

Programs for Children & Families

AUGUST 2024

Dragons, Dreams, and Daring Deeds

Summer Reading Program June 17 - August 17



- **Preschoolers** Come to the library to pick up your summer reading gameboard.
- **Kids entering grades K-6** Register for our online program through our web site or call us for help. (<u>www.farmingtonlibraries.org/events/summer-reading/kids</u>). Once you register stop by the library to add your name to a dragon scale!

Register for special programs:

Visit our program brochure on our web site: farmingtonlibraries.org/kids. Some programs will be drop-in and others will require registration. There will be separate flyers and registration dates for June, July, and August.

Keep track throughout the summer:

- Preschool log: Color each box as you make your way through your game board.
- School-age logging: Type in how many days you did any reading on our Read Squared online program. You can make your entries daily, weekly, etc. - whatever works best for your family. (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!)

Prizes:

- **Preschool log** Drop off your log by **August 17th**. Every preschool log returned by this date earns you a free book! There are also special "treasures" you can earn on your gameboard.
- **School-age** Enter all of your days read by **August 17th**. Earn a free book for reading at least 28 days. Spin the prize wheel at 14, 28, and 42 days. Also, every 7 days you read earns you a ticket for your chance to win one of several special prizes at the end of the summer!! (Prizes will be drawn August 18 and must be claimed by Sept. 7)







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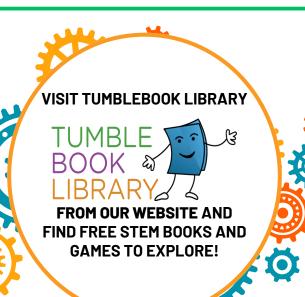


INVENT THE SUMMER

Ages 5 to 12. Registration required. Each class has its own individual registration; registering for one class does not register you for all of them.

Invent the Summer features weekly STEM challenges created by kids, for kids! Complete each challenge for a chance to win fabulous prizes!

MON, Aug 5 & 12, 2:00 PM | Jay Johnston Community Room



EMPOWERSTEM

Ages 7 to 12. Registration required. Each class has its own individual registration; registering for one class does not register you for all of them.

EmpowerSTEM is a program for kids aged 7-12 that fosters hands-on exploration and problem-solving through interactive activities and experiments, igniting curiosity and creativity. Through engineering projects and thrilling science experiments, children get hands-on experience and delve into the wonders of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics in a fun and engaging environment.

Each class has individual registration, the program held on Wednesday at the Barney Library repeats on Saturday at the Main Library. Please register for only one class a week.

WED, Aug 7, 2:30 PM | Hoppin Gallery - Barney Library

SAT, Aug 3 & 10, 10:00 AM | J Program Room - Main Library

LEGO LAB @ THE BARNEY

Ages 6 to 12. Registration required.

Students ages 6 to 12 can sign up to join us at the Barney Library to learn basic engineering and coding with Lego SPIKE Prime! Space is limited, registration is required.

SAT, Aug 17, 10:00 AM or 11:30 AM | Barney Library



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

DISTEY MAGIC SUMMER READING FINALE

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 6:30 PM

FARMINGTON LIBRARY | 6 MONTEITH DRIVE OUTDOOR STAGE (WILL MOVE INDOORS IN CASE OF RAIN.)

ALL AGES. NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Celebrate the end of our Summer Reading program with CabareT's performance of DISNEY MAGIC, featuring a century of musical favorites from Disney stage, screen, and theme parks. Perfect for children, teens, and adults, this concert will cover songs from Snow White (1937) all the way through Encanto (2021). You know you're going to want to sing along!

MAIN LIBRARY

KIDS' CRAFT BUFFET NIGHT

All Ages. No registration required.

A variety of age appropriate crafts will be in our activity room for your child to make. Please choose only 1 craft, while supplies last.

Ages 11 & under must be accompanied by an adult.

THU, Aug 1, 6:00 PM | Children's Program Room

OH BABY! BABY STORYTIME

Ages 0 to 12 months, with caregiver. Registration required.

Perfect for our littlest patrons, this storytime enriches the language learning abilities of babies through the use of stories, finger plays, 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, Aug 7, 9:15 AM | Children's Program Room

MEET THE BALLERINA

Ages 3 to 5, with caregiver. No registration required.

Children ages 3-5 are invited to participate in a modified dance class and have the opportunity to meet a ballerina from the Hartt School of Dance!

TUE, Aug 6, 4:00 PM | Jay Johnston Community Room

A ROYAL STORYTIME

Ages 3 to 6. Registration required.

Join us for A Very Royal Storytime where everyone can be a prince or princess. We will enjoy a story and then each child will be able to decorate their very own crown or tiara to take home. Costumes are welcome and encouraged!

WED, Aug 7, 6:00 PM | Children's Program Room

TOTS & TUNES & TALES

All ages, with caregiver. No registration 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, Aug 2 - Aug 30, 9:30 AM | Jay Johnston Community Room (no class 8/23)

CREATING MUSICAL READERS

Ages 4 to 8. Registration required.

Waterbury Symphony Orchestra's 'Creating Musical Readers' is a musical literacy program for children ages 10 and under. WSO musicans bring a beloved children's story to life, reading aloud and playing their instruments to enact or underscore key moments of the story as part of a very unique "story time". Children experience real live performance up close and enjoy an INSTRUMENT PETTING ZOO like no other.

THU, Aug 8, 10:00 AM | Jay Johnston Community Room

TODDLER GAMES

Ages 1 & 2. No registration required.

On your marks, get set, go! March to the opening music, then make your way through our Toddler Games obstacle course and earn a medal. Get your energy out and your fun on!!

MON, Aug 12, 10:00 AM | Jay Johnston Community Room

PAINT DAY

Ages 8 to 12. Registration required.

Come paint a picture with Ms. Melissa!

WED, Aug 14, 10:30 AM | Jay Johnston Community Room

FOOD EXPLORERS PRESENT: CHOPPED!

Grades 5 to 8. Registration required.

Inspired by the popular TV series featuring chefs creating recipes from a random assortment of ingredients, this program challenges tweens and teens to work as a team and create a delicious dish. The Food Explorers team will bring an assortment of ingredients based on a taco theme.

WED, Aug 14, 2:00 PM | Jay Johnston Community Room



MAIN LIBRARY

STORY TIME AT HEIN FARM, FARMINGTON All ages. No registration required.

Meet us at Hein Farm, 303 Meadow Road, Farmington for a farm story time, music, and a tour. We will meet to the left of the farm store in the picnic area. Parking will be in the large grassy area, on the left side of the property, close to the road. Bring a blanket or lawn chair and a picnic lunch and stay as long as you'd like after story time is over. For a fee, you can cut your own fresh flowers.

If raining, program will be moved to the Main Library, in the Jay Johnston Community Room. Call the library with questions: 860-673-6791

FRI, Aug 16, 11:00 AM | Hein Farm, 303 Meadow Road, Farmington

READ TO A DOG!

For children of all ages (children under 11 must be accompanied by an adult.) Registration required.

Please call the Library at 860-673-6791 to schedule your very own one-on-one reading time with a certified therapy dog. Bring your own book or choose one of ours to snuggle and read.

FRI, Aug 16, 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM | Children's Program Room

SAT, Aug 17, 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM | Children's Program Room

DRAGON MOVIE, SNACKS, & COLORING

Ages 8 to 12. Registration required.

Cool off this afternoon and spend some time with dragons! Discover your Dragon Name, then settle in for the movie How to Train Your Dragon, complete with popcorn & "dragon" snacks and some coloring pages.

MON, Aug 19, 2:00 PM | Jay Johnston Community Room

BARNEY LIBRARY •

MOVERS AND GROOVERS

Ages birth 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 dropin program.

TUE, Jul 2 - Aug 27, 10:00 AM | Hoppin Gallery ** No class on Jul 9 or Aug 13**

STARRY STORY SOCIETY: HAUNTED STORY WRITING

Ages 7 to 12. Registration required.

This program is designed for children ages 7 to 12 to write fantasy novellas based on humorous prompts. Registration is required. If the weather is nice this event will be held outside to be inspired by the scenic greenery, so please come prepared.

SAT, Aug 24, 11:30 AM | Hoppin Gallery

WE PLAY WEDNESDAY

Ages birth to 5. No registration 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, Aug 28, 9:30 - 11:00 AM | Hoppin Gallery

CELEBRATE!

Ages 2 to 5. Registration required.

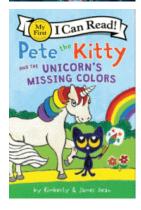
Celebrate the season! Come for a special story time and craft. Sing and dance, be prepared to get messy!

THU, Aug 29, 10:00 AM | Hoppin Gallery

THE FARMINGTON LIBRARIES WILL BE CLOSED AUGUST 22 & 23 FOR STAFF DEVELOPMENT.













Daring Summer Reads!

Enjoy some magical books available at The Farmington Libraries

Picture Books

- Summer's magic by: Kaitlin Curtice
- The magical yet by: Angela DiTerlizzi
- Once upon a book by: Grace Lin and Kate Messner
- A grandma's magic by: Charlotte Offsay
- Magic : once upon a faraway land by: Mirelle Ortega

Beginner Readers

- Words are magic! by: Zaila Avant-garde
- Pete the Kitty and the unicorn's missing colors by: Kimberly
 & James Dean
- The magic of dreams! by: Kathy McCullough

Bridge Books

- Willa the wisp by: Jonathan Auxier
- Sparkle magic by: Sudipta Bardhan-Quallen
- The missing magic by: Rebecca Elliott
- Rory and the magical mix-ups by: Kallie George

Chapter Books

- The magical imperfect by: Chris Baron
- The threads of magic by: Alison Croggon
- A taste of magic by: J. Elle
- Unseen magic by: Emily Lloyd-Jones



