Library Events for Children

Children's Library

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Library Closings: April 16 - Easter · May 29 - Memorial Day



Early Childhood Programs

A Time to Play

Second Tuesday of each month

10:30-11:30 am Children learn through play, and we like to play in the Children's Library! Handson, age-appropriate, creative play experiences and materials will be available for young children and their caregivers. Explore, make friends, share stories, create and play with us.

March 14: Beautiful Stuff: Use found materials and loose parts to create "Beautiful Stuff" together.

April 11: You Are my Sunshine: Celebrate the arrival of spring, and "Child and Family Awareness Month" with hands-on arts and science activities. Explore rain, clouds, rainbows and sunshine.

May 9: Things that GO: Experience transportation activities this month with wheels, track making, hauling, ice, ramps and mazes.

Baby Time

Every Wednesday, 10:30 am

An active story time for children from birth to 2 years old with an adult caregiver. We combine music, story and play to engage our youngest learners.



Preschool Story TimesEvery Thursday, 10:30 am

Stories and activities for children 2 to 5 years old with an adult caregiver.



Saturday Story Time Sampler

First and third Saturdays of the month

11 am

March 4: Dr. Seuss-Join us for a special Dr. Seuss Celebration with stories, songs and crafts.

March 18: Beautiful Stuff-Start with stories using the collage technique, and then use found materials and loose parts to create "Beautiful Stuff" together.

April 1: April Fools-It's Backwards Day!

April 15: Hop on over for a special Bunny Story Time **May 6:** What is Your Talent? Song, Music, Art, Silliness?

May 20: Sunny Days-Join us as we celebrate the return of warmer days by sharing "sunny" reads.

Paws for Reading

Second Saturday of each month

March 11, April 8, May 13

11 am Share a book with a certified therapy dog.



Sunday Story Time Sampler

Every Sunday, 2 pm A half-hour story time for preschool-primary children with an adult caregiver.

Yoga Play for 3-5 year olds

Mondays in April, 10:30 am Join us for a multisensory yoga experience. We add play and learning to create an inspiring adventure.



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April 24-29 The Children's Library's weekly early childhood programs will tie in with the national theme, we will add some special events and then we will celebrate on Saturday with the Akron Art Museum.

Monday, April 24, 10:30 am: Musical Monday: Music Yoga for 3-5 year olds.

Tuesday, April 25, 10:30 am-3 pm: Tasty Tuesday: Play life-sized Candy Land with family and friends.

Wednesday, April 26, 10:30 am: Work Together Wednesday Baby Time.

Thursday, April 27, 10:30 am: Artsy Thursday Preschool Story Time.

Friday, April 28, 10:30 am: Family Friday: The Bubble Lady.

Saturday, April 29, 2-4 pm: Family Open Studio at the Akron Art Museum, with a Milk & Cookies Music Café, 2-4 pm. Watch for more details.



Family Events

Builders' Club Saturdays, March 25 and May 27, 2 pm

Open play with Legos, Duplos, and other building materials.



Thursday, April 27, 6-7 pm There are 2,000 days from the day a child is born until they go to Kindergarten. Every day counts. Join Kandi Novak, Child Care-Connection and Laura McFalls, Akron-Summit County Public Library, to find out how to make everyday moments with your child into brain building moments. You and your child will have fun visiting



stations where they will get to experience rhyming, reading, math, talking about feelings and more! Sharing these moments with your child will help shape their growing mind. Please contact 330-379-2090 to register for this special parent training and family event.

Spring Break Fun

Monday, April 17, 2 pm Legos Building Club: Open play with Legos and Duplos for all ages.

Tuesday, April 18, 2 pm Tech Lab Tuesday: Explore virtual reality, drive and code robots, play with makerspace toys, draw in 3D, fly a drone and so much more. Grades 3 & up. Registration requested.

Wednesday, April 19, 2-3:30 pm Wii Wednesday: Show off your dance moves with Wii Just Dance. Grades 1-6.

Thursday, April 20, 2 pm Let's Get Creative: Art Activities for all ages.

Educators Training

Resources for Early Childhood Educators Professional Development Training

Monday, March 6, 5:30-8 pm At our Maple Valley Branch location. Brain Building Moments Are Everywhere, held at a special location with free parking. Participants will gain a basic understanding of how brain development happens in children birth to five. Behavioral research will be presented to illustrate how the quality of everyday experiences impact brain development. Participants will explore strategies to engage families in supporting their child's brain development through quality experiences and a research-based tool called Vroom. Trainer: Kandi Novak, Child Care Connection. Credit: In-service, Ohio Approved/Step Up to Quality. Register online at occrra.org. Email Imcfalls@akronlibrary.org with any questions.



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