Reading with Huck, a Therapy Dog! – Our certified reading therapy dog “Huck” is returning for our program designed to encourage readers entering kindergarten through grade 5 to practice their skills. Children receive a 15-minute time slot to read with Huck at either 6:00, 6:15, 6:30, 6:45, 7:00, or 7:15 pm. Registration required.

Wednesdays, July 27, July 11, 18, 25, August 1 @ 10:00 am Mother Goose On The Loose – Children 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 years old will participate with their parents and caregivers in movement activities and stories. Registration required.

Thursdays, June 27, July 11, August 12 @ 12:00 - 5:00 pm LEGO Block Builders – All ages welcome. We have lots of LEGO blocks, you just need to bring your imagination and come build with us! Registration required.

Tuesday, July 9 @ 2:00 pm Song and Dance Around the Globe with Sagit Zilberman! – Kids entering kindergarten through grade 5 are invited to enjoy listening to music from other cultures and experience playing unique instruments found around the world. Registration required.

Tuesday, July 16 & 30 @ 2:00 pm Cooking Rock! – Calling all kids entering grade 1-5 who love to cook! On July 16 we will be making our own ice cream and on July 30 we will make Cheesecake “Moon” Tarts. Kids can register for one or both sessions. Registration required.

Wednesday, July 17 @ 6:00 - 8:00 pm Crazy About Pokémon! – Are you passionate about Pokémon? Kids entering grade 1-5 are invited to enjoy a Pokémon movie (popcorn will be served). Kids may also bring their Pokémon cards and trade with others after the movie. No registration required.

Thursday, July 18 @ 2:00 pm Mr. Aaron Concert – Children up through 8 years old are invited to experience the toe-tapping and fun-loving music of the famous Mr. Aaron! This concert is sponsored by The Friends of the Goffstown Library. Registration required to ensure enough space as Mr. Aaron is usually a sold out show!

Thursday, July 18 @ 8:30 pm Annual Sky Watch – All ages are welcome to join us and our friends from the NH Astronomical Society to see what is up in the summertime sky! The Sky Watch will take place at the Goffstown Water Precinct Field on Rt. 114. No registration required. RAIN DATE is Wednesday, August 14 (same time and location).

Saturday, July 20 @ 11:30 am Old Home Day—Story Time at the Library – Children up through kindergarten are invited to our special story time. We will read stories, enjoy some musical activities and receive a take home craft to enjoy. No registration required.

Tuesday, July 23 @ 12:10 pm McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center’s Travelling Planetarium! – Kids entering kindergarten through grade 5 are invited to explore the night sky and constellations through the unique Travelling Planetarium experience. This program is located at Bartlett Elementary School in Goffstown. Registration required due to a limited number of children who may enter the planetarium at one time.

Thursday, July 25 @ 2:00 pm Watercolor Painting Class – Kids entering grade 1-5 are invited to a special painting class led by local artist Kristine Brock. Participants will create a watercolor painting of our solar system. Registration required.

Wednesday, July 25, August 8 @ 6:00 pm Concerts in the Park – Families are invited to pack a picnic supper, bring a blanket/chair and enjoy a family-friendly concert. 7/25 Briggs Benny & the Red Threads (6 pm @ Barnard Park), 8/8 Judy Pancost (6 pm @ Roy Park) and 8/15 The Firetide Band (6 pm @ Barnard Park). No rain dates scheduled and no registration required.

Friday, July 26 @ 10:00 am Steve Corning – Kids entering kindergarten through grade 5 are invited to a family-friendly outdoor performance featuring juggler and comedian Steve Corning! This event will take place at Barnard Park where we will join our friends attending day camp with the Goffstown Parks & Recreation Department. No registration required.

Wednesday, July 31 @ 6:00 pm Family Book Discussion – Kids entering grade 1-5 who love to read are invited to our family book group. We will read the recently published book “The Infinite Lives of Maisie Day” by Christopher Edge. A copy of the book will be gifted to each family who registers. We will enjoy a light pizza dinner while we discuss the book and do a related activity. Space is limited to 8 families and registration is required.

Thursday, August 1 @ 1:00 pm Tie Dye Workshop – Kids entering grade 1-5 will make a colorful tie dye shirt creating their own fictional constellation. All materials (shirts and dye) are provided. Registration required.

Friday, August 2 @ 10:00 am Forensics Mystery: Who Stole the Astronaut Ice Cream – Kids entering grade 1-5 are invited to help solve a mystery using DNA evidence under the expert eye of Mary Dawson, former forensic scientist with the NH State Police and Forensics lab. Registration required.

Tuesday, August 6 @ 10:00 am Under a Starry Night: Nocturnal Animals – Facilitated by the Children’s Museum of New Hampshire, kids age 5 through 10 are invited to join us for a hands-on and informative experience learning about ecology and nocturnal animals. Kids will rotate through four interactive stations learning about the animals and will create a light-up circuit craft to take home! Registration required.

Wednesday, August 7 @ 1:00-2:00 pm The Majestic Theatre Presents “The Rainbow Fish” – Kids ages 3-8 are invited to a musical performance of the beloved children’s story “The Rainbow Fish.” Space is limited and registration is required.

Wednesday, August 7 @ 6:00 pm Family Game Night! – Kids entering kindergarten through grade 5 and their families are invited to a fun night of minute-to-win-it games such as Stick Attack and Face the Cookie. A light pizza dinner will be served. Registration is required.

Thursday, August 8 @ 10:00-1:00 pm STEAM Drop-in – Kids entering kindergarten through grade 5 are invited to drop in and explore several STEAM activities. No registration required.

Friday, August 9 @ 10:00 am Magician Norman Ng! We are thrilled to have Norman back to entertain the children of Goffstown with his amazing magic. Kids entering kindergarten through grade 5 are invited to a family-friendly outdoor performance featuring famous magician Norman Ng! This event will take place at Barnard Park where we will join our friends attending day camp with the Goffstown Parks & Recreation Department. No registration required.

Monday, August 12 @ 1:00 pm Cupcake Decorating Wars! – Kids entering grade 1-5 are invited to a cupcake decorating contest. All supplies will be provided. Registration required.

Tuesday, August 13 @ 1:00 pm Out of This World Party! – Kids entering grade 1-5 are invited to our celebration of things related to space. Activities, snacks and stories will be enjoyed by all. Registration required.

Wednesday, August 14 @ 6:00-7:00 pm Stuffed Animal Sleepover at the Library! – Kids age 5 through grade 3 are invited to a special sleepover event for their favorite stuffed animal or doll. We will listen to stories and enjoy a snack before bidding our stuffed friends good night. Pick up is at 9:15 am the following morning and includes a recap of the evening’s antics. Registration required.