Storytime Newsletter

Baker, Bradford, Union County Libraries

September — Library Card Sign-up Month

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This September marks the 30th anniversary of Library Card Sign-up Month a time when the American Library Association (ALA) joins public libraries nationwide to highlight the value of a library card. Since 1987, Library Card Sigh-up Month has been held each September to mark the beginning of the school year. Libraries work to remind parents and youth that signing up for a library card is the first step towards academic achievement and lifelong learning.

Throughout the school year, public librarians and library

staff will assist parents and caregivers with saving hundreds of dollars on educational resources and services for students. From free access to STEAM (science, technology, engineering,

arts and mathematics) grams/activities, educational apps, in-person virtual homework help, technology workshops to the expertise of librarians, a library card is one of the most cost effective back to school supplies available.

During Library

Card Sign-up Month crimefighting DC Super Heroes, the Teen Titans, are teaming up with the ALA to encourage K-12 students to sign-up for a free library card.



Storytime at the Libraries

Bradford Co. Public Library

Preschool Storytime
Wednesdays
10am
Toddler Time
Fridays
11am
904-368-3911

Union Co. Public Library

Preschool Storytime
Thursdays
10am and 1pm
386-496-3432



TumbleBooks

Online book service, watch a picture book or read along with the audio. www.newriver.lib.fl.us

Dial a Story

Stories for young children, changed weekly. 496-2542

or 1-888-4ATALE1 (1-888-428-2531)

Build Baby's Brain With Books!

Dr. John S. Hutton, Pediatrician & Assistant Professor at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Reading & Literacy Discovery Center says:

From birth to 12 months it's all about... sounds, words & feelings!

Babies love books with real pictures and bold

contrasts. Read aloud slowly and exaggerate sounds.

Chewing books is normal—a sign of teething! Let baby explore sturdy board books by holding them, turning pages and even tasting!

Reading aloud together is so important to develop

your baby's vocabulary. Beyond favorite books, pick new ones that provide new words and experiences. All of these words add up quickly!

It isn't just baby's body that is growing this first year—baby's brain is developing even more (continued on page 2)

Books to Share

Mud Puddle

By: Robert Munsch

A brand-new look for a classic story. First published in 1979, this was the first of Robert Munsch's oral stories to be turned into a book. Since then, it has made countless children (and adults) all around the world laugh out loud. When Jule Ann goes outside, a mud puddle jumps on her and gets her dirty all over. No sooner does her mother scrub her clean than she ventures out again, only to be pounced upon by the pesky mud puddle. The cycle continues until finally Jule Ann gets the better of the mud puddle with cheerful ingenuity and two bars of smelly yellow soap. Lively, clever artwork by award-winning illustrator Dusan Petricic gives this bestselling picture book a fresh and energetic look that will charm a new generation of young readers.

Have you ever seen a moose taking a bath?

By: Jamie McClaine

When this moose takes a bath, he creates quite a scene with his rubber ducky, scrubbing brush, Mr. Moose Bubbles, and a belly-flop right into the water.

Click, Clack, Surprise!

By: Doreen Cronin

It's Little Duck's first birthday, and the farm is abuzz with preparations. Little Duck really wants to shine, so he imitates the grooming of the other animals. Things start off well with Big Duck, who rub-a-dubs clean in a bubble bath in one of Farmer Brown's buckets. But when the sheep trim their wool, Little Duck shears his own feathers; and his imitation of the chickens' dust bath leaves him a mess. The pattern continues until Little Duck arrives, thoroughly disheveled, at his party to a chorus of Happy Birthday to ... ewww!

The Pigeon Needs a Bath!

By: Mo Willems

Persuasive Pigeon is back. He doesn't feel that he really needs a bath-after all, it's a "matter of opinion." "Clean" and "dirty" are "just words, right?" With a polished technique that logically approaches the problem, Pigeon speaks with a child's voice as he rationalizes his decision while forcefully questioning those who might even suggest that his personal hygiene and the flies buzzing around are not just "coincidental." The water might be "too hot. not deep enough. too cold. or too wet," but it only takes a mere 30 tiny frames and a dramatic largefont spread before Pigeon grandly displays the myriad possibilities for a happy bird in the bath. Pigeon fans will not want to miss this book, a "must add" to all libraries, for any reader appreciating the perfect art of persuasion.

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Build Baby's Brain With Books!

(continued from page 1) rapidly! Give your baby the best start by reading aloud every day, for at least **15 MINUTES**, right from birth.

- Newborn: Start now! A nurturing family routine of reading aloud every day from birth will help your baby feel safe, loved, and ready for school and life.
- 1-2 Months: Smile! Babies love faces and making emotional connections with people. They

- look, they listen, they feel.
- 2-5 Months: Oohs and ahhs!
 Your baby's coos are more
 than cute—they're vowels! By
 practicing with loved ones,
 your baby is figuring out which
 sounds are important to learn
 to talk.
- 5-9 Months: A babbling brook... Through all of the drool, you'll hear "mama," "dada," "baba," and more. Your baby is practicing consonants, new

- sounds to help them talk.
- 9-12 Months: Talk to Me! Like magic, all of a sudden your baby starts putting those coo (vowel) and babble (consonant) sounds together to make wonderful words!

Learn more at ReadAloud.org. ...readaloud.org

