



Spring Drop-In Storytimes: no registration required 8 week program no storytime during school vacation week



Mother Goose on the Loose

Wednesday Mornings, 10:30am

A 30 minute Nursery Rhyme Program for children ages birth-2 years old. Children & their adult caregivers actively participate with rhymes, songs, instruments & puppets to foster early literacy skills.



Twos & Threes

Thursday Mornings, 10:30am

A 30 minute storytime for toddlers age 2-3 years & their adult caregivers. Enjoy stories, songs & rhymes with the librarian.



Preschool Storytime

Friday Mornings, 10:30am

Perfect for children ages 3-5 years who are getting ready to go to school! Join the librarian for a half hour of stories & then enjoy an activity with your adult caregiver's help.

Adults are encouraged to stay in the storytime area to listen to the stories as they are read & discussed with the children. You can help to provide a positive model & reinforce your child's literacy lessons by discussing the stories even after you leave storytime! Adults who stay with us while stories are being read are asked to please refrain from outside conversations, as this can be distracting to the children while they are trying to listen. Thank you!

Some Things to Know About Storytime

Schedule & Cancellations: Storytimes run for 8 week sessions. If school is not held because of weather or school vacation, there will be no storytime that day--please see our website for details. Please check our website for updates on storytime cancellations, or sign up at the library to be on our [Children's Department email list](#).

Ages, Attendance & Siblings: Storytimes are drop-in and do not require registration. Each program is geared toward and therefore most appropriate for the ages listed, but older or younger children are welcome to attend, provided that they don't offer too great a distraction to the group. Children 3 and under must sit with an adult throughout the program.

Spring 2017 Events



Reading Pays Off!

April 2018

Celebrate Financial Literacy Month at the
Mattapoisett Public Library!



Sign up in the Children's Department -- Record minutes read each day during the month of April to earn "Book Bucks" that you can use to buy something fun at our library "store." Visit the library for more information & to register--registration starts on March 27th.



Fairy Houses 101

Friday, May 18th, 3:30pm

Get inspired to build a fairy house this spring! Learn basic techniques for building your own fairy house. Materials will be provided to create some furniture and a fairy to bring home. Children under 8 must bring an adult helper. Please register at the library.



Read-to-Me Book Club

Come each week to listen!

Wednesdays at 3:30pm: April 25, May 2, 9 & 16
for Grades 1-3

Sign up to come every Wednesday for 4 weeks and listen as the librarian reads a chapter book aloud--this session, we will be reading Bruce Coville's book, *Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher*. Participate in directed discussion & quick activities related to the story. Please register at the library.

Special Programs this Spring at the library



Chess Club

Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30pm

Join instructor Jim Kagle at our chess club--all ages and abilities welcome--no registration necessary.



Read to Breton

On Tuesdays & Saturdays, Lenore Everett and her certified therapy dog, Breton, will be at the library for individual appointments during which children of ALL AGES can come and sit with Breton & Lenore for 15-minute time slots to practice their reading skills! Stop by or call the children's department to schedule your session.



April is National Poetry Month!

Come and Celebrate at the library--stop by our Poetry Writing Station and create a "leaf" for our Poet-tree!



April School Vacation Week

Drop in all week long for FREE crafts & activities, available every day. Play on our AWE Game computers, build at the LEGO table, explore STEAM Center Activities & find some great book suggestions. Participate in our "Reading Pays Off" & Poetry Month Programs, available throughout April.

****please note:** there are no regular storytimes this week.



Spring ArtWeek

Visit the Mattapoisett Free Public Library anytime between April 27-May 6 to participate in a special Spring ArtWeek Program. Use a variety of supplies in a special Makerspace in the Children's Department to create your own one-of-a-kind masterpiece! Share your work of art in our gallery and be entered to win a raffle prize.

Children's Department Spring Program Schedule

March, April & May 2018



Visit the Children's Department Online at

www.mattapoisettlibrary.org/children.asp

Program Information - Reading Lists

Family & Teacher Resources - Recommended Websites



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