



Framingham Library Youth Newsletter

March 2026

Main Library Children's Programs

Women's History Month: Fossil Making

March 4, 6PM | Spark Lab | Ages 6–12

Learn about women archaeologists and paleontologists while making your own fossils using air dry clay and digging out fossils through clay bricks.

How to Trap a Leprechaun: Storytime & Craft

March 6, 11AM | Costin Room | Ages 2–12

Listen to a reading of Sue Fliess's *How to Trap a Leprechaun* and build your own tricky leprechaun trap!

Little Chefs: Storybook Snacks

March 7, 11AM | Costin Room | Ages 4–12

Learn to make snacks inspired by the stories you read with Chef Hailey! Supplies and space are limited. [Register at tinyurl.com/FPL-LittleChefs](https://tinyurl.com/FPL-LittleChefs).

Ping Pong Ball Tea Light Planets

March 14, 11AM | Spark Lab | Ages 3–10

Paint the universe with this fun ping pong ball planet craft! Use colors to represent real planets or dream up your own!

March is Women's History Month

Every March, Americans celebrate Women's History Month. It's during this month that we recognize the achievements of women in areas, such as science, technology, arts, and more.

It's an opportunity for us to honor women who've made great changes in the United States and around the world. For instance, did you know that scientist Marie Curie's work made X-rays possible? During the first World War, her work helped to save over a million lives. In 1903, she became the first woman to ever receive a Nobel Prize.



Stop by the Main Library or McAuliffe Branch for our Women's History Month programs. Celebrate the contributions that women have made throughout the decades and centuries, including Marie Curie!

During World War II, Rosie the Riveter was an icon. She represented women who worked in factories and shipyards to help support US war efforts. She was known for a saying. Do you know what it is?



You can find the answer in the Women's History Month word puzzle on page 2.



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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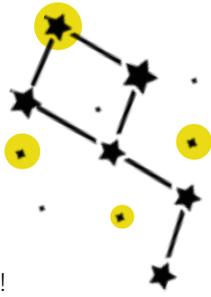


Little Innovators, Big Dreams:

Creating Constellations

March 14, 2PM | Spark Lab | Ages 8–12

Explore the science behind constellations and then create models.



String Painting

March 20, 3–4PM | Spark Lab | Ages 4–12

Create fun masterpieces with string and paint!

Marble Run

March 21, 10–11:30AM | Children's Room | Ages 4–8

Build play structures for marbles to roll through, using the plastic tubes and ramps provided!

Creature Feature Face-Off Wrap-Up Party

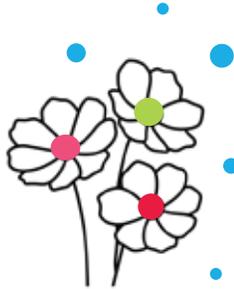
March 26, 4–6PM | Children's Room | Ages 4–12

Wrap-up our “Creature Feature Face-Off”, where you voted on which creature would come out on top, and learn about animal characteristics through fun activities.

Forever Flowers

March 28, 10AM | Spark Lab | Ages 8–12

Cut and fold a bouquet of paper flowers—no water or sunlight needed to grow!



McAuliffe Children's Programs

Northern Light Scrape Art

March 6, 3:30PM | Craft Room | Ages 5–12

Come paint a beautiful northern light scene!



Symmetrical Butterflies

March 18, 11AM | Craft Room | Ages 2–12

Match foam shapes to make a perfectly mirrored butterfly!

Women's History Month: Appreciation Cards

March 20, 3:30PM | Craft Room | Ages 0–12

Say thank you by making a card for your mom, teacher, grandmother, or any woman in your life to celebrate Women's History Month!

Women's History Month:

Marie Curie X-Ray STEAM Craft

March 26, 1:30PM | Craft Room | Ages 5–12

Marie Curie's pioneering research in radioactivity transformed science, allowing her to be the first woman to earn a Nobel Prize and the first person to earn two Nobel Prizes. Learn more about Marie Curie while making an X-ray print of your hand!

Creature Feature Face-Off Wrap-Up Party

March 26, 4–6PM | Community Room | Ages 4–12

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Women's History Month Word Search

Find the following words in the puzzle. Words are hidden → and ↓.

Activist
Curie
Empower
Feminism
Inclusion
Rosie
We Can Do It

Storytimes

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!

Mandarin Storytime and Craft (Ages 3–5)

March 7, 3PM | Main Library, Children’s Program Room

March 21, 3PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community & Craft Rooms

Join BrightUpKids for a storytime and craft spoken in Mandarin!

Baby Sensory Series

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

Ice Melt Experience

March 11, 10:30–11AM | Main Library, Spark Lab | Ages 1–4

Bubble Dough

March 24, 11AM | McAuliffe Branch, Craft Room | Ages 1–5

Book Buddies: Reading to Dogs

March 7, 11AM | Main Library, J Program Room (Arden)

March 12, 2PM | McAuliffe Branch, Craft Room (Ajax)

March 21, 11AM | 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.

March 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Chess Club 5pm @ Main	Open Color 3:30pm @ McAuliffe Women's History Month: Fossil Making 6pm @ Main		Leprechaun Trap Storytime & Craft 11am @ Main Northern Light Scrape Art 3:30pm @ McAuliffe	Little Chefs: Storybook Snacks 11am @ Main
8		10	11	12	13	14
			Ice Melt Experience 10:30am @ Main	Fuse Bead Social 2pm @ Main		Ping Pong Ball Tea Light Planets 11am @ Main Little Innovators, Big Dreams 2pm @ Main
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		Chess Club 5pm @ McAuliffe	Symmetrical Butterflies 11am @ McAuliffe	LEGO Build 3:30pm @ McAuliffe 4pm @ Main	String Painting 3pm @ Main Women's History Month: Appreciation Cards 3:30pm @ McAuliffe	Marble Run 10am @ Main
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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Weekly Storytime (Ages 3-5) McAuliffe: Mondays, 10-10:30am Main: Thursdays, 10-10:30am		Weekly Baby Storytime (Ages 0-2) McAuliffe: Tuesdays, 10-10:30am Main: Fridays, 10:30-11am		Mandarin Storytime & Craft 中文读书会 March 7, 3pm @ Main March 21, 3pm @ McAuliffe		

I'm Daisy. Will you read to me?

Ongoing Programs

Kids' Chess Club

March 3, 5PM | Main Library, Technology Learning Center

March 17, 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.

Open Color

March 4, 3:30PM | Craft Room | Ages 5–12

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

Fuse Bead Social

March 12, 2–4PM | Main Library, Spark Lab | Ages 7–12

Create your own fuse bead designs!

LEGO Build

March 19, 3:30PM | McAuliffe Branch, Craft Room | Ages 5–12

March 19, 4–5:30PM | Main Library, Spark Lab | Ages 5–12

Make a LEGO creation to display at the library.

Teen Programs (*Grades 6–12)

Weekly Minecraft Collaborative Build

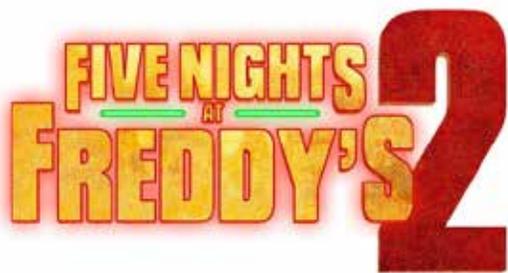
Wednesdays, 3–4:30PM | FPL Minecraft Server | Grades 4–12

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

March 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, 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 decide.



Alphabet Soup—Queer Teen Hangout

March 5, 6–7PM | Main Library, Teen Room

March 19, 6–7PM | McAuliffe Branch, Teen Room

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

No School Day Video Games

March 6, 1–3PM | Main Library, Costin Room

No school today, so let's eat snacks and play video games.

Early Release Day Movie: *Five Nights at Freddy's 2*

March 12, 1–3PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

FNaF 2 is out, so let's eat popcorn and watch!

Anime Club

March 21, 1–3PM | Main Library, J Program Room

Watch anime, do crafts, eat snacks, and meet other anime and manga lovers.

McAuliffe Craft: Window Stars

March 24, 3–4:30PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

Spring is here! Celebrate with a colorful kite paper star to catch the light.



* Unless otherwise noted