



# Milford Public Library

## May/June 2017 Youth Programs



**Due to limited space, registration is required for all programs, unless otherwise indicated.**

Families can register online, by phone, or in person. The first week of registration is reserved for Milford Public Library cardholders. Residents of other communities will be put on a waiting list during the first week of registration. Programs *may* be cancelled if fewer than 5 are registered. Your library card is needed for program registration.

### **Mystery Mother's Day Craft** *For ages 3-12*

**Tues., May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**6:30-7:30 pm**

It's time to get ready for Mother's Day. We will be making a present, decorating the gift bag and creating a card...all for Mom. Mom will not be allowed in the program and no peeking. *Registration begins Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>.*

### **Stories and Fun** *For ages 1-2*

**Wed., May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**10:00-11:00 am**

Join us for 30 minutes of stories, songs, rhymes, and parachute fun, then enjoy 30 minutes of free play time! Intended for ages 1-2, but entertaining for babies and older siblings alike! *Registration begins Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>.*

### **Music & Motion** *For ages 3-5*

**Thurs., May 4<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00-11:00 am**

We'll be combining music and movement as we sing, dance, play musical instruments, do parachute games and more. *Registration begins Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup>.*

### **Free Comic Book Day** *For ages 3-17*

**Sat., May 6<sup>th</sup>**

**9:30 am-4:30 pm**

To celebrate Free Comic Book Day, we are joining other libraries and bookstores across North America in giving away free comic books. Kids ages 3 through 17 are invited to drop by the library to pick out a free comic book (while supplies last). Comic book crafts will be available as make and takes throughout the day. Don't forget to enter our drawing to win a poster or a t-shirt. This is all happening in the Youth Department. *No registration needed.*

### **Baby Fun Storytime** *For ages birth to 17 months*

**Mon., May 8<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00-11:00 am**

Engage with your baby as we learn new rhymes, music and enjoy stories. Playtime follows providing social time for both parents and children. *Registration begins Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup>.*

### **Mystery Reads** *For kids 2 years old through 7<sup>th</sup> grade*

**May 8<sup>th</sup> – May 20<sup>th</sup>**

**All Day**

Discover a new favorite book by checking out one of our mystery reads! We will be wrapping up books with notes that will include clues about the books. No peeking until after you check them out! *No registration needed.*

### **Preschool Mother's Day Tea** *For ages 2-6*

**Tues., May 9<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00-11:00 am**

Join us as we celebrate Mom with a tea party. We will read stories, decorate cookies, make a craft and have tea, of course. *Registration begins April 25<sup>th</sup> for this program.*

### **Playdate @ the Library** *(All Ages)*

**Thurs., May 11<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00-11:00 am**

Our Youth staff will get the fun started by reading a book and singing a song. Then we will continue the music for free play time. Duplo blocks, puzzles, toys and board books will be available in the Community Room with a corner just for babies and toddlers. *No registration required so just come on in.*

Youth Programs are made available through the generous support of the Friends of the Milford Public Library \*  
Go to [www.milfordlibrary.info](http://www.milfordlibrary.info) to sign up for our e-newsletter and receive news a few times a month.  
When you visit our website, be sure to sign up for our newsletter and follow us on Twitter and Facebook.

### Stories and Fun *For ages 1-2*

Mon., May 15<sup>th</sup>

10:00-11:00 am

Join us for 30 minutes of stories, songs, rhymes, and parachute fun, then enjoy 30 minutes of free play time! Intended for ages 1-2, but entertaining for babies and older siblings alike! *Registration begins Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>.*

### Parachute Play *(For ages 2 and up)*

Wed., May 17<sup>th</sup>

10:00-11:00 am

Enjoy lots of different parachute activities and games with two breaks to catch our breath and read stories! *Registration begins Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>.*

### Discovery Storytime: Insects *For ages 2 - 5 ½*

Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> from 10:00-10:45 am

Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00-10:45 am

During this 45-minute program, children experience stories, songs, fingerplays, followed by time to visit different sensory/skills discovery stations. *Registration begins Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup> for both programs. **Please register for either the 20th or the 24th, not both as we are running the same program twice.***

### Move and Groove *For all ages*

Wed., May 24<sup>th</sup>

10:00-10:30 am

Get ready to move at this active program with songs, parachute play and more! *Registration begins Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>.*

### Playdate @ the Library *(All Ages)*

Wed., May 31<sup>st</sup>

10:00-11:00 am

Our Youth staff will get the fun started by reading a book and singing a song. Then we will continue the music for free play time. Duplo blocks, puzzles, toys and board books will be available in the Community Room with a corner for babies and toddlers. *No registration required so just come on in.*

### Fun with Bubbles Storytime *(For ages 18mo to 5 yrs.)*

Thurs., June 1<sup>st</sup>

10:00-11:00 am

During this 45-minute program, children experience stories, songs, and fingerplays, followed by a trip outside (weather permitting) to play with bubbles. Recommended for children ages 18 mo. to 5 years, accompanied by an adult. Siblings of all ages are welcome to attend. *Registration begins Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>.*

### Baby Fun Storytime *For ages birth to 17 months*

Tues., June 6<sup>th</sup>

10:00-11:00 am

Introduce your baby to rhymes, books, and music. Parents are a child's first teacher, so learn how to build your child's language skills. *Registration begins Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>.*

### Mystery Father's Day Craft *For ages 3-12*

Tues., June 6<sup>th</sup>

6:30-7:30 pm

It's time to get ready for Father's Day. We will be making a present, decorating the gift bag and creating a card...all for Dad. Dad will not be allowed in the program and no peeking. *Registration begins Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>.*

**Mark your calendars...**

**SUMMER READING 2017**

**Theme: *Build a Better World***

**Kick Off Party is Saturday, June 17th from 10:00 am—1:00 pm**

## 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten – Early Childhood Literacy Program

**For babies–preschoolers** Research shows that the most reliable predictor of school success is being read to at home during early childhood. The brain develops more rapidly during the first three years of a child's life than at any other time during the lifespan. Reading to children from an early age can help close the vocabulary gap and prepare children to enter kindergarten with the skills they need to succeed. Simply register at the Youth Reference Desk at any time throughout the year. You'll get a folder with more information and your first reading log. Kids will get a free book when they've reached 1,000 books! There is now a 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten app available for iPod and Android. Ask us about it.

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