

## Director's Report June 2026

**Good vibes:** From an email May 29: I am a summer resident - but as I read your announcements - YOU AND YOUR STAFF ARE DOING A GREAT JOB - KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK [from] MARBLEHEAD MA

Library is looking beautiful!

One of our presenters recently remarked that our meeting room space and resources are great and so easy to use. Julie reports that several presenters who have come to Hampstead note that our setup is very advanced for our library size. I wanted to bring it up today since we all know the A/V set up is from our Friends, so thanks again!

Merrily received some good compliments from Nicole, a staff member of the SAU. "Merrily is so helpful and she knows so much!" I agreed heartily.

- 4 of us went to the NHLTA conference in Manchester.
- Summer reading planning is ramping up and it begins on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. The theme this year is Unearth a Story, with dinosaurs! Friends are funding a lot of it.
- New printers/copiers arrived but the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor one had a hiccup with an extra tray they forgot to order. That should be corrected and installed by June 19th.
- 20 8<sup>th</sup> graders visited on May 27th and Megan set them on a scavenger hunt. We wanted to help them get to know the library and for us to get feedback on 'wayfinding' for people unfamiliar with the library. Based on their observations, we can work on more clear labelling of sections, and more notations about how Dewey Decimal system organizes subjects.
- At the trustee's association meeting, I chatted with an architect about how a big project begins, and what are the steps. Following up, she shared some specifics about 3 projects her firm has worked on. I can share the proposals for the libraries they worked with so you can see what they worked on.