

Special programs planned for library's Summer Reading Program

Bolton News

The Annie T. Jeffers Library's annual Summer Reading Program is back with in-person programs for 2022. For those looking for exciting activities and programs to help their preschooler, child or teen keep reading and learning this summer, the 2022 Summer Reading Program is only a click away. Adults are welcome to sign up and participate, as well.

On June 8, children can join Ms. Keidra Hooks and Mr. Rex McAllister of Mississippi Public Broadcasting as they read *Sammy the Seal* by Syd Hoof, a book about a seal who lives in a zoo, but wants to see what's outside the zoo. Mr. Johnson, the zookeeper, lets Sammy the Seal out of his cage so he can explore the city. He wanders the streets and observes people, jumps into a man's bathtub, and eventually ends up in an elementary school classroom.



After the story, participants can enjoy interactive ocean activities, including brown bag puppets of seals, hippos, and elephants for children to make and take home to enjoy. Prizes will be awarded!

On June 9, from 10 until 11 a.m., children can enjoy learning along with Myrtle the Turtle, as she discovers the harm plastic pollution causes to sea life and the importance of recycling. Fun coloring sheets and activities will be given to everyone in attendance.

On June 13, from 10 until 11 a.m., The Helmet Program will be presented by the Mississippi Department of Transportation. This program is intended to teach young children the importance of wearing a helmet while riding bikes, as well as skating and riding scooters. Children will learn the importance of using a helmet when riding in the street, along the ocean, riverfront, ponds, or on the playground.

On June 16, from 10 until 10:40

a.m., the Bayou Town Mobile Classroom will be in Bolton. This event will be held at City Hall

activities, games and prizes for all in attendance.

On July 6, from 10 until 11



rather than the library. The Environmental Education and Outreach Mobile Classroom K-2 is a 42-minute mobile classroom that introduces water quality stewardship to kindergarten through second grade audiences through puppetry, participation, music and theater. The Environmental Education and Outreach Mobile Classroom 3-5 is a 40-minute mobile classroom that engages third through fifth grade students in an interactive water quality unit study demonstrating how the properties of water cause it to be the most powerful force for spreading non-point source pollution. Students learn how pollution impacts their local waterways while learning better habits to improve water quality. These programs are sponsored by the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality.

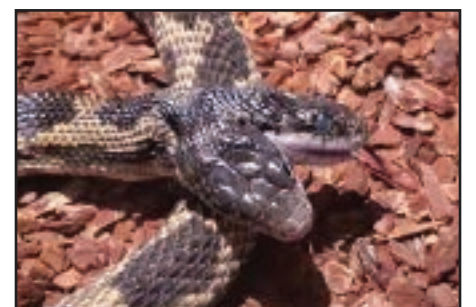
On June 21, from 10 until 11 a.m., children and come out and meet Sammy Soil. Can plants grow on other planets? Come meet Sammy Soil and find out! Children can join Mrs. Wyvette from Hinds County Soil and Water Conservation and Sammy Soil to learn about fruits and vegetables, as well as get seeds to plant and enjoy.

On June 22, from 10 until 11 a.m., the Teeth of the Sea Dental Program will be presented, and attendees can enjoy summer treats at the beach. Children can learn about protecting their smile this summer with Ms. Lenita Simpson of the Mississippi State Department of Health. She will read *Clark the Shark: Tooth Trouble* by Bruce Hale and provide interactive

a.m., Storytime with Senator John Horhn will be held. He will read two stories and act out the stories by changing his voice to match the story. He went to some acting classes before he became a senator, and he will tell the students about the Capitol and his job.

On July 14, from 10 until 11 a.m., for the final activity of the summer, Charles "Mr. Smarty Pants" King will present "Oceans of Possibilities" with his elephant mascots and tell children about drugs, education, school and obedience. Afterward, there will be an awards program at the park, with snacks provided by The Friends of the Library.

On July 26, at 10 a.m., patrons will be treated to an extra bonus. Mrs. Nicole Smith from the Mississippi Museum of Natural Science will bring reptiles and small animals from the museum. She will



talk to children about the animals, as well as bring pictures of turtles and all types of reptiles. Young and old alike are encouraged to attend.

For additional information on any of the programs, contact the Annie T. Jeffers Library at 601-866-4247. The library is located 111 West Madison Street in Bolton.

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