

PARENT-CAREGIVER LIBRARY CONNECTION

EARLY LITERACY TIP

Print Motivation and Print Awareness

Print Motivation and Awareness is noticing print in the world and having the desire to observe and discover what print means. This connects to understanding that the spoken word can be written down and has value.

We can work on these skills by giving children opportunities to work with books and guiding their use. Print Motivation and Awareness can be supported by helping young children realize that words are all around us.



START SUMMER WITH A BOOK!



Summer Reading begins June 1 and all youth ages 0-18 can stop by the library to select a free book to keep! Titles will be available for every age and stage from board books to graphic novels. Motivate your little learner by getting them excited to choose their summer reading book and keep that thirst for reading going all summer long!

Books available while supplies last.

ACTIVITIES AT HOME

Try these activities to develop Print Motivation and Awareness!

- While at the grocery store, ask your child to say what they see around them. Being able to recognize that signs and labels have meaning is a first step to reading.
- Create a comfortable space where books are kept and reading takes place. The more joyful feelings a child has around the activity of reading, the more motivated they will likely be.
- Take sticky notes and label items around the house. This helps to reinforce that language can be turned into writing and that words have value. This also helps to build vocabulary.



ADVENTURES IN TAPE TOWN!

Stop by with your favorite toy car or truck and zoom through our library Tape Town! Shop at the grocery store, care for animals at the vet clinic, work as a librarian, stamp and sort the mail at the post office – but watch out for road construction! Don't have a toy car? Take one of ours for a spin!

Children who attend will receive a free surprise bag, while supplies last.



This is a drop-in event with no registration required. Because families will be invited to enter as space allows, wait times are possible.

Davies Library, Friday, June 30 from 10-11 am

Kelver Library, Friday, July 14 from 10-11 am

Questions about reading readiness at your childcare center? Email Laurie Anne: larmstrong@ald.lib.co.us

Questions about Begin with Books storytime for in-home childcare? Email Andy: agallegos@ald.lib.co.us

For more resources, visit arapahoelibraries.org/children-0-5/ or call 303-LIBRARY (303-542-7279).

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SAVE THE DATE FOR PROGRAMS HAPPENING AT DAVIES AND KELVER LIBRARIES

Join us for these programs all summer long!

***Some programs/events require registration due to limited space.**

Davies Library

- *Davies Family Storytime on Thursdays from 10:30-11 am
- Davies Movie Matinee: Dolittle, Friday, June 9 from 1-3 pm
- *All Together Now: Connected Through Science, Summer Reading Event, Wednesday, June 14 from 1-3 pm
- Adventures in Tape Town, Friday, June 30 from 10-11 am
- Davies Movie Matinee: Onward, Friday, July 14 from 1-3 pm

Kelver Library

- *Kelver Family Storytime on Wednesdays from 10:30-11 am
- *Learning on the Go: Stories and More, Wednesday, June 7 from 10-11 am
- *Movie Nights at Kelver Library! Family movies in the outdoor library area.
 - Charlotte's Web, Friday, June 9 from 7-9 pm
 - The Princess and the Bride, Friday, June 23 from 7-9 pm
 - A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood, Friday July 14 from 7-9 pm
 - The War with Grandpa, Friday, July 28 from 7-9 pm
- *Learning on the Go: Stories and More, Wednesday, July 5 from 10-11 am

PARENTING STRATEGIES: TIPS FOR NEW AND EXPANDING FAMILIES

When: Wednesday, June 21 from 6-7 pm

Where: Virtual on Zoom

Topic: New baby in the family? Bundles of joy can also bring added stress to family relationships. Early Childhood Mental Health Consultants from All-Health Network will offer advice to new parents about how to deal with changing family dynamics both between partners and between parents and children. They will also answer your questions and offer additional resources you can access.

Register online to reserve your spot and to receive your Zoom link to attend.

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