

2022 SUMMER READING PROGRAM

➤ OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES ➤

This year, readers will ride the waves and explore the seas with “**Oceans of Possibilities**,” a program that celebrates water and wildlife! Participants entering grades K-6 can earn prizes by reading and attending events at the Baker Free Library, all summer long. A separate program is also available for pre-readers, teens and adults.

➤ HOW IT WORKS ➤

Registration begins at our Kick-off Party on **Friday, June 17th from 4-6PM**, and is open throughout the summer. When registering, you will choose how you'd like to track your reading: either by counting the number of books read, or the number of hours spent reading. **This year, you'll earn one raffle ticket for every book you read, or for every hour you spend reading.** Choose the method that works for you!

Each reader may also choose their own personalized reading goal. How much reading will you do this summer? Challenge yourself! You'll earn a special bonus prize when you reach your reading goal, no matter what it is.

You can also earn raffle tickets by attending events at the library! Check in with library staff at any program.

➤ CHOOSING A GOAL ➤

What should your child's reading goal be? Work together to choose a number that is both challenging and attainable. Think about how many books your child reads in a given week, and use that as your basis. And remember, books in *all* formats count: eBooks, audiobooks, and even graphic novels!

If you're logging by time, you can also base your goal on reaching a daily target. For example, trying to read for 15 minutes per day throughout the 8-week program would give you a goal of 14 hours.



➤ WHAT YOU CAN WIN ➤

If you reach your personal reading goal, you're guaranteed to win a prize! The library will also hold a weekly raffle for everyone who has earned raffle tickets throughout the summer. Winners can choose their prize from any available at the Summer Reading Store, which includes a variety of stuffed animals, T-shirts, backpacks and books. The more you read, the better your chances of winning!

GOAL PRIZE:

A free one-hour jump pass at
Altitude Trampoline Park in Concord, NH!

STORE PRIZES:

Summer Reading T-Shirts
Summer Reading Backpacks
Assorted Books for Every Age
Assorted Stuffed Animals

Submit your raffle tickets using our **online form** as early and as often as you like. Raffles will be held every Friday throughout the summer. The last day to enter raffle tickets is **Friday, August 12**.

➤ SPECIAL EVENTS ➤

PLEASE NOTE: Programs marked with an asterisk require registration. To sign-up for a program, please visit the library's website and use our online calendar, or call us at (603) 224-7113.

----- KICKOFF PARTY -----

Friday, June 17 | 4-6PM

Stop by to register for Summer Reading, and take part in activities as part of our **Pirate Party!** Stick around to catch a concert from Miss Julieann at 5PM. *All ages.*

➤ FAMILY STORYTIME ➤

Every week, we'll explore the world of water through stories and songs, and engage in literacy activities designed to spark your child's imagination. Each storytime ends with plenty of open play time, allowing children and their caregivers to meet and socialize. All ages welcome!

Tuesdays at 10:30AM,
June 21 - August 9

➤ TAKE-HOME CRAFT KITS ➤

Take part in a new ocean-themed craft every week! Each kit will include supplies and instructions for one craft project. New kits will be available every Monday on a first-come, first-serve basis, and available for pick-up any time the library is open.

Mondays at 10:00AM,
June 20 - August 8

➤ YOUNG WRITERS CLUB ➤

This summer, the library will assemble a collection of stories, all created by you! Each participant will have the opportunity to contribute an original story, poem, or comic, complete with illustrations, which will be bound into a book and added to the library's shelves at the end of summer.

Work on your project from home, or join us on select Thursday afternoons at the **Young Writers Club**, where we'll share what we're working on and explore games and activities designed to get us writing. Attend meetings as often as you like. Registration is not required.

The Young Writers Club is ideal for students entering Grades 4 and up, or for those reading and writing at those grade levels. However, interested writers of any age are invited to contribute a project.

➤ WRITING WORKSHOP WITH ERIN BOWMAN ➤

Need some inspiration? Celebrated local author Erin Bowman will present a creative writing workshop for young writers! Participants will complete writing exercises, learn how to give and receive constructive feedback, and discover the ins-and-outs of crafting an engaging story. This workshop is designed for aspiring writers entering Grades 4 and up, and space is limited. **Register to reserve your spot.**

Tuesday, June 28*
4:00PM

➤ FAMILY EVENTS ➤

JUN 17
5:00PM

FLAMINGO THE FISH: A CHILDREN'S CONCERT WITH MISS JULIEANN. Enjoy a live concert from children's musician Miss Julieann, a Parents' Choice award-winning music therapist from Hooksett, NH! This interactive one-hour show will engage the creativity of children, while also working to support the development of language and attention skills for young listeners. Be prepared to wiggle and move! Part of the library's Summer Reading Kick-off Party. All ages welcome.

JUNE 22
5:30PM

GLOW-IN-THE-DARK NIGHT.* Explore the beauty of bio-luminescence with a night full of glowing games, crafts and activities! This black-lit party will be bursting with color, and include glowing face and body paint for young children and tweens. **Registration is required.** This program will be offered twice to accommodate different age groups; ages 3-7 on June 22, and ages 8 and up on July 13. Please register your child for the appropriate session.

JULY 13
5:30PM

JUL 28
4:00PM

WHALES AND SEALS WITH UNH EXTENSION.* An exploration of whales and seals with the University of New Hampshire's Extension Program! A marine docent will visit the library to teach us about these aquatic creatures, including what they eat and how they stay warm. Hands-on, interactive activities will be included. **Registration is required.** This program is recommended for children entering grades K-3.

AUG 13
11:00AM

ICE CREAM PARTY WITH MIKE THE BUBBLE MAN. Celebrate the end of summer! Enjoy the magic and wonder of bubbles with an interactive live show from **Mike the Bubble Man** which includes music, comedy, and audience participation. After the show, reward yourself for completing the Summer Reading Program with a trip to our Ice Cream Sundae Bar! Ice cream and toppings will be provided by the library. *All ages welcome; registration is not required.*