

Along with providing a variety of activities for children of all ages the library also offers a Reading Club! Spend time reading by yourself or with others this summer and receive great prizes along the way! Registration for the Reading Club begins May 24 for youth of all ages.

"Make a Splash - READ!"
is for infants - 6th graders.

"Make Waves @ Your Library"
is for students entering grades 7 -12.

All Summer Reading Program activities are free of charge and participation does not require a library card. Some library-sponsored activities require pre-registration.

The Bellevue Public Library Summer Reading Program is co-sponsored by
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Summer Reading Program
May 24 - July 22, 2010

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Make a Splash Kickoff Event Tuesday, June 1, 3-5 PM

Join us on the library grounds for water-related activities and crafts. You WILL get wet, so dress accordingly!! (If the weather is bad we will do crafts inside and the kickoff will be moved to June 8, 3-5 PM)

You Know H₂O (Weeklong events)

Visit the Water Works Station (located behind the children's computers) whenever you come to the library. Each week there will be a new activity to learn some new and interesting facts about water! See calendar for specific activities.

Brown Bag Storytime

Mondays at noon and repeated at 6 PM June 7, 14, 21, 28 and July 12, 19
Join the Children's staff for this hour-long, picnic-style family storytime under the trees! Each week we'll share some terrific picture book stories and draw for prizes. Bring a blanket and a brown bag lunch for your family—lemonade will be provided. In case of inclement weather, we will cancel.

Tuesday Treasures

Join us each Tuesday afternoon for a treasure chest full of activities for children of all ages. (Events with * require pre-registration)

- June 8 **Make and Take Crafts, 3:00-4:30 PM**—Water-related crafts for preschool through elementary age children.
- June 15 **Fancy Nancy Party, 3-4 PM**—You are invited to a fabulous fête (that's a fancy word for tea party) with stories and crafts featuring Fancy Nancy. Fancy clothes encouraged!
- June 22 **S.M.A.S.H. Party, 3-4 PM** (Secret Meeting of All Super Heroes) Test your super powers through games and activities then enjoy Super Hero snacks. Costumes are encouraged!
- June 29 ***Water Safety, 3-4 PM**—This Red Cross program will help children in grades 1-4 learn how to be safe around pools, lakes, and rivers.
- July 6 **Make and Take Crafts, 3:00-4:30 PM**—A 2nd session of fun water-related crafts!
- July 13 ***Talent Show, 3 PM**—Sing, dance, paint or bake...everyone is welcome to join the fun, but pre-registration is required if you would like to share a talent.
- July 20 ***Scrapbooking Class, 3-4 PM**—Learn scrapbooking basics as you help make a keepsake scrapbook for the library featuring pictures from the summer reading program.

Storytime Wednesdays and repeated Thursdays at 10 AM June 2–July 15

Join Mrs. B, Miss Tammy, and their puppet friends as we explore water through books, songs, fingerplays, and enrichment activities. This 45-minute program is designed for children ages 2-5. Older and younger siblings are welcome.

Baby & Me Time Thursdays at 9:15 AM June 3–July 15

These 30-minute storytimes are a wonderful way to spend one-on-one time with your infant while sharing interactive books, songs, rhymes and structured play.

For children birth – 24 months and their parents/caregivers.

Make a Splash Book Bunch! Wednesday, June 9, 23 and July 14, 1-2 PM
Too old for storytime? Think again! In this “storytime”, designed especially for elementary age children, we will explore a variety of water-related themes through age-appropriate books and activities.

***Island Readers** Wednesday, June 16, 30 and July 21, 1-2 PM

This group is especially for children entering 4th, 5th, or 6th grade in the fall. During each session we will explore a water-related theme through books, games and crafts.

Songs and S'mores Tuesday, June 8, 7 PM

Join Mrs. B. for a “campfire” sing-a-long hour on the library lawn. Afterwards we'll have s'more fun (involving marshmallows, graham crackers and chocolate!) Fun for the whole family! In case of inclement weather we will cancel.

***VolksMARSH!** Thursday, June 10 and repeated on June 24, 6:00-7:30 PM

Join Mr. and Mrs. B in exploring the Great Marsh at Fontenelle Nature Center. Meet at the Wetlands Learning Center or caravan from the library parking lot. Bring a blanket and picnic supper for your family.

Pajama Storytime Tuesday, June 22 and July 13, 7 PM

Come in your PJs, if you'd like, and enjoy some bedtime stories with Mrs. B. Bring a blanket, pillow or stuffed animal friend and join us for this 40-minute program designed especially for preschool and early elementary students.

***Great American Backyard Campout** Saturday, June 26 - Sunday, June 27

Be part of Camp Read S'more, as we pitch our tents for a night on the library lawn. This event, registered with the National Wildlife Federation, is open to the whole family. Call or visit the library for all the details.

Fire Station Storytime Thursday, July 8, Noon-1:30 PM

No one knows the importance of water more than our firefighters! Join us at Station 4 (13501 S. 25th St.) for this special event! We'll share some terrific stories, draw for prizes and enjoy a fire station tour hosted by Bellevue fire personnel. Bring a picnic blanket and a brown bag lunch for your family. This will be held rain or shine!

Wet and Wild Water Fun! Wednesday, July 21, 10-11 AM

Mrs. B, Miss Tammy, and our teen volunteers will host a water carnival on the library lawn for children who have attended any of our morning storytimes. There'll be lawn games and activities, a baby play zone, refreshments, and a few surprises! In the event of inclement weather, we will have a special storytime inside.

Pool Party Finale Thursday, July 22, 7-9 PM, Cascio Pool (1500 Lawrence Lane)

This event is for those children who earned a special pass by reading at least 10 hours between May 24 and July 22. Each pass will admit the child and parents/caregivers.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	May 24	Sign up for Summer Reading begins Monday, May 24th!!				
30	31 Library Closed Memorial Day You Know H₂O: Ocean Cootie Catcher	1 Make a Splash Kickoff Event 3-5 PM (Rain Date: June 8) If weather is bad we will have Make and Take Crafts inside from 3-4:30	2 Storytime 10 AM	3 Baby & Me 9:15 AM Storytime 10 AM	4	5
6	7 You Know H₂O: Sink or Float Brown Bag Storytime Noon and 6 PM	8 Make and Take Crafts 3-4:30 PM (Rain Date for Kickoff) Songs & S'mores 7 PM	9 Storytime 10 AM Make a Splash Book Bunch: Oceans of Fun! 1 PM	10 Baby & Me 9:15 AM Storytime 10 AM *VolksMARSH 6-7:30 PM	11	12
13	14 You Know H₂O: How much water? Brown Bag Storytime Noon and 6 PM	15 Fancy Nancy Party 3-4 PM	16 Storytime 10 AM *Island Readers: Survivor! 1 PM	17 Baby & Me 9:15 AM Storytime 10 AM	18	19
20	21 You Know H₂O: Scavenger Hunt Brown Bag Storytime Noon and 6 PM	22 S.M.A.S.H. Party 3-4 PM Pajama Storytime 7 PM	23 Storytime 10 AM Make a Splash Book Bunch: Just Dive In! 1 PM	24 Baby & Me 9:15 AM Storytime 10 AM *VolksMARSH 6-7:30 PM	25	26 *Great American Backyard Campout
27	28 You Know H₂O: Toy Boat Brown Bag Storytime Noon and 6 PM	29 *Water Safety Class 3-4 PM	30 Storytime 10 AM *Island Readers: Pirates! 1 PM	* Pre-registration is required!		



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<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	* Pre-registration is required!			1 Baby & Me 9:15 AM Storytime 10 AM	2	3
4 Closed	5 Library Closed You Know H ₂ O: On the Beach	6 Make and Take Crafts 3-4:30 PM	7 Storytime 10 AM	8 Baby & Me 9:15 AM Storytime 10 AM Fire Station Storytime 12-1:30 PM	9	10
	11 You Know H ₂ O: Flying Fish Brown Bag Storytime Noon and 6 PM	13 *Talent Show 3 PM Pajama Storytime 7 PM	14 Storytime 10 AM Make a Splash Book Bunch: Adventures on the High Seas 1 PM	15 Baby & Me 9:15 AM Storytime 10 AM	16	17
18	19 You Know H ₂ O: Guess how many... Brown Bag Storytime Noon and 6 PM	20 *Scrapbooking Class 3-4 PM	21 Wet and Wild Water Fun! 10 AM (for any child who attended morning storytimes) *Island Readers: Titanic! 1 PM	22 Pool Party Finale 7-9 PM Cascio Pool Must have ticket (received after 10 hours of reading)	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Last day to turn in reading sheets for prizes is Friday, July 30 th at 5 pm!!						