from Hoopla are available for 21 days. There are no holds and everything may be downloaded instantly. Patrons are limited to 5** Hoopla check-outs per calendar month. Use on a computer or download the app. Access is reserved for Framingham residents.*

**Hoopla Increases the Number of Items You May Borrow

While we are in the midst of the coronavirus crisis we have temporarily increased the number of Hoopla items you can borrow from five to ten items in a calendar month.

Digital Magazines

Libby

In addition to eBooks and audiobooks, you can access over 50 digital magazines. Our magazines are always available, with no holds or waiting list and no limit to the number you may check out. Loan period is 7, 14, or 21 days.

OverDrive

You can also borrow magazines with OverDrive. Magazines are always available, with no holds or waiting lists. Magazine loans never count against your standard limit in OverDrive.

Digital Newspapers

The New York Times

NYTimes.com: Read today’s New York Times through our digital subscription.

Boston Globe online: Full text articles from 1985-present.

Infotrac Newsstand: Access to more than 2,300 major U.S. regional, national, and local newspapers, as well as leading titles from around the world.

Digital Music

Hoopla

Music albums from Hoopla are available for 7 days. There are no holds and everything may be downloaded instantly. Patrons are limited to 5** Hoopla check-outs per calendar month. Use on a computer or download the app. Access is reserved for Framingham residents.*

Digital Movies & TV

Kanopy

Looking for indie or classic films, award-winning documentaries, or foreign titles a little off the beaten path? Kanopy and Kanopy Kids contain over 30,000 harder-to-find films that you can borrow online with your Framingham Public Library card! You may borrow up to 5 titles per month.

Note: Kanopy Kids currently has unlimited access.

Streaming videos from Kanopy may be borrowed for 72 hours. Create a free account, then use on a computer or download the app to your device.

And now, you can stream The Great Courses FREE on Kanopy! Kanopy users have free 30-day access to The Great Courses films. From the time you click play you will have 30 days to complete all of the videos in a course. This is without using any of your 5 monthly play credits.

Films can be streamed from any computer, television, mobile device or platform by downloading the Kanopy app for iOS, Android, Apple TV, Chromecast or Roku.

Hoopla

Movies and TV episodes from Hoopla are available for 3 days (72 hours). There are no holds and everything may be downloaded instantly. Patrons are limited to 5** Hoopla check-outs per calendar month. Use on a computer or download the app. Access is reserved for Framingham residents.*

OverDrive

Streaming videos from OverDrive may be borrowed for 3, 5, or 7 days. Use on a computer or stream on a mobile device.

Mango Languages

Mango is our online language-learning tool, with 65 languages available. Home access is available for library card holders with a Framingham address. If you do not live in Framingham, come to the Library when we are open and sign up for a Mango account. You will then be able to sign in to your account on your home computer or via the Mango app on your phone or tablet.

Consumer Reports

Use your Framingham Public Library card to access Consumer Reports for information about consumer products.

Also check out our Research Resources and Information Guides

*If you do not live in Framingham, you can still use Hoopla through the Boston Public Library. All residents of Massachusetts may sign up for a Boston Public Library e-Card and use BPL’s e-Resources, which include Overdrive, Hoopla and Kanopy.
STAFF RECOMMENDS
Catch up on your reading, relax with a movie or some music, and check out magazines. Here are some recommendations from our staff, that you can find on our digital resources.

BOOKS on Libby by OverDrive

Some Luck
by Jane Smiley
Jane Smiley won the Pulitzer with her book, A Thousand Acres in 1992. This is a new trilogy titled, The Last Hundred Years; a Family Saga. She follows a family in Iowa through multiple generations. They are very long (400+ pages), but all three books in the trilogy have been released so you won’t have to wait to continue on if you love it as much as I did. – Jennifer R.

Invisible Women
by Caroline C. Perez
With the help of a lot of stories, studies and research from all over the world, the author makes clear that our environment is largely built for men and shows the impact it has on the health and well-being of women. This powerful and provocative book made me see the invisible bias that surrounds us. – Brigitte

MAGAZINES on Libby by OverDrive

Gardens Illustrated
Overflowing with gorgeous English gardens and design ideas, this magazine provides armchair travel and inspires green thumbs. – Nancy

MOVIES on Kanopy

Rise of the Giants
(2015) 79 min.
Rise of the Giants follows a group of dedicated and eccentric farmers as they race to grow the world’s largest pumpkin, weighing in at 2032 (!) pounds. The film reveals the pumpkin’s role in the course of U.S. history, how farming helps incarcerated addicts recover, and how a community of young growers have rediscovered their farming roots. – Christine

BOOKS on Hoopla

Audiobook:
The Things We Cannot Say
by Kelly Rimmer
Alina and Tomasz are two young people in love during 1942, war time. Years later, Alina must find the answers to questions from long ago and share the truths she never dared. Her granddaughter, Alice, has stopped sharing her views, with her husband, on how to connect with their autistic son. When Alina requests that Alice find the answers to her questions, Alice finds some of her own. The journey takes Alice to Poland, where she finds that family is a powerful entity that can grow in ways you might not think possible. – Hilary

Music on Hoopla

Walk Through Fire
by Yola (2019)
Yola’s arresting vocals captivate. Her sound is sweet yet soulful, powerful and clear, and her lyrics shine. Each song in this album draws the listener into another level of her personal journey, with a range of vocal style that doesn’t disappoint. – Carol

DVDS on Hoopla

Core Power Yoga: Calorie Blast Yoga
I love yoga but don’t usually have an hour to spare. The Core Power Yoga DVD offers three 20 minute workouts to help strengthen and tone your entire body. The instructions are easy to follow and you can challenge yourself in different ways. I feel completely energized after this workout and love that I can do it on my own time. – Helen

BOOKS YOU MIGHT HAVE MISSED!

Borrow these eBooks or Audiobooks from Libby by Overdrive with little to no wait!

In the Unlikely Event by Judy Blum
Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult
Sharp Objects by Gillian Flynn
My Not So Perfect Life by Sophie Kinsella
Summer of ’69 by Elin Hilderbrand
Big Little Lies by Liane Moriarty
Into the Water by Paula Hawkins
Rogue Lawyer by John Grisham
Lincoln in the Bardo by George Saunders
The Dinner by Herman Koch
Armada by Ernest Cline
Option B by Sheryl Sandberg
The President is Missing by James Patterson and Bill Clinton
Crazy Rich Asians by Kevin Kwan
The Girl on the Train by Paula Hawkins
The Identicals by Elin Hilderbrand
The Girl in the Spider’s Web by David Lagercrantz
Me Before You by Jojo Moyes
Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly
Unbroken by Laura Hillenbrand
Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead

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Especially for Seniors

Look here first for one stop access to resources for our seniors. We have compiled a list of topics relevant to your interests in an easy to navigate format. You will find information about our digital books, audiobooks, movies and music and how to access them. There are resources for you to stay up-to-date with COVID-19 and social service organizations that can help you during this time. There are also links to health and wellness activities as well as online resources to keep you entertained while you stay safe at home. To take a look CLICK HERE.

Face Coverings.
Protect yourself – Protect others.
Coberturas Faciales.
Proteja-se – Proteja os outros.
Cubiertas de Tela para la Cara.
Protégete – Protege a los demás.

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Despite COVID-19 and the closure of the Library, The Friends continue to provide support with whatever Library staff need, including purchasing additional Constant Contact and video conferencing tools which allow them to increase their communication with the public and among themselves.

We apologize, but we cannot accept book donations until the Library reopens. We sincerely thank you for your past support and look forward to seeing you once the Library is open and our book sales are up and running again!

Framingham Public Library Foundation News

Bookmobile Award

Geoff Bloom of Gigawatt Graphics won the Hermes platinum design award for his design of the FPL’s new Bookmobile. This is a prestigious national award.

Please consider a donation to the FPLF www.framlibfoundation.org/donate/.

Your donation to the FPLF will help us create a new Teen Room in the Main Library. Stay safe! Ruth Winett (rwinett@rcn.com or 508-877-1938).

Don’t have a library card?
Sign up for an eCard to give you access to digital books, music, movies and more! CLICK HERE.

Check out the NEW Framingham Public Library’s YouTube Channel for video tutorials, program recordings, stories for kids and grownups, and much more! CLICK HERE.

A Thousand Paper Cranes Challenge: Ongoing

Join us in making a thousand paper cranes to decorate the Libraries upon our reopening. An instructional video by Lucas Gustafson, our Origami Club leader, on how to make an origami crane is on our YouTube Channel. Watch it, then make away in any spare minutes. To find out why we’re folding paper cranes check out the Wikipedia entry on Orizuru or read Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes by Eleanor Coerr (available in Overdrive/Libby).

Tales from the Dark: Adult Story Time

Who says that story time has to be over just because the kids are in bed? Join our Librarian, Dana, as he reads tales both celebrated and obscure, ranging from spine tingling supernatural stories and macabre mysteries to amazing adventures and everything in between! And who knows; maybe the occasional poem and fairy tale might show up as well.

For more information please visit our website: www.framinghamlibrary.org
TEEN BOREDOM GUIDE 2 (The Sequel) by John Garrigan

Hey all, we’re all still hanging out at home in our PJs waiting for the dreaded Round Boi to finally leave us alone. I dunno what you’ve been up to, but I’ve been catching up on all those just OK movies that I kept saying I was going to watch, but never made it onto the TV. Just this week I’ve thrown on the new Child’s Play, Hellboy, and Rambo movies. But when you’re sick of catching up on your streaming list, what is there to do?!! Hopefully, these suggestions will help.

Gaming: We’re all gaming right now. Whether that’s Animal Crossing, Doom Eternal, or Fortnite, we’re all playing something. But what do you turn to if you don’t have a console, or a family member is using the Switch or TV? Browser games! Usually these are terrible, and are at best a good way to kill 10 minutes before they annoy you enough to shut them off. However, there are a few that are lots of fun, some of which even have the ability to create private rooms to play in with your friends.

BROWSER GAMES

Gartic.io – This Pictionary like game is a great place to gather up to 50 people(!) together. Every turn, one player draws something on their screen, and everyone else has to guess what it is.

SmashKarts.io – If you love the Battle Mode games in MarioKart, this one is for you. Drive around a course picking up weapon mods for your car and try to take out everyone else.

Slither.io – Everyone is a growing snake, trying to eat up dots, and avoid all the other snakes. Can you survive?

Internet Archive – The good old Internet Archive has thousands of old arcade, computer, and console games available to play on their website.

Tetris.com – Play Tetris for free and try to get a high score.

FREE COMICS

Both Marvel Unlimited, and Viz are offering loads of free comics and manga for people to read while stuck at home.

ART LESSONS

Here are a few options for the artistically inclined.

Follow Marvel's Instagram page (@marvel) for art lessons from their artists, interviews with their creators, cartoon watch alongs, and more. Visit www.dancewher eyouare.net to get free weekly dance lessons/parties run by Boston Mobile Dance Studio, an organization that has done teen programs at the Library before!

I wish all of you the best during these weird times. Stay home and stay safe, and I’ll see you when the library reopens. If anyone is looking for recommendations (or just wants to say hi), follow the @fplteens Instagram account and/or email me at jgarrigan@minlib.net. And finally, don’t forget to join us every Friday during this closure at 1pm for teen only virtual programs.

Growing tomatoes from a fresh tomato.

Because we are not able to distribute seed, here is a little tip to still grow tomatoes this season:

Here are some recommendations for our garden community. Because we are not able to distribute seed, here is a little tip to still grow tomatoes this season:

Growing tomatoes from a fresh tomato.

Get a tomato from the store, the best and healthiest looking and ripest you can find. Slice it into thick slices, put slices on top of potting soil and cover it a little bit with potting soil, then water thoroughly. Let it sit in a warm dark place until it germinates, then bring it into a sunny spot in the house. After approximately 14 days, transplant seedlings into separate pots. Do this as soon as possible. After May 25 you can plant them outside.

The Seed Lending Library

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The Homework Center at Framingham Public Library does so much more than homework!
With over 50 tutors proficient in all subjects taught in the Framingham Public Schools, we provide:
• Free individualized tutoring
• School project help
• Guided research and crafting assistance in project creation
• SAT, ACT, subject test tutoring, college essay writing, mentoring college search process
• Membership on the Student Advisory Board – community service, leadership training, event planning
• Annual academic enrichment programming: Environmental Awareness Fair, Essay Contest, Robotics Day, March Math Madness, Fashion Show, Spelling and Geography Bee, academic enrichment classes, Just Another Mandarin Monday, The Road to Code, Annual Kids Ham Radio Day, Rock Talk and more!

Help us choose a new name for this Library program that encompasses all we do! Start sending your ideas now to jgatlin@minlib.net.

Homework Center News
Based on applicable COVID-19 requirements and the need for social distancing, we need to change the nature of these scheduled events. We want you to know that the Library is working hard on ways to bring you these and other programs. Please check the Library website often for the latest news and updates. Thank you!

Thursday May 28, 7-9pm – May Math Madness: A middle school logic competition.
Saturday May 30, 7-9pm – Flags of Framingham: An event honoring the home countries of our patrons.
Sunday May 31, 2-4pm – Journeys in Leadership: A women’s speaking forum and afternoon tea.

Remote Tutoring
The Homework Center is providing free weekly remote tutoring and homework help to students K-12. We have over 50 tutors who are proficient in all subjects taught in the Framingham schools. Our tutors are retired professionals, college and National Honor Society students. To sign up, please contact Judy Gatlin; jgatlin@minlib.net.

Language learning that works at home.
START HERE

Watch a short video about the census here.
Watch a different free performance of the Met Opera each day here!
**Weekly Zoom Storytimes** with Jillian and Dana  
Mondays 10-10:20am and Thursdays 10:15-10:45am Ages 2-6, all welcome.  
*Contact mcauliffechildrensroom@gmail.com to get an invite to join.*  
Join your familiar children's librarians for some stories, perhaps catch a glimpse of your friends on the gallery screen, and keep adding to your 1000 books before Kindergarten or since Kindergarten list. Keep your library habit going even during shelter in place!

**Weekly Zoom Baby Lapsits** with Joanne and Lucy  
Tuesdays 10-10:20am and Fridays 10:30-11am Ages 0-2 and their caregivers, all welcome.  
*Contact mcauliffechildrensroom@gmail.com to get an invite to join.*  
Come sing and play with words, rhyme, and puppets at Baby Lapsit. Break up your shelter in place time or take a break from your work from home time with some fun time with your little one, catch a glimpse of your friends on the gallery screen, and keep adding to your child's 1000 books before Kindergarten (retroactive sign up when we reopen)!

**Weekly Zoom Bookworm Book Club** with Max  
Sundays 2-3pm Grades 2-5, all welcome.  
*Contact framinghamlibrarybookgroups@gmail.com to get an invite to join.*  
Join us for an exciting book club discussion led by 8th grader Max! All books available in our eResources. May 3 we will discuss *Frindle* by Andrew Clement; May 10 we will discuss *Flora & Ulysses* by Kate DiCamillo; May 17 we will discuss *Miss Nelson is Missing* by Harry Allard; and May 24 we will discuss *Stuart Little* by E.B. White.

**Weekly Virtual Challenges**

**A Thousand Paper Cranes Challenge:** Ongoing  
Join us in making a thousand paper cranes to decorate the Libraries upon our reopening. An instructional video by Lucas Gustafson, our Origami Club leader, on how to make an origami crane is on our YouTube Channel. Watch it, then make away in any spare minutes. To find out why we’re folding paper cranes check out the Wikipedia entry on “Orizuru” or read *Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes* by Eleanor Coerr (available in Overdrive/Libby).

**Go Outside! Challenge:** Posted every Wednesday  
Check Instagram every Wednesday for new activities and a challenge that you’ll have to do outside. Take a break from home schooling and go outdoors. Each challenge will include instructions for how to tag us to share evidence of your outdoor activities all week. You won’t have to just go out on Wednesdays!

**Building Boom Challenge:** Posted every Friday  
Have the weekend free from schoolwork? How about building something fun out of Legos, blocks, cardboard, tin cans, or whatever you have around your house! Every Friday we will post a challenge on Instagram for you to work on over the weekend. Then tag us when you post a picture and explanation of your finished construction so we can share the creativity around. Check back and often to see what other people created with their building materials, and to get your brain revving up for the next week's challenge!

**Virtual Bedtime Stories** with Mr. Dana  
Join our Librarian, Mr. Dana, as he reads to you from some of his favorite children's books. First up is *My Father’s Dragon* by Ruth Stiles Gannett! [CLICK HERE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YourVideoID) to listen to Bedtime Stories on our YouTube Channel.

For more information please visit our website: [www.framinghamlibrary.org](http://www.framinghamlibrary.org)
Fun and Educational Activities for Kids!

Enjoy these online resources for kids, and visit our website for more!

Art Lessons
- **Cassie Stephens Art** Elementary school art teacher Cassie Stephens hosts daily art lessons on Instagram and Facebook. Each week she posts the themes and materials needed to create.
- **Draw Everyday** Jarrett J. Krosoczka, the author of the graphic series *The Lunch Lady* teaches you how to draw.

Storytimes
- **Kid Lit TV** Watch read-alouds from authors & illustrators.
- **The Story Seeds Podcast** On each episode, they capture the magic that sparks when kids 6-12 and best-selling authors meet up in person to collaborate and grow original stories inspired by children's story seeds!

Animals
- **New England Aquarium** View exhibits and learn about the creatures at the New England Aquarium. Watch feeding times, presentations, and more while the Aquarium is closed to the public.

Arts & Entertainment
- **Foreign Movies for Kids** Introduce your children to new places and stories through film.
- **Kidz Bop Dance** Do your kids have too much energy? Put on this video and let them dance that energy away.

Science/Nature
- **Storytime from Space** Watch astronauts on the Space Station read children's books and perform science demonstrations! *Story Time From Space* offers a delightful combination of science, literacy, and entertainment through its library of free, family-friendly videos.
- **360 Parks** Explore the National Parks and Monuments without leaving the comfort & safety of your own home.

Global Community
- **One Globe Kids** Spark a child’s global imagination with beautifully photographed, interactive stories by and for children around the globe. One Globe Kids offers an innovative way to experience friendship with a peer in a different country. For children 4-10 years of age.

Children’s Book Reviews

**The World Ends in April** by Stacy McAnulty
Available as an ebook on Overdrive/Libby.

Elle's grandfather is a survivalist who is convinced the world is going to end soon. He trains Elle and her brothers for the end of the world on weekends but Elle doesn't believe him and is getting tired of it. But one day she comes across an article that an asteroid is going to hit earth! She tries to warn her classmates and forms a club to help train them, just like her grandfather has trained her. Does her world end in April? Read this page turner and find out! *Middle grade fiction.* – Jillian

If you liked *The Sisters 8* by Lauren Baratz-Logsted, try reading:

**The Elixir Fixers: Sasha and Puck** by Daniel Nayeri
Available as an ebook on Hoopla.

Both these early chapter books have fantastic sibling adventures that you’ll want to read in one sitting. *The Sisters 8* and *Sasha and Puck* use science and potions to try to make discoveries and help others, though Sasha and Puck also use just a hint of magic too. Engaging stories with exciting and detailed characters you’re sure to enjoy! *Beginning chapter book.* – Jillian

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