

LIBRARY KIDS

DIAL-A-STORY is for children to use by dialing 522-6808 to listen to a short story. The stories are changed weekly and vary in content, but are always suitable for young listeners. Library staff provide the stories each week. Anyone interested in reading for Dial-a-Story should contact the library at 522-2023. Listening to Dial-a-Story will count as reading time during the Summer Reading Program.



STORY TIME is designed to give children the pleasure and fun of words, language, and stories, and the chance to interact with other children. Two programs are available. Children must be at least 2 years old to attend, have a current library card, and must be registered. A parent or guardian may register a child in person or by phone if the child has a library card. Story Time will be held on Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. and Thursday, 1:15 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. for 3 to 5 year olds. Toddle Time is a program available to children 2 years of age and an accompanying adult. Toddle Time is Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Children may register for Storytime anytime during the year.. This year children will be enjoying new themes and stories, flannel board stories, tell-and-draws, fingerplays and special activities or crafts.



SUMMER READING

Treats and Treasure clue #2
Why did the pirate go to the library?

Answer: (To get a library caarrrrrrd!)

Summer Reading Program is for anyone age 2 to 100+. The 2007 theme is "Get a Clue @ Your Library". Throughout the summer the library will provide activities and programs associated with the theme.

To sign up for the Summer Reading Program simply come to the library and fill out an application card. You will receive your log sheet to begin logging the time you have read. Participants do need to have a current Sterling Public Library card and read materials or listen to audios from the library.

Participants will earn a choice of prizes for reading library books. Reading time will earn all participants tickets for the grand prize drawings. Programs are scheduled throughout the program so be sure to check our Program page for times and dates.

10 Tips for Encouraging Summer Reading

1. Let your kids get their own library card.
2. Encourage your child to start a book club with at least two of their friends. Everyone read the same book and gather at one house to enjoy snacks and talk about the book. (Kids in grades 3 to 5 can join us at the library on Tuesday at 2:00 to listen to a mystery, talk about the book and enjoy related activities and crafts.)
3. Include weekly visits to the library in your summer schedule and let kids chose their own books.
4. Continue to read out loud to your children on a regular basis.
5. Be a good role model and read while your kids are reading.
6. Keep several books in the car so kids can read while running errands or driving to and from activities.
7. Provide a comfortable place at home for kids to read and keep a basket or stack of their favorite books nearby.
8. Take your kids to meet authors and illustrators who often appear at bookstores and libraries to sign autographs, talk about thier books and even read to kids.
9. Rent the video of the book AFTER your kids have read it and have a family discussion on how faithful the film was to the book.
10. Reward your kids for reading during their summer break! When finished reading a set number of books, take them out for ice cream or to the bookstore and let them choose a new book.



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