1 Picture = 1000 Words

June 15 is National Photography Day. At the Library, we are putting a “Documenting COVID-19” spin on it. We want your photographs that show what your Safe at Home experience has been like. What have you noticed about the differences during the pandemic compared to before?

Send us your photos of empty streets, changes to businesses, wearing masks and PPE, celebrating essential workers, community service and volunteering, working or learning at home, and essential workers doing their jobs. Perhaps you have some moving photos like those of photographer Danielle St. Laurent in NJ? These are just some ideas. Please share what has impacted you and what you have experienced during the pandemic.

For more submission ideas, and how to submit your photos, visit our “Pandemic Paraphernalia Photos” blog post.

It is said that a picture is worth a thousand words, so we want to see your 1000.

Take care,

Josh Carlson
Manager of Youth Services
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P.S. Check out this “Kugelbahn,” which is German for “ball track.”
May Virtual Open Mic

This Saturday, May 30th, the Library will host another Virtual Open Mic. This event will take place from 5:00 to 5:50 p.m. To attend, access Zoom with this link on 5/30.

If you submitted anything for our comic or poetry prompts, or for our Documenting COVID-19 collection and would like to share your pieces at the event, please join us.

Virtual Tabletop Games

Do you miss playing board games and card games with your friends at the Library? Join Librarians Ashley and Erik on Monday, June 1 & June 15 from 4:00-5:30 p.m. to play tabletop games virtually.
Amazing Audiobooks

Check out Ms. Ashley’s recommendations for Amazing Audiobooks for Kids.

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Daddy-Daughter Storytime

This week's books:

The Red Hen

There Was an Old Monster

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Pride Month

Virtual Book Display

Chapter Books

YA Fiction
STEAM at Home

We've been putting together some great STEAM activities you can do at home with common, everyday materials. Recent ones have included:

- International Dinosaur Day
- Storm in a Glass
- Magic Milk Art
- Creepy Candy
- DIY Marble Runs

Try a fun STEAM at Home project today!

Steffi Nossen School of Dance Videos

Steffi Nossen School of Dance will be sharing a "Story Book Dancing" video each month! Thank you, Steffi Nossen!

Coming Soon: Curbside Pickup

We are working at getting the Library in order—reconfiguring our work spaces to create a better experience for staff—but we are excited that we have two milestones coming up.

On Monday, June 8 our book drop will open (24/7) and we're ready for you to return materials. There will be no fines on material returned now until 30 days after the building opens to the public.

Please note that all material will be quarantined for 72 hours before being checked in.
and reshelved, following the latest guidelines from the CDC and best practices around sanitizing surfaces. So be patient if it takes a few days for your account to be updated.

On **Monday, June 15** we are initiating contactless, curbside pick-up. This will allow you to request a specific book, DVD, CD, or a selection of materials by phone, and then drive through our cut-away to pick up the items. Available only to White Plains cardholders, this service will be available Monday through Friday, 10 am to 4 pm. Details to come.

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**Articles Around the Web**

*What Parents Need to Know About Coronavirus.* Collected NYT articles covering every aspect of parenting, working from home, and child raising during the pandemic.

*“Parenting in Place” from CMOM* – In this video series, experts in child development, psychology, health and more answer questions about parenting during the pandemic.

Turn Your Demanding Child Into a **Productive Co-Worker.**

**How to Get Your Kids to Wear Face Masks** During the Coronavirus Pandemic.

**Parenting in a Pandemic:** Tips to the Keep the Calm at Home.

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**Photo of The Week**

*Left:* Josh Carlson, Manager of Youth Services. Mohawk 05/28/20, actually trimmed the top up a bit finally. #WFH #WFHMohawk