



# Children's Summer Reading Program 2024 at the Windham Public Library

## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

### Tuesdays Books and Babies June 18- August 13 10:15-10:45 am

Appropriate for children from birth-24 months. There are approximately 20 minutes of songs, fingerplays, and a story, followed by unstructured play time. We will be outside, weather permitting. Feel free to bring your own seating.

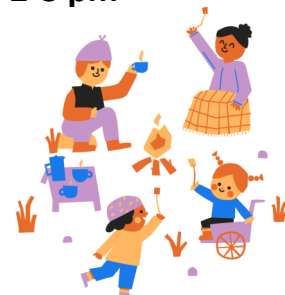


### Wednesdays & Thursdays Preschool Storytime June 26-August 14 10:30-11:00 am

Children up to age 5 and their parents/caregivers are invited to join us. This interactive program includes stories, songs, fingerplays, dancing and more. We will be outside, weather permitting. Feel free to bring your own seating.

### Wednesdays Wonder Wednesdays with Smokey the Bear July 10- August 14 2-3 pm

Join us in celebrating Smokey the Bear's 80th birthday by participating in the Smokey the Bear reading challenge: read 3 books and earn 4 badges to complete the challenge and earn a prize. Each of these weekly programs about wildfire prevention and the environment will count for one badge. This program is designed for students in grades 2-6 and parents/caregivers are encouraged to stay too. Some programs will be outside, weather permitting.



### Thursdays Outdoor Movement July 11- August 15 4-5 pm

Let's get physical! Join the children's department for yoga, improv games, obstacle courses, hula hoops, dancing, and other activities to get us moving around and engaged outdoors. Open to kids and their families from K-6.

### Fridays Fun with 4H July 12- August 16 10-11 am

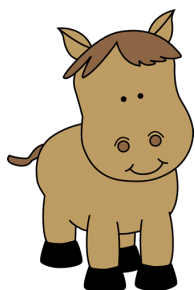
Join us for an introduction to animal science with Allison from 4H! We'll read stories and learn all about your favorite farm animals.. This program will be aimed at ages 4-9. Registration preferred, call the library or [visit our website](#) to register.



## OTHER PROGRAMS

### Wednesday June 26 Story Time With Horses! 10:30-11:30 am OFFSITE

Join us at the Maine State Society for the Protection of Animals to have a story time with horses! We'll read books and do our normal story time routine, and then after that we'll have time for questions and visiting horses. Aimed at kids ages 2-7.



### Smoothie Making Wednesday, June 26 2-3 pm

Do you enjoy smoothies but aren't sure how to make them? Maybe you want to learn some new recipes? Join us for smoothie making with Alola. This program is aimed at grades 2-6.



# OTHER PROGRAMS

**Mr. Drew and His Animals Too Wednesday, July 3 2 pm OFFSITE**



Are you interested in animals? Love reptiles? Then we have a show for you! Join Mr. Drew in seeing some awesome creatures and learn all about their life. This program will be at Windham Middle School.

**Stuffed Animal Sleepover Tuesday, July 9 -Wednesday, July 10**

What kind of mischief can your stuffed friend get up to at the library? Drop them off for our sleepover to find out. Participants will get a slideshow of their friends activities, and a small surprise. Friends should be dropped off during the library's open hours on July 9th and picked up on the 10th. Registration required.



**Author Storytime with Holly Valero! Wednesday July 10 10:30-11:30 AM**

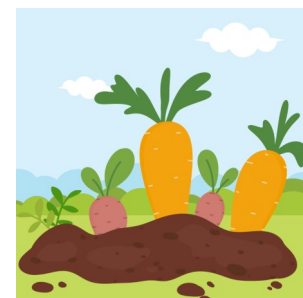
Join us for a story time with the author of the Mouse and Elephant series! We'll read at least one of these fun books and then Holly will discuss where she gets her ideas and give us a demonstration of how she does the illustrations.

For ages 2 and up.

**Garden Party Monday July 15 3-5pm**

Put your hands in the dirt with Alexis! We will be exploring ways to build and support healthy, happy, and sustainable gardens both indoors and out. Learn about permaculture techniques such as water retention and recycling, supporting our native pollinators, and composting.

Best for ages 4 and up.



**Author Visit with Tamra Wight! Monday July 22 6-7 PM**

Join us to learn all about the amazing Cooper and Packrat series with Tamra Wight! She'll tell us about what it's like to own a campground and awesome stories about the wildlife she's seen while researching for her books.

Books will be available for purchase and signing. Aimed at ages 8 and up.

**Family Art Day Monday, July 29 1-5 pm**

Join us for a day of celebrating art! Play with the art supplies scattered around and outside the library. Get messy, have fun, and embrace your inner artist.

For all ages.



**Beekeeping—The Honey Exchange Wed., August 14th, 6-7pm**

Phil Gaven, the owner of "The Honey Exchange" in Portland and an expert beekeeper, will dazzle participants with an actual hive of

bees, provide a honey tasting, and give a PowerPoint slide show about beekeeping. FMI, call or email Ray at the Help Desk at 207-892-1908 ext. 5 or rmarcotte@windhammaine.us.

**Caring for Horses Tuesday August 20 2-3 pm OFFSITE**

Curious about the care of horses? Want to learn more about animal rescue? Not ready for 4H Animal Science to end? Join us for an afternoon at the Maine State Society for the Protection of Animals to get all your questions answered.

For ages 7-12



**Sewing with Alola Wednesday, August 21 2-3 pm**

Do you know how to sew? Would you like to refresh your memory on some basic stitches? Join us for sewing with Alola, where we will learn some basic stitches and how to sew on a button. Appropriate for grades 2 and up.

