

BUILD A BETTER WORLD

SUMMER AT THE BELMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

From June 12 through August 19, kids are invited to participate in the library's summer reading program. Kids set their own reading goal and, when they reach their goal, get a book as a prize. Pre-readers can join in the fun with a special program just for them. Stop by the Children's Room for more information and to sign up.



GENRE CHALLENGE

Just for kids entering grades 4-6 this fall!

- Get a Genre Challenge bookmark from the Children's Room desk.
- Read books from different categories, including fantasy, mystery, graphic novels, and realistic fiction.
- Return your completed bookmark to the Children's Room by August 19 to put your name on our wall of finishers and earn an invitation to a party just for Genre Challenge finishers!

FOOD DRIVE

Help us build a better world, starting right here in Belmont. During the month of July, bring in food for the Belmont Food Pantry. Each time you donate food, you'll get to put a LEGO brick in our giant tube! You can also put a LEGO brick in the tube each day you visit the library between June 12 and August 19. At the end of the summer, kids will be able to guess how many LEGO bricks are in the tube and the closest guess will win a prize.

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336 Concord Avenue
Belmont, MA 02478
(617) 993-2880
belmontpubliclibrary.net

Children's Room Summer Hours

Monday - Wednesday	9am - 8pm
Thursday	9am - 6pm
Friday	9am - 5pm
Saturday (starting 7/1)	9am - 1pm
Sunday	closed

JULY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				June 29: Concert with Vanessa Trien 10:30am		1 <i>Library open 9-1</i>
2 <i>Closed</i>	3	4 <i>Closed for Independence Day</i>	5	6 Liz Buchanan 10:30 Farmers' Market Storytime 4:00 Game Night 6:30	7 Kiddie Concert at Payson Park 10:30	8 <i>Library open 9-1</i>
9 <i>Closed</i>	10 Pinto Bella Hula Hoops 10:00	11 Money Smart with Belmont Savings Bank 2:00 <i>(registration required)</i>	12 Beginning Birding 6:30 <i>(registration required)</i>	13 Mariana Iranzi 10:30 Farmers' Market Storytime 4:00 Moana Movie 6:30	14 Kiddie Concert at Payson Park 10:30	15 <i>Library open 9-1</i>
16 <i>Closed</i>	17	18 STEAM and Storytime 10:00-12:00 Museum of Science: Reptiles 2:00	19 STEAM and Storytime 10:00-12:00	20 Hugh Hanley 10:30am Farmers' Market Storytime 4:00 Craft Night 6:30	21 Kiddie Concert at Payson Park 10:30	22 <i>Library open 9-1</i>
23 <i>Closed</i>	24	25 STEAM and Storytime 10:00-12:00 Art Workshop 2:00 <i>(registration required)</i>	26 STEAM and Storytime 10:00-12:00 Magic Show w/Awesome Robb 6:30	27 Watertown Children's Theater 2:00 Market Storytime 4:00 Fantastic Beasts Movie 6:30	28 Kiddie Concert at Payson Park 11:00	29 <i>Library open 9-1</i>
30 <i>Closed</i>	31					

AUGUST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 STEAM and Storytime 10:00-12:00 Hampstead Stage: Beauty & Beast 2:00	2 STEAM and Storytime 10:00-12:00	3 Ethan and the Jamberries 10:30 Farmers' Market Storytime 4:00 Game Night 6:30	4	5 <i>Library open 9-1</i>
6 <i>Closed</i>	7 Balloon Sculpting Workshop 2:00 <i>(registration required)</i>	8 STEAM and Storytime 10:00-12:00	9 STEAM and Storytime 10:00-12:00	10 Rolie Polie Guacamole 10:30 Farmers' Market Storytime 4:00 Sing Movie 6:30	11	12 <i>Library open 9-1</i>
13 <i>Closed</i>	14 Jungle Jim's Balloon Magic Show 10:00	15 STEAM and Storytime 10:00-12:00	16 STEAM and Storytime 10:00-12:00	17 Sparky's Puppets 10:30 Farmers' Market Storytime 4:00 Craft Night 6:30	18	19 <i>Library open 9-1</i> Last day to pick up summer reading prizes!
20 <i>Closed</i>	21	22	23	24 Farmers' Market Storytime 4:00	25	26 <i>Library open 9-1</i>
27 <i>Closed</i>	28	29	30	31 Farmers' Market Storytime 4:00		

All events are free. Grade refers to grade entering this fall. Registration required where noted.
Register online (belmontpubliclibrary.net/events), by phone (617-993-2880), or in person at the Children's Room Desk.

Farmers' Market Storytime

Join us at the Belmont Farmers' Market Events Tent each week for this fun, all-ages storytime! Located in the town center parking lot (Channing Road and Cross Street).

Thursdays at 4pm

Summer Reading Decorating Parties

We need your help decorating the Children's Room this summer! Come paint a building on recycled materials and we'll display it in the library all summer long. For all ages.

Thursday, June 22 from 10:30-11:30

Wednesday, June 28 from 5:30-7:00

Concert with Vanessa Trien

Join singer-songwriter Vanessa Trien, local rock star to the young (and young at heart!) for a morning of singing and dancing. For all ages.

Thursday, June 29 at 10:30am

Family Movies

This summer we're turning the library's Assembly Room into your free neighborhood theater. For all ages.

Tuesdays at 6:30pm

June 29: Dr. Strange (PG-13)

July 13: Moana (PG)

July 27: Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them (PG-13)

August 10: Sing (PG)

Songs with Liz Buchanan

Well-loved local musician Liz Buchanan performs original songs and traditional favorites. For all ages.

Thursday, July 6 at 10:30am

Family Game Nights

We'll provide the games and snacks while you bring the whole family for some board game fun!

Thursday, July 6 at 6:30

Thursday, August 3 at 6:30

Pinto Bella Hula Hoops

Learn all about the hula hoop in this hands-on workshop. Pinto Bella will do a performance and give instructions and then everyone will be able to give hula hooping a try! You'll get one-on-one instruction and learn new tricks. For ages 6 and up.

Monday, July 10 at 10am

Money Smart presented by the Belmont Savings Bank

This financial literacy training offers an exciting interactive exploration of the concept of money and is designed to promote financial understanding in children entering grades 3-5 in the fall. Children will participate in engaging activities while building the foundation to become financially responsible adults. There will be giveaways and prizes! For grades 3-5. **Registration required; registration open now.**

Tuesday, July 11 at 2pm

Beginning Birding

Have you ever wondered about the birds in your yard? In this workshop with Hands on Nature you'll learn about birds common in Massachusetts and how to start identifying them. You'll make two simple feeders to take home. For grades K-4. **Registration required; registration opens on June 28.**

Wednesday, July 12 at 6:30pm

Mariana Iranzi

Join Mariana for a multicultural musical adventure in Spanish and in English. For ages 2 to 5.

Thursday, July 13 at 10:30am

STEAM and Storytime

Even the youngest children can explore STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math)! Join us for a fun-filled time with free play, activity centers and circle time with songs and movement activities. For age 5 and under.

The following Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10am-12pm:

July 18-19, July 25-26, August 1-2,

August 8-9, and August 15-16

Museum of Science: Reptiles

Are reptiles slimy? Are they cold blooded? What actually makes a reptile a reptile? Together we will answer these questions and many more while we become acquainted with incredible animals from the Museum's Live Animal Care Center. For K and up.

Tuesday, July 18 at 2pm

Hugh Hanley

Beloved local musician Hugh Hanley is back with interactive songs performed on the guitar and banjo. For ages 2-5.

Thursday, July 20 at 10:30am

Family Craft Nights

If you love doing crafts, stop by for some crafting fun. For all ages; kids 9 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Thursday, July 20 at 6:30pm

Thursday, August 17 at 6:30pm

Art Workshop: Alexander Calder

Join instructors from the Pop-Up Art School for this class on artist Alexander Calder, best known for his mobiles and stabiles. You'll create two different kinds of standing sculptures as you learn about the artist and his work. For ages 8-12.

Registration required; registration opens on July 11.

Tuesday, July 25 from 2-3:30pm

Magic Show with Awesome Robb

You will be laughing out loud at this fast and fun magic show that will grab your attention and leave you wanting more. You'll see 15 amazing tricks, from the hilarious Soda Bottle of Doom to the Underwear Cannon. For ages 4 and up.

Wednesday, July 26 at 6:30pm

Watertown Children's Theater

The Break a Leg Troupe for kids in grades 3-8 will be presenting a one-of-a-kind theater piece!

Thursday, July 27 at 2pm

Hampstead Stage: Beauty and the Beast

Hampstead Stage presents Beauty and the Beast. In this heartwarming yet humorous tale, discover the power of being yourself and what it means to listen to your heart. For grades K-4.

Tuesday, August 1 at 2pm

Ethan and the Jamberries

Join this local kids rock band for classic songs along with original tunes on topics ranging from rocket ships to underwear. For all ages.

Thursday, August 3 at 10:30am

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Balloon Sculpting Workshop

Join professional magician Ed Popielarczyk for this hands-on workshop. You'll learn how to make different animals and a hat out of balloons! Everything you make, you'll get to take home. For age 8 and up.

Registration required; registration opens July 24.

Monday, August 7 at 2pm

Rolie Polie Guacamole

Brooklyn's hippest "kindie" band sings original songs and unique covers of classic songs in this high-energy show. For all ages.

Thursday, August 10 at 10:30am

Jungle Jim's Balloon Magic Show

This show combines balloon artistry, magic, comedy, and improv to create an amazing experience! For ages 3 and up.

Monday, August 14 at 10am

Sparky's Puppets

Sparky's Puppets dramatizes favorite children's tales, like "The Three Little Pigs" and "The Fisherman and His Wife," with colorful hand puppets, lively humor, and plenty of audience participation. For ages 3-10.

Thursday, August 17 at 10:30am

Kiddie Concerts at Payson Park

These all-ages family concerts are held at Payson Park (260 Payson Road in Belmont). Find more information at www.ppmf.org. In the event of rain, the concerts will be held at the library.

July 7 at 10:30am: Vanessa Trien & the Jumping Monkeys

July 14 at 10:30am: Matt Heaton & the Outside Toys

July 21 at 10:30am: Karen K. and the Jitterbugs

July 28 at 11am: Super Cool Beans!

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