

SUMMER READING

Barrington Area Library

May 28– Aug 18, 2024

Pre-Reader Activities

(Birth – Preschool)

How it works:

1. Use this sheet to help plan your Summer Reading activities.
2. Complete at least 3 activities in each category to receive the badge!
Sign up and log all reading and activities at balibrary.org/summer.



Kenny & The Dragon, **Book of the Summer 2024**

- Listen to someone read you the Book of the Summer.
- Read a book about knights or dragons.
- Draw a picture of a dragon.
- Read another book by Tony or Angela DiTerlizzi.
- Kenny's dad is a farmer. Explore a farm near you!
- Have a picnic with your family!
- Learn about one of the animals in the book. A rabbit, a badger, etc.
- Help your grown up or sibling complete their badge.



Aspiring Adventurer

- Go to a park/forest preserve you've never been to.
- Try a new food!
- Check out Explore More Illinois and find a new attraction to visit.
- Listen to a song you've never heard before.
- Read a book that is brand new to you!
- Explore a new walking path with your grown up.
- Pick up a blank postcard from the Youth Services desk and decorate it as if it was from a place you would like to visit. Bring it back to be added to our Aspiring Adventurer wall!
- Discover a new town with your family.
- Help your grown up or sibling complete their badge.



Caring Community

- Read a book about kindness.
- Read a book about a community helper.
- Going on a walk in your neighborhood? Smile and/or wave at one of your neighbors!
- Write an encouraging message with sidewalk chalk on your driveway or sidewalk where someone might see it!
- Do you own a book you don't read anymore? Donate it to a little free library in your neighborhood.
- Attend a picnic or gathering with family, friends, and/or neighbors. Enjoy being in community with your fellow humans!
- Draw a thank you card or tell someone in your community thank you!
- Help your grown up or sibling complete their badge.



Clever Creator

- Join us at Art Play!
- Read a picture book about art.
- Identify colors while painting or coloring.
- Build a structure with blocks or duplos.
- Make art with natural materials outside--sticks, grass, flower petals, etc.
- Make something with the interactives in Youth Services.
- Create a song or new dance with your grown up!
- Help your grown up or sibling complete their badge..



Environment Expert

- Play outside in the sand or dirt.
- Help your grown up plant something.
- Make art with recyclables!
- Visit a local park or nature center.
- Attend one of our nature or garden programs outside this summer.
- Put out some seeds for the birds.
- Help your grown up recycle. Put something in the recycling.
- Help your grown up or sibling complete their badge.



Space Star

- Check out a nonfiction book about outer space/astronomy.
- Go out at night with your grown up and find the moon.
- Read a picture book about space.
- Try drawing a picture of stars and planets and identify their shapes.
- Check out a picture book or board book about space.
- Look up at the sky on a partly cloudy day. What color is the sky? What shapes are the clouds?
- Make your own constellation in the night sky with your grown up.
- Help your grown up or sibling complete their badge.



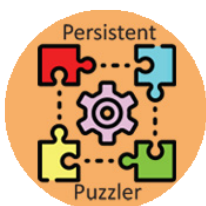
Outstanding Olympian

- Check out a board game from our collection!
- Try a new skill like clapping, stretching, stomping, rolling, jumping, etc.
- Draw the Olympic Rings with sidewalk chalk! Talk about the different colors you use.
- Work on one of the puzzles at the library.
- Make an obstacle course and go through it.
- Try playing catch with your grown up outside.
- Attend a movement program at the library.
- Help your grown up or sibling complete their badge.



Screen Free Squad

- Spend some time playing at the library without using any of our screens!
- Put on some music and have a dance party!
- Make some art! Finger paint, color, draw with sidewalk chalk..whatever you'd like.
- Attend one of our outdoor programs this summer. What event did you go to?
- Have a family reading night!
- Check out one of our Early Learning Kits.
- Draw a picture and send it to a loved one.
- Help your grown up or sibling complete their badge.



Persistent Puzzler

- Did you get your secret code when you signed up? What was it?
- Check out a kit and find the secret code.
- Attend one of our programs this summer and check out the secret code.
- Find the secret code on our YouTube page and while you're there watch a Story Time Short or All Ages Story Time.
- Get a browsing bundle or ask a librarian for a recommendation and find the secret code.
- Check out the StoryWalk outside the library to find a secret code.
- Check out the fairy garden to find the secret code!
- Did you see a secret code when walking in? Check the sign and enter the code.
- Help your grown up or sibling complete their badge.