

Solomon Wright Public Library

Director's Report

**March 10, 2025**

**Goal for the second quarter:** Emily will look inward at library policies, procedures, and planning. We need to revise and update policies and procedures and clean up our catalog database.

### **Good News/Miscellaneous**

Town vote – our ballot articles passed!

Patron visits are up 47% in January and February from last year!

We have established groups that come in on a weekly/monthly basis (during open hours)

- Home school group weekly, art club with them once a month

- Head Start, Mindful Moments Café monthly

Organizations are reaching out to us – met with HOORWA and will meet with Pownal Rescue Squad

I completed the third of my four core classes for certification.

Updated *how to use your library card* sheet for patrons, and volunteer handbook

We have a free upgrade to Canva Pro for non profits!

### **Events that we hosted from February through March:**

Mindful Moment Café

Head Start visit

Super Bowl Party for PES after school

Opening for Jackie Sedlock

Puzzle challenge

**Outreach events:**

Oak Hill in May

**Upcoming:**

- April Mindful Moments Café, 4/9
- Reception for Ann Kremers, 4/25

**What I'm Working On:**

- Updating policies/mission statement
- Acquiring books for our collection (new and holes in existing), trying to make kids' selections more expansive and inclusive
- Starting to plan for Witches' Walk event which will happen entirely at Dean Road this year
- Weeding, cleaning up catalog and patron records

**How the Board Can Help:**

- Work with me on a strategic plan for the next few years
- Discuss and approve policy revisions
- Fundraising event for fall

**Planning:**

- Strengthening the partnerships that we've forged this year with additional events/programming
- New furniture/arrangement for kid's room starting with summer grant money
- Summer, new ideas on reading