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PLANT A SEED, READ

Kids Summer Reading 2026

June 27th-August 31st

Ages 0 to 8 years old

Read and complete activities this summer to earn tickets for a chance to win this year's prizes!

Completed reading and activity logs must be returned to the Kid's Room Desk by August 31st.

Registration Form:

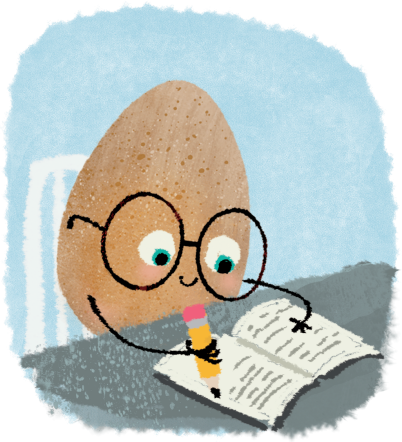
First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Age: _____

Full Name of Guardian: _____

Phone Number: _____



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Welcome Summer Readers!

Summer Reading at Westerly Library & Wilcox Park is a fun celebration of reading and summer fun! The Kids Summer Reading Program for ages 0-8 will run from June 27th until August 31st. Throughout the summer, Kids will complete reading logs and activities related to this year's theme "Plant a Seed, Read" to earn tickets towards fun giveaways!

Please note, Kids' summer reading is measured in 15-minute increments. This includes anytime a child is read aloud to by a caregiver, listens to an audiobook or Playaway, or reads any format on their own including picture books, magazines, comics and graphic novels, and more. Kids and caregivers are encouraged to choose any book that sparks their interest or curiosity and to have fun!

In celebration of this summer's theme "Plant a Seed, Read" join us for programs in Wilcox Park! Garden Club is on Mondays at 10 am in the Education Garden for all ages. Families with kids ages 0-8 are welcome to join for a weekly Family Park Walk on Tuesdays at 2 pm for a guided walk of Wilcox Park with a new theme each week.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Kid's Desk at (401)596-2877 ext. 316 or email jrisica@westerlylibrary.org.

Wishing you a wonderful summer,

Julianna Risica DiPanni
Kids Librarian



Summer Programs & Events for Kids Ages 0-8

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Garden Club Mondays 10-11 am

Join us in the Education Garden in Wilcox Park to learn more about what's growing! This program is open to all ages.

Pokémon Club Mondays 3-5:30 pm

Kids and Tweens ages 7-12 are welcome to join us in the Castle to enjoy everything Pokémon. We have cards, crafts and more so come check it out!

Family Park Walk Tuesdays 2 pm

Families with kids ages 0-8 are welcome to join us for a walk in Wilcox Park guided by our Kids Librarian with a unique theme each week!

Storytime in the Park Wednesdays 10 am

Come and grab a spot under a shady tree near the Runaway Bunny statue in Wilcox Park and get ready for stories and songs!

Three and Younger Playgroup Thursdays at 10 am

Join us for movement fun with your baby and toddler, including stories, rhymes, songs, and free-play time in the Terrace Room for ages 0-3 years.

Lunch & Learn Thursdays at 10 am in July

Each week we will meet a different local farmer, who will talk about their work. A light lunch will be provided, but feel free to bring your own lunch to enjoy.

Kids Craft Time Thursdays 4-5 pm or until supplies last

Drop in to the Kids Room Castle for a new craft each week!

Seaside Storytime Fridays 9:30 am at Westerly Town Beach

Join us at the beach for stories about the ocean and summer fun!

Special Programs & Events!

Poppi's Planet Performance July 22 10 am*

*This performance will be held during our regularly scheduled Storytime hour!

Park Petting Zoo Date TBD

Field Day in the Park! August 31 1-3 pm

For more information on programs or events please visit our website calendar of events: www.westerlylibrary.org/calendar-of-events

Kids Summer Reading Prizes

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Complete reading logs, book reviews, and garden journals to earn tickets towards drawings for our summer reading prizes! Turn in logs at the Kids Desk to receive your tickets and enter into selected giveaways. Take home new logs to keep track of your reading and earn more tickets.

Play-Doh Flower Shop Playset *

Bluey Bubble Lawn Mower *

Kids Camping Pretend Play Set

Wooden Play Food for Kids Kitchen

Pete the Cat Stuffie & Pizza Pie Game **

Dog Man Stuffie & Attack of the Fleas Game **

National Geographic Dinosaur Terrarium *

MEGA Pokémon Windmill Building Set *

Axolotl Mini Garden

LEGO City Tractor Building Set



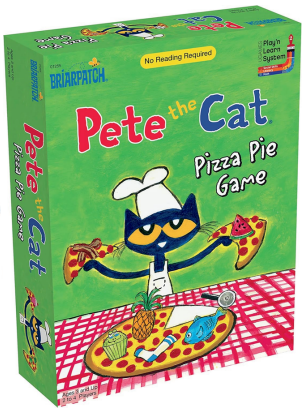
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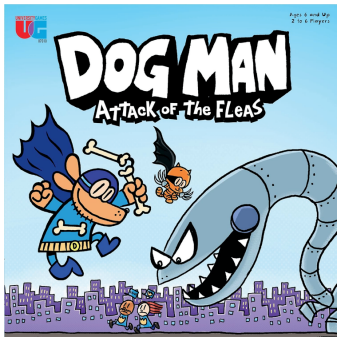


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Enter to win any of these great prizes!

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Kids Summer Reading Log

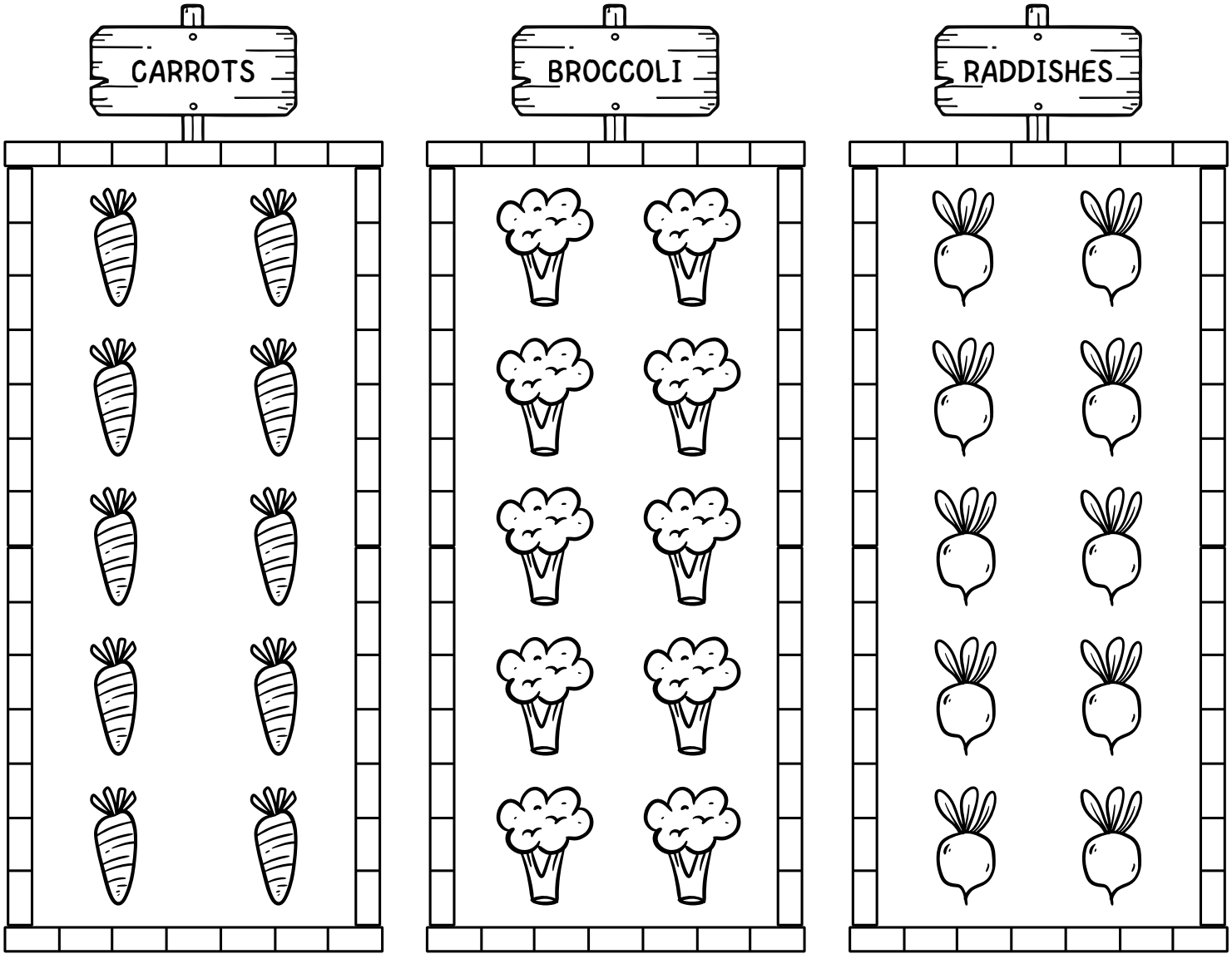
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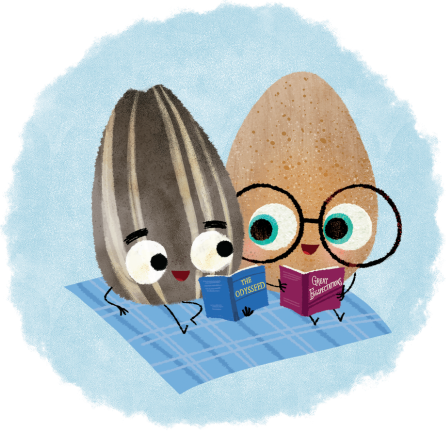
Color 1 garden vegetable for every 15 minutes you read!

Earn 1 prize drawing ticket for each garden bed completed!



Bring completed logs to the Kids Desk by August 31st to receive your prize drawing tickets. Ask staff for a new log to keep tracking your reading!

Kids Book Review



Write a review of a book you read this summer!

Color in the stars based on how much you liked the book from 1 star (not good) to 5 stars (best book ever) and share what you enjoyed.

Book Title: _____

Author: _____

What did you like?

_____

_____

_____

_____

What did you not like?

_____

_____

_____

Draw a picture of your favorite character or scene!

Reviewer Name: _____ **Age:** ____

Caregivers are welcome to assist kids in completing book reviews.
Earn one prize drawing ticket for each review returned to the Kids Desk.

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Kids Garden Journal



Share your observations of the Education Garden in Wilcox Park or another local garden!

Garden Location:_____

Date:_____ **Time:** _____

Circle the picture that matches the weather:

sun **wind** **some clouds** **all clouds** **rain**



What do you see?

_____

_____

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_____

What do you hear?

_____

_____

_____

Draw what you see in the garden!

Observer Name: _____ **Age:** ____

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