I am settling into my new role as Children’s Librarian, learning so much and enjoying new responsibilities!

Highlight this last month was seeing new and familiar faces of young children in person at Early Literacy classes. Our alternative locations of United Epworth Methodist Church in Kalispell and the Ark building in Bigfork are working well. We love the space and having easy access to a sink! Attendance has been great at both locations and families are so excited to be back at storytime. The early literacy class that began in December at the Columbia Falls branch continues to be popular. High attendance numbers have us planning to bring back our toddler program.

Also exciting is the expansion of the early literacy kit project to the Logan Health Primary Care Clinic in Columbia Falls. Our partnership with Logan Health-Whitefish Foundation is making this expansion possible. I will be delivering an initial batch of kits to the CF clinic this month.

Summer Experience planning is ramping up and the YS team is looking forward to offering a more typical ImagineIF program that engages and inspires children to read and explore throughout the summer.