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Wayland Library Summer Reading Program 2026

June 15-August 14

Summer Reading Events

Outdoor programs are weather permitting. Most programs require registration. Call us at 508-358-2308 or visit our online Event Calendar to register. The Massachusetts Statewide Summer Library Program is funded by the Massachusetts Library System, the Boston Bruins, and the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. Additional funding for Wayland's Summer Reading Program came from the Friends of the Wayland Public Library, the Wayland Cultural Council, and the Arthur Ashley Williams Foundation.

Mon. June 15 **Summer Reading Program officially begins!**

Start earning virtual badges on Beanstack or REAL buttons for your lanyard by logging your reading and completing activities. The virtual badges come with raffle tickets for prize drawings. At the end of the summer we will have drawings for 3 gift cards! Kids who sign up can stop by the library to pick up a goody bag and a Summer Reading Lanyard.

Weds. June 17 3:30 PM **Summer Reading Kickoff: Henry the Juggler**

Henry the Juggler will kick off our Summer Reading Program with a zany juggling performance on the green lawn behind the library! We recommend bringing a blanket or chair. For all ages!

Mon. June 22 4:00 PM **First Make and Play!**

Join us EVERY MONDAY for Make and Play, a sustainable craft program! Kids will make crafts that they can then use/play with, like play dough and bubble wands. This week we will be making "book blocks," using recycled books, mod podge, and donated blocks!

Weds. June 24 4:00 PM **First Chess Club!**

Join Ms. Lindsey every other Wednesday to learn, play, and improve your chess game at the library! This informal club welcomes youth chess enthusiasts that play at all levels. For ages 5 and up.

Fri. June 26 10:30 AM **Parody Playhouse**

Sing with Erica from Parody Playhouse! In this high energy music and movement program, Erica will perform fresh takes on familiar tunes with lyrics that are engaging, educational, and fun for both kids and adults. For babies to age 6, with caregivers. This event will be at Hannah Williams Park, 71 Main Street, Wayland.

Tues. June 30 4:00 PM **Reading with Worms!**

Learn about our soil helping friends! This program features a worm-themed story, a dirt making activity in which we learn about composting and soil composition, and the chance to play with real live worms from the farm's vermi-composter. Program presented by an educator from Land's Sake Farm. For ages 3 and up, with caregiver.

Weds. July 1 4:00 PM **Kindness Rocks!**

Children are invited to decorate their own kindness rocks! Let's make this world better, together. Bring your own rock, or paint the rocks we provide. If you would like, you can leave one painted rock here for a rock display around the flower garden at the entrance to the Children's Room. For ages 5 and up. We will meet on the library lawn, weather permitting.

Thurs. July 9 4:00 PM **Garden Stories and Craft! @ Wolbach Farm**

Join Ms. Haley at Wolbach Farms for garden-themed stories and a craft. This event will be at 18 Wolbach Rd in Sudbury. For ages 3 and up, with caregiver.

Fri. July 10 4:00 PM **Break a Sweat! Yoga**

Join Ms. Lindsey for some high energy yoga! Ages 5 and up.

Mon. July 13 4:00 PM **Kids DnD One-Shot**

Join Dungeon Master Lawrence for a special gaming adventure. If you have dice, bring them or use the ones provided. Open to beginners or experienced players! For Ages 9 and up.

Tues. July 14 3:30 PM Stomp, Chomp, and Read! Magic Show with Jungle Jim

Stomp, Chomp & Read is a high-energy family magic show filled with interactive illusions, giant balloon creations, and nonstop laughs! For ages 3 and up. This event will be at Hannah Williams Park, 71 Main Street, Wayland.

Weds. July 15 3:30 PM Make Pinwheels!

Join Ms. Elise to make outdoor pinwheels to decorate the walkway leading to the Children's Room. For ages 5+

Thurs. July 16 10:30 AM Musical Garden Storytime

Join Ms. Janet for garden songs and stories and a garden craft! We will meet outside on the green lawn. For ages 3 and up, with caregiver.

Tues. July 21 3:30 PM All about Bees!

Learn all about bees from Drumlin Farm's Beekeeper Mel Gadd. He will share bee facts and stories, and kids will be able to look at the live bees in his observation hive! For ages 4 and up, with caregiver.

Weds. July 22 10AM & 11AM Amazing Animals- Live Animal Show!

Joy from Joys of Nature will bring live reptiles to the Hannah Williams Playground and teach kids about these amazing creatures! For ages 4 and up, with caregiver. Event will be at Hannah Williams Playground, 71 Main St.

Tues. July 28 4:00 PM Making Autobiographical Comics with Jonathan Todd

Jonathan Todd, author of the popular graphic novel *Timid*, will share his approach to creating autobiographical comics. He will ask students to reflect upon personally meaningful moments in their lives and think of precise ways to express these memories. Each student will leave with a completed comic. For grades 5 and up.

Weds. July 29 3:30 PM Jenny the Juggler

Jenny the Juggler will amaze and delight children and families with her high energy juggling show. This event will take place at Hannah Williams Park, 71 Main Street, Wayland. For all ages!

Weds. July 29 6:00 PM Stuffed Animal Sleepover

Bring your stuffie anytime starting at 5:30 p.m. P.J. Storytime with Ms. Janet starts at 6:00. After you leave, your stuffies will have all kinds of fun sleeping over at the library! Pick up your stuffies the next day and a photo collage later that week. You are welcome to wear your pj's if you want! For ages 3 and up, with caregiver

Thurs. July 30 4:00 PM KPop Demon Hunters Party

Join the Wayland Free Public Library for a very special KPop Demon Hunters Party! There will be crafts, a scavenger hunt, pattern face painting, Korean snacks, and a whole lot of music! For ages 5+, with caregivers.

Tues. Aug. 4 4:00 PM Toe Jam Puppet Band

Vinny and Tom from the Toe Jam Puppet Band will perform live for kids. They will bring their big bubbles! For ages 3 and up. At Hannah Williams Playground, 71 Main Street, Wayland, MA

Thurs. Aug. 6 4:00 PM Bee Stories and Craft! @ Wolbach Farm

Join Ms. Pam at Wolbach Farms for bee-themed stories and a craft. This event will be at 18 Wolbach Rd in Sudbury. For ages 3 and up, with caregiver.

Fri. Aug. 7 4:00 PM Great Games!

Join Ms. Lindsey for a variety of board and card games at the library! Bring your own game from home to share or enjoy playing one from our collection. For ages 5 and up.

Thurs. Aug. 13 3:30 PM Ice Cream Social

All participants in our Summer Reading Program are invited to an Ice Cream Party to celebrate their reading. Children will make their own sundaes! We will meet on the lawn behind the library.