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Events for Children in October at the Greenville County Library System

Laugh 'n' Learn for Reading Readiness!
Friday, October 1, 10:00a-12:00p Drop-in
Hughes Main Library, Meeting Rooms A-B

We have made the nationally acclaimed Every Child Ready to Read program interactive! You and your child will visit six learning stations (music, crafts, etc.) where you will work together to perform activities that will provide your child with pre-reading skills. Ages 4 and under with an adult caregiver. English/Spanish materials available. No groups. Maximum of three children per adult caregiver.

Bilingual Story Time: Tell Me a Tale
Cuentos Bilingües: Zapatito roto, cuéntame usted otro
Friday, October 1, 7:00p-7:45p
Hughes Main Library, Story Room

A 45-minute Spanish/English story time for all ages. Cuentos bilingües que durarán 45 minutos en español e inglés para todas las edades.

Grandbaby Books: Farm Animals
Saturday, October 2, 10:00a-10:30a
Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Bring your grandchildren (or children) for stories, singing and dancing. All ages welcome.

Twilight Tales: Firefighters, Fire Trucks, Fire Safety
Monday, October 4, 7:00p-7:45p
Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Join us for this special Twilight Tales as we celebrate National Fire Prevention Month through stories, learning about fire safety, meeting a real firefighter and seeing a fire truck. All ages welcome. Children may come dressed as firefighters. Note: Firefighter/truck will not be available if a fire emergency occurs.

Firefighters, Fire Trucks, Fire Safety

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preschool children with an adult caregiver. Note: Firefighter/truck will not be available if a fire emergency occurs.

Monday, October 4

10:00a Main*, Mauldin Branch
10:30a Travelers Rest Branch
11:00a Mauldin Branch
7:00p Main (Twilight Tales)

Tuesday, October 5

10:00a Greer Branch
10:30a Berea Branch
11:00a Greer Branch

Wednesday, October 6

10:00a Pelham Road Branch
10:30a Fountain Inn Branch
11:00a Pelham Road Branch

Thursday, October 7

10:00a Main*, Simpsonville Branch
10:30a Augusta Road Branch
11:00a Simpsonville Branch

Friday, October 8

10:30a Taylors Branch

Thursday, October 14

10:30a Anderson Road Branch**

*In lieu of the Oct. 4 & 7 Musical Jamboree programs.

**In lieu of Oct. 14 Laugh 'n' Learn (a.m. and p.m. programs).

KinderCraft: Cork Squirrel

Wednesday, October 6, 10:30a-11:00a

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Children will enjoy a squirrel story, then explore it by creating a cute forest creature that starts with a cork. Ages 3-5 with an adult caregiver. Call 527-9248 to register.

NEW! Home School Book Discussion Group

Thursday, October 7, 10:00a-11:00a

Berea (Sarah Dobey Jones) Branch

Join us as we discuss *Shiloh*, the Newbery award winning book by Phyllis Naylor. When he finds a lost beagle in the hills behind his West Virginia home, Marty tries to hide it from his family and the dog's real owner, a mean-spirited man known to mistreat his dogs. Ages 9-12. Call 246-1695 to register.

Ever After Stories: Korea

Thursday, October 7, 7:00p-7:30p

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Join us as we travel to Korea through folk and fairy tales, songs and games. Decorate a paper fan to take home. Ages 7 and up.

Bilingual Story Time: These Are the People in Your Neighborhood

Cuentos Bilingües: Mi barrio, mi gente

Friday, October 8, 7:00p-7:45p

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

A 45-minute Spanish/English story time for all ages. Cuentos bilingües que durarán 45 minutos en español e inglés para todas las edades.

Lollipops Concert for Kids

Saturday, October 9

Join us for *Soon, Baboon, Soon* featuring Sherwood Mobley, percussionist. The Greenville Symphony Orchestra and the Greenville County Library System present a musical series for young children and their families. Children learn about music and instruments, then interact with them. **Seating is limited due to fire code regulations.**

10:00a-10:30a Simpsonville Branch

11:30a-12:00p Main, Meeting Rooms A-C

KinderCraft: Button Snakes

Wednesday, October 13, 10:30a-11:00a

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Slither in and listen to stories and songs, then create a silly snake from buttons. Ages 3-5 with an adult caregiver. Call 527-9248 to register.

In BeTWEEN Craft: Edible Rice Crispy Treat Sculptures

Wednesday October 13, 3:45p-4:45p

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Make scrumptious sculptures from rice crispy treats. Open to all 4th-7th graders. Space is limited. Call 527-9248 or email jbabb@greenvillelibrary.org to register.

NEW! Home School Book Discussion Group

Thursday, October 14, 10:00a-11:00a

Greer (Jean M. Smith) Branch

Join us as we discuss *Shiloh*, the Newbery award winning book by Phyllis Naylor. When he finds a lost beagle in the hills behind his West Virginia home, Marty tries to hide it from his family and the dog's real owner, a mean-spirited man known to mistreat his dogs. Ages 9-12. Call 877-8722 to register.

Silly Bands Swap

Friday, October 15, 3:30p-5:00p

Greer (Jean M. Smith) Branch

Kids are wild about silly bands, the funny rubber bands that come in a wide variety of shapes and colors. Children are invited to bring their bands to swap and/or display. We'll provide the room and the tables; you bring your bands and an adult caregiver. All children who attend will be given a single band and entered into a Grand Prize raffle for a pack of 24. Call 877-8722 to register.

Bilingual Story Time: Hi! How are you?

Cuentos Bilingües: ¡Hola! ¿Cómo estás?

Friday, October 15, 7:00p-7:45p

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

A 45-minute Spanish/English story time for all ages. Cuentos bilingües que durarán 45 minutos en español e inglés para todas las edades.

Grandbaby Books: Fall Colors
Saturday, October 16, 10:00a-10:30a
Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Bring your grandchildren (or children) for stories, singing and dancing. All ages welcome.

CrafTime: Sock Bats
Monday, October 18, 3:30p-4:15p
Travelers Rest (Sargent) Branch

Join us for an afternoon craft time featuring a story about bats and make a stuffed sock bat of your own. **Please bring one black sock.** Ages 5-11, ages 5-8 with an adult caregiver. Registration begins October 1. Call 834-3650.

NEW! Home School Book Discussion Group
Tuesday, October 19, 10:00a-11:00a
Simpsonville (Hendricks) Branch

Join us as we discuss *Shiloh*, the Newbery award winning book by Phyllis Naylor. When he finds a lost beagle in the hills behind his West Virginia home, Marty tries to hide it from his family and the dog's real owner, a mean-spirited man known to mistreat his dogs. Ages 9-12. Call 963-9031 to register.

CrafTime: Sock Bats
Tuesday, October 19, 3:30p-4:15p
Berea (Sarah Dobey Jones) Branch

Join us for an afternoon craft time featuring a story about bats and make a stuffed sock bat of your own. **Please bring one black sock.** Ages 5-11, ages 5-8 with an adult caregiver. Registration begins October 1. Call 246-1695.

CrafTime: Sock Bats
Tuesday, October 19, 3:30-4:15p
Greer (Jean M. Smith) Branch

Join us for an afternoon craft time featuring a story about bats and make a stuffed sock bat of your own. **Please bring one black sock.** Ages 5-11, ages 5-8 with an adult caregiver. Registration begins October 1. Call 877-8722.

KinderCraft: Story in a Bag
Wednesday, October 20, 10:30a-11:00a
Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Children will enjoy stories and songs, then recreate the characters on craft sticks so they can retell the story at home. Ages 3-5 with an adult caregiver. Call 527-9248 to register.

CrafTime: Sock Bats
Wednesday, October 20, 3:30p-4:15p
Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Join us for an afternoon craft time featuring a story about bats and make a stuffed sock bat of your own. **Please bring one black sock.** Ages 5-11, ages 5-8 with an adult caregiver. Registration begins October 1. Call 527-9248.

CrafTime: Sock Bats

Friday, October 22, 3:30p-4:15p

Mauldin (W. Jack Greer) Branch

Join us for an afternoon craft time featuring a story about bats and make a stuffed sock bat of your own. **Please bring one black sock.** Ages 5-11, ages 5-8 with an adult caregiver.

Registration begins October 1. Call 277-7397.

Family Fridays: Atlantic Coast Theatre for Youth

Friday, October 22, 7:00p-7:45p

Hughes Main Library, Meeting Rooms A-C



Enjoy a stage production of some of your favorite fairy tales when Atlantic Coast Theatre for Youth presents *The Fairy Tales of Grimm*. This program is best appreciated by school age children and above.

Holiday Cupcake Extravaganza

Saturday, October 23, 1:00p-3:00p

Augusta Road (Ramsey Family) Branch

Join cupcake artists Vonda and Rebekah Rutland for new cupcake designs for the upcoming holidays. Open to children 7 and up with an adult caregiver. Each pair will decorate and take home six cupcakes. \$10 materials fee per pair includes cupcakes and a decorating kit.

Registration begins October 1. Call 277-0161.

Children are invited to wear costumes to story time programs October 25-29.

CrafTime: Sock Bats

Tuesday, October 26, 3:30p-4:15p

Pelham (F.W. Symmes) Branch

Join us for an afternoon craft time featuring a story about bats and make a stuffed sock bat of your own. **Please bring one black sock.** Ages 5-11, ages 5-8 with an adult caregiver.

Registration begins October 1. Call 288-6688.

KinderCraft: Monster Face

Wednesday, October 27, 10:30a-11:00a

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

We'll get into the Halloween spirit with fun and friendly stories, then make a monster mask to take home. Ages 3-5 with an adult caregiver. Registration begins October 6. Call 527-9248.

Bouncing Babies Boo Bash

Thursday, October 28

Join us for our annual Bouncing Babies Boo Bash. Babies up to 18 months are invited to a special Halloween celebration featuring stories, songs and finger plays. Prizes will be awarded for the best baby and adult costumes! No groups.

10:30a Taylors Branch

11:00a Main, Story Room

Bilingual Story Time: Day of the Dead

Cuentos Bilingües: Día de los muertos

Friday, October 29, 7:00p-7:45p

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Stories, music, crafts, and a sweet treat will help us celebrate this unique cultural tradition. Cuentos, música, manualidades, y pan dulce nos ayudarán a celebrar este singular evento cultural.

Grandbaby Books: Naptime

Saturday, October 30, 10:00a-10:30a

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Bring your grandchildren (or children) for stories, singing and dancing. All ages welcome.

Halloween Stories with Betty Farr

Saturday, October 30, 11:00a-12:00p

Augusta Road (Ramsey Family) Branch

Families are invited to join local storyteller Betty Farr for Halloween stories and treats. Children are encouraged to wear costumes and join in the Halloween parade.

The 39 Clues Scavenger Hunt

Saturday, October 30, 3:00p-4:30p

Greer (Jean M. Smith) Branch

Work alone or in pairs on this final scavenger hunt based on the locations and events in *Storm Warning* and *Into the Gauntlet*, books nine and ten of the popular *The 39 Clues* series. Prizes will be awarded. Ages 9-14. Call 877-8722 to register.

About the Greenville County Library System:

Founded in 1921, the Greenville County Library System operates 11 facilities, a bookmobile, and a website that provide information, materials, and engaging programs delivered with world-class technology and a customer-centric approach. The Library System offers free access to resources and experiences and continually strives to be the community's destination of choice for exploring the world. For more information, visit the Library's website at www.greenvillelibrary.org.

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