Book Buddies Read with Children

Book Buddies are back! Let a Ferguson Library Book Buddy read to your young child this summer. College accounting firm KPM G are available interns with the Stamford office of the Ferguson Library Book Buddy table in the First Floor children’s area. The caregiver must remain nearby.

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Summer Sales at the Book Shop
Lots of great books at great prices this summer! The shops are featuring a summer reading sale through July 9, and a sidewalk sale July 16 – 17 with books priced to go at $1 to $3. Then, from July 24 – August 6, watch for cooking and gardening titles at 50% off. Stop by and browse. All proceeds benefit the Library.

Pub Crawl is October 18
Mark your calendars – the second annual Pub Crawl is October 18! Tickets go on sale next month. Great restaurants and entertainment. Details to come!

Friends of The Ferguson Library Staff Recommends:
Children’s Summer Reading – the Pastime of Champions

Younger Readers – Preschool to Grade 2
Beach House by Deanna Caswell
Ice Cream Summer by Peter Sis
Let’s Play by Hervé Tullet
Surf’s Up by Kwame Alexander

Middle Readers – Grades 3 to 5
Crumbers? My Dog is Better than Your Dog by Tommy Greenward
Lola Levine is Not Mean! by Monica Brown
Mr. Tootp Falls Again by Rob Buyea
My Life as a Book by Janet Tashjian

For information please call Linda Avellar at 203 351-8208 or linda@fergusonlibrary.org

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Support for Sunday Hours

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HOLIDAY HOURS
The Library will be closed Sunday, July 3 and Monday, July 4 for Independence Day. Have a safe holiday.

Friends Support Programming
A big thank you to the Friends of The Ferguson for their generous contribution of $47,000 to the Library. The Friends advocate for the Library and through the funds raised from their award-winning book shop, underwrite much of our programming.

Two Grants Fund Kids Makerspace

Thanks to a generous $12,500 grant from the Fairfield County Community Foundation the Youth Services makerspace is now open to the public Mondays & Tuesdays from 3 to 5 p.m. and Thursdays and Saturdays from 3 to 5 p.m. Kids can try out the Library’s 3D printers and get their hands on cutting edge technology. Ages 8 and up.

We are also pleased to announce that the Library has received a $10,000 grant from First County Bank Foundation to add additional equipment to the makerspace. The Youth Services makerspace was originally funded with a grant from First County and their commitment has made it possible for us to make this new technology available to young people in our community.

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M L, Third Floor Technology Center

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Friday, July 29 at 4:15 p.m. at HBB

W ednesday, July 27 at 6:30 p.m. at Harry Bennett Branch

Read to Skylar

Monday, July 25 at 12:00 p.m.

Knitting Circle

Monday, July 11 at 11 a.m. at HBB

Work on your project in a social setting.

Let’s Talk: ESL Conversation Groups Tuesday, July 26 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

ML, Third Floor Auditorium

What is it and how do VR, UX, and VR services will be available to try. Presented by Hugh Seaton, CEO of Apansis, Training and the Immersive Tech Lab.

Virtual Reality

Monday, July 25 to 5:30 p.m., ML, Third Floor Auditorium

Drop by and experience this exciting technology. Hugh Seaton will be on hand to help you discover VR.

Virtual Reality Free Play Mondays from 7 to 9 p.m., ML, Third Floor Auditorium

The Immersive Tech Lab has a variety of VR units. Hugh Seaton encourages experimentation with VR gear.

FILMS

Main Library, DLittBatta Building

Third Floor Auditorium (unless otherwise noted)

Second Saturday Cinema Saturday, July 16 at 6:30 p.m.

Cinema presentation, followed by interview with the public and Q&A.

Computer Classes

Main Library, DLittBatta Building

Third Floor Technology Center

Registration required for all classes. Call 203-3821-6322 or e-mail for phone registration. For online registration, register at fergusonlibrary.org

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Children’s SUMMER READING CLUB

JULY 2016

Saturday, July 23 from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

MR. LOW LEVEL PROGRAM ROOM

We will focus on Sonia Delany and her genealogies,扎实项目和丰富的故事色彩，以及，通过Lauren McCammon, Educator, Education Coordinator at the Morgan Library & Museum. Ages 7-10. Call 203-382-8425.

Sports Craft

Tuesday, July 19 and Wednesday, July 20 from 6 to 8 p.m.

ML, Third Floor Auditorium

Harry Potter Party

Wednesday, July 27 at 4 p.m.

ML, Third Floor Auditorium

Create the nearest Harry Potter book, Harry Potter and the Cursed Child, and a Harry Potter-themed party. Feel free to come dressed as your favorite witch, wizard or other magical creatures. Entering grades 3 and up. Call 203-382-8425.

Zantangle Fun

Tuesday, July 26 at 4 p.m.

ML, Third Floor Auditorium

Learn how to do the fun art of Zantangle - an easy to learn, relaxing and fun way to create beautiful images by drawing repetitive patterns. Entering grades 3 and up. Call 203-382-8425.

Fun with Fine Art for Kids

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