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Events for Children in January at the Greenville County Library System

Greenville, SC- The Greenville County Library System offers regularly occurring programs and special events for children. These are uniquely designed for development and learning, as well as excitement and fun, for every age. For more information about upcoming events, please visit www.greenvillelibrary.org and view our children's page.

**The library system will be closed January 1 and 18.
Morning children's programs resume January 11.**

Twilight Tales: Hiccups

Monday, January 4 • 7:00p-7:30p

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Children will have a hiccupy good time as we explore stories, songs and exercises. All ages welcome. Children may wear their pajamas.

Ever After Stories: Russia

Thursday, January 7 • 7:00p-7:30p

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Travel with us as we explore Russia through folk and fairy tales, songs and games. Ages 7 and up.

Let's Pretend: The Snowy Day

Friday, January 8 • 10:30a and 3:30p

Hughes Main Library, Meeting Room A

We begin with a story that leads to pretend play. We'll read *The Snowy Day* by Ezra Jack Keats, then go sledding, build snowmen and play with snowballs in our pretend snow fort! Ages 2-5. Space is limited and registration begins December 11. Call 527-9248.

Grandbaby Books: Here I Am

Saturday, January 9 • 10:00a-10:30a

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Hear stories that teach body parts and sing the classic "Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes." Bring your grandchildren (or children) for stories, singing and dancing. All ages welcome.

KinderCraft: Marshmallow Polar Bears

Wednesday, January 13 • 10:30a-11:00a

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Children will enjoy a story, then explore it by engaging in a related art activity. For ages 3-5 with an adult caregiver. Registration begins 3 weeks before each program. Call 527-9248 to register.

In Between: Crafts for Tweens

Snow Globes

Wednesday, January 13 • 3:45p-4:45p

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Make your own unique snow globe using a baby food jar. Open to all 4th-7th graders.

Registration is limited and begins December 9. Call 527-9248 or email jbabb@greenvillelibrary.org to register.

Home School Time at the Library: Mythology

Thursday, January 14 • 9:30a-11:00a

Greer (Jean M. Smith) Branch

We'll discuss many of the mythological creatures that are featured in the series *Percy Jackson & The Olympians* by Rick Riordan. For children in grades 3 and up. Call 877-8722 or email greer@greenvillelibrary.org to register.

Bilingual Story Time: Classics with a Latino Twist

Cuentos Bilingües: Cuentos clásicos a lo latino

Friday, January 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.

Game System Safety

Did your child receive a video game system for the holidays? Presented by our computer technician, this workshop will teach parents how to monitor what their children are playing and watching on their video game systems. We'll discuss rating systems and teach you how to lock systems to prevent access to inappropriate games and movies. Systems covered include: Nintendo Wii, PlayStation 2, PlayStation 3 and Xbox 360.

Tuesday, January 19 6:30p-7:30p Pelham Road (F.W. Symmes) Branch
Tuesday, January 26 6:30p-7:30p Augusta Road (Ramsey Family) Branch

KinderCraft: Sneezy Face
Wednesday, January 20 • 10:30a-11:00a
Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Children will enjoy a story, then explore it by engaging in a related art activity. For ages 3-5 with an adult caregiver. Registration begins 3 weeks before each program. Call 527-9248 to register.

Family Fridays: Bright Star Children's Theatre*

Friday, January 22 • 7:00p-7:45p
Hughes Main Library, Meeting Rooms A-C

Join Bright Star Children's Theatre for their presentation of *Struggle for Freedom: The Life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.* This production is best appreciated by school age children and above. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Greenville County Library System.

Lollipops Concert for Kids

Saturday, January 23

Greenville Symphony Orchestra and The Greenville County Library System present a musical series for young children and their families. Call 527-9293 for more information.

10:00a-10:30a Simpsonville (Hendricks) Branch
11:30a-12:00p Greer (Jean M. Smith) Branch

Grandbaby Books: Winter Wonderland

Saturday, January 23 • 10:00a-10:30a

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Wear your boots, hats and gloves as we enjoy a day of snow stories. Bring your grandchildren (or children) for stories, singing and dancing. All ages welcome.

The 39 Clues Scavenger Hunt

Saturday, January 23 • 2:00p-3:00p

Greer (Jean M. Smith) Branch

Work alone or in pairs on this scavenger hunt based on the locations and events in *The Black Circle* and *In Too Deep*, books five and six of the popular *The 39 Clues* series. Prizes will be awarded. For ages 9-14. Call 877-8722 to register.

KinderCraft: Macaroni Snowflakes

Wednesday, January 27 • 10:30a-11:00a

Hughes Main Library, Story Room

Children will enjoy a story, then explore it by engaging in a related art activity. For ages 3-5 with an adult caregiver. Registration begins 3 weeks before each program. Call 527-9248 to register.

The Royal Ball*

Friday, January 29 • 10:30a-11:15a and 7:00p-7:45p

Hughes Main Library, Meeting Room A

Come one, come all to the Library Royal Ball! You can be a princess, prince, knight, fairy, king, queen, your favorite fairytale character – or even a dragon! Bring your dancing shoes for a magical day of stories, music, dancing and games as the library is transformed into a medieval castle. Ages 2 and up. Call 527-9248.

***Special Event!**

About the Greenville County Library System:

Founded in 1921, the Greenville County Library System operates 12 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

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