# Winter/Spring 2019 Children's Programming at The Jack Russell Memorial Library

# Lego Building Club (Ages 3 & up, First Tuesday of the month from 3:30-4:30)

Bring you imagination to build fantastic LEGO creations that are displayed in the library throughout the month. The library provides the LEGOs and a theme.
YOU supply the creativity!

#### **Dates & Themes:**

January 8: Let it Snow! February 5: Winter Animals

March 5: Sports April 2: Spring May 7: Buildings

## Scavenger Hunts

The library occasionally has scavenger hunts. Level of difficulty varies depending on a child's age. Children receive a small prize for finding all the pictures. Children can complete scavenger hunts whenever the library is open!

### Dates & Themes:

Jan. 21-Feb. 2: Snowmen Feb. 18-March 2: Dr. Seuss March 11-23: Star Wars April 8-20: Easter Eggs

### 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

A great program to encourage the love of reading from an early age! Upon registration, children receive a folder to help them count up to their 1,000 books before they enter Kindergarten! Children also receive prizes along the way to get to celebrate each 100 books read. Stop by the Youth Desk to sign up!

# Read to Arthur (Beneficial for any age)

Sign-up for a reading appointment with Arthur on select Saturdays throughout the year! Appointments can be booked 10:00-1:30 for

20 minute slots for up to two children at a time. Children with or without reading struggles benefits from reading to Arthur. Arthur is a certified therapy dog through Therapy Dogs International. Sign-up at the Youth Desk or call 262-673-8240 for available dates and times. Hurry, he books up fast! We also have a waiting list!

# BabyLapsit (Ages 0-17 months, Alternating Mondays 10:15-10:30)

Learning and a love for literacy is important at any age. Young minds will learn through language, stories, and more. Playtime follows storytime. A parent must accompany children during these sessions. Older brothers and sisters are welcome to come and be "helpers!"

#### Dates:

Feb. 4 March 4 April 1 Feb. 18 March 18 April 15

### Parachute Play (Ages 18-3 years, Alternating Mondays 10:30-10:50)

Stories, songs, rhymes and games with the parachute will inspire learning in little ones! This is a great storytime for active toddlers! Thank you to Brisingamen Intelligence for donating our 20 handle parachute!

#### Dates:

 Jan. 14
 Feb. 11
 March 11
 April 8

 Jan. 28
 Feb. 25
 March 25

### Toddler Time (Ages 18-3 years, Thursday mornings 10:30-10:50)

Little minds will learn, play, and explore with stories, fingerplays, and songs. Activities such as games, crafts, and free play will follow storytime.

#### **Dates & Themes:**

Jan. 17: Let it snow!

Jan. 24: Counting

Your Teeth!

Jan. 31: Penguins

Feb. 28: Fast & Slow

March 28: It's Spring!

April 4: Money

March 7: Letter M

April 11: Elephants

Feb. 14: Valentine's Day!

March 14: Green

March 21: Plenty of Paws

March 28: It's Spring!

April 11: Elephants

April 18: Bunny Time

# Preschool Storytime (Ages 3 to 5 years, Tuesday mornings 10:30-11:15 and Wednesday afternoons 1:00-1:45)

Come aboard the Storytime Express for an experience filled with fun, stories, songs, and much more! All sessions include 30 minutes of storytime and 15 minutes of crafts. Once a month, we'll have a special Parachute Play for Preschoolers. Dates & Times are noted below.

#### Dates & Themes:

Jan. 15 & 16: Let it snow!

Jan. 22 & 23: Counting

\*Special Parachute Storytime

Jan. 29 & 30: Penguins

Feb. 5 & 6: Achoo!

Feb. 12 & 13: Valentine's Day!

Feb. 19 & 20: Brush, Brush, Brush Your

Teeth!

Feb. 26 & 27: Fast & Slow \*Special Parachute Storytime March 5 & 6: Letter M
March 12 & 13: Green
March 19 & 20: Plenty of Paws
\*Special Parachute Storytime
March 26 & 27: It's Spring!
April 2 & 3: Money
April 9 & 10: Elephants
April 16 & 17: Bunny Time

\*Special Parachute Storytime

### Family Movies (All ages):

Grab some friends and family and come to the library to watch a movie on the big screen! Children's favorites will be shown in the Community Room. Children under 8 MUST be accompanied by an adult. Snacks from home are always welcome! Movies subject to change based on availability.

Hotel Transylvania 3

(Fri. Jan. 25 @ 3:30)

Rated PG. Runtime 97 minutes.

Small Foot

(Mon. Feb. 18 @, 2:00)

Rated PG. Runtime 96 minutes.

The Lorax

(Fri. March 1 @ 3:30)

Rated PG. Runtime 86 minutes.

Peter Rabbit

(Wed. April 17 @ 3:30)

Rated PG. Runtime 93 minutes.

# January

### STEAM Kit Preview Party (Wednesday, Jan. 30 from 3:30-4:30):

Starting in February the library will have STEAM kits for children to check out and use while they are at the library. Children can come test out the kits that will be available to their age group. Be the first to try the Gear Blocks or learn coding with Ozobot. \*STEAM Kits were made possible with donations made to the Friends of the Library in memory of Carlynn Hulbert.



# February

### Page-To-Stage: Madagascar A Musical Adventure Jr. (Saturday, Feb. 2 from 10:30-11:30):

The Schauer Arts Center and the Jack Russell Memorial Library present special crafts and activities based on children's stories! Children who attend can receive a copy of the book and ticket voucher to the Schauer's performance of the show (March 15 & 16) while supplies last!

### Valentine's Day Party (Wednesday, Feb. 13 from 3:30-4:30):

Join us for a party filled with Valentine's Day fun. You'll get to make Valentine's Day cards and play some games.

### Page-To-Stage: Milwaukee Ballet II (Saturday, Feb. 23 from 10:30-11:30):

The Schauer Arts Center and the Jack Russell Memorial Library present special crafts and activities based on children's stories! Children who attend can receive a copy of the book and ticket voucher to the Schauer's performance of the show (March 21) while supplies last!



# Dr. Seuss Party (Wednesday, Feb. 27 from 3:30-4:30):

Read Across America is a nationwide reading celebration, usually taking place on Dr. Seuss' birthday (March 2). Help us celebrate early with a Dr. Seuss party! Come play some wacky games and make some wacky crafts! We'll even have Dr. Seuss Bingo with prizes!

# March

# March Madness: A Tournament of Books (All March long):

Some of the most popular books you love are battling it out to see who comes out on top! We'll start with the "Sweet 16" and narrow it down each week with your help! Each week vote for the books you think should head to the final round. The book left standing will be our March Madness winner!

# Page-To-Stage: Stuart Little (Saturday, March 16 from 10:30-11:30):

The Schauer Arts Center and the Jack Russell Memorial Library present special crafts and activities based on children's stories! Children who attend can receive a copy of the book and ticket voucher to the Schauer's performance of the show (April 5) while supplies last!

# Candy Towers (Tuesday, March 26 from 2:00 to 3:00):

Come test out your building skills! Kids will use toothpicks and candy (marshmallows, gum drops, etc.) to make candy towers. A fun way to test your engineering skills with a sweet treat! No registration required.



# Ms. Kim's Amazing Animals (Wednesday, March 27 at 6:30):

This is an interactive live animal presentation! Children can learn about animals up close and personal. Fun for all ages! \*To abide by fire code, attendance is limited to 150 people. First come, first serve. Please note, all seating will be on the floor to provide the best experience for children.

# Drive-In Movie (Friday, March 29 at 2:00):

It's Drive-In movie day at the library! Children can arrive at 2:00 to decorate their very own car cardboard box car to "drive" to our movie! Decorating of cars will run from 2:00-2:30. At 2:30, we'll show Cars Toons: Mater's Tall Tales. Runtime is 38 minutes. Children can take their cars home with them when the Drive-In Movie is done!





## Summer Reading Program Bookmark Design Competition (April 1-30): To gear up for our 2019 Summer

Reading Program, we're having a bookmark design competition. The 2019 theme is, "A Universe of Stories." Pick up a blank bookmark from the Youth Desk and create a design around this year's theme. Submit your completed bookmark by Tuesday, April 30 at 8 p.m. We'll pick 3 winners that will be handed out as bookmarks during the summer months!

### National Library Week (April 7-13):

Children can stop by the Youth Desk to write on a paper heart a reason they love the library. Hearts will be displayed on our bulletin board!

### Upcycle Event (Monday, April 22 from 3:30-4:30):

Celebrate Earth Day by coming and making upcycled crafts! Upcycling is the process of using old or discarded materials to make something useful and beautiful. For example, kids may choose to make a planter out of an egg carton or phone speakers out of a paper roll. The library will supply everything you need to make whatever upcycled creation you can dream up!



# May

Mother's Day Storytime (Saturday, May 4 from 10:30-11:15): To celebrate Mother's Day we're having a special "Mom's & Muffins" storytime. Children of all ages can bring their mom, grandma, and/or other maternal role models for this special storytime. A special craft with muffins as a snack will follow storytime!