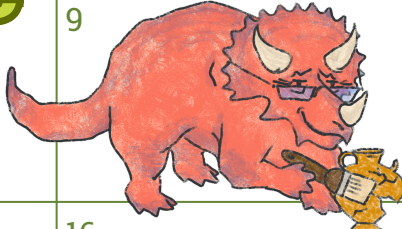
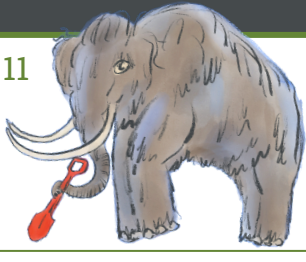






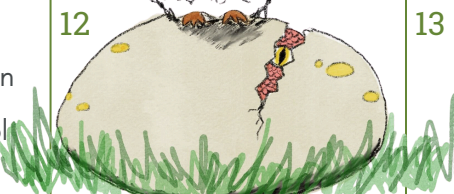




Portsmouth Public Library Summer Reading 2026

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
	June						
7 LIBRARY CLOSED SUNDAYS IN THE SUMMER	8	9 	10 3:30 PM Halcyon Festival Children's Concert	11 	12 SUMMER KICK-OFF PARTY! 5:30 - 7:30 PM	13 11 AM Reading Dogs	
14 LIBRARY CLOSED SUNDAYS IN THE SUMMER	15	16 ● 10:30 AM Sensory Play Time	17 ● 10:30 AM Baby Lap Time	18 ● 10:30 AM Toddler Time	19 CLOSED JUNETEENTH	20	
21 LIBRARY CLOSED SUNDAYS IN THE SUMMER	22	23 ● 10:30 AM Sensory Play Time ● 6:30 PM Pajama Story Time	24 ● 10:30 AM Baby Lap Time 1 - 4 PM Tie Dye Party	25 	26 ● 6-9 PM Teen Lock-in*	27 11 AM Reading Dogs	
28 LIBRARY CLOSED SUNDAYS IN THE SUMMER	29 ● 10:30 AM Center for Wildlife - Toddlers* 4-6 PM Family Game Night	30 ● 10:30 AM Sensory Play Time ● 3:30 PM Babysitting* ● 6:30 PM Pajama Story Time	July		1 ● 10:30 AM Baby Lap Time	2 ● 10:30 AM Toddler Time ● 3:30 PM Teens Bead	
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9 LIBRARY CLOSED SUNDAYS IN THE SUMMER	10	11 ● 10:30 AM Mr. Aaron ● 5 PM Middle School Survival Kit*	12 	13	14	15	

Some programs require registration. Library Summer Hours: M-TH: 10 AM - 8 PM, Friday 10 AM - 5 PM, Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM

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* registration required

We are excited to offer these FREE, high-quality programs to keep kids actively learning and having fun all summer!
Although unlikely, any program may be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. Please call ahead in case of changes.

Beanstack: Virtual Summer Reading	All Summer Long! Register for our summer reading challenges by scanning the QR code at the bottom of this calendar or by visiting cityofportsmouth.beanstack.org ! Log your reading to earn beads & brag tags & other prizes throughout the summer!
Halcyon Festival Children's Concert	Wednesday June 10 3:30 PM Levenson Room You are invited to hear world-class musicians present beautiful chamber music and introduce children to a variety of string instruments. A tremendous musical experience for families!
Summer Kick-Off Party!	Friday June 12 5:30-7:30 PM Field beside the Library. Rain location: Connie Bean Center Open to all! Join the Library and the Rec Department for a fun-filled summer party—games of all types, music, bubbles and more! Plus sign up for the summer reading program and visit with camp counselors if participating in Camp Fun Stuff!
Tie Dye Party	Wednesday June 24 1-4 PM Field beside the Library BYO T-Shirts, pillow cases, etc., tie 'em up and make 'em pretty during our all ages tie dye party! No signups needed—just drop in!
Center For Wildlife -Toddlers*	Monday June 29 10:30 AM Levenson Room Ages 2-5 With the help of The Center for Wildlife and their live animal ambassadors, we will get up close with a few of our many native reptile species. *registration required
Center for Wildlife - School Aged*	Wednesday July 8 4 PM Levenson Room Ages 5+ In line with this summer's Unearth a Story theme, the center will look at tying our modern species back to their prehistoric/dinosaur ancestors. *registration required
Dinosaur Detectives with CMNH*	Wednesday July 15 4 PM Levenson Room Ages 5+ Participants will learn the basics of paleontology, see some of the Children's Museum of New Hampshire's fossil and replica collection, and create a mini dinosaur diorama to take home! *registration required
Portland Stage Company*	Wednesday July 22 4:30 PM Levenson Room Ages 5+ Actors will perform dramatic readings using their actors' toolboxes. Following the performance students will have an opportunity to work with teaching artists in interactive workshops. *registration required
Dinoman	Wednesday July 29 5:30 PM Levenson Room Ages 5+ With magic, merry mayhem, and magnificent props, the audience is taken on a trip throughout the mesozoic era.
Touch-A-Truck	Friday July 24 10:30 AM Library Parking Lot Portsmouth Public Works, Police Department, and Fire Department will have vehicles for children to explore at the library!
Waldo Party	Monday July 27 4:30 - 5:30 PM Levenson Room You and your families have looked for Waldos around town all month long...now it's time to celebrate! Join us and our friends from G. Willikers! for a party celebrating the search for Waldo.
Reading Dogs	Alternating Saturdays 11 AM Youth Services Emerging readers! Read to one of our reading dogs — first come first served.
Family Game Night	Mondays June 29, July 6, 13, 20 & August 3 4-6 PM Levenson Room <i>No Family Game Night July 27 for Waldo Party!</i> Drop-in each week to try out a new or classic game! Challenge each other or other families! Mostly just come to have fun!
Sensory Play Time	Tuesdays June 16, 23, 30 & July 7, 14, 21 & 28 10:30 AM Levenson Room or Courtyard Ages 1-5 Open sensory play for our youngest patrons. First come, first served.
Pajama Story Time	Tuesdays June 23, 30 and July 7, 14, 21, 28 6:30 PM Levenson Room Ages 2-5 Don your comfiest pjs, grab a stuffie and join us for a fun-filled pajama story time with dancing, stories, teeth brushing songs and more!
Baby Lap Time	Wednesdays June 17, 24 & July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 10:30 AM Levenson Room Birth - 18 months Join us for songs, rhymes, bounces & stories.
Toddler Time	Thursdays June 18 & July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 10:30 AM Levenson Room Ages 18 mo - 3 years <i>No Story Time on June 25.</i> Join us for songs, rhymes and stories.
The History of Nintendo: a playable museum!	Thursday July 30 4-7 PM Levenson Room Learn how Nintendo started and see how the iconic console evolved to where it is today. Play on systems from NES to Switch on old-school CRT TVs throughout the exhibit!
SSC Nature@Nite (offsite)	Friday July 17 & Friday August 21 4-6 PM Seacoast Science Center Meet us for this FREE program held each month at Seacoast Science Center in Rye. Activities about S.T.E.A.M. and nature will be happening throughout the center.
Mr. Aaron	Tuesday August 11 10:30 AM Levenson Room Recommended Ages 2-5 In this fun and interactive 40-minute concert, children ages 2-5 and their caregivers will move and sing along with Mr. Aaron and his musical instruments! Such a fun time. If you have not seen Mr. Aaron before, you are in for a treat!

Teen Summer Events

for descriptions and sign up info see the Teen Summer Calendar!

**Babysitting Course | Tuesdays
June 30-July 28 | 3:30 PM**

Teens Bead | July 2 | 3:30 PM

Oreo-Lympics | July 23 | 4 PM

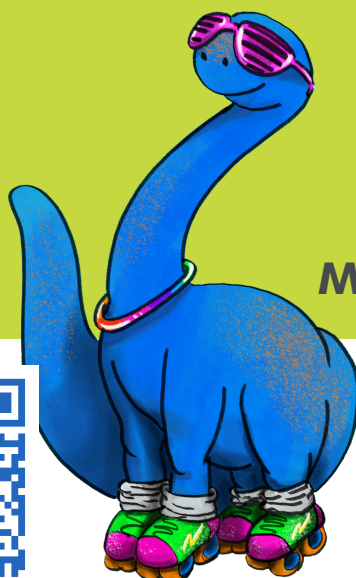
Escape Room | July 16 | 4 PM

Cupcake Decorating | July 9 | 4 PM

Teen Lock-in | June 26 | 6-9 PM

Frozen T-Shirt Contest | August 6 | 4 PM

Middle School Survival Kit | August 11 | 5 PM



Sign up for the 2026 Summer Reading Challenge on Beanstack by scanning the QR code or visiting: cityofportsmouth.beanstack.org

