

SUMMER
READING GUIDE



Tails
and
Tales



Week One

SATURDAY, JUNE 7

First day of the Summer Reading Challenge!

Come to the 2nd floor to pick up your Summer Reading log!



MONDAY, JUNE 9

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

SRC Kickoff Party! • All ages. Drop by the Library Plaza for face painting, bubbles, Kona Ice, and more!



1:00 - 3:00 pm: Bubbles

1:30 - 3:30 pm: Face painting

1:00 - 4:00 pm: Craft

2:00 pm: Kona Ice Truck (for kids 8th grade and younger, while supplies last)

6:00 pm

Musical Mondays: 123 Andrés • All ages. Drop by the Library Plaza for this fun family-friendly concert!



TUESDAY, JUNE 10

10:00 am

Toddler Time • 18-36 months. Drop by the Poetry Corner for stories, music, and bubbles galore!



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11

10:00 am - 11:30 am

Craftily Ever After • All ages. Drop in to the Program Room for a fun craft.



4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Craftily Ever After • All ages. Drop in to the Program Room for a fun craft.



KEY GUIDE



Kit – Take and make kits are available at the Youth Services desk while supplies last. Some kits are for designated age groups as noted. May contain small parts, supervision recommended.



Drop-In – Visit us to participate during designated times. While supplies last.



Virtual – This program can be found online through our social media pages and dppl.org.



Outdoors – These programs are outside of the library. Weather permitting. Check our calendar on dppl.org or call 847-376-2839 to find out more.



Registration Required – Drop by the Youth Services desk or call 847-376-2839 to register for this program.

THURSDAY, JUNE 12

10:00 am **Wild Times** • Birth-5 years. Drop by Apache Park for this energetic storytime!



Week Two

SATURDAY, JUNE 14

Critter Kits • All ages. Drop by the YS desk to pick up an all-ages kit! While supplies last.



MONDAY, JUNE 16

11:00 am **Musical Mondays: Laura Doherty** • All ages. Drop in to Meeting Room B/C for a family-friendly concert!



TUESDAY, JUNE 17

10:00 am **Toddler Time** • 18-36 months. Drop by the Poet Tree Corner for stories, music, and bubbles galore!



4:30 pm **Storytime in the Park** • Drop by Kopp Park for a special storytime with DPPL and Mount Prospect Public Library. Enjoy stories, games, popsicles, and more!



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

10:00 am - 11:30 am **Craftily Ever After** • All ages. Drop in to the Program Room for a fun craft.



4:30 pm - 5:30 pm **Craftily Ever After** • All ages. Drop in to the Program Room for a fun craft.



2:00 pm **Trail Tales** • Ages 9-12. Explore the woods at Izaak Walton League and make a craft. Register beginning Wednesday, June 11.



THURSDAY, JUNE 19

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FRIDAY, JUNE 20

3:00 pm **Ever After Sing-Along** • Ages 5+. Join us for a fairy tale sing-along topped with a round of Name That Tune! Register beginning Friday, June 13th.



Week Three

MONDAY, JUNE 23

First day to pick up Summer Reading Challenge prizes!



5:00 pm **Musical Mondays: Dan & Claudia Zanes •**
All ages. Drop in to Meeting Room B/C for a family-friendly concert!



TUESDAY, JUNE 24

10:00 am **Toddler Time •** 18-36 months. Drop by the Poet Tree Corner for stories, music, and bubbles galore!



5:00 pm **JG's Reptile Road Show •** All ages. Get ready to learn about reptiles and see some up-close! No registration required. Meeting Room B/C.



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

10:00 am - 11:30 am **Craftily Ever After •** All ages. Drop in to the Program Room for a fun craft.



4:30 pm - 5:30 pm **Craftily Ever After •** All ages. Drop in to the Program Room for a fun craft.



THURSDAY, JUNE 26

10:00 am **Wild Times •** Birth-5 years. Drop by Apache Park for this energetic storytime!



6:00 pm **Tween Movie Night •** Ages 9-12. Enjoy pizza and a movie! Register beginning Friday, June 20.



Week Four

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

Critter Kits • All ages. Drop by the YS desk to pick up an all-ages kit! While supplies last.



MONDAY, JUNE 30

- 3:00 pm** **Musical Monday: Dreamtree Shakers •** All ages. Drop in to Meeting Room B/C for a family-friendly concert!



TUESDAY, JULY 1

- 10:00 am** **Toddler Time •** 18-36 months. Drop by the Poet Tree Corner for stories, music, and bubbles galore!



THURSDAY, JULY 3

- 10:00 am** **Wild Times •** Birth-5 years. Drop by Central Park for this energetic storytime!



FRIDAY, JULY 4

LIBRARY CLOSED FOR 4th OF JULY

Week Five

MONDAY, JULY 7

- 2:00 pm** **Musical Monday: Fox & Branch •** All ages. Drop in to Meeting Room B/C for a family-friendly concert!



TUESDAY, JULY 8

- 10:00 am** **Toddler Time •** 18-36 months. Drop by the Poet Tree Corner for stories, music, and bubbles galore!



- 4:00 pm** **Munch Madness •** Ages 9-12. Try some new and unusual snacks! Register beginning Tuesday, July 1.



WEDNESDAY, JULY 9

- 10:00 am - 11:30 am** **Craftily Ever After •** All ages. Drop in to the Program Room for a fun craft.



- 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm** **Craftily Ever After •** All ages. Drop in to the Program Room for a fun craft.



THURSDAY, JULY 10

- 10:00 am** **Wild Times •** Birth-5 years. Drop by Central Park for this energetic storytime!



THURSDAY, JULY 10

4:00 pm **Show & Tell** • 1-5th grade. Bring in an object that's special to you and share what makes it meaningful! Register beginning Thursday, July 3.



Week Six

SATURDAY, JULY 12

Critter Kits • All ages. Drop by the YS desk to pick up an all-ages kit! While supplies last.



10:00 am - 12:00 pm **Mud Day** • All ages. Get down and dirty as we celebrate mud! Drop by Izaak Walton League for this program, and dress for a mess!



MONDAY, JULY 14

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm **LEGO Free Build** • All ages. Drop in for a LEGO-tastic time in Meeting Room B.



TUESDAY, JULY 15

10:00 am **Toddler Time** • 18-36 months. Drop by the Poet Tree Corner for stories, music, and bubbles galore!



5:00 pm **Andertoons: Presenting... Amazing New Animals!** • K-8th. Learn to draw newly discovered animals with cartoonist Mark Anderson! Register beginning Tuesday, July 8.



WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

10:00 am - 11:30 am **Craftily Ever After** • All ages. Drop in to the Program Room for a fun craft.



4:30 pm - 5:30 pm **Craftily Ever After** • All ages. Drop in to the Program Room for a fun craft.



THURSDAY, JULY 17

10:00 am **Wild Times** • Birth-5 years. Drop by Central Park for this energetic storytime!



Week Seven

MONDAY, JULY 21

4:00 pm **Story Stretcher** • Grades 1-3. Try your hand at writing and illustrating your own tall tale! Register beginning Monday, July 14.



TUESDAY, JULY 22

10:00 am **Toddler Time** • 18-36 months. Drop by the Poet Tree Corner for stories, music, and bubbles galore!



WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

10:00 am - 11:30 am **Craftily Ever After** • All ages. Drop in to the Program Room for a fun craft.



4:30 pm - 5:30 pm **Craftily Ever After** • All ages. Drop in to the Program Room for a fun craft.



THURSDAY, JULY 24

10:00 am **Wild Times** • Birth-5 years. Drop by Central Park for this energetic storytime!



THURSDAY, JULY 24

3:00 pm **Egg Tales** • Ages 9-12. Decide whether to make a dragon egg or a mermaid egg and use our supplies to create a fairy tale craft. Register beginning Thursday, July 17.



FRIDAY, JULY 25

4:00 pm **Mammals & More** • All ages. Flying Fox Conservation will be here to show off some unique animals! No registration required for this show in Meeting Room B/C.



Week Eight

SATURDAY, JULY 26

Critter Kits • All ages. Drop by the YS desk to pick up an all-ages kit! While supplies last.



SATURDAY, JULY 26

10:30 am **Kerfuffle Theatre presents...**
The Conductors • Ages 2-6. Jump aboard a magic train and search for treasure in this interactive musical play! Register beginning Thursday, July 17.



MONDAY, JULY 28

3:00 pm **Musical Mondays: Little Miss Ann** • All ages. Drop in to Meeting Room B/C for a family-friendly concert!



TUESDAY, JULY 29

10:00 am **Toddler Time** • 18-36 months. Drop by the Poet Tree Corner for stories, music, and bubbles galore!



THURSDAY, JULY 30

7:00 pm **Animal Tails Bingo!** • All ages. Join us for an evening of BINGO and cool trivia! Register beginning July 23.



THURSDAY, JULY 31

10:00 am **Wild Times** • Birth-5 years. Drop by Central Park for this energetic storytime!



SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

SRC Final Day

Bring your completed reading log in by 5pm to pick up your prize! Prizes will not be awarded after this date.



The End

Many of these programs are made possible by our generous partner:

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Sat: 9 am - 5 pm

Sun: 1 pm - 5 pm