

CHILDREN'S SERVICES FALL 2009



West Hempstead residents have preference and non-residents will be on a waitlist. Proof of date of birth is required for new preschoolers and a library card is needed for all programs. Events are in the Children's Program Room unless otherwise noted.

FALL STORYTIMES

Register beginning September 23.

Storytimes run for four weeks from October 5 through 28 on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays for children age one through grade 2. Ask for a schedule at the desk.



PARENTING AND PLAYTIME

Thursdays, October 1-29

Mornings 9:15-10:30 OR 11-12:15

Register beginning September 21.

Bring your 1, 2 or 3-year old to our parent-child workshop and meet specialists in early childhood development. There are five informal sessions; you can play with your baby one-on-one, gather information and make new friends. Previous participants may go on a waitlist. Siblings are welcome.



PAJAMA STORYTIME

Monday, October 5

7-7:30 p.m. Ages 3-5 (Pre-K)

Registration begins September 25.

Some just-before-bedtime fun. Bring your teddy bear and your grown-up and wear pajamas too for stories, songs and a craft.

FAMILY GAMING DAY

Sunday, October 11 1-4 p.m.

Kids and parents are welcome to drop in and play board games. Try something new!

EGYPTIAN CARTOUCHE

Friday, October 16

4-4:30 p.m. Grades 2-5

Register beginning October 6.

Ever wonder what Egyptian hieroglyphics actually mean? Join Lisa and unlock the mystery by making a cartouche of your own.

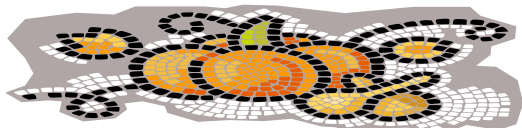
DECORATE A GOURD

Thursday, October 22

4:30-5 p.m. Ages 4-6

Registration begins October 12.

Enjoy the fall season decorating a gourd using markers, buttons, and other fun things.



BE CREATIVE@YOUR LIBRARY

Congratulations to all who completed the 2009 NYS Summer Reading Club! 665 children from babies to fifth graders joined and 392 total completed the club.

Thanks to Bageltown, McDonald's, and Silbers Martial Arts for your coupons.

Thanks to Senator Kemp Hannon for certificates. And thank you to the high school volunteers for hours of donated time.



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INFANTS AND PARENTS

Fridays, October 23, 30 & November 6
10-11 a.m. Ages 1-12 months

Registration begins October 12.

Nettie Becker, a specialist in motor development in babies, is here to guide you and your baby in massage, play and bonding. Join other parents and babies to make some discoveries.

YOGA FOR KIDS

Sunday, October 25

1:30-2:15 p.m. Grades K-2

2:30-3:30 p.m. Grades 3-5

Registration begins October 15.

Diana Slattery is back by popular demand to lead you in a restful and calming experience. Wear comfortable clothing and be on time.



PAJAMA STORYTIME

Monday, November 2

7-7:30 p.m. Ages 3-5 (Pre-K)

Registration begins October 21.

Come in your pajamas and bring a teddy bear and a grown-up for stories, songs and a craft.

HOMEWORK ZONE

Got homework? Use the Children's Program Room any afternoon you see a sign saying "Homework Zone." It is a quiet area for kids in grade school. Tutors welcome.





BOOK CHATS

Thursdays, November 5, 12 & 19
7 p.m. Grades 4 & 5

Register beginning October 22.

Come for one, two or all three book chats. Sign up and check out what looks interesting:

November 5: Read the picture book *Pro-buditi!* by Chris van Allsburg, the author of other strange and gripping books.

November 12: In *Stone Fox* by John Gardner, Willy and his dog have a plan to save his grandfather and their farm. Will it work?

November 19: Solve a mystery with Chet Gecko. Read *The Chameleon Wore Chartrreuse: From the Tattered Casebook of Chet Gecko Private Eye* by Bruce Hale.

DROP-IN PUPPET PLAY

Sunday, November 8

1-4 p.m. All Ages

Try out our puppet "theater" and our many hand puppets with your friends and family.

PLAYDOUGH WITH GRANNY RO

Tuesdays, November 10 & 17

10-11 a.m. Ages 3-6

Make shapes with playdough using your fingers and cookie cutters. Siblings welcome.



A TIME FOR KIDS

Friday, November 13

1-1:45 or 2-2:45 p.m.

18 months-5 years

Registration begins November 3.

Come for lively singing, dancing, stories and a craft for little ones and a grown-up.

TURKEY SCULPTURE

Wednesday, November 18

4:30-5:30 p.m. Grades K-5

Registration begins November 9.

Color the bird, add feathers and slide the parts together for a super Thanksgiving decoration. Joanne Manning will guide you. Materials fee: \$3 at sign-up.



DROP-IN AND POP-UP

Sunday, November 22

1-4 p.m. Families

Stop by the Children's Program Room to see and enjoy the many beautifully engineered pop-up books with moveable parts.

The West Hempstead Public Library is a Family Place Library, a national initiative of Libraries for the Future and the Middle Country Public Library.



PLAYTIMES

Wednesdays in December

9 a.m.-12 p.m. Ages 1-3

Play with your baby in our program room, space permitting. An adult must be present. Siblings welcome.

MAKE A 2010 CALENDAR

Thursday, December 3

4:30-5:30 p.m. Grades 1-5

Registration begins November 23.

Make a 2010 calendar all your own. We'll give you each month of the year to mark special birthdays and holidays in your own way.

PLAY HOORAY

Friday, December 4

10-10:30 a.m. Ages 4-18 months

10:45-11:15 a.m. 18 months-2 years

Registration begins November 23.

Babies and toddlers! Our wonderful Molly Mouse friends are here for singing and dancing and lots of fun.



FAMILY GAMING DAY

Sunday, December 6

1-4 p.m.

Children who enjoy board games: stop by and have some fun. Adults required.

PAJAMA STORYTIME

Monday, December 7

7-7:30 p.m. Ages 3-5 (Pre-K)

Registration begins November 25.

Come with a grown-up, wear your PJs and bring a teddy bear if you like for stories, songs and a craft.



PAJAMA STORYTIME

Registration begins December 23 for the January 4, 2010 Pajama Storytime.

CRAFT CRAZIES

Friday, December 18

10 a.m.-2 p.m. Ages 3-5

Drop in and go a little crazy with our craft materials. Make something nobody has seen before for yourself or someone else. Siblings welcome.

WINTER STORYTIMES

Registration for Winter Storytimes begins Tuesday, January 12, 2010. Storytimes run January 25 through February 22. Stop by the desk for a schedule.