CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS
FALL 2022
**BIRTH-AGE 6 STORYTIMES AND PROGRAMS**

**NEIGHBOR TIME**
*For children ages 3-6 & their caregivers*

Tuesdays, September 13 to September 27, 3:30 to 4:15 pm & 6:30 to 7:15 pm, Purple Room

Inspired by the wonderful world of Mister Roger’s Neighborhood and the tools and teachings of Fred Rogers, this three-week program includes activities, stories, crafts and more. Children will acquire knowledge, skills, and attitudes to develop healthy identities, manage emotions, achieve goals, show empathy for others, establish supportive relationships, and make caring decisions.

**FALL BABY & ME STORYTIME**
*For babies, toddlers, & their caregivers*

Mondays, 9:15 to 9:35 am & 10:15 to 10:35 am,

Wednesdays, 6:15 to 6:35 pm & 7:15 to 7:35 pm,

Thursdays, 9:15 to 9:35 am,

October 3 to November 7, Monday storytimes skip October 10, Purple Room

Snuggle up for a lapsit program of stories, songs, and rhymes. Stay and play with board books and puzzles afterward for extra fun.

**FALL 2S & 3S STORYTIME**
*For children ages 2-3 & their caregivers*

Tuesdays, 9:15 to 9:45 am & 10:15 to 10:45 am,

Thursdays, 10:15 to 10:45 am, 6:15 to 6:45 pm, & 7:15 to 7:45 pm,

October 4 to November 3, Purple Room

Join us for a program of stories, songs, and rhymes.

**FALL PRESCHOOL STORYTIME**
*For children ages 4-6 on their own*

Mondays, 1:30 to 2:15 pm & 7:30 to 8:15 pm,

Wednesdays, 1:30 to 2:15 pm,

October 3 to November 7, Monday storytimes skip October 10, Purple Room

Join us for a 30-minute program of stories and songs to help your preschooler get ready for kindergarten.

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**PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT ACCESSIBILITY**

- **PROGRAMS THAT DO NOT REQUIRE REGISTRATION**

**REGISTRATION BEGINS SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, AT 9:00 AM**

**ONLINE**
visit rrpl.org and click on “Events”

**PHONE**
440-333-7610 x4

**IN PERSON**
visit the Children’s Department
MESSY ART @ HOME

For children ages 2-5 & their caregivers
Mondays, September 19, October 17, November 21
Are you brave enough to get messy at home? This kit contains everything you need to create a process-centered art project. Supplies must be picked up in person or via our drive-thru.

MOVIN’ WITH BOOKS AND MUSIC

For children ages 4-6
Monday, November 14, 1:30 to 2:30 pm or 6:30 to 7:30 pm, Purple Room
Join us for a fun-filled 30-minutes of stories, music, and lots of movement!

DROP-IN FAMILY STORYTIME

For birth through age 6 & their caregivers
Mondays, 10:15 to 10:45 am, Tuesdays, 6:30 to 7:00 pm, November 28 to December 7, Auditorium
Looking for more storytime? Bridge the gap from fall session to winter storytime sessions. No registration required.

PARACHUTE PLAY

For children ages 4-6
Monday, December 5, 1:30 to 2:00 pm & 6:30 to 7:00 pm, Purple Room
Jump in and get energized with a parachute, music, and movement!

HOLIDAY FAMILY STORYTIME

Monday, December 12, 9:15 to 9:45 am & 10:15 to 10:45 am,
Wednesday, December 14, 6:15 to 6:45 pm & 7:15 to 7:45 pm, Purple Room
Get in the holiday spirit with books, songs, and rhymes!

K-3RD GRADE PROGRAMS

❤️ A CLIMB TO THE TOP

For students in grades 2-3
Tuesday, August 30, 4:30 to 5:30 pm, Purple Room
Join us as we share the story of Jennifer Keelan in All the Way to the Top by Annette Bay Pimentel. 8-year-old Jennifer’s Capitol Crawl helped push Congress to pass the Americans with Disabilities Act. Do you think you can be a child activist like Jennifer? Participants may pick up their copy of the book prior to the program. Registration for this program begins Saturday, August 13.

TRAILS AND TALES, JR.

For students in grades K-3
Tuesdays, September 20 & November 1, 4:30 to 5:15 pm, offsite park, TBD
Do you enjoy the parks around town? If so, grab your hiking boots and come explore with us as we hike, identify, conserve, and learn more about nature and our environment through local parks, trails and animals. Permission slip required.

STEAM STUDIO

For students in grades 1-3
Tuesdays, September 27 & October 18, 4:30 to 5:15 pm, Purple Room and Library Lawn
Are you a budding scientist? Join us for STEAM Studio as we explore the concepts of science, technology, engineering, the arts, and math in through activities and experiments, in this series. Discover, imagine, and create!

PUMPKIN FUN

For students in grades K-3
Monday, October 3, 4:00 to 4:45 pm, Purple Room
Celebrate fall by decorating a pumpkin, learning how they are grown and how to save their seeds. Presented by the Beach Cliff Garden Club.
I CAN HEAR YOU IN MANY WAYS

For students in grades 2-4
Tuesday, October 11, 4:30 to 5:30 pm, Purple Room
Read with us as we learn about the new advances in hearing technology and communication skills that are available for the hearing impaired in All the Ways I Hear You by Stephanie Marrufo. We will learn some sign language and how to use a communication board. Participants may pick up their copy of the book prior to the program.

HALLOWEEN CREEPY CRAFTS

For students in grades K-2
Tuesday, October 25, 4:30 to 5:30 pm, Purple Room
Get ready for Halloween by making a personalized monster mask and more!

DIY LAVA LAMPS | STEAM

For students in grades 2-3
Tuesday, November 15, 4:30 to 5:30 pm, Purple Room
Have you ever wanted to make your own Lava Lamp? Well, here is your chance! Come join us for this fun craft AND science experiment.

PICK YOUR CALDECOTT

For students in grades 2-3
Tuesdays, December 6 to 20, 6:15 to 7:00 pm, Purple Room
Can you pick a winner? Now is your chance to try! Join our mock panel to vote for the 2023 Caldecott winner, and see if our team can get it right. We will use a structured scale to review several of the books being considered for this prestigious award given to the children’s book with the best artwork. We have room for plenty of opinions!

TWEEN PROGRAMS

TWEEN SCENE DROP-IN

For tweens
Mondays through Thursdays while RRCS is in session, 3:30 to 4:30 pm, Green Room
Stop by the Library after school to hang out and enjoy a rotating selection of crafts, activities, and games.

TRAILS AND TALES

For students in grades 4-6
Thursdays, September 15 & November 3, 4:30 to 5:30 pm, offsite park TBD
Do you enjoy the parks around town? If so, grab your hiking boots and come explore with us as we hike, identify, conserve, and learn more about nature and our environment through local parks, trails and animals. Permission slip required.

SHARE A BOOK AND A PIECE OF PIE

For students in grades 4-6
Thursday, September 22, 4:30 to 5:30 pm, Auditorium
Join us as we discuss the book Honestly Elliott by Gillian McDunn. Elliott has ADHD and is struggling in school and at home. He uses cooking to help him cope with life. We’ll cook up one of his masterpieces, a Desperation Pie, using our Charlie Cart. Participants may pick up their copy of the book prior to the program.
RIVERCRAFT: BEDROCK EDITION
*For students in grades 3-6*
Wednesdays, October 5 to November 16, 4:00 to 5:00 pm, online on RRPL’s Minecraft Realm
Join our Bedrock Realm and show off your creativity to other River Minecraft enthusiasts. A staff member will facilitate during the program time, but the Realm is open, even when the library isn’t.

COOKING CLUB
*For students in grades 4-6*
Thursdays, October 6 & December 8, 3:30 to 4:30 pm, Auditorium
Do you love to cook or want to learn how? Join us for delicious after-school snacks and treats!

❤️ MIDDLE GRADE DIVERSITY BOOK CLUB
*For students in grades 6-8*
Tuesdays, October 11, and December 13, 3:30 to 4:30 pm, Community Room
In this middle grade book club, inspired by the Read Woke challenge created by Cicely Lewis, we will read and respectfully discuss books selected to inspire change, embrace diversity, and promote inclusivity. Each session will focus on a different topic, and you will choose which book(s) you would like to read from a diverse list of titles.

VOLUNTEER YOUTH CREW
*For students in grades 4-6*
Thursdays, October 13 & December 1, 4:30 to 5:30 pm, Purple Room
Want to volunteer at the library? Now is your chance! Help the Children’s Department with special projects including our yearly holiday decorating.

CAMP HALF-BLOOD: A PERCY JACKSON BOOK DISCUSSION
*For students in grades 4-6*
Tuesdays, October 18 to November 15, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Purple Room
Get sorted into your cabins and discuss a different book in the Percy Jackson and the Olympians series each week. Then compete in fun and games against the other cabins to see who will reign supreme.

ZOMBIE OUTBREAK AT THE LIBRARY
*For students in grades 4-6*
Saturday, October 22, 2:00 to 4:00 pm, Purple Room
Alert! The Library is now under a mandatory quarantine due to a localized zombie outbreak. A group of local scientists and doctors were last seen on the premises working on an antidote, but they seem to be missing. Gather your wits, because you have only twenty-five heart pounding minutes to find the antidote in this zombie outbreak-themed escape room.

FRANKENTOYS
*For students in grades 6-8*
Friday, October 28, 3:30 to 4:30 pm, Community Room
Use stuffed animals, old toys, and art supplies to make your best Frankenstein creature!

NEW YEAR’S POP-UP CARDS
*For students in grades 4-6*
Thursday, December 15, 4:30 to 5:30 pm, Purple Room
Get ready to celebrate the new year by making your own pop-up card!
FAMILY EVENTS

1,000 PAPER CRANES: INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE
September 1-30, 2nd Floor
Celebrate the International Day of Peace (Wednesday, September 21) and the story of Sadako Sasaki by making origami paper cranes throughout the month of September. Donated cranes will be hung up in the goal of having 1,000 cranes made by the end of the month.

1,000 PAPER CRANES: PAPER CRANE FOLDING TUTORIAL
For all ages
Thursday September 8, 4:30 to 5:00 pm, Purple Room
In honor of the International Day of Peace and the story of Sadako Sasaki, come join us in this short program devoted to learning and practicing how to fold origami paper cranes.

SHARE YOUR LOVE OF GRANDPARENTS
September 1-10, 2nd floor
Stop in the Children’s Department to make a special card for Grandparents Day on September 11. Make another to be shared with our Outreach Community.

💕 ADAPTED STORYTIME
For children with special needs & their families
Saturdays, September 10, October 8, November 12, & December 10, 10:00 to 11:00 am, Purple Room
Children with varying learning styles and abilities learn together in a safe, supportive environment where respect and appreciation for differences is encouraged. This storytime is designed for children who may not be successful in a typical storytime experience. Content is geared toward ages 3 to 7 years, but all ages are welcome. Siblings may also attend but must register separately. To register, visit connectingforkids.org/library.

A SLIGHTLY SPOOKY EVENING
Thursday, October 20,
Sensory Friendly, 6:00 to 6:30 pm, Everyone Welcome, 6:30 to 7:30 pm, Auditorium
Enter the Auditorium and find out if you’re braver than a librarian! Walk through our short maze of unexpected experiences and feel the thrills and chills of a spooky evening with us. You might discover a tasty treat or a funny trick if you make it all the way to the end!
THANK A VETERAN
November 1-10, 2nd Floor
Stop in the Children’s Department and make a thank-you card in honor of Veterans Day, Nov. 11. Handmade cards made will be distributed to our local veterans by our Outreach Department and delivered to the American Legion, or send your card to someone you know.

HOLIDAY CRAFT FESTIVAL
Tuesday, November 29, 4:00 to 6:00 pm, Auditorium, Sensory Friendly 6:00 to 6:30 pm, Purple Room
The holidays are coming and it’s time to decorate. Drop in to create ornaments for your tree. While supplies last.

NORTHERN LIGHTS
Saturday, December 10, 3:00 to 3:30 pm, Purple Room
Welcome winter by creating your own Aurora Borealis in art form!

NEED HOMEWORK HELP?
Visit rrpl.org/homework-help/ for free resources to help with homework.