

# JANUARY 2026

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## SPECIAL EVENTS

### SUNDAY FUNDAYS

1:30-4 pm, Sundays

Join us on Sundays in January and February for drop-in fun in the storyroom! Each week we will have new activities for your family to do together. No registration required.

January 11: Let's Make Music!

January 18: Hocus Pocus

January 25: Art & Stories

February 1: Black History Roll-A-Dice Art

February 8: Toddler Olympics

February 15: Poké-Palooza



### LEGO ROBOTICS

10am, Saturday, January 10

A team of FIRST LEGO students will offer an interactive demonstration that will allow participants to see Lego robots in action and learn basic coding for the robots. Participants will then be given a task to complete using the robots. For kids in grades 3-5. Please register.

### KINDERGARTEN KICKSTART

1pm, Thursdays, January 8, 15, 22

A fun literacy-based class for preschoolers to practice and strengthen their kindergarten skills in a relaxed environment. Three-week session: please register for each class individually. For kids age 4-6 but not yet in kindergarten.

### FAMILY PUZZLE BUILDING CHALLENGE

10am, Saturday, January 31

Be a part of our inaugural Family Puzzle Building Challenge! Ten "teams" will build the same puzzle in the spirit of general merriment and light-hearted competition. The first family to finish will win a prize. Please register as a group (i.e. one registration per family) and indicate how many will be on your team. For kids age 5+ and families.

### LIBRARY HOURS

9 am-9pm, Monday-Thursday

9am-5pm, Friday & Saturday 1-5pm,  
Sunday

LIBRARY CLOSES 5PM,  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31

LIBRARY CLOSED  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 1  
MONDAY, JANUARY 19

## WINTER READING CHALLENGE

January 26-February 28

Grab a BINGO sheet in the children's library and get ready to take the Winter Reading Challenge! Each BINGO earns a ticket to win one of our 6 grand prize raffle baskets. Complete a whole sheet and earn 9 tickets plus a small prize. Suggested for kids age 4 and up.

Are you in middle or high school?

Visit the teen area to take on the Teen Winter Reading Challenge and enter to win gift cards to your fave local businesses!



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# PROGRAMS

## MONTHLY PROGRAMS

Registration opens one month before program.

### TAIL WAGGING TUTORS

**6:30pm, Thursdays, February 5**

Sign up to read to a dog! Practice your reading skills with a very attentive listener.

### POKEMON CARD GAME CLUB

**2pm, Saturday, January 10**

Hang out with fellow Pokemon trainers and Poke-expert Elouise in this monthly club focused on playing the official trading card game! Bring your own deck or borrow one from the library.

For kids in 3rd-5th grade. Please register. (No card trading or video gaming—thank you!)



### CHESS CLUB

**6:30 pm, Wednesday, January 14**

Learn new moves and strategies and have fun playing with other kids. All levels welcome, but players must know how chess pieces move. For kids in 1st– 5th grade.

### PJ STORYTIME

**6:30 pm, Thursday, January 29**

Enjoy interactive stories and creative activities in this family storytime! Pajamas encouraged but not required. Ages 3-6 and family. Please register once per family.

### CASUAL CLASSICAL

**11 am, Saturday January 24th**

Drop in to listen to the sounds of kid musicians! Register online if your child would like to play a piece they have been learning. For kids of all ages and family. Sensory friendly.

## WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Registration opens one week in advance.

### WHO? WAS? WHERE?

**6:30pm, Mondays, January 12 & 26, February 9 & 23**

Activities and fun from the *Who Was?* series! Reading ahead of time not required! For kids in grades 1-4.

### WILD ABOUT BOOKS

**10am, Tuesdays, January 13-March 3**

The focus is on literacy and fun in this interactive program for kids ages 4-6.

### BOOK BABIES

**9:30 or 10:30 am, Wednesdays, January 14-March 4**

Learn early literacy skills through stories, rhymes and songs in this fun, interactive program for babies birth-2 years old with a caregiver.

### STORYTIME FOR 2s & 3s

**9:30 or 10:30am, Thursdays, January 15-March 6**

Strengthen early literacy skills in this participatory program created especially for 2-3 year olds & their caregivers.

### CRAFTERNOON

**4 pm, Wednesdays, January 14-March 4**

Get inspired by a story and then explore fun art materials to create a masterpiece every week! For kids ages 4+.

### AFTERSCHOOL STEAM

**4:30 pm, Thursdays, January 15-March 6**

Have fun with friends each week as you learn about circuits, coding, animal science and more! For kids in grade 4 & 5.

### MUSICAL MOMENTS

**10am, Fridays, January 16-March 7**

Jam and sing along to stories and songs with a new instrument each week! For ages 18 mo.-3 1/2 with a caregiver.

# Book Clubs

BOOK CLUB BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE CHILDREN'S DESK ONE MONTH PRIOR TO MEETING DATE.

Registration for all clubs occurs when the book is checked out.

### BOOK LAB

**6:30pm, Thursday, January 8**

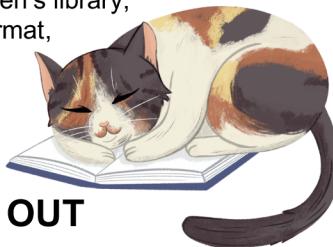
Read a new STEAM themed book each month, then get together to experiment! Practice collaboration and communication skills as you work on fun challenges. For kids in grades 1 & 2.

### CRAZY FOR COMICS

**6:30pm, Thursday, January 22**

Calling all comic book fans! Read the latest graphic novels from the children's library, discuss the comic format, and engage in fun creative projects!

For kids in grades 3, 4 & 5.



### GIRLS NIGHT OUT

**7pm, Wednesday, January 28**

Mothers & daughters (ages 10-13) read a variety of great books then share thoughts and ideas in a nurturing environment. A lively discussion group!

### TALKING COMICS

#### Parent/Teen Book Club

**6pm, Thursday, January 22**

Kids in grade 5+ read the monthly book selection together with a parent or caregiver, then meet up with fellow readers to discuss the book and participate in fun activities. Bond with family, make new friends, and expand your reading horizons! For kids in grades 5-8 and caregiver.



All it takes is sharing one book a day with your child to build a foundation for lifelong success! Sign up and get your reading log at the library. Kids will receive a small prize after each 100 book milestone. Children who have not yet started kindergarten are eligible to participate in this program.

**CHECK OUR ONLINE CALENDAR FOR TEEN EVENTS**

### CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT NEWSLETTER

Sign up and get kid's program announcements, book recommendations, and more sent straight to your email!

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