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Children's Programs

Winter &
March Break
2017



The winter session of programs runs from
January 9 to February 25, 2017

March Break programs run from March 13 to 17, 2017

Register ONLINE at www.wpl.ca

Our
programs
are free!

Stories & Skate drop-in

Friday, January 27: 1:30pm to 3:30pm


Join us at the McCormick Branch for PD Day fun! Enjoy stories, crafts, and games from 1:30pm to 2:30pm in our Community Room, then lace up your skates for an hour of free skating with the University of Waterloo women's hockey team, the Waterloo Warriors. Everyone welcome!



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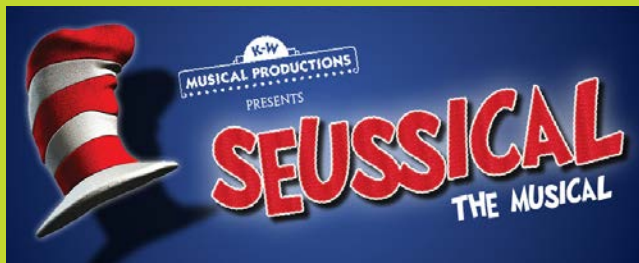


EARLY LEARNING PROGRAMS

519-886-1310 www.wpl.ca	Main Library 35 Albert Street, Waterloo 519-886-1310 Ext. 129	McCormick Branch 500 Parkside Drive, Waterloo 519-886-1310 Ext. 213	John M. Harper Branch 500 Fischer-Hallman Road North, Waterloo 519-886-1310 Ext. 310	
Babies Ages: birth to 15 months with a caregiver			Wednesdays pre-register January 11 to February 22 2:00pm to 2:30pm Registration begins January 4	
Baby Connections Ages: 6 to 15 months with a caregiver	Tuesdays pre-register January 10 to February 21 10:30am to 11:00am Registration begins January 3		Caregivers of children ages 9 and under must remain in the library while their children attend programs.	
Ones Ages: 11 to 23 months with a caregiver		Tuesdays pre-register January 10 to February 21 10:30am to 11:15am Registration begins January 3		
Discovering Play Ages: 2 to 3 years with a caregiver	Mondays pre-register January 9 to February 20 10:30am to 11:15am Registration begins January 3			
Discovering Math & Science Ages: 2 to 3 years with a caregiver	Early Learning Programs for young children at WPL are based on early literacy research and include tips and information for parents and caregivers. Your active participation in these programs will maximize the experience for you and your child. Engaging in reading, rhyming, singing, and movement activities together will help to build your child's literacy skills for life.	Fridays pre-register January 13 & 20 10:30am to 11:15am Registration begins January 6		
Discovering Engineering Ages: 2 to 3 years with a caregiver				Wednesdays pre-register January 11 to February 1 10:30am to 11:15am Registration begins January 4
Discovering Music & Movement Ages: 2 to 3 years with a caregiver		Fridays pre-register February 3 to 24 10:30am to 11:15am Registration begins January 27		
Discovering Art Ages: 2 to 3 years with a caregiver				Wednesdays pre-register February 8 to 22 10:30am to 11:15am Registration begins February 1
Discovering D.I.Y. Ages: 2 to 4 years with a caregiver		Fridays pre-register January 13 to February 24 10:30am to 11:30am Registration begins January 6		Thursdays pre-register January 12 to February 23 10:30am to 11:30am Registration begins January 5
Learn, Create, Play Ages: 5 years and under with a caregiver		Wednesdays drop-in January 11 to February 22 10:30am to 11:30am		

EARLY LEARNING PROGRAMS

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Family Storytime Ages: Everyone welcome	Wednesdays drop-in January 11 to February 22 10:30am to 11:15am Saturdays Ongoing 11:00am to 11:45am	Thursdays drop-in January 12 to February 23 10:30am to 11:15am	Tuesdays drop-in January 10 to February 21 10:30am to 11:15am



Family Storytime featuring *Seussical the Musical* drop-in

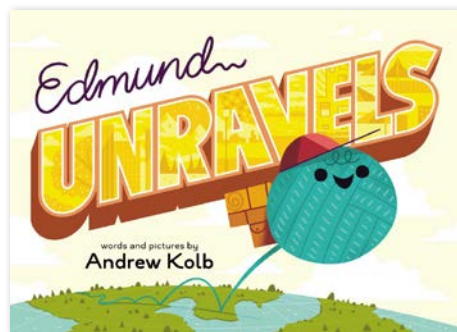
Saturday, January 21
11:00am to 11:45am
Location: Main Library

KW Musical Productions are coming to play, On what will most likely be a cold and wet day. So come! There'll be stories and singing and lots of games too! Your mother will not mind at all if you do.

Edmund Unravels Storytime drop-in

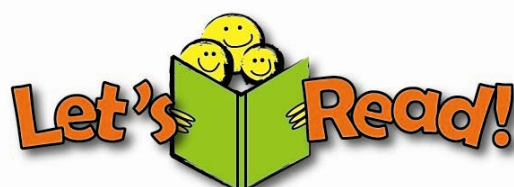
Join us at one of the following special Storytime events to celebrate this year's *Let's Read* book, *Edmund Unravels* by Andrew Kolb.

- Main Library** – Saturday, January 14 from 11:00am to 11:45am
- John M. Harper Branch** – Tuesday, January 17 from 10:30am to 11:15am
- McCormick Branch** – Thursday, January 19 from 10:30am to 11:15am
- RIM Park** – Thursday, January 19 from 10:30am to 11:15am
- Main Library** – Wednesday, January 25 from 10:30am to 11:15am



About *Edmund Unravels*

“Edmund is a ball of yarn and a ball of energy! From the time he could roll, he’s been bouncing down his front steps to explore, and his parents have always been right there to reel him in and roll him back up. But now that he’s bigger, Edmund is ready to discover the wonders of the world. Everything is new and exciting – but sometimes, even a little ball of yarn gets lonely, and there’s nothing better than the comfort of being around those he cares about.”



A Family Literacy Program of the Public Libraries of Waterloo Region

Let's Read is a Waterloo region-wide program that encourages families to read together. Each year, a new book is selected for families across the region to share. Join us for FREE family programs and events held throughout the region (often in unexpected places).

SCHOOL AGE & FAMILY PROGRAMS

Main Library 35 Albert Street, Waterloo 519-886-1310 Ext. 129

Ages	Program Description	Date & Time
Grades 1 to 3	<p>Make a Doll's or Superhero's Room Design and create a room for your favourite doll or superhero to live in. Decorate walls, build furniture, and even install a working light.</p>	<p>Tuesdays pre-register January 10 to 24 6:30pm to 7:30pm Registration begins January 3</p>
	<p>Inventioneering: Things That Move, Light up and Buzz Learn how to make a mechanical hand, crank toy, and paper climbers. Explore the world of cardboard automata and make your own fully functional operation game!</p>	<p>Mondays pre-register January 9 to February 20 4:30pm to 5:30pm Registration begins January 3</p>
Grades 4 to 6	<p>Make Cool Stuff for your Room! Make amazing decorations, organizers, and extras to match your style and turn your room into the coolest ever!</p>	<p>Thursdays pre-register January 12 to February 23 4:00pm to 5:00pm Registration begins January 5</p>
	<p>Homeschool at the Library: Robotics with Lego Mindstorm and We-Do* Families learn all about robotics by building and coding your own robot using Lego Mindstorm and Lego We-Do. Parents must attend with their children.</p>	<p>Tuesdays pre-register January 10 to 24 2:00pm to 3:30pm Registration begins January 3</p>
Family	<p>Homeschool at the Library: Electric Art with Snap Circuits and MakeyMakey* Families learn about the properties of electricity and engage in the creative process by creating electronically enhanced art. Parents must attend with their children.</p>	<p>Tuesdays pre-register January 31 and February 7 2:00pm to 3:30pm Registration begins January 24</p>
	<p>Homeschool at the Library: Tools and Things That Go!* Families learn about tools and the properties of different materials while taking apart old toys and re-assembling them to design and create their own working remote control cars. Parents must attend with their children.</p>	<p>Tuesdays pre-register February 14 and 21 2:00pm to 3:30pm Registration begins February 7</p>
	<p>Open Family Creation Space Come play, learn, and have fun using your imagination to make new things through open-ended creation. Each week will have a different set of materials and tools for you to explore.</p>	<p>Saturdays drop-in January 14 to February 25 3:00pm to 4:30pm</p>
	<p>Number Ninjas Children in grades 1 to 6 get extra help with math in this great program run by our friends from Frontier College. Friendly volunteers help kids one-on-one or in small groups with math puzzles and activities. Homework support is also available.</p>	<p>Tuesdays pre-register January 31 to April 4 6:30pm to 7:30pm Registration begins January 24</p>

*We provide the materials and basic instruction; you provide connections to relative curricula.

SCHOOL AGE & FAMILY PROGRAMS

McCormick Branch 500 Parkside Drive, Waterloo 519-886-1310 Ext. 213

Ages	Program Description	Date & Time
JK to Grade 1	<p>Family Math</p> <p>Parents and children attend this program together to enjoy interactive mathematical games and activities.</p>	<p>Tuesdays pre-register</p> <p>January 10 to 31 6:00pm to 7:00pm Registration begins January 3</p>
Grades 1 to 3	<p>Reading Buddies</p> <p>This fun interactive program is hosted by volunteers from Frontier College. Volunteers and children will spend time reading, playing games, and engaging in literacy play.</p>	<p>Saturdays pre-register</p> <p>February 4 to April 8 (No program February 18 and March 18) 2:00pm to 3:00pm Registration begins January 28</p>
	<p>Math Art</p> <p>Fibonacci who? A Mondrian what? Mobius how? Discover the answers while creating amazing art!</p>	<p>Tuesday pre-register</p> <p>February 7 6:30pm to 7:30pm Registration begins January 31</p>
Grades 4 to 6	<p>Paint Splatter Art</p> <p>Using a tape resist technique, washable paint, and a little artistic flair, your own unique abstract art will be revealed.</p>	<p>Tuesday pre-register</p> <p>February 14 7:00pm to 8:00pm Registration begins February 7</p>
Family	<p>Build your Own Game</p> <p>Join us to build a shoebox foosball table, duct tape checkerboards or even a marble maze! We'll supply the material, you supply the creativity!</p>	<p>Tuesday pre-register</p> <p>February 21 6:30pm to 7:30pm Registration begins February 14</p>
	<p>BINGO!</p> <p>Bring the family and join us for a few rounds of BINGO!</p>	<p>Saturday drop-in</p> <p>February 25 11:00am to 11:45am</p>



SCHOOL AGE & FAMILY PROGRAMS

John M. Harper Branch 500 Fischer-Hallman Road North, Waterloo 519-886-1310 Ext. 310

Ages	Program Description	Date & Time
JK to Grade 1	Ninjas-in-training Train hard and learn the ancient art of espionage, sabotage, and infiltration-also known as the “Art of the Ninja!”	Mondays pre-register January 9 to 23 6:30pm to 7:30pm Registration begins January 3
	Winter Wonderland Explore the beauty of the cold outdoors in the warmth of the library through crafts, riddles, and rhymes with friends.	Thursdays pre-register February 9 to 23 6:30pm to 7:30pm Registration begins February 2
Grades 1 to 3	How Things Work Through technological resources and natural energy, we will construct and discover the complexity behind simple everyday items.	Thursdays pre-register January 12 to 26 6:30pm to 7:30pm Registration begins January 5
	Paper Pandemonium Junior Imagine all the things you can make with paper! Come and make a papier-mâché piñata, a working paper lantern and more!	Wednesdays pre-register February 8 to 22 6:30pm to 7:30pm Registration begins February 1
Grades 4 to 6	Paper Pandemonium Imagine all the things you can make with paper. Join us to make paper, circuits on paper, paper beads, and more!	Wednesdays pre-register January 11 to February 1 7:00pm to 8:00pm Registration begins January 4
	War of the Currents: Edison vs Tesla Alternating current, lightbulbs, death rays, direct current, coils, oh my! We'll have fun performing experiments while learning about the two greatest electrical geniuses of the late 19 th and early 20 th centuries.	Mondays pre-register January 30 to February 13 7:00pm to 8:00pm Registration begins January 23
Family	Family Games Night! Bring the whole family out for a night of fun with board games, cards, and dice for everyone!	Thursday drop-in February 2 6:30pm to 7:30pm

Family Storytime at RIM! drop-in

Thursdays, January 12 to February 23

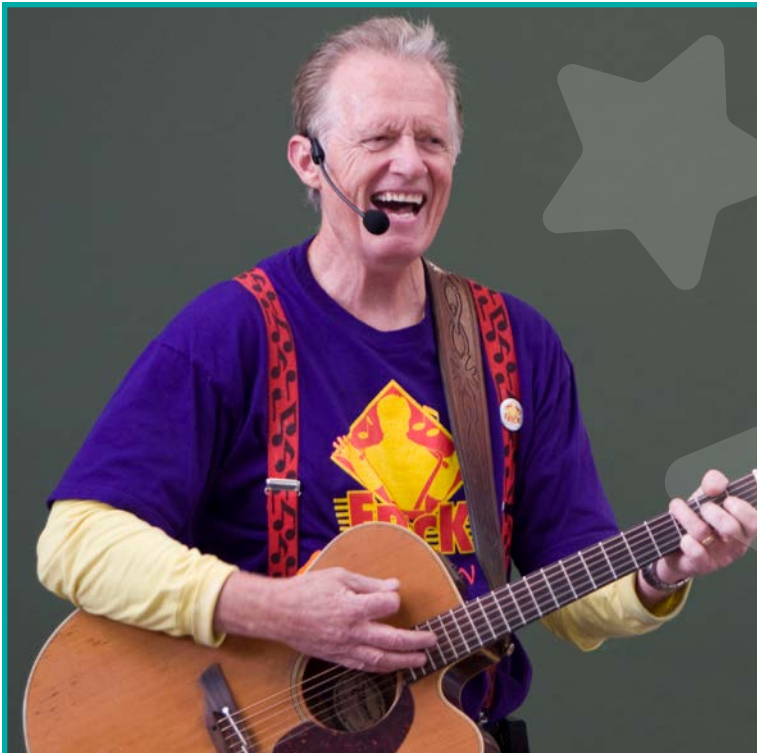
10:30am to 11:15am

RIM Park, Room 104,

2001 University Ave. E., Waterloo, ON N2K 4K4

Join us each week for interactive and engaging fun. Reading, rhyming, singing, and doing movement activities together will help build your child's literacy skills for life. Everyone welcome!





Family Literacy Day at Conestoga Mall drop-in

Sunday, January 29
10:00am to 4:00pm
Everyone welcome!

Come visit us, and many other community organizations, as we celebrate Family Literacy Day at Conestoga Mall. Hear Erick Traplin perform and participate in fun literacy activities to earn a free book!



FEBRUARY 24-26 2017

- Friday 7 - 9 PM
- Saturday 11 AM - 4 PM
- Sunday 11 AM - 4 PM



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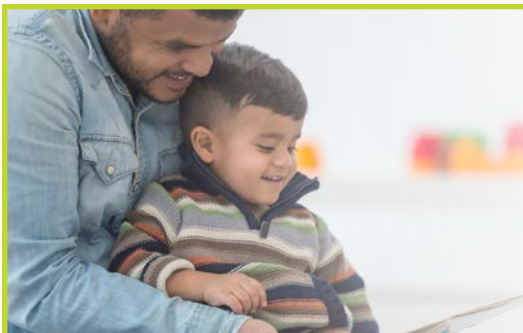
The 14th annual **Uptown Waterloo Winterloo Festival** will take place from February 24 to 26, 2017. For lots of fun, family-friendly events to make you glad it's winter, check out www.waterloo.ca/winterloo. We would also like to invite you to participate in WPL's Winterloo storytime with a special guest.



Winterloo at WPL with Chef D drop-in

Saturday, February 25
11:00am to 11:45am
Location: Main Library

Chef D gets cooking during this special Winterloo storytime. Our special guest will help us out with some of our favourite stories and then will share some special treats you won't forget.



LSP Arabic Storytime drop-in

Thursday, March 16
2:00pm to 3:00pm
Location: Main Library

Join the LSP team for an exciting March Break Storytime – in Arabic! Enjoy stories, songs, and activities. No registration is required – everyone is welcome!

MARCH BREAK PROGRAMS

Ages	Program Description & Location	Date & Time
Pre-school to K	<p>Exploring the Animal Kingdom Location: McCormick Branch Grab your passport and climb aboard as we travel around the world in search of wild animals. From the depths of the jungle to the cold Arctic ocean, join us as we explore the wild animal kingdom.</p>	<p>Tuesday, March 14 tickets 10:30am to 12:00pm Free tickets 15 minutes before program starts</p>
JK to Grade 2	<p>Far Flung Location: Main Library We will have some giant slingshots, bows, catapults, and trebuchets on hand for you to try firing tennis balls far, far away. You will even have the opportunity to make and take home your own catapult!</p>	<p>Monday, March 13 tickets 2:30pm to 4:00pm Free tickets 15 minutes before program starts</p>
	<p>Library Olympics Location: John M. Harper Branch Are you ready for Library Olympics? Prepare yourself for team challenges, feats of strength, creativity, and of course a few great stories!</p>	<p>Wednesday, March 15 tickets 10:30am to 12:00pm Free tickets 15 minutes before program starts</p>
Grades 3 to 6	<p>Wheels & Wings Location: Main Library Come play with things that fly and things that go! Design and launch a paper rocket, then create your own unique remote control car and drive it over our test course.</p>	<p>Tuesday, March 14 tickets 2:00pm to 3:30pm Free tickets 15 minutes before program starts</p>
	<p>Going Medieval Location: John M. Harper Branch Calling all Lords and Ladies! Join us for a fun-filled morning as we build catapults to attack castles, make our own shields, swords and crowns, create castles, pendants, and more!</p>	<p>Thursday, March 16 tickets 10:30am to 12:00pm Free tickets 15 minutes before program starts</p>
Family	<p>Hands-on Exotics – Explore Africa Location: John M. Harper Branch Learn about some amazing African animals and see them live. There will be eight animals introduced, which may include a ring-tailed lemur, an African spurred tortoise, a desert scorpion, a cave spider, etc. Children must be accompanied by an adult.</p>	<p>Monday, March 13 tickets 10:30am to 11:30am Free tickets 15 minutes before program starts</p>
	<p>Erick Traplin Concert Location: Main Library Join Erick for one of his fun concerts, and sway, hop, and bop along with the music. Kids will enjoy the popular tunes and the bubble machine!</p>	<p>Wednesday, March 15 tickets 2:30pm to 3:15pm Free tickets 15 minutes before program starts</p>
	<p>Comic Juggling Show Location: McCormick Branch The Comic Juggling show with Craig Douglas has always been a favourite at WPL. Come see Craig ride his unicycle and perform amazing feats of derring-do while keeping up the amusing banter. Recommended for kids aged 3 and up.</p>	<p>Thursday, March 16 tickets 2:30pm to 3:15pm Free tickets 15 minutes before program starts</p>