



Greensboro  
Public Library

# Winter Reading Fun

Children's Events for  
December, January & February



# December Holiday Festivities for Kids

- December 3 .... Parade Day VIP Room** • Enjoy holiday cookies, making a snowflake window decoration and designing custom wrapping paper with rubber stamps. 10 am to 4 pm. Central.
- December 3 .... Nature Photography Gifts** • Bring a camera and make nature photography gifts for the holidays. 11 am. Kathleen Clay.
- December 5 .... Fun and Fancy Ornament Making** • Create a glittering ball, a Star of David suncatcher, and a snowy cookie cutter ornament. 6:30 pm. Hemphill.
- December 7 .... Magic Tree House Club: Christmas in Camelot** • Make reading fun with Jack and Annie's Christmas in Camelot. Design a holiday knight's helmet. 4 pm. Central.
- December 8 .... Santa Claus Party** • Join us for Santa stories, crafts and snacks, plus a chance to meet a special jolly guest! 4 pm. Benjamin.
- December 10 .. Holiday Card Makerspace** • It's a card-making extravaganza, so join us for cutting, pasting, stickering, coloring, glittering and more. 10:30 am. Benjamin.
- December 10 .. The Gingerbread Workshop: A Holiday Makerspace** • Drop by for a morning of family fun, make all sorts of holiday arts & crafts, plus visit the gift-wrap station. 11 am. McGirt Horton.
- December 12 .. Christmas Cheer** • Enjoy holiday stories and snacks. Make a dancing Santa. 6:30 pm. Hemphill.
- December 14 .. Gifts for Wildlife** • Help us make yummy gifts for our wildlife in Price Park to enjoy in the winter. 4 pm. Kathleen Clay.
- December 14 .. Create-A-Card** • Use markers, glitter, paper, and learn cool ways to display your cards. 4 pm. Central.
- December 15 .. Art Discovery: Hanukkah** • Prepare for Hanukkah by decorating a clothespin menorah. 4 pm. Hemphill.
- December 15 .. Emoji Gift and Card Makerspace** • Express yourself by creating emoji holiday cards and crafts for your family and friends. 3:30 pm. McNairy.
- December 15 .. Happy Hanukkah** • Hear stories and songs from B'nai Shalom Day School. Enjoy a special treat and create Hanukkah-inspired art. 4 pm. Benjamin.
- December 17 .. Saturday Movie: Polar Express** • Rated G. 2 pm. Central.
- December 18 .. Las Posadas** • Enjoy a traditional Latino celebration with role play, caroling, and a piñata. 3 pm. Glenwood.
- December 21 .. Holiday Makerspace** • Celebrate various winter holidays with special creations. 3:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- December 21 .. Holiday Gift Wrap Design Makerspace** • Using different kinds of paper and interesting art mediums, we will make wrapping paper for the holidays. For school age kids. 4 - 5 pm. Kathleen Clay.
- December 22 .. Jingle Bell Storytime** • Join us for a seasonal storytime followed by a simple craft. 3:30 pm. McNairy.
- December 22 .. Movie: How the Grinch Stole Christmas** • Bring the family to see this classic tale by Dr. Seuss brought to screen. Rated PG. 6:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- December 23 .. Holiday Dance Party** • Enjoy dancing, hot chocolate and cookies. 10:30 am. McNairy.
- December 28 .. Holiday Lights Makerspace** • Make multicultural ornaments, sun catchers, and decorations. 3 - 4 pm. Glenwood.
- December 29 .. Habari Gani** • Learn the seven principles of Kwanzaa. Practice some Swahili phrases and make an African drum. 2 pm. Hemphill.
- December 31 .. Happy NOON Year!** • Make a party hat, add to our Resolution Tree, and enjoy a sparkling cider toast at **12 NOON**. For kids and families. 11:30 am - 1 pm. Kathleen Clay.



## Caught Read-Handed!

We're encouraging everyone to catch your child "read-handed" – reading! Submit photos of your child reading (anywhere, anytime), and we'll post them here or on our website or Facebook pages.

Submit your "caught read-handed" picture to [brandon.bensley@greensboro-nc.gov](mailto:brandon.bensley@greensboro-nc.gov).

Did you know that allowing children to choose their own books at the library makes them better readers? Children are more likely to explore other genres or types of books when they are the ones making the choice. And just like adult readers, they are more likely to read when they're reading something that engages their interest.

## If You Build It...

- December 1 ....Lego Fun** • Drop by to build with Legos. All ages. 3:30 pm. McNairy.
- December 7 ....Lego Afternoon** • Today's theme is "Built for the Holidays". Make a Menorah, construct a Christmas tree, build a fire – or create whatever you like! For all ages. 4 pm. Kathleen Clay Edwards.
- December 8 ....Construction Workshop** • Release your inner architect with a variety of building materials. Explore Tinker Toys, Legos, Kapla Blocks and more! For all ages. 4 pm. Hemphill.
- December 8 ....Building with Legos** • The whole family can have fun. Bring your imagination. We'll have the Legos and ideas. For kids and families. 6:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- December 8 ....Lego Club** • Build with Legos, Mega Bloks and more! For all ages. 4 pm. Central.
- December 14 ..Building with Legos** • Bring your imagination. We'll have the Legos and ideas. For school-age kids. 3:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- December 17 ..Exceptional Construction** • Join us for an hour of building fun with Legos, Duplos, and Lincoln Logs. Children, teens, and young adults of all abilities are welcome to attend. For all ages. 4 pm. McNairy.
- December 19 ..Benjamin Builders LEGO Club** • Join us for LEGO fun for everyone. This month's challenge: make something you'd like to give or receive as a present. For school-age kids. 4 pm. Benjamin.
- December 22..Construction Workshop** • Release your inner architect with a variety of building materials. Explore Tinker Toys, Legos, Kapla Blocks and more! For all ages. 4 pm. Hemphill.
- December 22..Lego Club** • Build with Legos, Mega Bloks and more! For all ages. 4 pm. Central.
- January 3 .....Kids Konstruction** • Build with LEGOs, KNEX, Lincoln Logs, and more. For all ages. 3 - 5 pm. Glenwood.
- January 5 .....Lego Fun** • Drop by to build with Legos. For all ages. 3:30 pm. McNairy.
- January 5 .....Construction Workshop** • Release your inner architect with a variety of building materials. Explore Tinker Toys, Legos, Kapla Blocks and more! For all ages. 4 pm. Hemphill.
- January 7 .....Exceptional Construction** • Join us for an hour of building fun with Legos, Duplos, and Lincoln Logs. Children, teens, and young adults of all abilities and their siblings are welcome to attend. 4 pm. McNairy.
- January 11 .....Lego Afternoon** • We will announce the theme at the start of the hour and then it's time to create! For all ages. 4 pm. Kathleen Clay Edwards.
- January 12 .....Lego Club** • Build with Legos, Mega Bloks and more! For all ages. 4 pm. Central.
- January 14 .....Lego Club** • Build with Legos, Mega Bloks and more! For all ages. 10 am. Central.
- January 18 .....Building with Legos** • Bring your imagination. We'll have the Legos and ideas. For school-age kids. 3:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- January 19 .....Construction Workshop** • Release your inner architect with a variety of building materials. Explore Tinker Toys, Legos, Kapla Blocks and more! For all ages. 4 pm. Hemphill.
- January 19 .....Building with Legos** • The whole family can have fun. Bring your imagination. We'll have the Legos and ideas you need. For kids and families. 6:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- January 26 .....Lego Club** • Build with Legos, Mega Bloks and more! All ages. 4 pm. Central.
- January 28 .....Lego Club** • Build with Legos, Mega Bloks and more! All ages. 10 am. Central.
- January 30 .....Benjamin Builders LEGO Club** • Join us for LEGO fun for everyone. This month's challenge: make something you'd find in the snow. School age. 4 pm. Benjamin
- February 2 .....Lego Fun** • Drop by to build with Legos. For all ages. 3:30 pm. McNairy.
- February 2 .....Construction Workshop** • Release your inner architect with a variety of building materials. Explore Tinker Toys, Legos, Kapla Blocks and more! For all ages. 4 pm. Hemphill.
- February 11 .....Lego Club** • Build with Legos, Mega Bloks and more! For all ages. 10 am. Central.
- February 15 .... Building with Legos** • Bring your imagination. We'll have the Legos and ideas. For school age kids. 3:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- February 15 ....Lego Afternoon** • We will announce the theme at the start of the hour and then it's time to create! For all ages. 4 pm. Kathleen Clay Edwards Family.
- February 15 ....Building with Legos** • The whole family can have fun. Bring your imagination. We'll have the Legos and ideas. For kids and families. 6:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- February 18 ....Exceptional Construction** • Join us for an hour of building fun with Legos, Duplos, and Lincoln Logs. Children, teens, and young adults of all abilities are welcome to attend. 4 pm. McNairy.
- February 23 ....Construction Workshop** • Release your inner architect with a variety of building materials. Explore Tinker Toys, Legos, Kapla Blocks and more! For all ages. 4 pm. Hemphill.
- February 25 ....Lego Club** • Build with Legos, Mega Bloks and more! For all ages. 10 am. Central.
- February 27 ....Benjamin Builders LEGO Club** • Join us for LEGO fun for everyone. This month's challenge: make something out of this world. For school-age kids. 4 pm. Benjamin.

## After-School Adventures ...For school age children

- December 7 ..... Game Time** • Enjoy puzzles, board and card games. 3:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- December 7 ..... Plarn Club** • Crochet a gift with plastic-bag yarn. 4 pm. McGirt Horton.
- December 14 .... Plarn Club** • Crochet a gift with plastic-bag yarn. 4 pm. McGirt Horton.
- December 21 .... Plarn Club: Show It Off** • Complete your plarn gift and wrap it. Celebrate with punch and cookies. 4 pm. McGirt Horton.
- January 4 ..... Game Time** • Join us for fun with puzzles, board and card games. 3:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- January 5 ..... Magic Tree House Club: Midnight on the Moon** • Learn amazing moon facts and paint a three-dimensional moon. 4 pm. Central.
- January 10 ..... Kids Can Cook** • Kick off the New Year with a healthy cooking class, as we make Hearty Veggie Wraps. Register by January 6: brandon.bensley@greensboro-nc.gov or (336) 373-7540. 4 pm. Benjamin.
- January 11 ..... Winter Craft: Sun-Catcher** • Make an icicle and snowflake sun-catcher. 4 pm. Central.
- January 12 ..... Art Discovery: Snowflake Solutions** • Create your own snowstorm with puzzle piece snowflakes. 4 pm. Hemphill.
- January 18 ..... Snowtastic** • Build a snowy snack, make Arctic crafts and learn how you can help Arctic animals. 4 pm. Kathleen Clay.
- January 24 ..... Polar Party** • Enjoy Arctic art, a polar puppet petting zoo and “cool” science. 4 pm. Benjamin.
- January 25 ..... Decorative Clipboards** • Use acrylic paint and masking tape to create a beautiful and useful project. 2 pm. Hemphill.
- January 25 ..... Chinese New Year Celebration** • Make a dragon mask and hear about the Year of the Rooster. 3 pm. Glenwood.
- January 25 ..... Let’s Travel to: Haiti** • Learn about their history and culture then sample treats popular with many children there. 3:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- January 30 ..... Hibernators** • Meet groundhogs from Piedmont Wildlife Rehab. Make a cozy snack, and enjoy hibernation science and crafts. 6:30 pm. Kathleen Clay.
- February 1 ..... Football and STEM** – Dress in your football uniform, make a football snack, and enjoy football science activities. 4 pm. Kathleen Clay.
- February 1 ..... Game Time** • Join us for fun with puzzles, board and card games. 3:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- February 2 ..... Groundhog Day Shadow Puppets** • Will the whistle pig will see his shadow? Make a groundhog shadow puppet and find out! 4 pm. Central.
- February 8 ..... Mushy Gushy Valentine Makerspace** • Create the perfect card with glitter, ribbon, and such for your Valentine. Enjoy a sweet treat while you design. 4 pm. Kathleen Clay.
- February 8 ..... Valentine Craft: Friendship Bracelets** • Practice knots with colorful thread while making a friendship bracelet. 4 pm. Central.
- February 9 ..... Art Discovery: Shimmer Shine** • Try our special crystal paint to make a shimmering masterpiece. 4 pm. Hemphill.
- February 9 ..... Magic Tree House Club: Abe Lincoln at Last** • We’ll listen to parts of the book while making edible log cabins with pretzel sticks. 4 pm. Central.
- February 15 ..... Paper Engineering** • Make your own optical illusion and build a structure with cardstock blocks. 2 pm. Hemphill.
- February 15 ..... Candy Chemistry** • Join Chem-It-Up-Now instructor, Denise Caldwell, for an afternoon of chemistry fun with Skittles and M&Ms, for ages 9-13. Register: 336-297-5000. 3 - 4:30 pm. Glenwood.
- February 22 ..... Let’s Travel to Nigeria** • Learn about the unique history and culture of this African country. We’ll even sample treats popular with children there. 3:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- February 22 ..... Star Wars and STEM** • Use your math and science skills to make Star Wars creations . Costumes welcome. 4 pm. Kathleen Clay.
- February 26 ..... Carnival in Brazil** • Discover the culture and traditions of this Brazilian holiday. Create a bejeweled mask and more. 3 pm Glenwood.
- February 27 ..... Weather Wonders** • Meet a meteorologist, perform weather experiments and crafts, and eat a weathery snack. 6:30 pm. Kathleen Clay.
- February 28 ..... Mardi Gras Makerspace** • Design your own masks, noise makers, and beads. 2:30 pm. Glenwood.
- February 28 ..... Mardi Gras Makerspace** • Enjoy New Orleans music as we make our own beaded necklaces, craft extravagant masks and enjoy a taste of King Cake. 4 pm. Benjamin.

## At the Movies

- December 3** ..... **Toy Story** • Rated G, 81 minutes. 2 pm. Central.
- December 10** ... **The Spongebob Movie: Sponge Out Of Water** • Rated PG, 92 minutes. 2 pm. Central.
- December 17** ... **Polar Express** • Rated G, 100 minutes. 2 pm. Central.
- December 19** ... **Ice Age: Collision Course** • Enjoy the movie and popcorn. Rated PG, 100 minutes. 6:30 pm. Hemphill.
- December 22** ... **How the Grinch Stole Christmas** • Bring the whole family to see this classic tale by Dr. Seuss brought to screen. Rated PG. 6:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- December 29** ... **Finding Dory** • Rated PG. 97 minutes. 2 pm. McNairy.
- December 29** ... **The BFG** • Rated PG. 3 - 5 pm. Glenwood.
- January 3** ..... **The BFG** • (2016) – Rated PG. 118 minutes. 2 pm. McNairy.
- January 7** ..... **Ice Age: Collision Course** • Rated PG, 94 minutes. 2 pm. Central.
- January 9** ..... **The Secret Life of Pets** • Enjoy a movie and a snack. Rated PG, 90 minutes. 6:30 pm. Hemphill.
- January 14** ..... **Finding Dory** • Rated PG, 97 minutes. 2 pm. Central.
- January 21** ..... **The Secret Life of Pets** • Rated PG, 87 minutes. 2 pm. Central.
- January 28** ..... **Tinkerbell and the Legend of the Neverbeast** • Rated G, 76 minutes. 2 pm. Central.
- February 1** ..... **Dr. Doolittle 2** • Eddie Murphy stars as a veterinarian trying to save a forest and a bear in this family film. Rated PG. 6:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- February 6** ..... **Finding Dory** • Enjoy a movie and some fishy snacks. Rated PG, 105 minutes. 6:30 pm. Hemphill.
- February 11** ..... **The BFG** • Rated PG, 117 minutes. 2 pm. Central.
- February 18** ..... **Akeelah and the Bee** • Rated PG, 112 minutes. 2 pm. Central.
- February 25** ..... **Tangled** • Rated PG, 100 minutes. 2 pm. Central.



## African American History Adventures

- January 11** ..... **Celebrating Dr. King** • We'll watch the short films *March On!* and *Martin's Big Words*, then create a mural celebrating Dr. King and his work. For school-age kids. 3:30 pm. Vance Chavis
- January 15** ..... **Martin Luther King, Jr. Movie Event** • Join us for *Martin's Big Words*, a related art activity, and reading of some of his more famous quotes. For school-age kids. 3 pm. Glenwood.
- January 25** ..... **Zora Neale Hurston's Birthday Celebration** • Celebrate this famous writer and folklorist. Enjoy some stories, cookies, activities, and more. For school age kids. 4 pm. McGirt Horton.
- February 4** ..... **Saturday Movie: Our Friend, Martin** • Rated TV-G, 60 minutes. For school age kids. 2 pm. Central.
- February 7** ..... **African American Art Exploration** • Learn about several African American artists and see examples of their work, then create your own inspired artwork. For school age kids. 4 pm. Benjamin.
- February 8** ..... **Celebrating Harriet Tubman** • We'll watch the short films *An Apple for Harriet* and *Heroes of Freedom: Harriet Tubman* and create a mural celebrating the life of this African American Hero. For school age kids. 3:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- February 9** ..... **Black History Month Celebration** • Join us for stories and songs in honor of Black History Month. All ages. 3:30 pm. McNairy.
- February 15** ..... **Lonnie Johnson's Super Soaker** • Discover the story behind the invention of the Super Soaker, then try creating your own invention. For school-age kids. 4 pm. McGirt Horton.
- February 18** ..... **Saturday Movie: Akeelah and the Bee** • Rated PG, 112 minutes. 2 pm. Central.
- February 22** ..... **Remarkable George Moses Horton** • Visit the McGirt Horton Library and discover the true story of the real-life Horton in the library's name. For school-age kids. 4 pm. McGirt Horton.
- February 25** ..... **Art and Jazz in the Afternoon** • We will have cool jazz music playing while we create art to celebrate African American History Month. For all ages. 3 pm. Kathleen Clay.
- February 27** ..... **Black History Celebration** • Listen to African folktales and stamp some traditional Adinkra fabric. Then taste some dried fruit snacks. For kids and families. 6:30 pm. Hemphill.

## African American Literature for Youth

Christine Griffith at Vance Chavis Branch recommends the following books:

*28 Days: Moments in Black History That Changed the World* by Charles R. Smith Jr.; illustrated by Shane W. Evans; Ages 4 – 10.

*Who Was Maya Angelou?* by Ellen Labrecque; illustrated by Dede Putra; Ages 8 – 12.

Readers will enjoy learning about this inspiring author, poet, and professor who taught at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem.

# Little Kids Storytimes

Simple books, hand rhymes, felt-board stories and fun-filled learning for ages birth - 5 years old.

## Benjamin Branch

**Mondays at 9:30 & 10:30 am, Tuesdays at 10:30 am,  
Wednesdays at 6:15 pm.**

**December 5 – 7** ..... Nighty-Night  
**December 12 – 14** ..... Let's Get Cooking  
**December 19 – 21** ..... A Jolly Holly-Day  
**January 2 – 4** ..... Happy Birthday, Everyone  
**January 9 – 10** ..... C is for Cookie  
**January 11** ..... Musical Evening for Little Ones  
**January 17 – 18** ..... AhhhChoo  
**January 23 – 25** ..... Bears, Bears, Everywheres  
**January 30 – February 1** ..... Dinosaurs are Dino-mite  
**February 6 – 8** ..... Let it Snow  
**February 13 – 15** ..... Gills, Scales, Fins & Tales  
**February 20 – 22** ..... Choo Choo Clickety Clack  
**February 27 – 28** ..... Let's Go on Safari

## Central Library

**Birth - age 5 at 10:30 am on Wednesdays and Fridays.  
Thursday's at 1:30 pm will be outside in LeBauer Park  
(weather permitting).**

**December 1 – 2** ..... Libraries & Books  
**December 7 – 9** ..... Bundle up  
**December 14 – 16** ..... Twinkle Twinkle Little Star  
**December 21 – 23** ..... Giving & Sharing  
**December 28 – 30** ..... Telling Time  
**January 4 – 6** ..... Soup's On  
**January 11 – 13** ..... Dr. King and Love  
**January 18 – 20** ..... Snowy Fun  
**January 25 – 27** ..... Whoooo Likes Owls  
**February 1 – 3** ..... Stand Up, Sit Down  
**February 8 – 10** ..... Valentine Friends  
**February 15 – 17** ..... Airplanes Up, Up, and Away  
**February 22 – 24** ..... Puppy Dog Tales

## Glenwood Branch

**Wednesdays at 10:30 am.**

**December 7** ..... Holiday Lights  
**December 14** ..... Toys Around the World  
**December 21** ..... My Family  
**January 4** ..... Happy Birthday, New Year!  
**January 11** ..... Flakey Friends-Snowmen  
**January 18** ..... Hats N' Mittens  
**January 25** ..... Pizza, Pizza  
**February 1** ..... Pet Parade  
**February 8** ..... Circus Train  
**February 15** ..... Friendship  
**February 22** ..... Drums & Rhythm

## Hemphill Branch

**Thursdays at 10 am.**

**December 1** ..... Getting Dressed  
**December 8** ..... Dance Party  
**December 15** ..... Happy Holly-days  
**December 22** ..... Rock a Bye Baby  
**January 5** ..... Happy Birthday to You

## Hemphill Branch continued

**January 12** ..... Dinosaur Rumble  
**January 19** ..... Musical Melodies  
**January 26** ..... Whatever the Weather  
**February 2** ..... Under the Big Top  
**February 9** ..... Best Friends Forever  
**February 16** ..... Night and Day  
**February 23** ..... Sneezes and Sniffles!

## Kathleen Clay Edwards Branch

**Birth – age 5: Tuesdays at 9:30, 10:30, & 11:30 and  
Wednesdays at 10:30. Preschool (ages 3 – 5): Tuesdays  
at 1:30 pm**

**December 6 & 7** ..... Mouse Tales  
**December 13 & 14** ..... Cookie Crumbles  
**December 20 & 21** ..... It's Wintertime!  
**January 10 & 11** ..... Splish, Splash I Was Taking a Bath  
**January 24 & 25** ..... The Clothes I Wear  
**January 31 & February 1** ..... Elephant Romp  
**February 7 & 8** ..... Windy Day, Rainy Day  
**February 14 & 15** ..... Hugs and Kisses  
**February 21 & 22** ..... Going to Work  
**February 28 & March 1** ..... In Like a Lion. And Tiger.

## McGirt-Horton Branch

**Tuesdays at 10 am.**

**December 6** ..... Ringing, Jingling Bells  
**December 13** ..... Stars at Night  
**December 20** ..... Reindeer Time  
**January 3** ..... Snowmen & Snowwomen  
**January 10** ..... Parade of Penguins  
**January 17** ..... Let's Stay Healthy  
**January 24** ..... Falling Snowflakes  
**January 31** ..... Pancakes Piled High  
**February 7** ..... Circus Comes to Town  
**February 14** ..... Valentine's Day Fun  
**February 21** ..... Taking Care of Teeth  
**February 28** ..... Cookie Counter

## Glenn McNairy Branch

**Tuesdays at 6:30 pm. Wednesdays & Thursdays at 10  
& 11 am.**

**December 6 & 7** ..... Penguins & Polar Bears  
**December 13 - 15** ..... Milk and Cookies  
**December 20 - 22** ..... Toy Stories  
**January 3 - 5** ..... What Are You Wearing?  
**January 10 - 12** ..... Color Kaleidoscope  
**January 17 - 19** ..... Superheroes  
**January 24- 26** ..... Snowflake Stories  
**January 31 - February 2** ..... Feather-y Friends  
**February 7 - 9** ..... Beach Party  
**February 14 - 16** ..... Sweet Treats  
**February 21 - 23** ..... Mice Are Nice  
**February 28 - March 2** ..... Fun Favorites with Dr. Seuss

## Little Kids Storytimes

### Vance Chavis Branch

Tuesdays at 11 am.

December 6	.....	Inside/Outside
December 13	.....	Happy Holidays
December 20	.....	Wintery Weather
January 3	.....	Hello New Year
January 10	.....	E for Elephant
January 17	.....	L for Lion
January 24	.....	L for Lois Ehlert Books
January 31	.....	O for Orange
February 7	.....	R for Read
February 14	.....	E for Ezra Jack Keats Books
February 21	.....	A for Alligators
February 28	.....	D for Dr. Seuss Books

### Are you a teacher or caregiver?

Would you like to bring your preschool class to storytime? Childcare and school groups are always welcome. We ask that you call ahead so we can give your group the very best experience possible. If your group is large, we may be able to schedule a special field trip just for you!

## All Abilities Welcome!

Children of all abilities are welcome at Library programs. If you have questions or need assistance in making any program more accessible to your child, please contact the youth services librarian at the branch presenting the event.

The Library also offers programs specifically for children with special needs. These are fun events that encourage all families to take advantage of the library's resources. For more information, please contact Kelly Proudfit at [kelly.proudfit@greensboro-nc.gov](mailto:kelly.proudfit@greensboro-nc.gov) or at 336-373-2015. Kelly is a youth services librarian at McNairy Branch and a parent of a child with autism.

**Autism Afternoon** • One Saturday a month, the McNairy Branch offers a designated Autism Afternoon to encourage our customers with autism to visit. If you are a parent who has been avoiding the library because you are concerned your child will be loud or disruptive, please come. Library staff familiar with autism will be on hand, and signage will be posted to inform everyone that it is Autism Afternoon.

**December 17, January 7, February 18 from 3 – 6 pm. McNairy.**

**Sensory Storytime** • Designed for children with special needs who are not expected to sit still or stay quiet, the storytime follows a visual schedule and is followed by free play with sensory bins, puzzles, crafts, and more. **December 17, January 7, February 18 at 3 pm. McNairy.**

## Making the Most of Your Storytime Experience

- Arrive promptly so you don't miss any of the fun. Listen and participate with your child.
- Everyone has bad days. Feel free to step away with your child if he or she is restless or upset.
- Maintain safety by always keeping your child in view. Encourage inside voices, walking feet and gentleness with books.
- Check out books to take home.

Talk about your library visit when you return home. Repeat songs and discuss your child's favorite stories. Many kids enjoy playing "Storytime" and pretending to be the librarian!

## Saturday Storytime Express

All aboard, for a preschool storytime tour around the city. Experience a different library, a different adventure, every week! 10:30 am.

December 3	.....	Glenwood • Toys Around the World
December 10	.....	Central • Twinkle Twinkle Little Star
December 17	.....	McNairy • Penguins and Polar Bears
December 24	.....	NO STORYTIME
December 31	.....	Glenwood • Happy Birthday New Year
January 7	.....	Vance Chavis • Wintery Weather
January 14	.....	Hemphill • Dinosaur Rumble
January 21	.....	Benjamin • C is for Cookie
January 28	.....	Kathleen Clay • Caps and Mittens
February 4	.....	Hemphill • Sneezes and Sniffles
February 11	.....	McGirt Horton • Circus Comes to Town
February 18	.....	Benjamin • Choo Choo Clickety Clack
February 25	.....	Kathleen Clay • Lions and Tigers



## Baby Storytime

**For babies from birth through 18 months**

Did you know that reading, talking, singing, and playing with your baby are not only fun to do but are also important ways to build early literacy skills? The Greensboro Public Library is excited to offer special storytimes that provide fun and learning for our newest and youngest book lovers. It's never too early to bring your baby to storytime! Older siblings are also welcome and can even learn fun and helpful ways to play with their new brother or sister.

**Vance Chavis** ..... **Tuesdays at 10 am.**  
**Kathleen Clay Edwards**..... **Wednesdays at 9:30 am**  
**Central Library** ..... **Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:30 am**

## Family Fun

- December 3** .....**Nature Photography** • Bring a camera and make nature photo gifts for the holidays. 11 am. Kathleen Clay.
- January 5** .....**Game Night** • Get your game on with puzzles, board and card games. All ages. 6:30 pm. Vance Chavis.
- January 9** .....**Midwinter Mini-Fest** • Make a marshmallow snowman, take in some snowball target practice, sing along with Frozen, and more! All ages. 4 pm. Central.
- January 19** .....**Llama Llama Storytime** • Join us for a special storytime featuring some of our favorite Llama Llama books by Anita Dewdney, followed by a craft. All ages. 3:30 pm. McNairy.
- January 23** .....**Family Game Night** • Enjoy Bingo with prizes for everyone. All ages. 6:30 pm. Hemphill.
- January 25** .....**Chinese New Year Celebration** • Make a dragon mask and hear about the Year of the Rooster. 3-4 pm. Glenwood.
- January 28** .....**Birrrrrrrrrd Bash** • Learn to identify birds with the Piedmont Bird Club. Color your own bird guide, make a bird feeder and find out about the Great Backyard Bird Count in February. All ages. 10:30 am. Benjamin.
- January 28** .....**Chinese New Year Storytime** • Celebrate the Year of the Rooster with stories, activities and crafts about Chinese New Year. All ages. 3 pm. McNairy.
- January 30** .....**To Infinity and Beyond!** • Explore space science with straw rockets, galaxy playdough and Star Wars clay cookies. For kids of all ages and parents. 6:30 pm. Hemphill.
- January 30** .....**Huggable Hibernators** • Meet groundhogs from Piedmont Wildlife Rehab, make a cozy snack, and experiment with hibernation science and crafts. For school age kids and families. 6:30 pm. Kathleen Clay.
- February 11** .....**Do You Love Your Library?** • Show us the love in February, Library Lovers' Month, by attending our big book-cleaning bash and bookmark makerspace. All ages. 10:30 am. Benjamin.
- February 13** .....**Be My Valentine** • Join us for lovely stories and sweet treats. Make a love bug, lovebird, or other "hearty" animal. All ages. 6:30 pm. Hemphill.
- February 14** .....**Valentine's Day Party** • Cupid comes but once a year. We'll enjoy tasty treats while composing love poems on heart-shaped paper airplanes. And we'll also make a fun, heart-shaped stress ball. All ages. 4 pm. Central.
- February 14** .....**Valentine's Day Life-Sized Candy Land** • Enjoy our life-sized Candy Land game board to celebrate Valentine's Day. Drop in to play this family favorite. All ages. 3:30 - 7:30 pm. McNairy.
- February 15** .....**Valentine's Day Life-Sized Candy Land** • Enjoy our life-sized Candy Land game board to celebrate Valentine's Day. Drop in to play this family favorite. All ages. 1:30 - 4:30 pm. McNairy.
- February 20** .....**Family Game Night** • Show your winning spirit with UNO, Mancala, and more! All ages. 6:30 pm. Hemphill.
- February 26** .....**Carnaval in Brazil** • Discover the culture and traditions of this Brazilian holiday, as you create a bejeweled mask and more. School age and families. 3 pm. Glenwood.
- February 27** .....**Weather Wonders** • Meet a meteorologist, perform weather experiments and crafts, and eat a weathery snack. For school-age kids and families. 6:30 pm. Kathleen Clay.

## Preschool Special Events

- December 2** .....**Friday Field Trip: Greensboro Ballet** • Join us for a short dance storytime followed by a mini-ballet performance by real, live ballerinas. 10:30 am. Cultural Arts Center, 200 N. Davie St.
- January 6** .....**Musical Morning for Little Ones** • It's a special free preschool Musikgarten event with Miss Evan of Little Birds Music, with movement, music and light-hearted learning. 10:30 am. Benjamin.
- January 11** .....**Musical Evening for Little Ones** • It's a special free preschool Musikgarten event with Miss Evan of Little Birds Music, with movement, music and light-hearted learning. 6:15 pm. Benjamin.
- January 19** .....**Friday Field Trip: Greensboro Coliseum** • Enjoy an active storytime in the middle of the basketball court. Park and enter at the Schiffman's Club Entrance. 10:30 am. 1921 W. Gate City Blvd.
- February 17** .....**Friday Field Trip: Greensboro History Museum** • Meet us at the Museum for car and truck themed preschool storytime and then enjoy a child-friendly tour through some of the wonders on view in the Gate City exhibit. 10:30 am. 130 Summit Ave.

**Benjamin Branch** • 373-7540  
1530 Benjamin Parkway

**Central Library** • 373-2046  
219 North Church Street

**Glenwood Branch** • 297-5000  
1901 West Florida Street

## Locations

**Hemphill Branch** • 373-2925  
2301 West Vandalia Road

**Kathleen Clay Branch**  
373-2923 • 1420 Price Park Road

**McGirt-Horton Branch** • 373-5810  
2501 Phillips Avenue

**McNairy Branch** • 373-2015  
4860 Lake Jeanette Road

**Vance Chavis Branch** • 373-5838  
900 South Benbow Road