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To our Library Community:

A new school year helps mark the passing of the year, and this year has certainly been unlike any other. Like the rest of the world, we're working feverishly to adapt our services to meet the new needs of our community. We plan on opening our meeting room for virtual school use, to make laptops and hotspots more widely available, and to continue offering engaging programming through online platforms that sound like they were named by Dr. Seuss (I'm looking at you Zoom and Kahoot). We've remodeled our building, re-worked our parking spots, and modified our schedule a whopping four times! Through it all, our patrons have been champions at going with the flow and adapting to a new way of library life.

This new way of life has also paved the way for a lot new ideas. We've started our first short story book club, aptly named the *Fear of Commitment Book Club*, we have a whole season of family trivia games planned covering topics like Disney, Tim Burton Movies, and Mythology. We're also excited to use our outdoor Reading Garden as an option for socially distanced programming. I don't think the pace of change is going to slow down any time soon but I can confidently tell you that we're ready and eager to rise to the challenge of this new era (hopefully with fewer construction projects).

Kindly,

Laura O'Grady