



Framingham Library Youth Newsletter

December 2025

Main Library Children's Programs

Russian Fairytale & Embroidery Workshop

December 6, 10AM | Children's Room | Ages 3+

Join us for a bilingual Russian fairytale reading of Snegurochka (The Snow Maiden), then learn to create an embroidered snowflake on burlap for a holiday decoration!

Tea Light Snowman Craft

December 8, 6PM | Spark Lab | All Ages

Turn a battery-powered tea light into a glowing snowman face! Add a body and accessories with cut paper, foam shapes, and ribbon.

DIY Holiday Sweaters

December 11, 6PM | Costin Room | All Ages

Be ready for those holiday parties with a custom DIY sweater. You bring a sweater, sweatshirt, or shirt of your choice; we supply the crazy decorations. Adults, teens, and kids are welcome.

Noon Years Eve Celebration

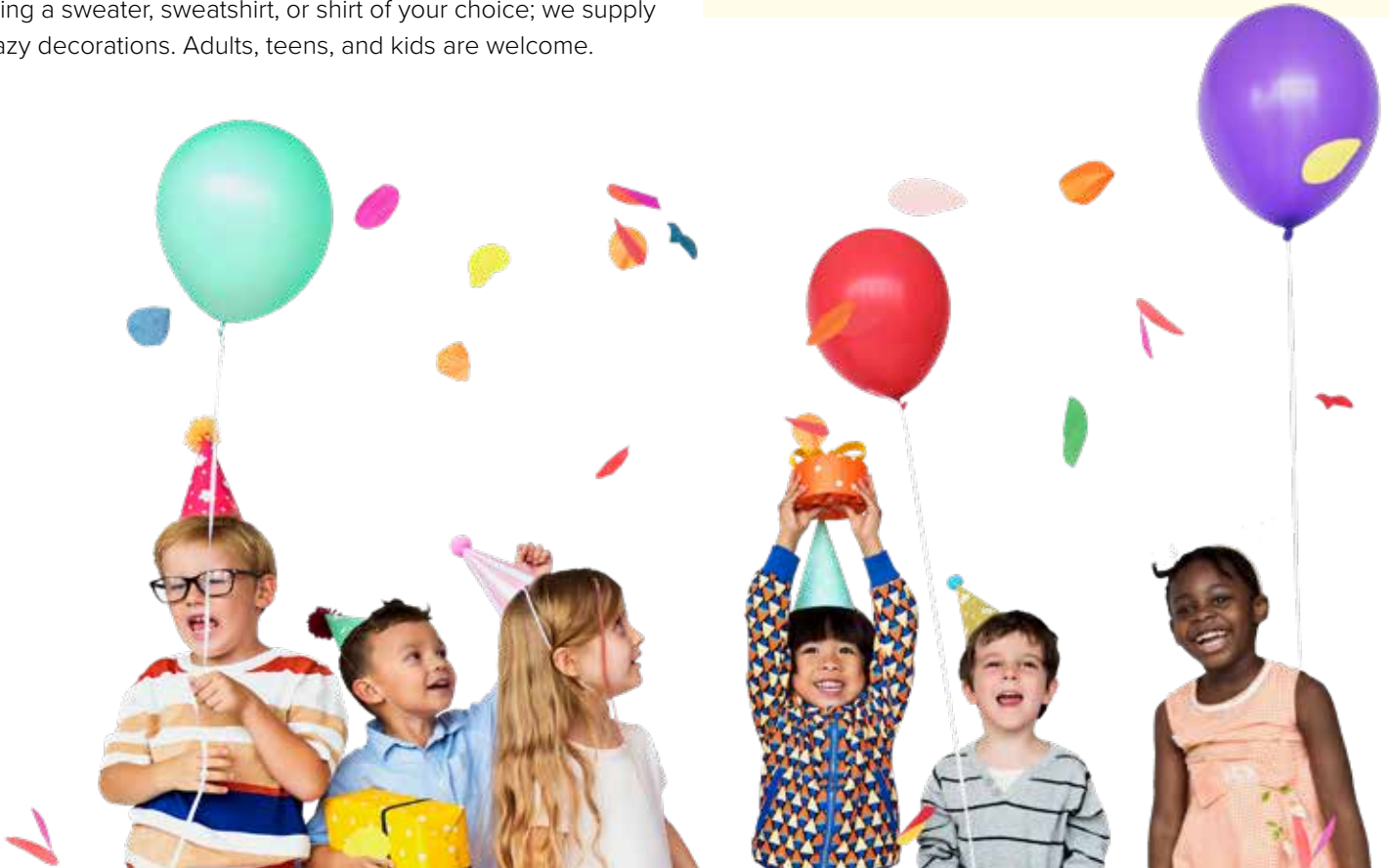
December 31, 11AM | Main Library | All Ages

Welcome in the New Year at noon! Perfect for kids and those who won't stay up till midnight! Make crafts, dress up, and get ready for a balloon countdown drop at noon! Join us at the Main Library for some loud fun.

Noon Years Eve Celebration: Sensory Friendly!

December 31, 11AM | McAuliffe Branch | All Ages

Welcome in the New Year at noon with a sensory friendly program! Make crafts, dress up, and get ready for a balloon countdown drop at noon! Let's welcome in 2026 together. Everyone is welcome!



Main Library

49 Lexington Street
508.532.5570
Monday–Thursday 9–9
Friday & Saturday 9–5
*Sunday 1–5

McAuliffe Branch Library

746 Water Street
508.532.5636
Monday–Thursday 9:30–9
Friday & Saturday 9:30–5
*Sunday 12–4

* Both libraries are closed on Sundays in July and August.

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Main Library Programs continued

Life-Size Gingerbread Kids

December 12, 11AM | Costin Room | Ages 2+

Trace your body on paper, then use markers and paper shapes to turn yourself into a giant gingerbread kid!

Little Innovators Big Dreams: Snow Fluff

December 13, 2PM | Spark Lab | Ages 8+

Learn about the science of snow by creating “snow fluff” experiments!

LEGO Build

December 18, 4PM | Spark Lab | Ages 5+

Make a LEGO creation to display at the library.

Spark Lab Saturdays: Make Your Own Gift Trimmings

December 20, 2PM | Spark Lab | Ages 8–Adult

Make gift giving uniquely yours by making your own paper, tags, cards, or gift toppers!

Movie: Smurfs (2025)

December 29, 2PM | Costin Room

When evil wizards Razamel and Gargamel take Papa Smurf, the Smurfs embark on a mission to the real world to save him. Rated PG; Runtime 92 minutes; Closed Captions provided in English.

McAuliffe Children's Programs

Gingerbread Decorating

December 6, 10:30AM | Craft Room | Ages 2+

Come and decorate some gingerbread!

Open Color

December 10, 3:30PM | Craft Room | Ages 5+

Drop in to color printed out pictures and do fun mazes and word activity sheets!

Winter-Themed Process Art

December 17, 11AM | Craft Room | Ages 2+

Pick out some chilly colors and use all sorts of supplies to create a one-of-a-kind Winter Wonderland!

LEGO Build

December 18, 3:30PM | Craft Room | Ages 5+

Make a LEGO creation to display at the library.

Winter Crafts Drop-In

December 23, 12:30PM | Craft Room | All Ages

Drop in and make some winter crafts, color in coloring pages, fill out winter activity sheets, and even bring home some take-and-make kits!

Winter Fox Painting with Julie Harrold

December 27, 11AM | Community Room | Ages 8+

Join Art Educator Julie Harrold in an instructional step by step painting of a winter fox! Learn to see shapes and use blending and layering techniques. No painting experience necessary—dress for mess! Get a ticket from the Children's Desk within 30 minutes of the program to secure your spot. Space is limited.



Ongoing Programs

Weekly Storytimes (Ages 3–5)

Mondays, 10AM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

Thursdays, 10AM | Main Library, Costin Room

Drop in every week for themed stories and a craft.

Baby Storytime (Ages 0–2)

Tuesdays, 10AM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

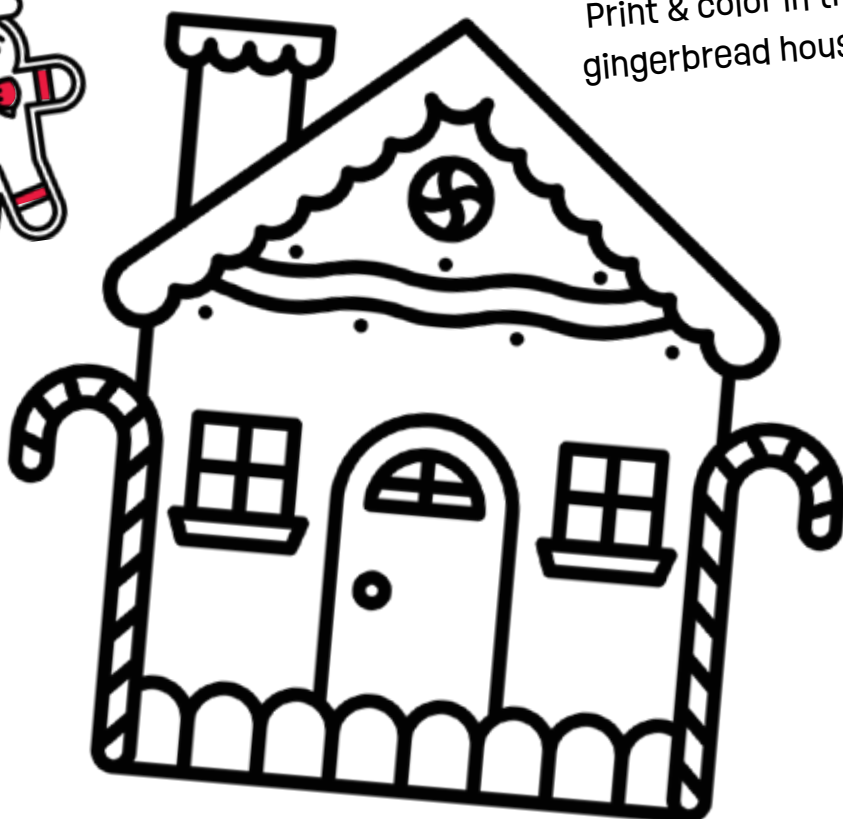
Fridays, 10:30AM | Main Library, Costin Room

Sing and play with words, rhyme, and puppets!

Storytime! Arts & Drama with Artservatorey

December 6, 13, & 20, 12PM | Main Library, J Program Room

Discover the world of art and theatre through books! Enjoy a lively read-aloud, and hands-on activities that bring the story to life. Create an art project inspired by the story, such as a puppet, and then dive into drama by acting out your new creation.



Print & color in the gingerbread house!

Baby Sensory Series

Fun, safe, and simple sensory activities to help your baby explore. All programs for ages 0–4 unless otherwise noted.

Pompom Bins

December 3, 10AM | Main Library, Children's Program Room

Puffy Paint

December 16, 11AM | McAuliffe Branch, Craft Room

Book Buddies: Reading to Dogs

December 4, 1:30PM | McAuliffe Branch, Craft Room (Ajax)

December 11, 3:45PM | McAuliffe Branch, Craft Room (Ajax)

December 20, 10AM | Main Library, J Program Room (Cosmo)

December 20, 10:30AM | McAuliffe Branch, Craft Room (Daisy)

Improve your reading skills by reading aloud to your new Book Buddy. Call or drop by to sign up for a time slot.

December 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Chess Club 5pm @ Main	Pompom Bins 10am @ Main	Fuse Bead Social 2-4pm @ Main		Gingerbread Decorating 10:30am @ McAuliffe
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Tea Light Snowman Craft 6pm @ Main		Open Color 3:30pm @ McAuliffe	DIY Holiday Sweaters 6pm @ Main	Life-Size Gingerbread Kids 11am @ Main	Little Innovators Big Dreams: Snow Fluff 2pm @ Main
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		Puffy Paint 11am @ McAuliffe Chess Club 5pm @ McAuliffe	Winter Themed Process Art 11am @ McAuliffe	LEGO Build 3:30pm @ McAuliffe LEGO Build 4pm @ Main		Spark Lab Saturdays: Gift Trimmings 2pm @ Main
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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Tween Programs

Kids' Chess Club

December 2, 5PM | Main Library, Technology Learning Center

December 16, 5PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

This Chess Club is an informal group welcoming everyone from new players to junior chess masters! Chess boards are provided, but you can bring your own. Staff are available to help with questions, but do not teach chess.

Fuse Bead Social (Grades 4–8)

December 4, 2–4PM | Main Library, Spark Lab

December 30, 2–4PM | McAuliffe Branch, Craft Room

Hang out and make fuse bead designs.

Teen Programs (*Grades 6–12)

Weekly Minecraft Collaborative Build

Wednesdays, 3–4:30PM | FPL Minecraft Server | Grades 4–12

Every Wednesday, work on a group build in Creative Mode. Must be accepted on Minecraft Server to participate. For more information, visit framinghamlibrary.org/minecraft.

Maker Mondays: Open Spark Lab

December 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 3–4:30PM |

Main Library, Spark Lab

Use anything in the Spark Lab to work on your projects! Design something to be 3D printed! Needle felt something! Make some stickers! You get to decide.

Early Release Day Movie

December 4 | Main Library & McAuliffe Branch

Watch a movie and eat some popcorn.

Alphabet Soup—Queer Teen Hangout

December 4, 6–7PM | Main Library, Teen Room

December 11, 6–7 PM | McAuliffe Branch, Teen Room

A twice monthly meeting for LGBTQIA+ and allied teens to hang out and do arts and crafts. On the first Thursday, meet at the Main Library, and on the fourth Thursday, meet at the McAuliffe Branch.

NOTE: McAuliffe Alphabet Soup this month is on the second Thursday, December 11th.

Intro to Bullet Journaling

December 6, 2–3:30PM | Main Library, Spark Lab

Discover the art of bullet journaling in this fun and hands-on workshop! Learn how to organize your schedule, track goals, and explore your creative side through layouts, doodles, and calligraphy. Perfect for anyone curious about turning planning into a personal expression. Led by Navya M. Space is limited. Registration strongly recommended.

Video Game Hangout

December 12, 3–5PM | Main Library, Costin Room

The return of Video Game Hangout!

Maker Mondays: Nordic Ornaments

December 22, 3–4:30PM | Main Library, Spark Lab

On this Maker Monday, join us for Open Spark Lab like usual, or grab our Nordic wood slice ornament supplies to make your own for the winter season.

McAuliffe Craft: Nordic Ornaments

December 23, 12:30–2:30PM | McAuliffe

Branch, Community Room

On this Half Day right before Winter Break starts, join us at the McAuliffe Library to make your own Nordic wood slice ornaments and enjoy a nice cup of hot cocoa.



* Unless otherwise noted