

# Programs for Children & Families

JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2024



# WINTER Reading Program

January 2 - February 29

Chase away the winter blues with our Winter Reading Book BINGO!

Pick up a BINGO card at the Main or Barney Library and choose from different reading challenges. Get five in a row, come in for a small prize!  
(up to 3 BINGOs)

## • PROGRAMS FOR LITTLE ONES •

### OH BABY!

*For babies ages 0 to 12 months and their caregivers. Registration required once for entire 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.

WED, Jan 17 - Feb 28, 9:15 AM | J Program Room

### ONEDERFUL ONES

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

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

THU, Jan 18 - Feb 29, 9:30 AM | J Program Room

### TERRIFIC TWOS

*For two-year-olds and their caregivers. Registration required once for entire session.*

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

MON, Jan 22 - Feb 26, 9:30 AM | J Program Room  
(no class 2/19)

### POP THROUGH THE PAGES

*Ages 2.5 to 3 and their caregivers. Registration required once for entire session.*

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

WED, Jan 17 - Feb 28, 10:30 AM | J Program Room

### 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.

FRI, Jan 12 - Feb 23, 9:30 AM | Jay Johnston Community Room

**IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER  
OR LIBRARY CLOSURE, PROGRAMS  
ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.**



### THRIVING THREES

*For three-year-olds and their caregivers. Registration required once for entire session.*

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

MON, Jan 22 - Feb 26, 10:30 AM | J Program Room  
(no class 2/19)

### PINT-SIZED PICASSOS

*Ages 3 to 5 and their caregivers. Registration required. Each class has its own individual registration; registering for one class does not register you for all of them.*

We'll share a story and explore a different art medium that will aim to focus on both early literacy and fine motor skills.

THU, Jan 18 - Feb 29, 10:30 AM | J Program Room

### 1-2-3 MATH

*Ages 4 and 5 for the child alone; caregivers must stay in the Kids' Place. Registration required once for entire session. Please register for only one class, Tuesday OR Friday.*

This program provides the opportunity for children to explore numbers 1-10 by listening to books and participating in hands-on math activities.

TUE, Jan 16 - Feb 27, 2:00 PM | J Program Room OR

FRI, Jan 19 - Mar 1, 2:00 PM | J Program Room

### BITE SIZE SCIENCE

*Ages 3 to 5. Registration required. Each class has 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.

TUE, Jan 16 - Feb 27, 10:30 AM | J Program Room

### PICTURE BOOK THEATER

*Ages 3 to 6. Registration not required.*

Each week we'll watch a picture book come to life on our projector screen, followed by coloring or craft time!

FRI, Jan 12 - Feb 23, 10:30 AM | J Program Room



**REGISTRATION OPENS SATURDAY JANUARY 6 UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED**

## • PROGRAMS FOR SCHOOL-AGED KIDS •

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

**Grades 1 to 3. *Registration required.***

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

**THU, Feb 22, 6:00 PM | J Program Room**

### BUILDING S.T.E.A.M

**Grades 1 to 3. *Registration required. Each class has 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.

January - Nursery Rhymes  
February - Valentines

**THU, Jan 25 & Feb 8, 6:30 PM | J Program Room**

### TWEEN BIBLIOBOX

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

Sign up for some fun treats and a hand-selected library book picked just for you! Here's how it works:

1. Register through our online calendar once and be subscribed for 3 months.
2. Once you register, you will be emailed an interest form. Fill out this form so we can select a book we think you will like!
3. 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! (Please note if you don't pick up your bibliobox the first two months you will be removed from the list, but it is easy to sign up again!)
4. Return the book, your review, and the box to the Kids' Place...but the goodies are yours to keep!

You can pick up your Bibliobox at the Kids' Place desk on the days below.

**FRI, Jan 26, Feb 23 & Mar 22 | Take Home**

### TWEEN/TEEN CANDY MAKING

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

Calling all chocolate lovers! Hang out with your friends and indulge your sweet tooth by making your own chocolate creations while listening to some tunes!

**SAT, Feb 10, 2:00 PM | Jay Johnston Community Room**

### CHESS FOR KIDS

**Grades K to 6. *Registration required once for entire session.***

Local resident and retired educator, John Sherman, is bringing his love for one of our oldest board games – “The Game of Kings!” - to the Farmington Library. Beginners through advanced are welcome. Check - now it's your move!

**TUE, Jan 16 - Feb 6, 4:15 PM | Jay Johnston Community Room**

### KNIFTY KNITTERS, LEARN TO KNIT

**Ages 7 to 12. *Registration required once for entire 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, Jan 24 - Mar 20, 5:30 PM | J Program Room  
(no class 2/21)**

### SATURDAY ART STUDIO

**Ages 5 & up. *Registration required. Each class has its own individual registration; registering for one class does not register you for both of them.***

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

January - Craft a Yearly Calendar  
February - Popsicle Stick Hibernating Bear

**SAT, Jan 13 & Feb 24, 10:30 AM | J Program Room**

### TWEEN/TEEN DIY SPA DAY

**Grades 5 to 8. *Registration required. Please note that registration for this event will begin on Friday, Dec. 15 at 9:00 am.***

Ready to relax and treat yourself? Make your own lip balm, paint your nails, and make a scrub while listening to some tunes for the ultimate self-care evening!

**TUE, Jan 16, 6:00 PM | Teen Space**

### READ TO A DOG!

**All ages (children under three must be accompanied by an adult.) *Registration required.***

Would you like your very own one-on-one reading 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, Jan 27 & Feb 17, 9:30-11:30 AM | J Program Room**

## • SPECIAL EVENTS •

### AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR

*Ages 3 and up, families encouraged to attend. **Registration required. Each class has its own individual registration; registering for one class does not register you for both of them.***

Come take a trip around the world with our favorite caterpillar! We'll read this classic book in both English and another language, then 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.

Icelandic: WED, Jan 17, 6:30 PM | J Program Room  
American Sign Language: WED, Feb 28, 6:30 PM | J Program Room

### A BLIZZARD OF SNOWMEN

*All ages. **Registration not required.***

Stop by the children's department & choose a snowman your child would like to make to take home. Different crafts will be offered for your child's age and skill level.

*One craft per child, while supplies last.*

THU, Jan 18, 6:00-7:00 PM | J Program Room

### FIRESIDE STORYTIME

*All ages. **Registration required.***

Join us by the cozy fireplace in the main library lobby for a sweet family storytime. We will finish with hot cocoa in the J Program room.

SAT, Jan 20, 10:30 AM | J Program Room

### QUIET STORYTIME

*Ages 4 to 8. **Registration required. Each class has its own individual registration; registering for one class does not register you for all of them.***

We'll share a quiet story and gentle rhymes, followed by some sensory play.

SAT, Jan 27, 2:30 PM | J Program Room  
SAT, Feb 10, 10:00 AM | J Program Room

### BACK TO BACH

*Grades K to 5. **Registration not required.***

Join us as we explore the art of classical music through live demonstrations and games! Our talented group of high school musicians will showcase their passion for music and share their performances. Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to learn about the magic of music firsthand!

SAT, Feb 17, 2:00 PM | Jay Johnston Community Room

### DRAGON DAY AT THE LIBRARY

*Ages 5 to 12. **Registration not required.***

Visit our dragon-themed stations – inspired by books! - for crafts, games, and activities. (While supplies last)

TUE, Feb 20, 2:00 PM | Jay Johnston Community Room

### CELEBRATE NATIONAL TOOTH FAIRY DAY!

*All ages. **Registration required.***

Come meet Dr. Mitra Kabakoff, A Farmington pediatric dentist, and join us for stories, demonstrations, a craft, and a talk on good oral health. It's never too early to learn about your teeth.

WED, Feb 28, 1:00 PM | J Program Room

### PEPPA PIG PARTY!

*Ages 4 and up. **Registration required.***

Wear PINK and celebrate Peppa Pig, her family and friends with stories, crafts, activities & more! OINK!

THU, Feb 29, 1:30 PM | J Program Room



**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.**



**REGISTRATION OPENS SATURDAY JANUARY 6 UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED**

### MOVERS AND GROOVERS

Ages birth to 4. *Registration not 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, Jan 2 - Feb 27, 10:00 AM | Hoppin Gallery

### PAJAMA STORYTIME

Ages 2 to 5. *Registration required.*

On a cold day in January it is so much fun to get cozy for a PJ story time! Wear your Pjs and bring a cuddly friend and blanket. We read our favorite bedtime stories and do a cozy craft!

THU, Jan 11, 10:00 AM | Hoppin Gallery

### CELEBRATE!

Ages 2 to 5. *Registration required. Each class has its own individual registration; registering for one class does not register you for all of them.*

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

THU, Jan 25 & Feb 29, 10:00 AM | Hoppin Gallery

### BARNEY KIDS BOOK CLUB

Ages 5 to 10. *Registration required. Each class has its own individual registration; registering for one class does not register you for all of them.*

Join Miss Amy at Barney to read a book and do a craft.

MON, Jan 28 & Feb 26, 10:00 AM | Hoppin Gallery

### WE PLAY WEDNESDAY

Ages birth to 5. *Registration not required.*

Come play at Barney library. Time for caregivers and children to form friendships! Parents can chat while children play in the Gallery turned playroom! Drop in for a few minutes or stay the whole time.

WED, Jan 31 & Feb 28, 9:30 - 11:00 AM | Hoppin Gallery



VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO BEGIN EXPLORING!  
[WWW.FARMINGTONLIBRARIES.ORG](http://WWW.FARMINGTONLIBRARIES.ORG)



# TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE LIBRARY DAY: THE LIBRARY ROCKS!

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3**

**10:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

Spin the Wheel for rocks, crystals, or fossils at both libraries (while supplies last!)

**MAKE A PET ROCK @ BOTH LIBRARIES**

(while supplies last)

**ROCK STORIES @ THE BARNEY LIBRARY**

Come at 10am, 11am or 1pm to hear a pet rock story with Miss Amy!

**ROCKIN' GOOD DANCE PARTY @ THE MAIN LIBRARY**

**2:30 PM - 3:00 PM**

"The Library ROCKS!" Dancy Party at the Main Library for kids and families is a rockin' good time. The lights will be dimmed, the party lights will be on, and we'll be dancing to party music to celebrate! A great way to get that energy out!

**PROGRAMS SPONSORED BY THE FRIENDS OF THE FARMINGTON LIBRARIES**

## **THE FARMINGTON LIBRARIES**

**Main Library • 6 Monteith Dr.**

**Mon - Thu 9am - 8pm**

**Fri - Sat 9am - 5pm**

**Sun 1pm - 4pm (*January - March*)**

*closed 1/1, 1/14, 1/15, 2/18 & 2/19*

**Barney Library • 71 Main St.**

**Mon - Thu & Sat 9am - 5pm**

**860.673.6791**

**[www.farmingtonlibraries.org](http://www.farmingtonlibraries.org)**

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