



Westford Public Library Summer Reading Program 2024 June 14-August 9
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*Online registration opens June 14. Registration link on our website, Facebook page, and Front Porch Forum. You can also register in person. Reading logs, stickers, etc. are available starting June 14 at noon. All registrants get a FREE creamee coupon to the Westford Country Store and Café.

Age Levels, Reading Goals, and Prizes

Ages 0-2 (babies and toddlers) - fun activities for families to do together, stuffed animal prize at the end

Ages 3-8 (kids) - 10 books/150 minutes read per raffle ticket, one sticker per book or 15 minutes read

Ages 9-12 (twens) - 3 books/240 minutes read per raffle ticket

Ages 13-18 (teens) - 1 book read per raffle ticket



Raffle tickets will be made by Ms. Bree when reading logs are turned in - logs are due August 8. Raffle tickets will also be given for coming to programs. Prizes consist of gift certificates to Essex Cinemas, Phoenix Books, & more! Prizes will be awarded at the end of the SRP Ice Cream Party on August 9.

STICK TOGETHER Every time you come to the library you can work on our sticker mosaic! What will it be this year? Get a strip of stickers every time you visit. It's an adventure just coming to the library!

Every time you visit, find the hidden polar bear in the library and get a prize! New this year - library charms! New charms each week to put on a special bracelet, neck chain, or key ring. Collect them all! All ages welcome to participate in "each visit to the library" activities.



**Adventures in Baseball - Vermont Lake Monsters Game!
 Tuesday, July 9 - 6:30pm vs. the Road Warriors**

The library has purchased 20 kids tickets (12 and under) and reserved a block of seats. Call the box office to reserve your kids tickets (no max - so bring a friend!) & order reduced price tickets (\$7/\$5) in our very own "Westford" block. It's also 25cent hotdog night! Gates open at 5:30. Champ is coming to visit the library on Saturday, June 15 from Noon-1pm on the Common!



ABC Early Literacy with Ms. Holly
 All sessions are from 2-3pm

Keep literacy skills sharp through fun activities and practice. Age groups are suggestions, but you can come to whatever works.

- 7/17 - PK-K, 7/19 - Grades 1-2
- 7/24 - PK-K, 7/26 - Grades 1-2
- 8/7 - Grades 1-2, 8/9 - PK-K
- 8/14 - Grades 1-2, 8/16 - PK-K

Adventures in Storytime - On the Common - Thursdays at 11:30am

Bring your lunch, a blanket and be ready for fun! Rain location is the gazebo. Every week we will read stories, sing and move too! Take home crafts will be available for some storytimes. 6/20 -Travel Adventures, 6/27 - Special FWNI Summer Storytime, 7/11 - Adventures in Imagination, 7/18 - Close to Home Adventures, 7/25 - Water Play, 8/1 - Adventures with I Spy, 8/8 - Adventures with Friends



The library will have FREE fair tickets for kids in grades K-8 who have read at least three books this Summer. Tickets will be available in August. They are good any day of the fair - August 23 - Sept. 1

Summer Reading Program Events Schedule and Details

Events with a (*) require pre-registration.

- June 14- Sign up online for SRP starts today, signup link on our website, FPF, and Facebook - We are opening early at Noon! Stop the library after school lets out to sign up and pick up SRP material (Logs, stickers, etc.) 12:00-7:00pm**, if you can't make it then, you can pick up anytime at the library.
- June 15 - Champ Visits the Common Noon-1pm-** Champ LOVES reading in the Summer! Come get your picture taken with Champ and grab your Summer Reading logs. We'll have some outdoor fun too.
- June 18 - Cookies and Cards 10:30-Noon - Why let the seniors have all the fun?** Let's meet up to play Uno, War, Go Fish, or other games the group wants to play. Please arrive on time at 10:30 so we can get started. Adults are encouraged to stay and play too!
- June 18 - Paracord Bracelets - 4-6pm** - Drop in to make a bracelet that is both cool and might save your life one day! Project takes about an hour and can be finished at home if not completed at the library. Repeated this summer - catch one or come to all.
- *June 19 & 20 - Bob, the Reading Tortoise 5:30-6:30pm** - Readers entering 1-5 grades can sign up for a 15 minute reading slot
- June 21 - Guided Forest Hike with the Westford Conservation Commission 4:00-5:30pm (approx.) Meet at the school parking lot and be prompt.** Join a few of our WCC members to learn more about the forests we hike in - plants, ecosystems, etc. Great for any level hiker. Proper footwear and bug spray are best. Hikers get a special item for participating.
- June 25 - Adventures with Snakes 4:30-5:30pm** - Join nature enthusiast Carol Winfield to learn about snakes at the library - live snakes will be in attendance and participants will get to take home a wooden snake of their own.
- June 26- Paracord Bracelets - 4-6pm** - Drop in to make a bracelet that is both cool and might save your life one day!
- June 27 - Special Four Winds Nature Institute Storytime 11:30-12:30 on the Common** - FWNI will be here with a story and lots of hands on materials to play with - this will be an adventure and lots of fun!
- June 27 - Souvenir Baskets 4-6pm** - Using yarn and a plastic form, weave your very own souvenir or keepsake basket. Perfect for all the treasures you collect on your adventures. Project takes about an hour - requires no knot tying, but does require grit and persistence. Can be taken home and finished. Repeated multiple times this summer.
- June 28 - Orienteering Hike with the Westford Conservation Commission 4:00-5:30pm (approx.) Meet at the school parking lot and be prompt.** Learn to use a compass and a few basic forest survival skills from some members of WCC. Good for all levels. Participants get to keep a compass. Proper footwear and bug spray are good ideas.
- June 28 - Star Party on the Common 9-10pm** - Take an adventure to the stars! Join astronomer Molly Drapa for viewing and a tour of the night sky. Telescopes will be set up on the Common, or bring your own. All astronomers welcome! Weather dependent. Repeated.
- July 2 - Float Building 3:30-5:30 on the Common, also July 2 is the last day to sign up to ride the float in the Fourth of July parade, limited to kids entering first grade and older.**
- July 4 - Library Book Sale and Raffle - 9am-1pm - \$5 per bag - bring your own bag. *Parade 11am** (riders meet 10:30 at Town Garage)
- July 9 - Adventures in Baseball at the Lake Monsters Game - 6:30pm** - see front for details
- July 11 - Adventures in Robotics - 5-7pm** - Members and mentors of Westford Robotics various teams will be present - come check out the robots, do some hands on robotics, and see what robotics is all about. All ages are welcome! See FPF for more details
- July 12 - Souvenir Baskets 4-6pm** - See description above
- July 12 - Star Party on the Common - 9-10pm** - see description above
- July 16 - Cookies and Cards 10:30-Noon** - see description above
- July 16 - Animal Hike with Carol Winfield - 4:00-5:30pm (approx.) Meet at the school parking lot and be prompt.** Geared toward our younger hikers, learn what animals live in the forest and where we might find them. We might even find a few along the way!
- *July 17 - Teeny-Tiny Terrariums - 4-6pm** - Sign up to make your very own tiny planter with a real live plant. All ages welcome.
- July 19 - Peaceful Adventures - 4-6pm** - Mandalas are a great way to relax and unwind - come color some lovely designs
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- July 26- Paracord Bracelets - 4-6pm** - Drop in to make a bracelet that is both cool and might save your life one day!
- *July 30 & August 1 - Bob, the Reading Tortoise 5:30-6:30pm** - Readers entering 1-5 grades can sign up for a 15 minute reading slot
- August 2 - VINS 4:30-5:30pm on the Common** - Learn about the vital role raptors play in our ecosystem from REAL raptors.
- August 2 - Star Party on the Common - 9-10pm** - see description above
- August 6 - Cookies and Cards 10:30-Noon** - see description above
- August 6 - Special Storytime/Concert and Family Picnic with The Busy Morning Duo 5:30-6:30pm** - Bring a picnic and enjoy a story and plenty of music and movement from this creative duo. Geared toward the toddler and younger kid set, but all are welcome to attend.
- August 8 - Reading Logs are due by 5pm** - Turn in at the library or online via google form.
- August 9- End of Summer Ice Cream Party and Raffle - 4-6pm on the Common** - Celebrate the end of Summer Reading with "All you Should Eat" Ice cream! We will announce the winners of our Summer Reading Prize Drawing as well! You do not need to be present to win. Prizes can be picked up anytime at the library. **Volunteer scoopers needed.**

