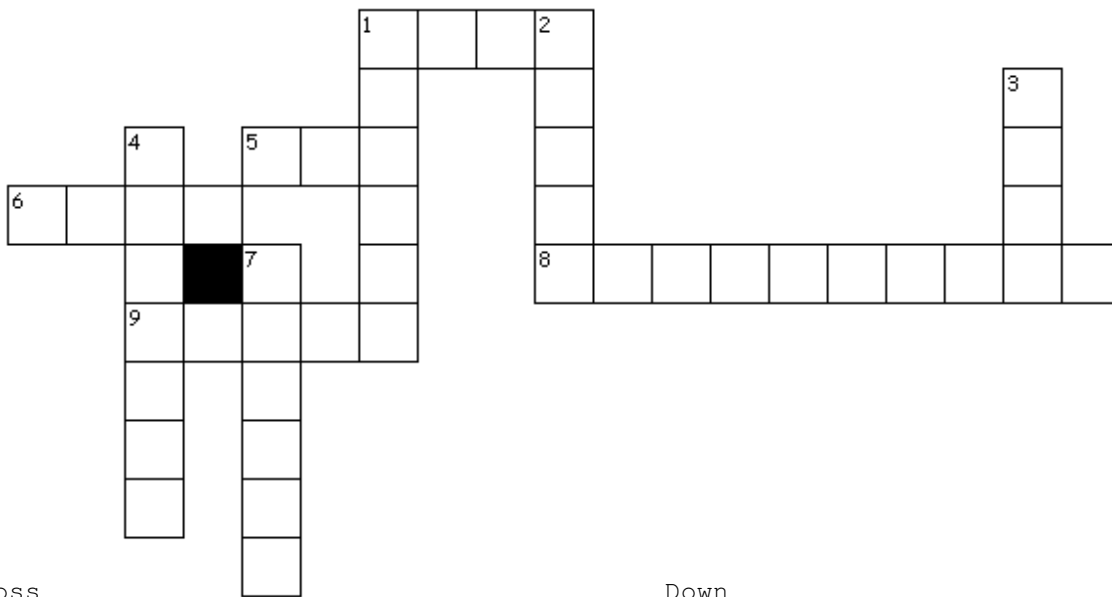




The Merrick Library Children's Summer Newsletter 2010

MAKE A SPLASH READ!

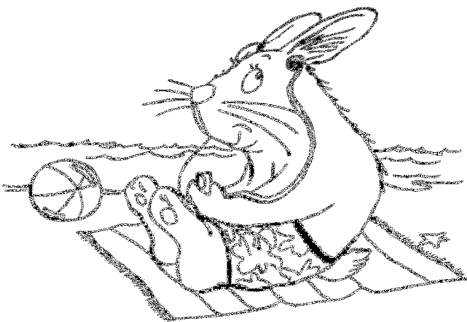


Across

1. WHAT YOU WALK ON AT THE BEACH
5. FROZEN WATER
6. THIS ANIMAL SAYS "CROAK"
8. THESE WILL PROTECT YOUR EYES
9. THINGS TO READ OVER THE SUMMER

Down

1. PEOPLE COLLECT THEM AT THE BEACH
2. THESE ANIMALS WADDLE
3. IT CAN BE HIGH OR LOW
4. PADDLES ARE USED TO MOVE THIS BOAT
7. THESE ARE USED TO DRY OFF





Set Sail for the Library

Summer Reading: Make a Splash READ!

We are offering 3 "reading" programs this summer for children to join:

TADPOLES: for babies, age 12-35 months! Upon registration parents will be given a calendar of activities to share with their tots, a list of board books, some fingerplays and rhymes and the guidelines. After completing activities, special prizes will be given. Sign-up begins **June 21st** and continues into July.

BEACH BUDDIES: for children age 3-6 years. Books are read at home and titles are recorded on reading records kept at the library. Stickers are placed on the record for every 5 books read and prizes are awarded after 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 & 30 books. Children may pick a prize from our Deep Sea Treasure Chest! Sign-up begins **June 21st**.

READING SHARKS: for children entering grades 2-7 in September. After finishing a book, the title is recorded and a sticker is placed on the reading record. Children may report by filling in a summary sheet or using our Fun in the Sun question board. Pick a prize from the Deep Sea Treasure chest! One prize per week. Sign-up begins **June 21st**.

Recording of titles begins June 28!!

At sign up, each child will receive a bookmark, membership pin, activity sheet and guidelines. All participating children will be invited to special programs in August.



DROP IN CRAFTS: No registration necessary. Come to the Children's Room on Tuesdays from 2:00-4:00pm starting July 6th. Craft supplies will be available for a caregiver and child to create a simple craft.



TAKE A "WET" & WILD GUESS

Children entering grades K-6 can examine our guessing jar each week and make a guess as to how many items are in the jar! Closest answer wins a prize.

All programs are held in the Children's Program Room, unless otherwise noted.

Children's Room Program Registration Policy: preference is given to residents of the Merrick School District. Non-residents may call the night before a program to check availability. All registrations must be done in person and proof of residency shown.

SPLASH! JUMP INTO JULY ACTIVITIES

AVAST! SCAVENGER SEA HUNT: Children **entering grades 2-4** are invited to join our scavenger hunt on July 6th at 6:30pm. Teams will search for items in the library and the first team to find all the items will receive prizes! Register beginning June 25th.

HAVE A DUCKY DAY: Children **age 4-6 years** will hear some duck stories and decorate a paper plate duck on July 9th at 2:00pm. Registration begins June 30th.

MOM & CHILD YOGA: Moms with children **age 8-12 years** will learn basic yoga poses and calming techniques on July 12th at 7:00pm. Registration begins July 2; bring a towel or mat.

FAMILY CRAFT NIGHT: Families with children **age 5 & up** will meet on July 13th at 7:00pm to create a collage frame by painting on a stretched canvas, decorating with yarn, glitter, gems and more and attaching a favorite family photo or color copy (4x6). Registration begins July 2nd; held in multi-purpose room B. Don't forget to bring photo or color copy.



CRAB VISOR: On July 15th at 10:30am, children **age 3 & 4 years** will hear "crabby" stories and create a crab visor to keep the sun out of their eyes! Registration begins July 6th.

SEA CREATURE COOKIES: On July 16th at 1:30pm for children **entering grades 3-6**. Decorate sea shaped sugar cookies with tie-die food coloring and take home in a decorated bakery box. Register beginning July 6th.

SCRAPBOOKING WITH PHYLLIS: Children **entering grades 3-6** will learn scrap booking techniques and create a beginning page for their books on July 20th at 7:00pm. There is an \$8.00 charge for all supplies. Registration begins July 9th.

ICE IS NICE: Children going into **grades K-2** will stay cool by experimenting and creating ice cream, as well as painting with colored ice, on July 21st at 1:30pm. Registration begins July 12th.

SEASCAPE PAINTING: For those **entering grades 3-6**, on July 27th at 7:00pm. Art Instructor, Samantha Sayet will guide children in creating a water color masterpiece inspired by the great artists. Registration begins July 16th.



SPLISH! ACTIVITIES IN AUGUST

FAMILY GAME NIGHT: Families are invited to come to our multi-purpose room and have some fun playing games! Bring a favorite or use games provided. Selections include Chess, Boggle, Dominoes, Scrabble Cards, Merrick Monopoly and many more. August 5th from 7:00-8:45pm.

CD FISH CRAFT: On August 10th at 1:30pm children **entering grades 1-3** will create a fish using recycled CDs. Registration begins July 30th.

MOMMY & ME FISH PLACEMAT: Children **age 3-5 years** and a caregiver will design a fish placemat with a fork and spoon to match, on August 12th at 1:30pm. Registration begins August 2nd.

WATER WONDERS: Children **entering grades 3-6** will experiment with fresh water and salt water and design a water bottle to take home, on August 13th at 1:30pm. Registration begins August 3rd.

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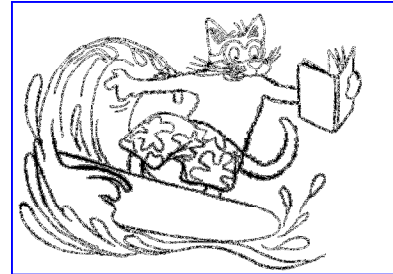
TOWN of HEMPSTEAD ANIMAL SHELTER: children going into **grades K-6** can learn about pet care from Town of Hempstead animal specialists on August 24th at 10:30am. They will demonstrate proper treatment of pets and bring some cuddly puppies to admire. Registration is not needed; held in multi-purpose room A. **PLEASE DO NOT BRING ANY PETS**



PAJAMA STORYTIME Children **3 1/2—6 years of age** are invited to sign up for pajama storytimes, which will meet on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-7:30pm. Registration takes place each Monday before the Wednesday program. Parents are invited to wait in the Children's Room while the children attend the sessions. Sessions will run July 7th - August 11th. **YES, pajamas are encouraged!** Registration for the July 7th session begins July 6th since we are closed July 5th.

BOOK BUDDIES: Children **age 4-6 years** will be read to by our teen volunteers, on Thursday afternoons at 4:00pm beginning July 8th. This one-to-one reading time is enjoyed by both our teens and our young patrons. Stop by on Thursdays at 4:00pm

REMEMBER: ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS ARE ADDED ALL SUMMER! LOOK FOR FLYERS AND INFO IN THE CHILDREN'S ROOM AND ON OUR WEB SITE.



CHECK OUR "PROGRAMS GEARED FOR OUR YOUNGEST PATRONS" BROCHURE FOR MORE INFO ON BABY & TODDLER PROGRAMS

Children's Room Summer Hours

June 26th-September 5th

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,

9:00am-9:00pm

Thursday

10:00am-9:00pm

Friday

9:00am-6:00pm

Saturday

9:00am-1:00pm

Closed Sundays June 20th-September 5th

Closed July 5th & September 6th

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