

THE FARMINGTON LIBRARIES
KIDS' PLACE

Programs for Children & Families

SUMMER 2022

JUNE 9 - AUGUST 25



SUMMER READING KICKOFF FAMILY PICNIC WITH ENTERTAINMENT!

We'll be kicking off our library -wide Summer Reading Program with a family picnic! Bring a blanket or some chairs and a picnic dinner to the lawn; we'll have DJ Red Supreme spinning music and leading dances; Valentine the Clown entertaining the crowd with comedy, balloon animals, and magic; and a henna artist will be on hand creating beautiful designs! We'll also provide some goodies to snack on.

ALL AGES. No registration required.

MON, Jun 20, 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM



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READ BEYOND THE BEATEN PATH



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The Summer Reading Adventures Program begins on June 20th and ends on August 20th.

Register to participate:

- **Preschoolers** - Come to the library to pick up your early literacy log.
- **Kids entering grades K-6** - Register for our online program through our web site or call us for help.

<https://www.farmingtonlibraries.org/summer-reading>

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Register for special programs:

- Visit our program calendar on our web site:

www.farmingtonlibraries.org/events

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Keep track throughout the summer:

- **Preschool log:** Check off each box as you accomplish the activity.
- **School-age logging:** Type in how many days you did *any reading* on our online program. You can make your entries daily, weekly, etc. - whatever works best for your family. You can also accomplish a *special mission* and play games on the site. (*Don't want to go online this summer? Feel free to keep track on paper and just email or call us with your information and we can enter it for you!*)

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Prizes:

Preschool log - Drop off your log by August 20th. Every preschool log returned by this date earns you a free book and a ticket for a chance to win a prize basket!

School-age - Enter all of your days read and complete any missions by August 20th. Earn a free book for reading at least 30 days. Spin the prize wheel at 15, 30, and 45 days. Also, every 5 days read AND every mission accomplished on the online program earns you a ticket for your chance to win one of several special prizes at the end of the summer!!

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STORYTIME

OH BABY! BABY STORYTIME

Ages 0 to 12 months. Registration Required for each individual class.

Perfect for our littlest patrons, this storytime enriches the language learning abilities of babies through the use of stories, finger plays, and songs. Feel free to bring a blanket for your baby to sit/lie down on.

WED, Jun 15, Jul 6 & Aug 10, 9:30 AM

POLISH LANGUAGE STORYTIME

Ages 3 to 8. Registration Required.

Speak to your child in the language you know best! Join Miss Eva for Storytime in Polish. Enjoy stories and activities and browse our Polish-language collections.

MON, Jun 13 & 27, Jul 11 & 25, Aug 8, 6:00 PM

STORYTIME ON THE CHILDREN'S PATIO

Ages 3 and up. Registration Required.

Join Miss Trish outside on our patio for stories, movement activities, and music, and round it off with a craft to take home.

WED, Jun 29, 10:00 AM

Are you already on our email list?

Sign up to receive the latest program openings and book recommendations delivered right to your inbox!



SUMMER SURPRISE STORYTIME

Ages 3 to 5. Registration Required.

Summer is finally here! Join Miss Eva outside on our library patio for fun with stories, music, and a craft.

FRI, Jul 8, 10:30 AM

PICTURE BOOKS & POPSICLES

All Ages. No Registration Required.

Let's meet on the patio to enjoy a cool treat while listening to some picture book stories!

SAT, Jul 9, 10:30 AM

WE'RE GOING ON A BEAR HUNT (BASED ON MICHAEL ROSEN'S BOOK)

Ages 3 and up. Registration Required.

Are you ready for some fun with Miss Eva & Miss Trish? Bring your courage and your curiosity as we go on a bear hunt together at the library. Fun activities, props and snacks will round out the fun!

FRI, Jul 15, 10:30 AM

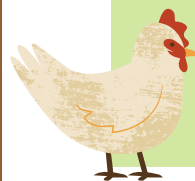
STORYTIME AT THE FARM

Ages 1 to 5. Families encouraged! Registration Required

Meet us at Hein Farm, Farmington, for a fun time of farm stories. Run with the happy chickens and ducks and see the farm truck with fresh produce and the growing fields. Receive a fresh piece of fruit.

This program is limited to 20 children so please be sure to register each child individually.

FRI, Jul 22, 10:00 AM
Hein Farm, 303 Meadow Rd., Farmington



REGISTRATION OPENS JUNE 11

TAKE-HOME ACTIVITIES

DOG MAN AND FRIENDS SUMMER CAMP ACTIVITY BAGS

Ages 7 and up. Registration Required for each individual week.

Fan of Dog Man and Friends? We'll provide different Dog Man & Friends Summer Camp bags each week for 10 weeks, filled with pages of activities for you to complete.

MON, Jun 20 - Aug 22

**individual registrations for each week*

SUMMER NATURE WALK

Ages 3 to 7. Registration Required.

We are going on a Nature Hunt! Go for a walk with your Nature Detective kit and look for evidence of summer. Pick up your Nature Detective bag at the library on Saturday, July 23.

Bags will be held for one week at the library; any unclaimed bags will be distributed to the wait list.

SAT, Jul 23

KIDS CARE CLUB

Grades 1 to 6. Registration Required.

Have you ever wondered how you could help someone in your community? The Farmington Libraries Kids' Place is collaborating with Services for the Elderly to make crafts for our senior citizens. Have fun and make a senior citizen's day with a homemade craft!

June project: Fork Flowers

Pick up begins TUE, June 14

Return completed craft TUE, June 21

July project: DIY Bookmarks

Pick up begins TUE, July 12

Return completed craft TUE, July 19

August project: Clay Apples

Pick up begins TUE, Aug 16

Return completed craft TUE, Aug 23

SPECIAL EVENTS

JONES APIARY HONEYBEE PROGRAM

*All Ages. Families encouraged.
Registration Required.*

The American Beekeeping Federation presents Queen Lucy, the American Honey Queen who travels the country to promote the honeybee. Learn about every aspect of the honeybee, beekeeping and the beekeeping industry. You might even see a real hive!

FRI, Jun 17, 11:00 AM



SAND: BEYOND THE BEATEN PATH

Ages 8 to 12. Registration Required.

The Kellogg Environmental Center will visit our library with microscopes and hand lenses to view a collection of sand from Connecticut beaches, streams, and lakes along with some samples from other states. Learn how sand is made, what gives it color, and why some sand makes castles and other sand will not. Make natural paint from sand and soil to create your own picture to take home!

THU, Jun 23, 10:00 AM

HUG A TREE AND SURVIVE

Ages 5 to 12. Registration Required.

The Hug-A-Tree and Survive program is designed to teach children ages 5-12 how to keep from getting lost, what to do if they become lost, how to stay warm and dry, and how they can help searchers to find them. Presented by Officer Deb Monde and her Search and Rescue dog, Edge.

FRI, Jun 24, 9:30 AM

If for some reason you cannot attend a program you registered for, please cancel your registration online or call the library to open your spot up for someone else – thank you!

• SPECIAL EVENTS •

PLAY ROOM AT THE LIBRARY

Ages 1 to 4. No Registration Required.

We'll pull out our special Play Toys and Busy Bags and play some fun music in our Children's Program Room for you to enjoy! Stop by any time between 10:00 and 11:00 AM.

THU, Jun 9 & 28, Jul 30, 10:00 AM

TODDLER SPLASH PARTY

Ages 1 & 2 with adult. Registration Required.

Come get wet! Wear your suit and bring a towel. Play with water toys and bubbles and cool off in the sprinkler. *No rain date.*

THU, Jul 7, 11:00 AM

I FOUND A QUILTED HEART

Grades 4 to 6. Registration Required.

The IFAQH community of volunteers place small quilted hearts around the globe to brighten the day of a stranger. Would you like to create a handmade quilted heart and participate in this project? Join the movement at the library by sewing and quilting a heart and adding embellishments. Once completed, your heart will be ready to be "Found."

WED, Jul 13, 2:15 PM

TOTS & TUNES & TALES BEACH BASH

Ages 2 to 4. Registration Required.

Get ready to move and groove at our summer fun beach bash!

THU, Jul 28, 9:30 AM



BABYSITTER TRAINING PROGRAM

Ages 11 to 18. Registration Required.

For kids 11+ who are interested in babysitting basics. This program will occur over the course 4 Thursdays: July 14, 21, 28 and Aug 4 from 3-4:15PM. The **July 21** class will be CPR/AED and safety certification training by the Farmington Fire Department and **will run from 2-4 PM**. Upon successful completion, students will receive a Heartsaver CPR AED (Automated External Defibrillator) Course Completion card valid for 2 years and a certification of completion for the program. This program is offered at no cost to you and generously sponsored by the Friends of the Farmington Library. *Participants are allowed to miss no more than 1 class to complete the program. The CPR/AED training is required to receive the Heartsaver card.*

THU, Jul 14, 21 & 28, Aug 4, 3:00 PM
**** (July 21, 2-4PM)**

PIZZA TRIALS

Ages 9 to 12. Registration Required.

Do you want to enjoy a pizza party? Then you'll have to complete all of the challenges to collect letters and solve the password clue to get it!

TUE, Aug 2, 6:00 PM

LET'S HAVE FUN WITH ABSTRACT ART

Ages 5 to 8. Registration Required.

We'll read *The Noisy Paint Box: The Colors and Sounds of Kandinsky's Abstract Art* and then make our own Kandinsky Circles creation!

THU, Aug 4, 10:00 AM



REGISTRATION OPENS JUNE 11

SPECIAL EVENTS

DRAWING HORSES WITH AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR RUTH SANDERSON

Ages 8 to 12. *Registration Required.*

We are so pleased to have author/illustrator Ruth Sanderson offer a special workshop for our community! Each participant will learn drawing techniques and receive a free copy of her book, *Drawing Horses*, as well as have the opportunity to purchase her newest title, *A Storm of Horses*. The workshop will take place in our Community Room, where her artwork will be on display during the months of August and September. A real treat for budding artists!!

WED, Aug 17, 2:00 PM

MEET A BALLERINA!

Ages 3 to 5. *Registration Required.*

Meet a ballerina from the Hartt School and participate in a modified version of a dance class!

MON, Aug 15, 4:00 PM



WACKY WEDNESDAYS

June 29, 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Energy in Action Mobile Lab

Ages 7 and up.

Any time between 5:30 and 7:30 drop by and step inside this mobile learning exhibit to participate in some mind-blowing, energy-saving experiments in a fun and hands-on way. Learn about energy distribution, energy conservation, and alternative energy sources, right in our parking lot! The Mobile Lab was built by the team at Mad Science, leading STEM enrichment providers, and sponsored by EnergizeCT.

No Registration Required.

July 13, 6:30 PM

Ed Pop's Magic Show

Ages 3 and up.

We love Ed Popielarczyk! He entertained us during our closure with magic videos, and now we can finally have his magic show back in person!! If you love magic tricks and love to laugh, this is the program for you!!

Registration Required.

July 20, 6:30 PM

Horizon Wings presents

CT "Birds of Prey"

All Ages.

What are the features all raptors have in common? Meet different species here at the library - including an eagle! - and learn their individual stories as well as the characteristics and behaviors. **Registration Required.**

July 27, 6:30 PM

Riverside Reptiles presents

"Senses and Defenses"

All Ages.

Let's meet some LIVE ANIMALS and learn about their exceptional senses & defenses that they use to communicate and protect themselves from predators.

Registration Required.

If for some reason you cannot attend a program you registered for, please cancel your registration online or call the library to open your spot up for someone else - thank you!

• SPECIAL EVENTS •

JESTER JIM END OF SUMMER READING SHOW

Jester Jim will close out our summer with a fantastic beat boxing, juggling, and comedy show sure to entertain!

All AGES! No registration required. This will take place on the outdoor stage so bring a chair or blanket, but we'll move indoors if the weather doesn't cooperate.

THU, Aug 25, 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

EXPLORE FARMINGTON!

We had so much fun last year we're bringing the program back! Pick up your Explorer's Sticker Book and map at either library and explore the many trails our town has to offer. Each time you visit a location, get a sticker for your Explorer's Book at the library.

See how many you can collect!

ALL AGES. NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED.



REGISTRATION OPENS JUNE 11

• BARNEY LIBRARY •

MOVERS AND GROOVERS IN PERSON DANCE PARTY

Ages 0 to 4. No Registration Required.

Let's move and groove together in the Library! We will read a fun book and do some dancing. This is a drop-in program.

TUE, Jun 21 - Aug 23, 10:00 AM

CHICKEN STORYTIME

Ages 0 to 10. Registration Required.

Join us for a special chicken themed storytime on the Barney Library lawn.

THU, Jul 21, 2:00 PM

DROP-IN MAKE TINY ART

All Ages. No Registration Required.

Stop by the Barney Library on Mondays, August 15, 22 & 29 from 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM and create some TINY ART! We will provide tiny canvas and paint supplies, you come with your creativity and make pieces to include in our very own TINY ART SHOW! This program is for all ages (children must be supervised by a parent/caregiver).

MON, Aug 15, 22 & 29, 2:30 PM

CELEBRATE!

Ages 2 to 5. Registration Required.

Celebrate the season! Come for a special story time and craft. Sing and dance, be prepared to get messy!

THU, Jun 30, MON, Jul 25 & THU, Aug 18, 10:00 AM

BUBBLE STORYTIME

Ages 0 to 10. Registration Required.

We will pop some bubbles at a special bubble themed story time on the Barney Library lawn.

WED, Aug 10, 10:00 AM

THE FARMINGTON LIBRARIES

Main Library • 6 Monteith Dr.

Kids' Place Hours

Mon - Thu 9am - 8pm

Fri 9am - 5pm

Summer Saturdays 9am - 1pm

Barney Library • 71 Main St.

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change.*



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