

The Tyson Times

Tyson Library Newsletter

Families Enjoy Breakfast with Santa at the Local Library

We hosted several dozen children and their families on December 9 for this year's Breakfast with Santa event. This kids enjoyed doughnuts, a visit with Santa, and crafts.



*We hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday season!
From your friends
at Tyson Library*

Kids Book Club starting in 2024

Tyson Library is starting a book club for students in kindergarten through third grade in January. Miss Aly will choose books from the MENSA for Kids list, and guide meetings for our young readers twice a month. their reading skills may be lacking. "Science shows that reading aloud helps build vocabulary, improves comprehension and can lessen stress," says Miss Aly.

"Kids that participate in the Kids Book club will cultivate a sense of fun that can come with reading!" according to Miss Aly. "The books will feel more personal to them thanks to games, crafts, and snacks that will go hand-in-hand with the books we read."

Miss Aly will read the books aloud to the students which can help any student who feels like



Sign up today to join Tyson Library's K-3rd grade book club by stopping in or calling 812-689-5894. Email aly@tysonlibrary.org with questions.

Upcoming Programs & Events

Dec. 23-26
Library closed

Dec. 30-Jan. 1
Library closed

Jan. 10, 2024
Kids Book Club

*Registration required



Children's Picture Books Now Sorted by Topic



Tyson Library is excited to officially announce we have created a new organization system for picture books in the children's area. Now, our collection of picture books will be categorized by themes rather than the authors' last names. Our goal is to make it easier for children and parents alike to find the perfect book to read and enjoy together.

With the new system, picture books will be organized into categories such as Animals, Down on the Farm, and Holidays. Each category will be color-coded and labeled with a picture on the spine to help young readers easily identify them. This will allow for a more enjoyable and intuitive browsing experience, making it easier for children and their caregivers to find and choose books to check out.

We hope that this change will encourage children to explore and discover new books, as well as foster a love of reading. Please come visit us soon and discover the joys of our new picture book organization system!

Picture Book Categories:

- All Together Now
- Animals
- Bedtimes, Dreams & Imagination
- Community, Neighbors, & Things That Go
- Dinosaurs & Monsters
- Down on the Farm
- Fairytales & Fantasy
- Families, Friends, & Pets
- Favorite Authors
- Favorite Book Characters
- Feelings & Emotions
- The Great Outdoors
- Healthy Me
- Holidays
- Let's Learn
- Silly or Interactive
- Superheroes & Space

Some of Our Favorite Times from 2023

"My favorite program was the summer block party! I enjoyed all of us teens had a blast on the inflatables afterward." - Elizabeth

"...Due to the lockdown, I had really struggled with social anxiety, but being in a position to help others really helped me with becoming more confident in my ability to talk and to reach out. Something I'm indelibly grateful for." - Abbie

"My favorite program from 2023 was our Mario Party. It was well attended and all of the kids had a great time. I also really enjoyed our Homeschool Moms Night Out. It was fun to talk to other moms and just relax together." - Aly

"(I really enjoyed) Kids in the Kitchen because the kids love it, and the Woodturners demonstration because it had appeal for all ages!" - Donna

"...(One of my favorite days this year was) the day we dressed up as cartoon characters for part of our Summer Reading Kick Off. I enjoyed it because I dressed up as one of my favorite characters: Fred Flinstone. A lot of the kids and patrons loved the costume, as well." -Trey





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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27 4pm-Yoga with Barb	28	29	30	1 Winter Reading Begins	2
3	4 4pm-Yoga with Barb	5	6 10:30am-Tyson Homeschoolers Christmas Party	7	8	9 *Breakfast with Santa
10	11 4pm-Yoga with Barb	12	13 *3:30pm-Kids in the Kitchen	14 5pm-Tyson's Page Turners	15	16
17	18 4pm-Yoga with Barb	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Library Closed for Christmas	26	27	28	29	30
31	1	2	3	4	5	6



Upcoming Events & Programs

Now through February 29, 2024

Winter Reading is underway at Tyson Library. We are encouraging our patrons to take this time to Curl Up with a Good Book! Doing so just might win you a prize! All ages are welcome to participate in this passive reading program. Each time you finish a book, you are eligible to draw for a small prize and are invited to enter your name to win one of our Winter Reading Grand Prizes. So, the more you read, the more chances you will earn to win. Stop by the check out desk after you finish a book to participate. Call 812-689-5894 or email tali@tysonlibrary.org with questions.

December 14

Join the Tyson Library Page Turners for a discussion about *I'd Like to Apologize to Every Teacher I Ever Had* by Tony Danza at 5 p.m. The library will be happy to supply you with a copy of the novel. Stop by Tyson Library between now and the next book discussion date to pick up the book. Then on the book club date, meet with other patrons to discuss this month's read. All are welcome to join the group!

December 15

Tyson Library's Teen Council will celebrate the holidays with their own annual Christmas Party. Our teens in grades seven through twelve should bring a small gift (with a spending limit of \$5) for a group gift exchange if they want to participate. The party starts at 3:30 p.m. Email aly@tysonlibrary.org with questions.

December 25-26

Tyson Library will be closed for Christmas from Saturday, December 23 through Tuesday, December 26.

December 30-January 1

Tyson Library closed for New Year's on Saturday, December 30 and Monday, January 1.

See our full program calendar at www.tysonlibrary.org/events

January 2024



Library Hours:
 Monday-Friday 10am-6pm
 Saturday 10am-3pm
 Closed Sunday

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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1 Library Closed for New Year's Day	2 Preschool Storytime 10:30am	3 Tyson Homeschoolers Art Class 10:30am	4	5 *Tyson Travelers 3:30-5pm	6
8 Yoga with Barb 4:30pm	9 Preschool Storytime 10:30am	10 *Kids Book Club 3:30-4:30pm	11 Teen DND 3:30-5:30pm Adult Book Club 5pm	12 *DIY Simmer Pots 4:30-5:30pm 	13 Bingo for Books 10:30am-12pm
15 Yoga with Barb 4:30pm	16 Preschool Storytime 10:30am	17	18 *Canva 101 for Small Businesses & Local Organizations 3-5pm	19 Tyson Teens 3:30-5pm	20
22 Yoga with Barb 4:30pm	23 Preschool Storytime 10:30am	24 *Kids Book Club 3:30-4:30pm	25 Teen DND 3:30-5:30pm	26 *Cooking Club 4-5pm	27
29 Yoga with Barb 4:30pm 	30 Preschool Storytime 10:30am	31	 There's fun for everyone! Curl Up with a Good Book this season and you might win our Grand Prize! Dec. 1, 2023 - Feb. 29, 2024 Learn more at www.tysonlibrary.org/winter-reading		

Color Key: Preschoolers School Age Teens Adults All Ages *Registration Required

Preschoolers

Storytime

January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 @ 10:30am

Interactive early learning storytime for preschoolers and their caregivers with talking, singing, reading, crafting, and play.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Passive - At your own pace

The concept is simple; the rewards are priceless. Read a book (any book) to your newborn, infant, and/or toddler. The goal is to have read 1,000 books (yes, you can repeat books) before your precious one starts kindergarten. Pick up your first or next tracking sheet during your next visit!

Teens

Teen DND

Thursdays, January 11 & 25 @ 3:30-5pm

This group role play game is open to students in grades 7 to 12. The group typically meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. To learn more about the group or their ongoing campaign, email aly@tysonlibrary.org.

Tyson Teens

Friday, January 19 @ 3:30-5pm

This group is for students in grades 7 to 12. They meet monthly to enjoy various activities, crafts, games, and community service projects. Email aly@tysonlibrary.org with questions.

MENSA for Kids Reading Program

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To encourage the joy of reading among gifted youth, the Foundation has developed the Mensa for Kids Excellence in Reading Award Program. Learn how to enjoy and earn a certification of completion for this program, ask during your next visit to the library.



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School Age

*Tyson Travelers

Friday, January 5 @ 3:30-5 pm

Journey with the Tyson Travelers as they "visit" different places, cultures, and time periods. Each program will introduce participants from grades K-6 to the language, food, and facts about the places they go. Call 812-689-5894 to sign up!

*Kids Book Club

Wednesdays, January 10 & 24 @ 3:30-5pm

The Excellence in Reading Kids Book Club is for students in kindergarten through 3rd grade. This club will read books and meet to enjoy crafts, activities, and snacks relating to their most recent selection. Call 812-689-5894 or email aly@tysonlibrary.org to sign up!

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All Ages

Winter Reading 2024

January - February 29

It's time to Curl Up with a Good Book from Tyson Library! Winter is a great time for anyone to get cozy and explore new worlds and ideas through books. And, we sweeten the deal a little bit more with fun prizes for all – children, teens, and adults. And, all you have to do to earn your chance to win is read! Learn more at www.tysonlibrary.org/winter-reading.

Tyson Homeschoolers

Art Class

Wednesday, January 3 @ 10:30am

Local homeschool families are invited to join us for a fun group art class. Students of all ages are invited and caregivers are asked to stay and participate, too. Email aly@tysonlibrary.org with questions.

BINGO for Books

Saturday, January 13 @ 10:30am-12pm

Play BINGO with us and win fun prizes: Books. Bring your friends or families with you so they don't miss out on the free fun!

Adults

Yoga with Barb

Mondays, January 8, 15, 22, 19 @ 4:30pm

Join Barb Myers in the large conference room at Tyson Library for yoga every Monday at 4:30 p.m. Your first class is free, and then costs just \$5 a class after that. All skill levels are welcome.

Tyson's Page Turners Adult Book Club

Thursday, January 11 @ 5pm

Join the Tyson Library Page Turners for a discussion about [BOOK TITLE BY AUTHOR NAME] at 5 p.m. The library will be happy to supply you with a copy of the novel. Stop by between now and the next book discussion date to pick up the book. All are welcome to join the group!

*DIY Simmer Pots

Friday, January 12 @ 4:30pm

Participants will get to make their very own stove top potpourri, also known as simmer pots, to take home and enjoy. Registration is required for this program. Save your seat at www.tysonlibrary.org/events

*Canva101 for Small Businesses & Local Organizations

Thursday, January 18 @ 3pm

Tyson Library will host this class for small businesses and local organizations to introduce them to Canva, an online design software with countless uses for such entities. Each participant will leave the class with a general understanding of the software and at least one finished product they will be able to use in their business/organization. Email tali@tysonlibrary.org with any questions. Save your seat now at www.tysonlibrary.org/events!

*Cooking Club

Friday, January 26 @ 4pm

During our meetings in January, February, March, and April, the group will get to sample several dishes highlighting the Spice of the Month. Our Spice Club members will get to take home a sample of the Spice of the Month, recipe cards, and fact sheets after each meeting. Some take home kits will also be available to those unable to attend the meeting. Email tali@tysonlibrary.org with questions. Save your seat at www.tysonlibrary.org/events!