

Programs for Children & Families



• WEEKLY STORYTIMES •
INFANTS, TODDLERS, & PRESCHOOL

OH BABY!

For babies ages 0 to 12 months and their caregivers. Registration required; register once for each session.

Perfect for our littlest patrons, this storytime enriches the language learning abilities of babies using stories, fingerplays, and songs. The second half of the class includes music and playtime. Feel free to bring a blanket for your baby to sit/lie down on.

Session 1: WED, Sep 20 - Oct 18, 9:15 AM | J Program Room

Session 2: WED, Nov 1 - Dec 6, 9:15 AM | J Program Room

ONE DERFUL ONES

For one-year-olds (12 to 24 months) and their caregivers. Registration required; register once for each session.

A fun-filled half hour for children and caregivers featuring books, fingerplays and lots of music.

Session 1: THU, Sep 14 - Oct 19, 9:30 AM | J Program Room

Session 2: THU, Nov 2 - Dec 7, 9:30 AM | J Program Room (no class 11/23)

TERRIFIC TWOS

For two-year-olds and their caregivers. Registration required; register once for each session.

Enjoy stories together with music, finger rhymes and puppets too! Your child must be 2 years old when the program begins.

Session 1: MON, Sep 11 - Oct 16, 9:30 AM | J Program Room (no class 10/9)

Session 2: MON, Oct 30 - Dec 4, 9:30 AM | J Program Room (no class 11/20)

POP THROUGH THE PAGES

Ages 2.5 to 3 and their caregivers. Registration required; register once for each session.

Picture books with a twist! Picture books “come to life” told in an engaging and interactive way.

Session 1: WED, Sep 13 - Oct 18, 10:30 AM | J Program Room

Session 2: WED, Nov 1 - Dec 6, 10:30 AM | J Program Room (no class 11/22)

THRIVING THREES

For three-year-olds and their caregivers. Registration required; register once for the session.

This storytime weaves the development of language and listening skills into a fun-filled program of read-alouds, flannel board activities, music, movement, and rhymes.

Session 1: MON, Sep 11 - Oct 16, 10:30 AM | J Program Room (no class 10/9)

Session 2: MON, Oct 30 - Dec 4, 10:30 AM | J Program Room

ALPHABET SOUP

Ages 4 to 5, for the child alone. Registration Required. Please note that you only need to register once for all 26 weeks.

Have fun getting to know the ABCs! This early literacy program focuses on the alphabet by introducing children to a different letter of the alphabet each week through stories, music, and a craft. This program will run for 26 weeks.

MON, Sep 11 - Apr 15, 2:00 PM | J Program Room (no class on 10/2, 10/9, 12/25, 1/1, 1/15 and 2/19)

**PLEASE NOTE THAT FOR PROGRAMS WITH SESSIONS,
THERE ARE TWO REGISTRATION DATES:**

SESSION 1: AUGUST 26

SESSION 2: OCTOBER 14

• PROGRAMS FOR • LITTLE KIDS

TOTS & TUNES & TALES

All Ages, with caregiver. *Registration not required.*

This high-energy music and movement class will have us dancing and laughing! We'll start with a story and then move to the music. (On October 27th you're invited to wear a costume or the color orange for our Tots & Tunes & Tales Pumpkin Dance!)

FRI, Sep 15 - Dec 8, 9:30 AM | Jay Johnston
Community Room (no class 11/10 or 11/24)

SPANISH LANGUAGE PLAY GROUP

Ages birth to 5, with caregiver. *Registration not required.*

Speak to your child in the language you know best! Connect with other families who speak Spanish as you read, play, and socialize.

SAT, Sep 23, Oct 14, Nov 4 and Dec 16, 9:30 AM | J
Program Room

BITE-SIZE SCIENCE

Ages 3 to 5. *Registration required -- please note that each class will have its own individual registration; registering for one class does not register you for all of them.*

In Bite Size Science we will share a story and then complete an exciting experiment or project focusing on early science concepts.

Session 1: TUE, Sep 12 - Oct 17, 10:30 AM | J Program
Room

Session 2: TUE, Oct 31 - Dec 5, 10:30 AM | J Program
Room

PICTURE BOOK THEATER

Ages 3 to 6. *Registration not required.*

Each week we'll read a picture book then watch that book come to life as we play the picture book movie on our screen, followed by coloring time.

FRI, Sep 15 - Nov 17, 10:30 AM | J Program Room (no
class 11/10)

PINT-SIZED PICASSOS

Ages 3 to 5 with a caregiver. *Registration required -- please note that each class will have its own individual registration; registering for one class does not register you for all of them.*

In Pint-Sized Picassos we share a story and explore a different art medium that will aim to focus on both early literacy and fine motor skills. Caregiver must accompany their child.

Session 1: THU, Sep 14 - Oct 19, 10:30 AM | J Program
Room

Session 2: THU, Nov 2 - Dec 7, 10:30 AM | J Program
Room (no class 11/23)

DANIEL TIGER'S NEIGHBORHOOD PARTY

Ages 3 and up. *Registration required.*

Do you love Daniel Tiger? Activities, games, and stories galore will make for a fun Daniel Tiger party with an emphasis on kindness, respect, and sharing, all while having lots of fun.

WED, Sep 27, 2:30 PM | J Program Room



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SESSION 2: OCTOBER 14

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BLUEY BASH

Ages 2 and up. Registration required.

Wear blue and come prepared to do all things “Bluey.” We'll have stories, games, crafts, and maybe a sweet blue treat!

WED, Oct 18, 2:30 PM | J Program Room

SENSORY STORYTIME

Ages 4 to 8, with caregiver. Registration required.

We'll share a quiet story and gentle rhymes, followed by some sensory play. Class size will be limited to 8 participants.

SAT, Oct 7, 10:00 AM | J Program Room

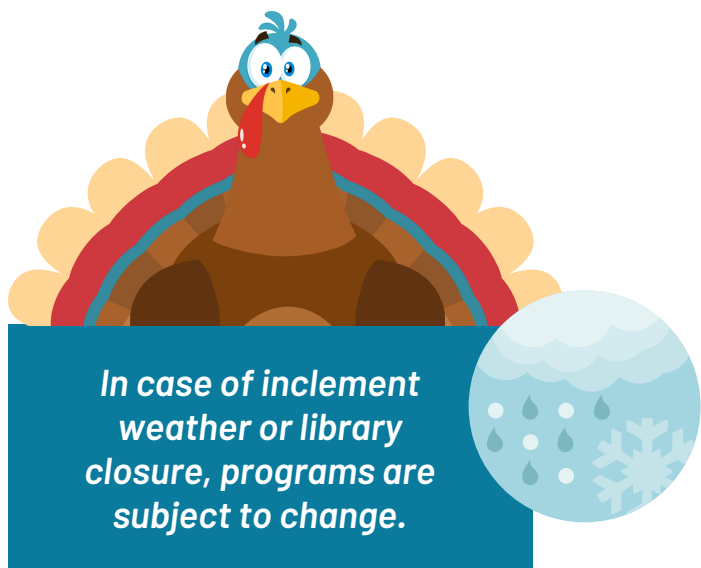
TURKEY TIME!

Ages 2 to 4. Registration required.

It's Turkey Time again! Using our dauber art paints, you and your little one will create a very unique turkey doily centerpiece!

SAT, Nov 11, 10:30 AM | J Program Room

***DON'T FORGET TO CHECK THE SPECIAL
EVENTS, TOO!***



*In case of inclement
weather or library
closure, programs are
subject to change.*

• PROGRAMS FOR • SCHOOL-AGED KIDS

KNIFTY KNITTERS, LEARN TO KNIT

Ages 7 to 12. Registration Required. Register once for the whole session.

We will provide needles and yarn to get you started. Your first project will be a scarf. We will learn the basics, cast-on, knit stitch, purl stitch and bind-off.

WED, Sep 20 & 27, Oct 4, 11 & 18, Nov 8, 15 & 29,
Dec 6, 5:30 PM | J Tween Area
(note no class on 10/25, 11/1, 11/22)

ROCKIN' ROBOTICS S.T.E.A.M

Grades 1 to 3. Registration required – please note that each class will have its own individual registration; registering for one class does not register you for all of them.

We have teamed up with The Farmington High School Robotics Team for engaging evenings to teach basic S.T.E.A.M principles, all while having fun!

September - Build a Catapult
October - Parachute Egg Drop
November - Marshmallow Bridge Building

THU, Sep 28, Oct 19, Nov 9, 6:00 PM | J Program Room

BUILDING S.T.E.A.M

Grades 1 to 3. Registration required – please note that each class will have its own individual registration; registering for one class does not register you for all of them.

We will be using Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math to have fun exploring different themes. Each class includes a read aloud and stations to delve into.

September - Apples
October - Space
November - Candy

THU, Sep 14, Oct 12 & Nov 16, 6:30 PM | J Program Room

INFORMATION SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Please call the library at 860-673-6791 or check www.farmingtonlibraries.org for up-to-date information.

• PROGRAMS FOR • SCHOOL-AGED KIDS

SATURDAYS WITH FLYNN - READ TO A DOG!

*For children of all ages (children under three must be accompanied by an adult) - a perfect program for families! **Registration required.***

Would you like your very own one-on-one time to read to a certified therapy dog? Call the Library today at 860-673-6791 to schedule your special 10-minute snuggle and read time. Bring your own book or choose one of ours. Visit three (3) times and earn a free book!

SAT, Sep 23, Oct 14, Nov 4, Dec 16, 9:30 AM | J Tween Area

TWEEN BIBLIOBOX

*Grades 4 to 6. **Registration Required.***

Sign up for some fun treats and a hand-selected library book picked just for you!

- Register via the calendar once and be subscribed for 3 months- if you miss two boxes, you will be removed from the list, but it is easy to sign up again!
- Fill out an interest form so we can select a book just for you! This form will be emailed to you, once you register.
- The book will be checked out to the card provided in the interest form, so your box is all ready to go when you come to pick it up!
- Return the book and the box but the goodies are yours to keep!

You can pick up your Bibliobox at the Kids' Place desk on the day indicated on the calendar. This program is open to kids in grades 4-6.

FRI, Sep 29, Oct 27 & Dec 1 | Take Home

Don't forget to sign up for our email newsletter! Get the latest program news, books recommendations and so much more right in your inbox.



SATURDAY ART STUDIO

*Ages 5 & up. **Registration required – please note that each class will have its own individual registration; registering for one class does not register you for all of them.***

Enjoy a story that we will then weave into our art project.

September - Tortoise & Hare Marionette Puppets
October - Pasta Skeletons
November - Edible Turkey Decoration

SAT, Sep 30, Oct 21 & Nov 11, 10:30 AM | J Program Room

TWEEN/TEEN GLITTER TOES

*Grades 5 to 8. **Registration required.***

Put those grippers away with some added glitter and sparkle! Stop by the Teen Space and make those barking dogs sparkly while giving them some care and relaxation!

TUE, Sep 26, 6:00 PM | Teen Space

TWEEN/TEEN CARD MAKING

*Grades 5 to 8. **Registration required.***

Need a card to add to your wonderful gift? Or would you like to create a unique and personalized card as a gift? Bring a friend and create all the personalized cards of your dreams!

TUE, Nov 21, 6:00 PM | Teen Space

• SPECIAL EVENTS •

CONNECTICUT KID GOVERNOR VISITS THE LIBRARY!

*All Ages. **Registration not required.***

The Farmington Library is one of only six locations Ellie Mendez, 2023's Connecticut Kid Governor, will be visiting! Ellie's program will include an introduction to the Connecticut's Kid Governor program, a presentation by Ellie about her platform and term in office, a Q&A with the audience, and a concluding activity. We're so excited to host this special event!

SAT, Sep 16, 2:00 PM | Jay Johnston Community Room

• SPECIAL EVENTS •

DAYS OFF WITH THE IMAGINATION MUSEUM EARLY LEARNING CENTER

Spend your day off from school with the ImagineNation Museum Early Learning Center as they bring some fun science-themed programs to our library!

“TO THE BEES!”

Ages 3 to 10. Registration required.

We owe a lot to the bees! Learn about these amazing winged insects, explore an actual beehive (minus the bees!), try on a special pair of glasses to see how incredible their compound eyes are, sample assorted honeys made with different flowers, and make a bee watering station to bring home.

MON, Sep 25, 1:00 PM | J Program Room

“IN THE GARDEN WITH THE THREE SISTERS”

Ages 3 to 10. Registration required.

Native Americans taught the European immigrants about many things, including planting techniques such as the Three Sisters: beans, corn, and squash. Hear a story about the Three Sisters and learn how each one helps the other crops grow. Then, make a traditional corn husk doll to take home.

TUE, Oct 10, 2:00 PM | J Program Room

“ALL ABOUT SPACE”

Ages 3 to 10. Registration required.

Where do stars grow? What happens when a rock from outer space hits the moon? Learn about craters on the moon, how stars are made in the nebula nursery, and play the Space Quest game. All attendees get a special space-themed temporary tattoo.

TUE, Nov 7, 2:00 PM | J Program Room

AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR

*Ages 3 and up, families encouraged to attend.
Registration required.*

Come take a trip around the world with our favorite caterpillar! We'll read this classic book both in English and in another language, then we'll do some fun activities together to learn about the featured culture. You'll get a special passport book and will collect a sticker for each program you attend.

Italian: WED, Sep 6, 6:30 PM | J Program Room
Spanish: WED, Oct 4, 6:30 PM | J Program Room
Albanian: WED, Nov 15, 6:30 PM | J Program Room

AN INTRODUCTORY WORKSHOP IN INDIAN CLASSICAL MUSIC (CARNATIC) AND DANCE

Ages 7 to 12. Registration required.

Join Layavinyasa as we learn about a brief history and origin of Indian classical music and dance, the fundamental notes of Carnatic, classical music and a song, and hand gestures that depict elements of nature. This workshop is sponsored in part by Hartford Foundation for Public Giving

WED, Nov 1, 6:00 PM | Jay Johnston Community Room

CIDER & STORIES

Ages 3 to 8. Registration required.

Today is National Apple Cider Day!!! Join us for a sweet, seasonal storytime, including fresh apple cider and cider doughnuts!

SAT, Nov 18, 10:00 AM | J Program Room

MEET PETE THE CAT!

All Ages. Registration required.

Come celebrate Pete the Cat! Play games, do fun crafts and activities, dance, and of course, MEET PETE THE CAT. Families will have the opportunity to take pictures with Pete, so be sure to bring your camera.

THU, Nov 30, 6:30 PM | Jay Johnston Community Room

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HALLOWEEK

at The Farmington Libraries

TWEEN/TEEN HALLOWEEN PAINT NIGHT

Grades 5 to 8. *Registration required.*

Do you want to make a boo-tiful painting? Join us for a Halloween-themed step-by-step paint night with Pam's Picassos. You'll follow along and learn how to paint a spooky scene you can take home.

TUE, Oct 24, 6:00 PM | Teen Space

HAUNTED CANDY HOUSES

All ages with a parent/guardian. *Registration required.*

Continuing with our Haunted week of celebrating, we will be offering 2 sessions of Haunted Candy House decorating. Please sign up for 1 session.

THU, Oct 26, 5:30 PM OR 6:30 PM | J Program Room

INTERACTIVE HALLOWEEN MOVIE

All Ages. *Registration required.*

Join us for this fun, interactive showing of the movie Hocus Pocus. Laugh and play along as we "act out" various parts of the movie. Participants will receive interactive movie bags to use throughout the movie. (Some will be food items; please contact the library with any concerns.) Movie is rated PG.

SAT, Oct 28, 10:00 AM | Jay Johnston Community Room

MOVERS AND GROOVERS

All Ages. *Registration not required.*

Join us in costume to move and groove together at the Barney Library this Halloween! We will read a fun book and do some dancing.

TUE, Oct 31, 10:00 AM | Hoppin Gallery

MAD SCIENCE

Ages 4 and up. *Registration required.*

Join Mad Scientist Ms. Melissa as she demonstrates her many experiments and then complete an experiment or two of your own.

TUE, Oct 24, 6:30 PM | Jay Johnston Community Room

MAKE A HOCUS POCUS WAND **OR** BOOK OF SPELLS

All Ages. *Registration not required.*

Drop into the Children's Dept. and make a wand or decorate your own Book of Spells. There will be Halloween colored ribbons, markers, sequins and jewels to make a bedazzling wand and/or a journal. (WHILE SUPPLIES LAST).

You need not attend the Interactive Halloween Movie to participate.

SAT, Oct 28, 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM | Jay Johnston Community Room



Celebrate the season with a **HALLOWEEN SCAVENGER HUNT** for the whole family! Stop by the Barney Library and pick up the Halloween Scavenger Hunt directions. Participate as an individual or as a team, earn entries for a chance to win prizes. Visit www.farmingtonlibraries.org for more information.



THE FARMINGTON LIBRARIES

Main Library • 6 Monteith Dr.

Kids' Place Hours

Mon - Thu 9am - 8pm

Fri - Sat 9am - 5pm

Barney Library • 71 Main St.

Mon - Thu & Sat 9am - 5pm

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