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NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

APRIL 3-9, 2022

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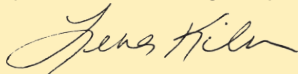
"Libraries are places where communities connect—to things like broadband, computers, programs and classes, books, movies, video games, and more. But most importantly, libraries connect us to each other."

– Molly Shannon, National Library Week Honorary Chair.

In Recognition

On behalf of the Framingham Public Library Trustees, Administration, Staff, and Community; I am pleased to announce that our Sunday Concert Series will now be known as **The Bob Dodd Sunday Concert Series at the Framingham Public Library.**

This small but meaningful gesture honors Mr. Dodd's tireless and invaluable contributions to the development of Framingham Public Library events and programming. Thanks to his dedicated efforts and advocacy, the Library developed a strong foundation that grows and evolves with each passing year. Framingham Public Library is committed to honoring Mr. Dodd's work by creating library programming that enriches, inspires, and educates—while encouraging the well-being, health, and vitality of this community. Thank you, Bob for making this possible!



Sincerely,
Lena Kilburn
Director of Libraries, Framingham



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Brown Bag Learning Series: Dog Training 101

with Adam Skandarani, CCUI



FRIDAY APRIL 1, 12PM | MAIN LIBRARY, LEARNING YARD

Did you welcome a puppy, rescue, or adult dog? Join Adam, a Certified Control Unleashed Instructor and owner of Flash of Brilliance Pet Training, for part one of a three part Brown Bag series for tips on proper pet care, effective dog training, and more.

Decoding the Mysteries of Cats

with Stephen the Feline Behaviorist



MONDAY APRIL 11, 7PM | ZOOM

Stephen Quandt will explain cat behavior from the perspective of the evolutionary and adaptive forces that shape their lives. There will be a presentation followed by time for your questions! In partnership with the Ashland Public Library and Cary Memorial Library. [REGISTER.](#)

Tales of An Unnatural Rebellion

WEDNESDAY APRIL 13, 6PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM

Join us for a lively retelling of the timeline of April 19, 1775 from the perspective of a Red Coat—and some of his artifacts. A question and answer period will follow the presentation.

Registration or program questions: email framinghamlibraryevents@gmail.com or call 508-532-5570.

Main Library
49 Lexington Street
508-532-5570
Monday-Thursday 9-9
Friday-Saturday 9-5
Sunday 1-5

Christa McAuliffe Branch Library
746 Water Street
508-532-5636
Monday-Thursday 9:30-9
Friday-Saturday 9:30-5
Sunday 12-4

Holiday Hours
Both Libraries will be closed Sunday April 17 and Monday April 18 for Patriots' Day.

If you feel unwell, please don't enter the Library. Please maintain proper social distancing when in the Library.

Sign up for [email updates](#) of Library news and events on our homepage!

Funding for Library programs is provided in part by the Friends of the Framingham Library.



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Composting 101

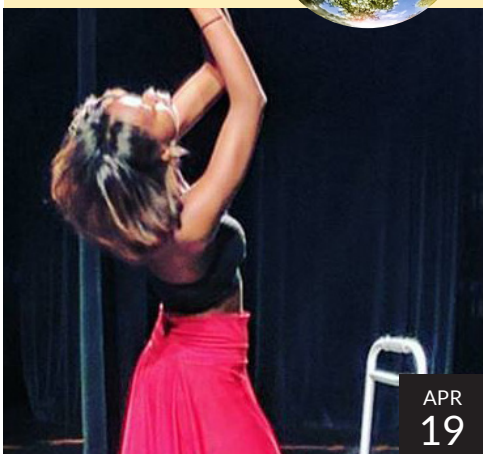
THURSDAY APRIL 14, 7PM | MCAULIFFE COMMUNITY ROOM AND ZOOM

Learn the importance, benefits, and backyard magic of composting. [REGISTER](#) for Zoom.

Recycling 101

THURSDAY APRIL 28, 7PM | MCAULIFFE COMMUNITY ROOM AND ZOOM

The what, how and why of recycling in Framingham. [REGISTER](#) for Zoom.

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Adventures in Lifelong Learning Spring 2022



TUESDAYS APRIL 5, 12, 26, & MAY 3 | ZOOM

Enjoy remote courses for seniors 60+!

Online registration closes Monday April 4.

[REGISTER.](#)

New to Medicare?

featuring Ronald Florida from AmeriLife of the Northeast, LLC **AMERILIFE**

SATURDAY APRIL 9, 11AM AND

WEDNESDAY APRIL 13 | MAIN

LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM

Ready to enjoy your Medicare

benefits that you've earned

with a lifetime of hard work?

Learn about your options!



The Bob Dodd Sunday Concert at FPL

SUNDAY APRIL 10, 3PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM AND YOUTUBE LIVE

The Arneis Quartet performs. Attend in person or watch online via [YouTube](#). The series is sponsored in part by:



Abilities Dance Boston: The Field of Dance from the Past to the Present

TUESDAY APRIL 19, 7PM | ZOOM

Ellice Patterson will share stories about identity, accessibility, inclusion and the barriers that exist in the journey to discover one's dreams. In partnership with the Cary Memorial Library. [REGISTER.](#)

FILMS

Friday Night Film: *Respect* (2021) 2hr. 25min. PG-13.

FRIDAY APRIL 1, 7PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM

Lexington St. doors open at 6:30pm.

NEW! Film Noir Club: *The Maltese Falcon*

(1941) 1hr. 40min.

SATURDAY APRIL 9, 2PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM

McAuliffe Matinees: *2040* (2019) 1hr. 32min.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 13, 2PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM

Soul (2020) 1h. 40min. PG.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 20, 2PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM

Monday Matinee: *On the Basis of Sex* (2018) 2hr. PG-13.

MONDAY APRIL 25, 2PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM

Craft Ladies Present: an Adult Craft Night

WEDNESDAY APRIL 20, 7PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM

Join us and learn some techniques for repurposing your old coffee cans!

[REGISTER.](#)

What's on Your TBR Pile?

with author Joseph Finder

MONDAY APRIL 25, 7PM | ZOOM

We'll hear from mystery/thriller author Joseph Finder (who is going back to his Russia roots for his next book!). Wonder what he's read and loved lately? Join us! In partnership with the Ashland Public Library.

[REGISTER.](#)

May 18: Mateo Askaripour

Alondra Bobadilla Boston's Youth Poet Laureate

SATURDAY APRIL 30, 3PM | ASHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY AND ZOOM

We are thrilled to welcome Alondra Bobadilla, the first Boston Youth Poet Laureate, for an event with our partners at the Ashland Public Library! Join us online or in person at APL for an interactive and fun poetry based program. [REGISTER](#) for Zoom.

Please visit our [WEBSITE](#) for more event details.



BOOK CLUBS

MAIN LIBRARY

Club de Lectores: Cuentos Completos por Jorge Luis Borges (continuación)

LUNES 4 DE ABRIL, 8PM | ZOOM | [REGÍSTRESE](#).

2 de mayo: *Cuentos Completos 2* por Julio Cortázar

Adult Book Club: *The Color of Water* by James McBride

TUESDAY APRIL 5, 7PM | ZOOM | [REGISTER](#).

May 3: *The Daughters of Yalta* by Catherine Grace Katz

Sci-Fi Book Club: *Dune Messiah* by Frank Herbert

WEDNESDAY APRIL 13, 7PM | ZOOM | [REGISTER](#).

May 11: *A Memory Called Empire* by Arkady Martine

Personal Growth Book Club & Workshop: *Never Split the Difference* by Christopher Voss

SATURDAY APRIL 30, 1PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM

MCAULIFFE BRANCH

Evening Book Club: *The Kingdom of Back* by Marie Lu

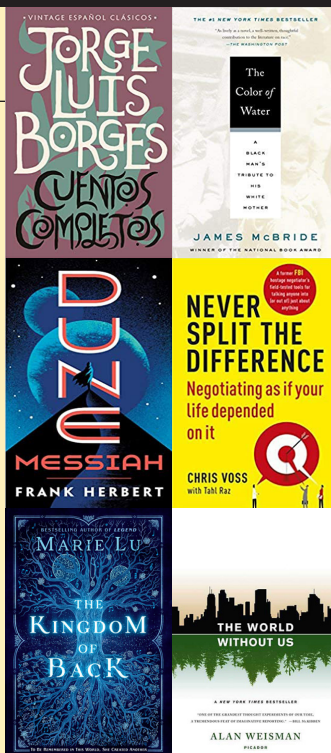
TUESDAY APRIL 12, 7PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM AND ZOOM | [REGISTER](#) for the Zoom link.

May 10: *Mexican Gothic* by Silvia Moreno-Garcia

Morning Book Club: *The World Without Us* by Alan Weisman

THURSDAY APRIL 21, 10AM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM AND ZOOM | [REGISTER](#) for the Zoom link.

May 19: *The Things We Cannot Say* by Kelly Rimmer



Please click on images to borrow these titles.

ONGOING EVENTS

Tone & Stretch with Laila Vehvilainen

MONDAYS, 4:30PM | ZOOM (except 4/18)
Tone your core and upper and lower body muscles followed by stretches. [REGISTER](#).

Stretch & Relax with Laila Vehvilainen

WEDNESDAYS, 4:30PM | ZOOM
Maintain flexibility, improve balance, and reduce stress. [REGISTER](#).

Release, Relax, and Reinvigorate with Meditation

THURSDAY APRIL 21, 11AM | ZOOM
Join Leslie Gabriele of With Love and Gratitude for guided meditation. [REGISTER](#).

Advanced Poetry Workshop

TUESDAYS, 7:30-9:30PM | ZOOM
Led by Alan Feldman, Professor Emeritus, Framingham State University

This class welcomes serious poets with experience. If you are new to the group, [REGISTER](#) by noon on the day of the workshop.

Job Search Assistance on Zoom*

One-on-one Resume Building
THURSDAYS 9AM-1:30PM (except 4/28)
One-on-one Mock Interviews
THURSDAY APRIL 7, 2-3:30PM
[REGISTER](#). *If you need access to a computer, email fplmail6@minilib.net or call the library at 508-532-5570.

Yarn Social Clubs

WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS
APRIL 9 AND 23, 10AM | MAIN LIBRARY
Beginners welcome.
WEDNESDAYS, 6PM AND MONDAYS
APRIL 4 AND 18, 11AM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH AND ON ZOOM
[REGISTER](#) for the Zoom link.

Puzzles

WEDNESDAY APRIL 13, 7PM | MAIN LIBRARY
Stop by and grab a free puzzle to keep!
MONDAY APRIL 25, 7PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH
Swap a puzzle you've already completed or take a new one home to try!

Check out the Bookmobile at a Stop Near You!

Click [HERE](#) for our calendar.

Come visit us at the Framingham Earth Day Festival!
SATURDAY APRIL 23* | FRAMINGHAM CENTRE COMMON

*Rain date:
Saturday
April 30



FPL's Downtown U

Entrepreneurship & Career Support

In partnership with Framingham State University.
Work with Mark Hardie, Director of FSU's Entrepreneurship and Innovation Center. [REGISTER](#) for one session or more.

Small Business Workshops

Tuesday April 5, 7pm | Zoom
Tuesday April 19, 6pm | Main Library, Costin Room

Career Building Workshops

Thursday April 7, 11am | Zoom
Thursday April 21, 11am | Main Library, Costin Room

Job Search Assistance

Led by Ed Lawrence.
(See dates on right.)

More details [HERE](#). This pilot program of the new Downtown U made possible by grant funding from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.



RESOURCES

Literacy Unlimited

Learn more [HERE](#), or contact us at 508-532-5574, fplmail4@minlib.net.

Call for volunteer tutors! Help students achieve their English learning goals; come to a Zoom info session on **Monday April 11 at 7pm**.

We help adult learners who are interested in improving their spoken English or reading ability. We are open for in-person and online tutoring and English conversation classes.

Applying for U.S. Citizenship?

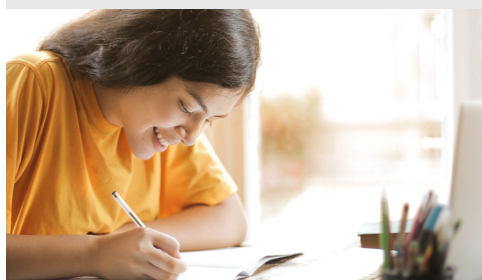
We will work with you one-on-one to help prepare you for the Naturalization test and interview.

Homework Center

The Homework Center provides in person and virtual tutoring in all subjects to students K-12, **Monday through Thursday, 2:30-5:30pm**.

We also facilitate **Academic Enrichment Book Groups** reading Framingham Public School recommended books for all grade levels, K-12.

To sign up for tutoring sessions or participate in a book group, contact jgatlin@minlib.net. Visit us [HERE](#).



Framingham Business Resource Center

Starting a business, expanding your career or furthering your education? Visit the FBRC for thousands of online resources and video courses! Located on the 3rd floor of the Main Library. Learn more [HERE](#).

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Check out our [YouTube channel](#)! Watch many of our programs, and find recipes, crafts, lessons, and more!

YOUNG ADULTS

Play Minecraft Grades 4-12.

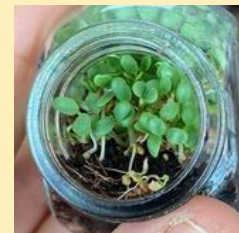
MONDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS, 2:30-4PM | FRAMINGHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY MINECRAFT SERVER

Once you've **SIGNED UP** for the server, you'll be able to use it whenever you want. But if you want to build and chat with others, join us during these times. Must be accepted on Minecraft server to participate.

Tiny Clover Terrarium (Take & Make Kit) Grades 6-12.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 13, 3-4:30PM | MAIN LIBRARY, SPARK LAB
THURSDAY APRIL 14, 3-4:30PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, BACK PATIO

Grow a tiny, self-sustaining clover patch in a jar! We'll meet in person at each library, then offer any remaining supplies up as Take & Make kits. [REGISTRATION](#) recommended.



Learn Arduino Grades 5-12.

THURSDAY APRIL 21, 4-6PM | MAIN LIBRARY, SPARK LAB

Learn how to use Arduino to do lots of different projects in the next installment of our ongoing series. If you can, please bring your own laptop. [REGISTRATION](#) required.

Anime Club: The Return! Grades 6-12.

SATURDAY APRIL 23, 1-3PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM

At long last, Anime Club has returned! Join us to watch the latest and greatest, and chat about all things manga and anime.

DIY Bouncy Balls – Early Release Day Program Grades 4-12.

THURSDAY APRIL 28, 12:30-2:30PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, BACK PATIO

Create your own homemade bouncy balls using just few simple ingredients.



Alondra Bobadilla – Boston's Youth Poet Laureate All ages.

SATURDAY APRIL 30, 3PM | ASHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY AND ZOOM

More information on [page 2](#).

SUPPORTERS

Friends Book Sale

APRIL 16 | MAIN LIBRARY

Adults, teens, children and parents—your reading treasures await you. All four book sale areas will be open from 10am to 3pm. Friends have early access to the Bag Room and Monthly Book Sale Room at 9:30am. Books in the Friends Bookstore and lobby can be purchased from 9am onward.



Book Donation Tax Receipts

Receipts for book donations are now available in the drop-off room in the Main Library and at the McAuliffe front desk. Your donations help us support activities and programs at the library. Thank you.

We'd love to have you as a Friend...

All membership dues go directly to support the library's activities and programs. Click [HERE](#) to join or renew.

Framingham Public Library Foundation News

Help create a Technology & Learning Center (TLC) at the Main Library.

The TLC will be a state-of-the-art classroom for all ages. You can learn how to conduct research for job searches, school assignments, or genealogy searches. You can also learn how to create graphics, edit digital photographs, or master software programs for PCs and Macs. Please make a donation [HERE](#). Or, send a check to FPLF, 49 Lexington St., Framingham, MA 01702. For more information email Ruth Winett at rwinett@rcn.com.

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Visit our [WEBSITE](#) for links to our partners.

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Dads Donuts and Discoveries

SATURDAY APRIL 2, 10-11AM – MAIN LIBRARY, LEARNING YARD OR CHILDREN'S PROGRAM ROOM (depending on weather).

Ages 2-6.  **EARLY CHILDHOOD ALLIANCE**
Uniting for Young Children... the Heart of our Community
Framingham, MA
See the Early Childhood Alliance of Framingham [WEBSITE](http://www.earlychildhoodalliance.org) for more information and their schedule of events, or contact Jane DeHaven at jdehaven@framingham.k12.ma.us or 508-782-6932.

Main Library

49 Lexington Street | 508-532-5570
Mon.-Thu. 9-9 | Fri.-Sat. 9-5 | Sun. 1-5

Christa McAuliffe Branch Library

746 Water Street | 508-532-5636
Mon.-Thu. 9:30-9 | Fri.-Sat. 9:30-5 | Sun. 12-4

Holiday Hours

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CHILDREN'S

APRIL 2022 PROGRAMS



Ocean Oil Spill Science Ages 6-12.

THURSDAY APRIL 7, 3:30-5PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, CRAFT ROOM
Learn the effects of oil spills on nature in this hands-on activity.

Recycled Material Chickens Ages 5+.

THURSDAY APRIL 7, 6-8PM | MAIN LIBRARY, SPARK LAB

Join us to make paper chicken designs out of recycled materials to celebrate our soon-to-hatch eggs.

Saturday Storytime in April! Ages 3+.

SATURDAY APRIL 9, 10-11AM | MAIN LIBRARY, CHILDREN'S PROGRAM ROOM

Have fun with Mr. Dana as he reads stories, followed by a fun craft to take home!

Spring Storytimes at McAuliffe Ages 3+.

SATURDAYS APRIL 9 & 16, MAY 7, AND JUNE 11, 11-11:30AM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, ASTRONAUT GROVE (weather dependent—would be moved indoors)

Join us for these special spring theme stories.

Earth Flower Craft Ages 3+.

MONDAY APRIL 11, 11AM-12PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, CRAFT ROOM

Using upcycled materials, drop in and make an earth flower.

Evening Storytime Ages 8+.

MONDAYS APRIL 11 AND MAY 9, 6-6:30PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, CHILDREN'S ROOM

Join us for an evening storytime reading early chapter books.

After School Kids Game Hangout Ages 8-12.

THURSDAY APRIL 14, 3-4:30PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM

Join us after school for some games, puzzles, Legos, and more!

Open Lego & Block Build Ages 5+.

FRIDAY APRIL 15, 3-4:30PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, CRAFT ROOM

Drop in and make something creative with Keva Planks, Legos, MagnaTiles, and more!

Solar Art Printing Ages 7+.

SATURDAY APRIL 16, 12-1PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, ASTRONAUT GROVE (weather dependent)

Create a sun print using solarized paper. Supplies limited. **Registration required.** Call 508-532-5636 x 4314 or register in person at McAuliffe.

McAuliffe Matinee: *Soul* (2020) 100 min. Rated PG. All ages.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 20, 2PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM

Disney's film about a teacher seeking to reunite his soul and body after they are accidentally separated.

Bug Specimen Craft Ages 8+.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 20, 6-8PM | MAIN LIBRARY, SPARK LAB

Join us to make faux bug specimen jars out of recycled materials.

Planting Craft For Family All ages.

THURSDAY APRIL 21, 6-7PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, CRAFT ROOM

Stop in and plant seeds to take home! Create garden plant name stakes out of popsicle sticks. Supplies limited. **Registration required.** Call 508-532-5636 x 4314 or register in person.

Drop-In Earth Day Coloring All ages.

SATURDAY APRIL 23, 10AM-12PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, CRAFT ROOM

Drop in to color environment themed pictures and do fun mazes and word activity sheets!

Flower Press Ages 8+.

SATURDAY APRIL 30, 2-4PM | MAIN LIBRARY, SPARK LAB

Join us to make flower presses using old hardcover books. **REGISTRATION** required.

Take & Make Kit

Scratch Art Ages 6+.

SIGN-UPS BEGIN MONDAY APRIL 4, PICK-UPS ARE FROM APRIL 11-23, AT THE MCAULIFFE BRANCH.

REGISTRATION

required. Supplies are limited.

Includes two scratch art pages and a wooden scratch stick.

Please visit our [WEBSITE](http://www.framinghamlibrary.org) for more event details.



CHILDREN'S APRIL 2022 PROGRAMS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	Recycle, Compost, or Trash? Activity Game All month long! Stop in to either library and place our interactive velcro wall game! Answers are located at the Children's Desk.				1	2
						Dads & Discoveries 10-11 am (Ages 0-2) Zoom Baby Lapsit 10-10:20 am (Ages 0-2)
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	Storytime 10-10:30 am @ McA (Ages 2-5)	Zoom Baby Lapsit 10-10:20 am (Ages 0-2)		Weekly Storytime 10:15- 10:45 am @ Main & Zoom Ocean Oil Spill Science 3:30-5 pm @ McA (Ages 6-12) Recycled Material Chicken 6-8 pm @ Main	Zoom Baby Lapsit 10-10:20 am (Ages 0-2)	Special Saturday Storytime 10-11 am @ Main (Ages 3+) Spring Saturday Storytime 10-11 am @ McA (Ages 3+)
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	Storytime 10-10:30 am @ McA (Ages 2-5) Earth Flower Craft 11 am- 12pm @ McA (Ages 3+) Evening Storytime 6-6:30 pm @ McA (Ages 8+)	Zoom Baby Lapsit 10-10:20 am (Ages 0-2)	Chicken Hatch Day All Day @ Main 	Weekly Storytime 10:15- 10:45 am @ Main & Zoom After School Kids Game Hangout 3-4:30 pm @ McA (Ages 8-12)	Open Lego & Block Build 3-4:30 pm @ McA (Ages 5+)	Solar Art Printing 12-1 pm @ McA (Ages 7+) Spring Saturday Storytime 10-11 am @ McA (Ages 3+)
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
CLOSED	CLOSED	Zoom Baby Lapsit 10-10:20 am (Ages 0-2)	Bug Specimen Craft 6-8 pm @ Main (Ages 8+) Matinee Movie: Soul 2 pm @ McA (All Ages)	Weekly Storytime 10:15- 10:45 am @ Main & Zoom Planting Craft 6-7 pm @ McA (For Families, all ages)	 Earth Day	Drop In Earth Day Coloring 10am- 12 pm (All Ages)
	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Storytime 10-10:30 am @ McA (Ages 2-5)	Zoom Baby Lapsit 10-10:20 am (Ages 0-2)		Weekly Storytime 10:15- 10:45 am @ Main & Zoom Tween: DIY Bouncy Balls 12-25 pm @ McA (Grades 4-7)		Zoom Baby Lapsit 10-10:20 am (Ages 0-2) Flower Press Craft 2-4 pm @ Main (Ages 8+)

In-person events subject to change. View our website for our most up-to-date event listings

For an invite to the zoom events email: McAuliffeChildrensRoom@gmail.com

Tween Event: DIY Bouncy Balls Grades 4-7.

THURSDAY APRIL 28, 12:30-2:30PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, BACK PATIO

Create your own homemade bouncy balls using just few simple ingredients.

ONGOING EVENTS

Weekly Storytimes Ages 2-5.

Get in the library habit! Drop in every week for age appropriate stories and craft with your favorite Children's Librarian.

THURSDAYS 10:15- 10:45AM | MAIN LIBRARY, CHILDREN'S PROGRAM ROOM

MONDAYS 10-10:30AM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, CHILDREN'S ROOM

Zoom Baby Lapsits Ages 0-2 and their caregivers.

TUESDAYS 10-10:30AM, FRIDAYS APRIL 8 & 22, AND SATURDAYS APRIL 2 & 30, 10:30-11AM | ZOOM

Sing and play with words, rhyme, and puppets! For Zoom link, email McAuliffechildrensroom@gmail.com.

Bookworm Book Club with Max! Grades 3-6.

ALTERNATING SUNDAYS (DATES TO BE DECIDED), 2-3PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, CRAFT ROOM

Join us for Bookworm Book Club led by 10th grader Max!

Please check our [EVENTS](#) calendar for dates and book titles.

Find books in person at the Library or check on Overdrive/Libby, Hoopla, or request a copy from the Minuteman Catalog.

Please visit our [WEBSITE](#) for more event details.