

## Early Literacy Preschool Storytimes

### Tuesday Mornings at 10:45 (July 6th– August 10th) Stay at Home Storytime (virtual)

Get ready to move in this interactive virtual storytime especially for children ages 3-5 and their caregivers. We'll read books, sing songs, recite fingerplays, dance and have fun. Please register through our website to get the Zoom join link.

### Summer Sunshine Storytime (Library Lawn)

Grab your sunglasses and your sunscreen and join us for a fun preschool storytime out on the lawn behind the library. We'll read stories, sing songs, recite rhymes, play games and send each participation home with a take & make craft or coloring sheet! Please bring a blanket for your family to sit on. For children 0 - 6 although older and younger siblings are welcome. Registration required for these storytimes. Bi - Weekly themes are below:

### Wednesday July 7th at 10:30 Creepy, Crawly Things: All about bugs!

### Wednesday July 21st at 10:30 Superduper Bubbles!

We'll read a few books about bubbles, talk about bubbles and make our own Big giant, Superduper Bubbles!

### Wednesday August 4th at 10:30 Storytime Drive - In

Join us on the lawn for our first ever Preschool Drive - in Storytime! Each child will have a cardboard box "car" that they create and sit in while we read books about cars, trucks, and things that go. Of course, there will be popcorn and drinks!

### Wednesday August 7th at 10:30 (virtual) A Live Virtual Concert with Turtle Dance Music

Join us for a very special live, virtual event with Turtle Dance Music! Flap your wings, jump up and down like five little monkeys jumping on the bed and roar like a polar bear! Each song in the 40-minute show is accompanied by hands-on, visual, and sensory experiences designed to help kids learn and have fun at the same time. This event is taking place on the Zoom platform. Once you register, you will get the join link. Registration is required. (PreK and up)

# Tails and Tales



## Summer Reading

### 2021



## How does the Summer Reading Program work?

- Register for the Summer Reading Program beginning June 19th.
- Bring your completed reading record and notebook to the Circulation Desk beginning August 19th. Total your reading minutes and the stamps in your notebook to see how many raffle tickets you receive.
- Either go to our website at [www.middleburghlibrary.info](http://www.middleburghlibrary.info) and click on the link from the front page to register for the program or use our dedicated computer here in the library.
- Sign - up for fun classes and events based on your interests and grade level by going to the calendar on our website. If you're in the library you can use our dedicated Summer Reading computer to do it or simply call (518) 827-5142 for assistance.
- Enter your tickets by 5:00 pm August 23rd for the prizes you most want to win! Prizes will be drawn on Thursday August 25th.
- Make sure to pick - up your reading record at the library to keep track of all your reading and your notebook to record which events you attend.
- Check out some great books (we can help you!) &
- **READ, READ, READ!**
- Keep track of how many minutes you read or are read to on your reading record. For every 200 minutes you record, you'll earn a raffle ticket for great prizes.
- Attend programs and have your notebook stamped.
- **READ, READ, READ &**
- **Have lots of fun.....**



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## Classes and Events

### Wednesday July 14th at 1:00 Make a Mermaid or Dragon Tail (Library Lawn)

Cryptozoology is the study of animals that are rumored to exist like the Loch Ness Monster or Bigfoot. We'll talk about mythical animals and then you can choose to make a mermaid tail or a dragon tail to take home! (3-5) *Registration is required.*

### Wednesday July 1st at 1:00 Super Duper Giant Bubbles (Library Lawn)

We will make our very own giant bubble wand and play with bubbles out on the library lawn. (gr. 1-5) *Registration required.*

### Thursday July 22nd at 1:00 Insect Invasion (virtual)

What makes a butterfly an insect? Learn how scientists collect, study, and group bugs according to how they are made. With guidance from the educators from MiSci Museum, kids explore the amazing diversity of insects by observing mounted collections and identifying basic insect biology while creating their own "insect" to keep! Materials for this class will be available for pick-up at the library before the event. A private Zoom link will be emailed to everyone from MiSci before the class takes place. *Registration is required. (gr.K - 3).*

### Friday July 23rd at 5:00 4th Friday Scavenger Hunt (Outside)

Stop by the library table on 4th Friday and get your Scavenger Hunt clues! Once you've found everything, bring it back to the library and get a prize! *No registration required. All ages.*



### Tuesday July 27th at 1:00 Clay Animal Bowls (Library Lawn)

Educators from the Studio for Art and Crafts will be here to help you make and glaze your very own animal bowl out of clay. Choose from six different designs or create your own! Pieces will be fired and returned to the library on August 3rd for you to pick up. This program will take place outside and is dependent on weather. (1st - 5) *Registration is required.*

### Thursday July 29th at 1:00 Mother/Daughter American Girl Tea Party (Library Lawn/Dr. Best Museum)

Step back in time as we explore the world of American Girl Samantha Parkington! Bring your dolls (It does NOT have to be an American Girl Doll) and your Mom to the library where we'll talk about what it was like to be a girl in 1904. You'll make a Victorian calling card to bring to the Best House where we'll have our tea party outside on the front porch. Girls and Moms will meet "Mrs. Best," enjoy lemonade and cookies and have a personal tour of the house. Each girl will go home with a goodie bag! (2 - 6) *Registration is required.*

### Monday August 9th beginning at 1:30 Nailed It! Mystery Box (Your home!)

Take your chance at winning the grand prize for this year's Nailed It competition! Do you have what it takes? Pick up your Mystery Box kit on August 9th. Follow the instructions in your kit, winners will be announced on August 13th. Prizes will be given! *Registration is required. For kids going into grades (2 - 5)*

*\* Please note that outside programs are subject to the weather. Watch our Facebook page and your email for info on cancellations.*

### Wednesday August 11th at 1:00 Salad Spinner Art (Library Lawn)

We'll have a crazy good time spinning paint in our salad spinners and creating works of art - first on paper plates and then on a frisbee that you can take home! This is a drop in event so come at any time between 1:00 & 3:00 to make your creation. Popsicles, of course, will be provided. *Registration is required. (K - 5)*

## Take & Make Projects for all ages to do at home

### Monday July 12th at 1:30 Preschool Finger Puppets

Pick up this Friends Finger Puppets preschool take and make here in the library. In your take and make bag, there will be finger puppets and other animal-related activities and goodies! *Registration required. For preschoolers.*

### Monday July 12th at 1:30 Felted Snakes

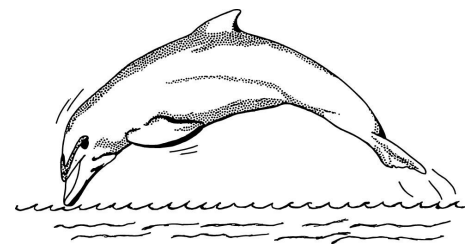
This take and make includes everything to make your own bendable felted snake! *Registration is required. (3 - 5)*

### Monday July 19th at 1:30 Shrinky Dinks!

Shrinky Dinks are so much fun! Each kit will contain Shrinky Dink paper and templates. This Take and Make is for kids and teens grade 4th through 12th. *Registration is required.*

### Monday August 2nd at 1:30 Build Your Own Leopard or Giraffe!

This take and make includes everything to make your own soft giraffe or leopard - think Build-a-Bear! *Registration is required. (Preschool - 3)*



## Photography Contest

Shutterbugs, dig out your cameras and go on a photo safari! Beetles, spiders, ladybugs, and caterpillars are just waiting for you to find them and shoot their pictures! If you can't find a live bug, well, take a picture of a fake one! Or dress up your baby brother or sister as one and catch them on film. Let your imagination soar!

### Contest Rules:

- Limit of two entries per child in grades K - 12
- Photos must be taken by a child.
- Each photo must have name and phone number attached.
- Photos may be in black and white or in color.
- Photos may not be larger than 5" x 7".
- Each photo must have an original caption.
- Photos will be judged based on subject, originality and creativity.
- Entries must be submitted by August 13, 2021.
- Prizes will be awarded in each category - K-3, 4-6, 7 and up.

**All photographs will be displayed in the Youth Services area of the library during the month of September and will be available for viewing on our Facebook page. Photographs of insects engaged in "literary" activities are especially encouraged!**

