

Fall 2011 Storytimes and Programs for Children

All programs are free to Westfield full-service library card holders. 908.789.4090 x 3.

Homework Help! Homework help for elementary school children. Kids in grades K-5 can drop by Youth Services for some free, friendly help from a local teen. Homework is always a little easier with a buddy to talk it over with! Open to full-service Westfield Library card holders only. Dates: Mondays-Thursdays, September 19 through December 22. Time: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Polka Dot Man! Join us for a fun and interactive show including music, comedy and magic with Polka Dot Ron, for preschoolers. The audience is always part of the show! Open to children ages 3 and up. Child must have own full-service Westfield Library card. Date: Saturday, October 29. Time: 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.

Pirates Ahoy! Preschoolers will be pirates, the fun kind! Join magician Mark Zacharia as he takes you on a pirate themed journey with magic! Child must have own full-service Westfield Library card. Date: Saturday, November 19. Time: 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.

Cookie Decorating! Roxanne Paylago of Eve's Cookie demonstrates various fun cookie decorating techniques and teaches the children how to create their own edible cookie masterpieces. All supplies are provided - all you need to bring is your imagination! Date: Wednesday, October 5. Time: 4:00 p.m. Grades: K & up. Children must have their own full-service Westfield Library card. Online pre-registration required, starting September 5th - space is limited.

Family Music Fun: Discover Brass Instruments with The South Mountain Brass! What do you know about trumpets, trombones, horns, tubas and other brass music instruments? Can you tell the difference between fanfares and marches? Can you hear the brass notes in jazz, and movie music? NJ's own South Mountain Brass will give us an interactive demo. For all ages. Date: Saturday, September 24. Time: 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Open to the public.

Lego Club! Use your imagination to create wonderful Lego structures. Open to children in grades 1 through 5. Dates: Wednesdays, October 5, 12, 19 and 26, **OR** Thursdays, October 6, 13, 20 and 27, Time: 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Open to full-service Westfield Library card holders only. Call the Youth Services Desk at 908.789.4090 x3 to register beginning 9/6.

Grupo ñ. Spanish-language storytime. All stories, songs and activities are in Spanish; no English is spoken. Dates: Saturdays, September 10, October 8, November 5 and December 3. Time: 10:00 to 10:45 a.m. Open to the public.

Magic Carpet. Listen to some of our librarians' favorite stories. Must be in elementary school. Dates: Tuesdays, September 27 through November 1. Time: 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. Open to full-service Westfield Library card holders only.

Preschool Storytime. Listen to stories and do an activity. For children ages 3½ to 5. Dates: Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m., and Fridays at 1:30 p.m., from September 27 through November 4. Children must have own full-service library card.

Tots' Storytime. Stories for children between the ages of 2½ and 3½. Parent or caregiver attends with child. Dates: Fridays, from September 30 through November 4. Time: 10:00 to 10:30 a.m. Children must have own full-service library card.

Toddler Time. Stories, songs, finger plays and movement activities. For babies and toddlers up to age 3. Parent or caregiver attends with child. Dates: Wednesdays, from September 28 through November 16. Time: 10:00 to 10:20 a.m. Child must have own full-service library card.

Parents' Specials

Nancy Kislin Flaum, LCSW, presents useful parenting information workshops. Open to the public—registration requested.

Mindful Parenting. Learn how to be confident in your parenting. Mindful Parenting helps your child increase self-esteem, build healthy interpersonal skills while developing a connection between self and the greater world. Monday, September 19. Time: 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Registration requested.

Parents' Special: You & Your Toddler. Let's talk about the challenges and the triumphs! Tuesday, September 20. Time: 7:30 p.m. Registration requested.

Parents' Special: What Not to Do to Get Your Kid into College. Are you and/or your teen "stressed out" about the college process? Learn strategies to ease the turmoil. Thursday, October 20. Time: 7:30 p.m. Registration requested.