

Castleton Public Library



Summer Reading Club Reading & Activities Guide

**Join us for a summer full of reading,
activities, and fun for all ages!**

**The more you read, the more opportunities you earn
to win one of our raffle prizes.**

**Readers of all ages can track their reading
using the paper forms inside this guide.**

**This guide also contains a
complete list of our summer events!**



Castleton Public Library Summer Reading Club

Not only is the Summer Reading Club fun for the whole family, it also helps kids stay motivated to read and learn. In addition to our program for kids and teens, we also offer a “little ones” component for babies, toddlers, and preschoolers, and enrichment activities for adults.

Our prizes this year are \$25 Amazon gift certificates.

We’ll be drawing 20 winners!

Funding for raffle prizes is provided by the Friends of Castleton Public Library.

- Children from birth through entering Kindergarten in the fall: use the **Little Ones Reading Record** (see p. 13-14)
- Kids entering 1st-5th grades in the fall: use the **Kids Reading Record** (see p. 15-16)
- Teens entering 6th-12th grades in the fall: use the **Teen Reading Record** (see p. 17-18)
- Adults: use the **Adult Reading Record** (see p. 19)

Be sure to turn in your reading record by 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 24 to enter to win our prize drawings!
The more you read, the more chances you’ll earn to win!

Suggested Ages for Our Activities

- L** = For Little Ones - Birth to entering Kindergarten in the fall
- K** = For Kids - Entering 1st-5th Grades in the fall
- T** = For Teens - Entering 6th-12th Grades in the fall
- A** = For Adults - Ages 18 and older
- E** = For Everyone

June 21-27

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
21	22	23	24	25 Learn & Play Storytime: 10:30	26 Summer Reading Kickoff: 11:30-6:00	27 Library Rock Snake: 11:00-3:00

Take & Make Craft Kit Available from 6/26 through 7/3: Patriotic Crafts

Learn & Play Storytime - Thursday, June 25, 10:30 a.m. (L)

Children from birth to age 5 are invited to enjoy stories, rhymes, music, and movement!

Summer Reading Kickoff - Friday, June 26, 11:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. (E)

School is out and Summer Reading is in! Sign up for Summer Reading and enjoy free ice cream, courtesy of Stewart's Shops. Hudson the T-Rex will be visiting from 12:00 to 2:00pm to help us celebrate! Can't make it today? You can sign up for our Summer Reading Club all summer long!

Library Rock Snake - Saturday, June 27, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (E)

Help us build Cassie, our library rock snake, by joining us to paint a rock and add it to her tail!

June 28–July 4

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28 Uncharted Wild Reptile Show: 12:00	29 Disney Con: 1:00-4:00	30 Dino Night Lights: 1:00-4:00	1 Summer Snacks - Fruit Smoothies: 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00	2 T-Rex Tea Party Storytime: 10:30 Chalk the Walk Contest: 2:00-5:00	3 4th of July Crafts: 11:00-3:00	4 CLOSED

Take & Make Craft Kit Available through 7/3: Patriotic Crafts

Uncharted Wild Reptile Show - Sunday, June 28, 12:00 p.m. (E)

You can look forward to meeting (mostly scaly) animals at Uncharted Wild's interactive live animal show for all ages! Funding for this program is provided by Stewart's Shops Holiday Match Program.

Disney Con - Monday, June 29, 1:00-4:00 p.m. (LK)

Get ready for a magical day at a Disney Convention! Come dressed as your favorite characters from Disney and join us for an afternoon of themed crafts, creativity, and fun.

Dino Night Lights - Tuesday, June 30, 1:00-4:00 p.m. (LKT)

Create a prehistoric light-up scene that makes a cool night light or book shelf accessory!

Summer Snacks: Fruit Smoothies - Wednesday, July 1, starts every hour from 1:00-4:00 p.m. (LKT)

Starts on the hour at 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, and 4:00. Looking for a refreshing treat on a hot summer day? Fruit smoothies make a delicious healthy snack!

T-Rex Tea Party Storytime - Thursday, July 2, 10:30 a.m. (LK)

Our storytime turns prehistoric this week with a fun twist on the traditional tea party! Don't miss a visit from Hudson the T-Rex!

Chalk the Walk Contest - Thursday, July 2, 2:00-5:00 p.m. (LKT)

Held outdoors, weather permitting. Chalk our library's sidewalks and join in on some friendly competition! The winning designer will win a set of new art supplies!

4th of July Crafts - Friday, July 3, 11:00-3:00 p.m. (LK)

Red, white, and blue galore! Celebrate the 4th of July with fun crafts all afternoon at the library.

Enjoy our StoryWalks this summer!

There are two StoryWalks in our community. Each begins near the park's playground and is available any time the park is open. **We change the books each month from May through October!** Visit these locations:

- Schodack Island State Park, 1 Schodack Island Way, Schodack Landing, NY 12156
- Schodack Town Park, 498 Poyneer Road, Nassau, NY 12123



July 5-11

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
5 DIY Grass Hair Garden: 11:00-3:00	6 Job Seeker Help with Rensselaer County Career Center: 1:00-3:00 Magic Wands: 3:00-7:00	7 Summer Snacks - S'more Pops: 12:00-4:00 D&D for Adults: 5:30	8 String Pull Paintings: 12:00-3:00 Open Mic Night: 6:00	9 Special Visitor Storytime - Yoga: 10:30 Summer STEAM - Paper Tube Bird Feeder: 1:00-5:00	10 Dinosaur Bones Discovery: 10:00-6:00	11 Tie Dye: 11:00-3:00

Take & Make Craft Kit Available from 7/5 through 7/11: Egg Carton Caterpillars

DIY Grass Hair Garden - Sunday, July 5, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (E)

Decorate a cup with a fun face and plant grass seeds to create a one-of-a-kind "hair" planter.

Job Seeker Help with Rensselaer County Career Center - Monday, July 6, 1:00-3:00 p.m. (A)

Looking for a new job or fresh career path? Rensselaer County Career Center is here to help! Professional career services include resume development, interview preparation, job search assistance, and career assessment.

Magic Wands - Monday, July 6, 3:00-7:00 p.m. (LK)

Come make your very own magic wand and learn some spells to make your summer fantastic.

Summer Snacks: S'more Pops - Tuesday, July 7, 12:00-4:00 p.m. (LKT)

Chocolate, marshmallows, graham cracker crumbs...say less. Stop in and treat yourself!

D&D for Adults - Tuesday, July 7, 5:30 p.m. (A)

For ages 18+. Play Dungeons & Dragons at the library! New players can arrive at 5:00; game play starts at 5:30. D&D for Adults meets monthly on the 1st Tuesday of each month.

String Pull Paintings - Wednesday, July 8, 12:00-3:00 p.m. (LKT)

Use a few simple supplies to make a unique work of art!

Open Mic Night - Wednesday, July 8, 6:00 p.m. (TA)

Musicians and poets - come share your talents! All ages welcome to perform and to watch.

Special Visitor Storytime: Yoga - Thursday, July 9, 10:30 a.m. (LK)

Jen from Prancing Pony Yoga will join us for a yoga-based storytime focused on movement for kids! Please bring a mat or towel. Funding for this event provided by Bank of Greene County Charitable Foundation.

Summer STEAM: Paper Tube Bird Feeder - Thursday, July 9, 1:00-5:00 p.m. (KT)

Join us to make a simple bird feeder out of recycled materials. **Allergen alert: peanut butter will be used as a binding agent.**

Dinosaur Bones Discovery - Friday, July 10, 10:00a.m.-6:00 p.m. (LK)

We'll have dinosaur bones of all shapes and sizes out for building and play all day!

Tie Dye - Saturday, July 11, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (E)

Held outdoors, weather permitting. Bring your plain tees, socks, or anything else that needs brightening to the library!

July 12-18

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
12 Afternoon Finger Sandwiches & Sweet Tea: 12:00-2:00 Sunday Afternoon Stroll: 2:30	13 Summer STEAM - Firework Rainbow: 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00 Fiber Arts Workshop: 5:00-7:30	14 Life-Size Chalk Dinosaurs: 12:00-4:00 D&D for Teens - Session 0: 5:30 Beginner Yoga: 6:30	15 Birds of Prey: 6:00	16 Parachute Palooza Storytime: 10:30 Kids and Teens Cookie Bake-Off: 4:00-6:00	17 Keychain Critters: 2:00-5:00	18 Tween/Teen Beginner Crochet Class: 12:00-3:00

Take & Make Craft Kit Available from 7/12 through 7/18: Emoji Faces

Afternoon Finger Sandwiches & Sweet Tea - Sunday, July 12, 12:00-2:00 p.m. (K)

Tea sandwiches are little sandwiches that you enjoy while drinking tea and socializing. Come make your own!

Sunday Afternoon Stroll - Sunday, July 12, 2:30 p.m. (TA)

Take a leisurely walk around the neighborhood and chat with other walkers while exploring the beauty of the village.

Summer STEAM: Firework Rainbow - Monday, July 13, starts every hour from 12:00-3:00 p.m. (KT)

Starts on the hour at 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, and 3:00. Recommended for ages 8 and up; younger children are welcome with an adult's help. Come have fun with chemistry and make some rainbow fireworks!

Fiber Arts Workshop - Monday, July 13, 5:00-7:30 p.m. (16+)

For ages 16 and up. Crochet and knit while learning and sharing skills. Yarn and hooks/needles are available to beginners.

Life-Size Chalk Dinosaurs - Tuesday, July 14, 12:00-4:00 p.m. (LK)

Held outdoors, weather permitting. Help us create life-size dinosaurs with chalk and marvel at their actual size!

D&D for Teens: Session 0 - Tuesday, July 14, 5:30 p.m. (12-17)

For ages 12-17. Want to learn to how to play Dungeons & Dragons or join a group of other players? Start here!

Beginner Yoga - Tuesday, July 14, 6:30 p.m. (A)

Join us for an indoor yoga class geared toward adult beginners, with instructor Barbara Hacker. Please bring your own mat. Funding for this event provided by the Friends of CPL.

Birds of Prey - Wednesday, July 15, 6:00 p.m. (E)

Come see and learn about raptors like owls, hawks, and more with the Vermont Museum of Natural History! Funding for this event provided by Bank of Greene County Charitable Foundation.

Parachute Palooza Storytime - Thursday, July 16, 10:30 a.m. (L)

What's better than storytime at the library? Storytime with a giant parachute, of course!

Kids and Teens Cookie Bake-Off - Thursday, July 16, 4:00-6:00 p.m. (KT)

Create a delicious cookie to enter into our Cookie Bake-Off! **Drop off your cookie creations anytime between 4:00 and 6:00.** The winner of the bake-off will receive the ultimate baking prize basket! Prize funding provided by the Friends of CPL.

Keychain Critters - Friday, July 17, 2:00-5:00 p.m. (KT)

Stop by to learn how to make an adorable lizard critter keychain!

Tween/Teen Beginner Crochet Class - Saturday, July 18, 12:00-3:00 p.m. (Ages 8-18)

For ages 8-18. Learn how to crochet! All materials provided.

July 19-25

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
19 Slime Science: 11:00	20 Teens Read!: 1:00 Sand Globes: 3:00-7:00	21 Adopt a Dino: 12:00-4:00 Beginner Yoga: 6:30	22 Summer STEAM - Ice Cream Science: 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00 Friends' Music on the Lawn: 5:30-7:30	23 Special Visitor Storytime - Matt's Music Together: 10:30 Perler Bead Crafts: 2:00-6:00	24 Stomp Like a Dinosaur!: 10:00-2:00 Acting and Improv Games for Kids and Teens: 4:30	25 Saturday Storytime: 11:00 Paper Plate Sunshine: 11:30-3:00

Take & Make Craft Kit Available from 7/19 through 7/25: Make a Monster

Slime Science - Sunday, July 19, 11:00 a.m. (KT)

Using a few simple ingredients, concoct some goey slime to take home!

Teens Read! - Monday, July 20, 1:00 p.m. (T)

What have you been reading this summer? Come gather with more readers and share your faves and what's on your TBR list!

Sand Globes - Monday, July 20, 3:00-7:00 p.m. (E)

Held outdoors, weather permitting. A twisted take on a winter classic; come make a beach summer scene to take home!

Adopt a Dino- Tuesday, July 21, 12:00-4:00 p.m. (LK)

Learn all about dinosaurs and pick out your favorite, complete with birth certificate, to take home from our Dino Nursery.

Beginner Yoga - Tuesday, July 21, 6:30 p.m. (A)

Join us for an indoor yoga class geared toward adult beginners, with instructor Barbara Hacker. Please bring your own mat. Funding for this event provided by the Friends of CPL.

Summer STEAM: Ice Cream Science - Wednesday, July 22, starts every hour from 1:00-4:00 p.m. (LKT)

Starts on the hour at 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, and 4:00. Discover the chilly science behind this experiment and try the delicious results!

Friends of CPL Music on the Lawn: The Summit - Wednesday, July 22, 5:30-7:30 p.m. (E)

Held outdoors, weather permitting. Enjoy live music by The Summit on the front lawn! The Friends of CPL will be selling meatball subs, hot dogs, strawberry shortcakes, and drinks from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Music is from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Special Visitor Storytime: Matt's Music Together - Thursday, July 23, 10:30 a.m. (L)

Join Matt from Music Together, an internationally recognized early childhood music and movement program for ages 0-4. Funding for this event provided by Bank of Greene County Charitable Foundation.

Perler Bead Crafts - Thursday, July 23, 2:00-6:00 p.m. (E)

Use your imagination to make awesome creations with Perler beads!

Stomp Like a Dinosaur! - Friday, July 24, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. (LK)

Make yourself some dinosaur feet and stomp around!!

Acting and Improv Games for Kids and Teens - Friday, July 24, 4:30 p.m. (KT)

Join local actor and director Brian Sheldon for an afternoon of creative acting exercises and games!

Saturday Storytime - Saturday, July 25, 11:00 a.m. (L)

Sometimes a weekend storytime fits perfectly in a busy schedule. Join us for summer picture book read-alouds.

Paper Plate Sunshine - Saturday, July 25, 11:30 a.m - 3:00 p.m. (LK)

Create a shining sun out of paper plates, paint, paper, and googly eyes!

July 26-August 1

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26 Homemade Lemonade: 12:00-3:00	27 Design Your Own Coloring Page: 12:00-8:00	28 Summer STEAM - Volcano Science: 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00 Beginner Yoga: 6:30	29 Aquarium in a Jar: 2:00-6:00	30 "Things That Go" Storytime: 10:30 Scratch Art: 2:00-6:00	31 Summer Snacks - Funfetti Dip: 11:00-2:00	1 Bead Bracelet Bonanza: 11:00-3:00

Take & Make Craft Kit Available from 7/26 through 8/1: Origami

Homemade Lemonade - Sunday, July 26, 12:00-3:00 p.m. (KTA)

Learn how to make REAL lemonade with just lemons, sugar, water, and ice!

Design Your Own Coloring Page - Monday, July 27, 12:00-8:00 p.m. (KT)

Create a coloring page and we'll duplicate it for you to share with a friend!

Summer STEAM: Volcano Science - Tuesday, July 28, starts every hour from 12:00-3:00 p.m. (KT)

Starts on the hour at 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, and 3:00. Recommended for ages 8 and up; younger children welcome with an adult's help. What causes a volcano to erupt? Learn this and see a replica erupt before your eyes in this Summer STEAM!

Beginner Yoga - Tuesday, July 28, 6:30 p.m. (A)

Join us for an indoor yoga class geared toward adult beginners, with instructor Barbara Hacker. Please bring your own mat. Funding for this event provided by the Friends of CPL.

Aquarium in a Jar - Wednesday, July 29, 2:00-6:00 p.m. (K)

Design the perfect no-maintenance aquarium for your shelf or desk!

"Things That Go" Storytime - Thursday, July 30, 10:30 a.m. (L)

Join us to read books and sing songs all about cars, trucks, trains and more!

Scratch Art - Thursday, July 30, 2:00-6:00 p.m. (E)

Stop in to make cool scratch art with special paper!

Summer Snacks: Funfetti Dip - Friday, July 31, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. (LKT)

Funfetti is a delicious and fun dip with many options for dipping! Learn how to make it here at the library!

Bead Bracelet Bonanza - Saturday, August 1, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (KT)

Enjoy designing and creating your very own piece of jewelry to bring home.

Getting your little one ready to read is easy and fun with our 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program!

Track the number of books you read, watch your child's boat move along our river map as you progress, and earn fun prizes along the way!

Talk to any of our staff members to sign up.



August 2-8

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 Outdoor Nature Watercolor Painting: 12:00-3:00	3 Best Oreo Taste Test: 12:00-7:00 Job Seeker Help with Rensselaer County Career Center: 1:00-3:00	4 Liquid Nitrogen with MiSci: 4:00 Beginner Yoga: 6:30	5 Teen Advisory Council: 4:30 Bingo Night for Kids and Teens: 6:00	6 Special Visitor Storytime - Therapy Pigs: 10:30 Summer STEAM - Stack It Challenge: 2:00-6:00	7 Stuffed Animal Sleepover: 2:00-5:00	8 Intro to Manga Drawing: 11:00-3:00

Take & Make Craft Kit Available from 8/2 through 8/8: Paper Bag Puppets

Outdoor Nature Watercolor Painting - Sunday, August 2, 12:00-3:00 p.m. (E)

Held outdoors, weather permitting. Find a comfortable place to sit on the front lawn and use watercolors to paint what you see in nature around you!

Best Oreo Taste Test - Monday, August 3, 12:00-7:00 p.m. (K)

Sample a variety of oreo flavors and vote for your favorite. Only one will win the title of Best Oreo!

Job Seeker Help with Rensselaer County Career Center - Monday, August 3, 1:00-3:00 p.m. (A)

Looking for a new job or fresh career path? Rensselaer County Career Center is here to help! Professional career services include resume development, interview preparation, job search assistance, and career assessment.

Liquid Nitrogen with MiSci - Tuesday, August 4, 4:00 p.m. (Ages 7-14)

For ages 7-14. Through fascinating demonstrations with MiSci, learners discover how liquid nitrogen is made and used, and the effects that extreme cold has on a variety of materials. Funding for this event provided by Bank of Greene County Charitable Foundation.

Beginner Yoga - Tuesday, August 4, 6:30 p.m. (A)

Join us for an indoor yoga class geared toward adult beginners, with instructor Barbara Hacker. Please bring your own mat. Funding for this event provided by the Friends of CPL.

Teen Advisory Council - Wednesday, August 5, 4:30 p.m. (T)

Teen Advisory Council meets quarterly to discuss, plan, and implement teen events in the library. Interested in joining? Contact Melanie at programs@castletonpubliclibrary.org for more information.

Bingo Night for Kids and Teens - Wednesday, August 5, 6:00 p.m. (KT)

Recommended for ages 5-17. Play Bingo at the library with the chance to win cool prizes!

Special Visitor Storytime: Therapy Pigs - Thursday, August 6, 10:30 a.m. (LK)

Come meet a pig! We'll read a story about pigs and then meet and learn about a therapy pig. Funding for this event provided by Stewart's Shops Holiday Match Program.

Summer STEAM: Stack It Challenge - Thursday, August 6, 2:00-6:00 p.m. (KT)

What kind of building can you make out of paper cups? How tall can you make it? Stop by and put your building skills to the test!

Stuffed Animal Sleepover - Friday, August 7, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. (LK)

Drop Off: Friday between 2:00 and 5:00pm. Join us for a special storytime on **Friday at 4:00pm!** **Pick Up: Saturday between 11:00am and 1:00pm.** Drop off your stuffed animal for a night of fun at the library!

Intro to Manga Drawing- Saturday, August 8, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (Ages 8 and up)

8 **For ages 8 and up.** Drop in to learn the basics of drawing manga characters and create your own character.

August 9-15

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
9 All Ages Makerspace: 11:00-2:00 Sunday Afternoon Stroll: 2:30	10 Summer STEAM - Chromatography Flowers: 12:00-4:00 Fiber Arts Workshop: 5:00-7:30	11 Traveling Pond: 6:00 Beginner Yoga: 6:30	12 Make Your Own Puzzle: 12:00-4:00 Open Mic Night: 6:00	13 On-Location Storytime at Schodack Island State Park: 10:30 Shrinky Dink Keychains: 1:00-5:00	14 Giant Connect Four: 10:00-6:00	15 Escape Room: 11:00-3:00

Take & Make Craft Kit Available from 8/9 through 8/15: Tissue Paper Flowers

All Ages Makerspace - Sunday, August 9, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. (KTA)

We'll have a bunch of art materials and tools out for you to explore and enjoy flexible creativity!

Sunday Afternoon Stroll - Sunday, August 9, 2:30 p.m. (TA)

Take a leisurely walk around the neighborhood and chat with other walkers while exploring the beauty of the village.

Summer STEAM: Chromatography Flowers - Monday, August 10, 12:00-4:00 p.m. (KT)

Make a fun flower using a coffee filter, then drop some water on and watch your creation come to life!

Fiber Arts Workshop - Monday, August 10, 5:00-7:30 p.m. (Ages 16 and up)

For ages 16 and up. Join us for our monthly Fiber Arts Workshop! All skill levels welcome. Yarn and hooks/needles are available to beginners.

Traveling Pond - Tuesday, August 11, 6:00 p.m. (LK)

A traveling pond from Dyken Pond will splash its way into our library with live fish, salamanders, frogs, and insects! Funding for this event provided by Stewart's Shops Holiday Match Program.

Beginner Yoga - Tuesday, August 11, 6:30 p.m. (A)

Join us for an indoor yoga class geared toward adult beginners, with instructor Barbara Hacker. Please bring your own mat. Funding for this event provided by the Friends of CPL.

Make Your Own Puzzle - Wednesday, August 12, 12:00-4:00 p.m. (LKT)

Stop in to color your own design on a blank puzzle you can take home and put together!

Open Mic Night - Wednesday, August 12, 6:00 p.m. (TA)

Musicians & poets - come share your talents! All ages welcome to perform and to watch.

On-Location Storytime at Schodack Island State Park - Thursday, August 13, 10:30 a.m. (LK)

Location: Riverview Pavillion at Schodack Island State Park, 1 Schodack Way, Schodack Landing, NY 12156. Let's enjoy the outdoors and a special storytime on location at the park!

Shrinky Dink Keychains - Thursday, August 13, 1:00-5:00 p.m. (E)

Shrinky Dinks are a magical craft that lets you draw, design, and then watch your creations shrink and harden in the oven! Come make your very own magical keychain with us!

Giant Connect Four - Friday, August 14, 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. (E)

Play a game of Connect Four using our GIANT version!

Escape Room - Saturday, August 15, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (Ages 8-15)

Ages 8-15. Can you solve the clues to figure out the mystery? Bring your wit and your ability to solve puzzles and try to beat the clock in this interactive library game.

August 16-22

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
16 Bubble Party with Jani Poppins: 12:00	17 DIY Greeting Cards: 3:00-7:00	18 Summer Snacks: Trail Mix: 12:00-4:00	19 Tiny Pasta Plants: 12:00-4:00 Friends of CPL Meeting: 6:30	20 Special Visitor Storytime - Reading Rats: 10:30 Build with Cardboard Bricks: 2:00-6:00	21 Summer STEAM - Glow in the Dark Sensory Bottles: 1:00-5:00	22 Pipe Cleaner Pets: 12:00-3:00

Take & Make Craft Kit Available from 8/16 through 8/22: Animals

Bubble Party with Jani Poppins - Sunday, August 16, 12:00 p.m. (LK)

Held outdoors, weather permitting. Join us for an interactive, entertaining Bubble Party with Jani Poppins featuring upbeat music and THOUSANDS of BUBBLES! Funding for this event provided by Stewart's Shops Holiday Match Program.

DIY Greeting Cards - Monday, August 17, 3:00-7:00 p.m. (KTA)

Make some greeting cards that you can take and send to your loved ones!

Summer Snacks: Trail Mix - Tuesday, August 18, 12:00-4:00 p.m. (E)

Customize your own trail mix with salty and sweet ingredients!

Tiny Pasta Plants - Wednesday, August 19, 12:00-4:00 p.m. (KT)

Use painted pasta and your creativity to craft adorable plant creations!

Friends of CPL Meeting - Wednesday, August 19, 6:30 p.m. (KT)

Want to help support and raise funds for the library? Come join the Friends! All are welcome.

Special Visitor Storytime: Reading Rats - Thursday, August 20, 10:30 a.m. (LK)

We'll read a story about rats, then get to meet some rats and their owner in real life!

Build with Cardboard Bricks - Thursday, August 20, 2:00-6:00 p.m. (LK)

See what you can create, using our large cardboard bricks that are perfect for building!

Summer STEAM: Glow in the Dark Sensory Bottles - Friday, August 21, 1:00-5:00 p.m. (E)

Held outdoors, weather permitting. A twist on a classic! Come make a glow-in-the-dark version of a stress-relief bottle!

Pipe Cleaner Pets - Saturday, August 22, 12:00-3:00 p.m. (K)

Create cute little pets using pipe cleaners and googly eyes.



Check out our great collection of ebooks and digital audiobooks for all ages using Libby. It's free to use with your library card! To get started, download the Libby app or talk to our staff.

Remember to hand in your reading record at the library by Monday, August 24 at 6:00 p.m. to be eligible for our prize drawings!

August 23–29

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
23 Stick Trivets: 11:00-3:00 <div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 15px; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Reading Records due Monday! </div>	24 Teens Read!: 1:00 Family Magic Show with MagicMan: 6:00	25 Summer STEAM - Poppin' Pufferfish: 12:00-4:00	26 Sunny Day Potions: 1:00, 1:30, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00 Friends of CPL Music on the Lawn: 5:30-7:30	27 Special Visitor Storytime - Police: 10:30 Games on the Lawn: 1:00-6:00	28 Backpack Charms: 11:00-3:00	29 Saturday Storytime: 11:00 Popsicle Stick Family Portrait: 11:30-3:00

Take & Make Craft Kit Available from 8/23 through 8/29: Paper Mosaic Art

Stick Trivets - Sunday, August 23, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (E)

Using natural materials, create a trivet or a coaster for your kitchen!

Teens Read! - Monday, August 24, 1:00 p.m. (T)

What have you been reading this summer? Come gather with more readers and share your faves and what's on your TBR list!

Family Magic Show with MagicMan - Monday, August 24, 6:00 p.m. (LK)

Drop off your reading record and stay to see MagicMan's exciting show filled with conjuring, comedy, and audience participation! Funding for this event provided by Castleton-Schodack Kiwanis.

Summer STEAM: Poppin' Pufferfish - Tuesday, August 25, 12:00-4:00 p.m. (KT)

Held outdoors, weather permitting. Recommended for ages 8 and up; younger children welcome with an adult's help. Let's make a Pufferfish and then watch it puff up!

Sunny Day Potions - Wednesday, August 26, starts every half hour from 1:00-4:00 p.m. (KT)

Starts every half hour at 1:00, 1:30, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, and 4:00. Held outdoors, weather permitting. We'll create a potion for sunny summer days to last forever. Every participant will get to bring some of our potion home, too!

Friends of CPL Music on the Lawn: Scarlett Duo - Wednesday, August 26, 5:30-7:30 p.m. (E)

Held outdoors, weather permitting. Enjoy live music by Scarlett Duo on the front lawn! The Friends of CPL will be selling meatball subs, hot dogs, strawberry shortcakes, and drinks from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Music is from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Special Visitor Storytime: Police - Thursday, August 27, 10:30 a.m. (LK)

A police officer from the Schodack Police Department will be stopping by for this Special Visitor Storytime!

Games on the Lawn - Thursday, August 27, 1:00-6:00 p.m. (E)

Held outdoors, weather permitting. Join us for a variety of fun outdoor games on our front lawn!

Backpack Charms - Friday, August 28, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (KT)

Got the back-to-school blues? Create a fun charm to decorate your backpack and get excited for September!

Saturday Storytime - Saturday, August 29, 11:00 a.m. (L)

Sometimes a weekend storytime fits perfectly in a busy schedule. Join us for summer picture book read-alouds.

Popsicle Stick Family Portrait - Saturday, August 29, 11:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (LK)

Make a crafty family portrait using popsicle sticks.

August 30–September 5

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30 Scrapbooking Expo: 11:00-4:00	31 Spin and Spiral Art: 4:00-7:00	1 Cook with Me - Apple Slice Cookies: 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00	2 Library Scavenger Hunt: 1:00-8:00	3 Special Visitor Storytime: Bearcat Armored Vehicle: 10:30	4 Color By Number: 10:00-6:00	5 Legomania: 11:00-4:00

Take & Make Craft Kit Available from 8/30 through 9/5: Crafting Bonanza

Scrapbooking Expo - Sunday, August 30, 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. (ages 14+)

For ages 14 and up. Bring your printed pictures and create scrapbook pages! We'll have paper trimmers, cardstock, adhesive, and a die cut machine available for your use. Get caught up on preserving your memories into a keepsake album.

Spin and Spiral Art - Monday, August 31, 4:00-7:00 p.m. (KT)

Recommended for ages 5 and up; younger children welcome with an adult's help. Explore a world of color with our Spin Art and Spirograph tools!

Cook with Me: Apple Slice Cookies - Tuesday, September 1, starts every hour from 1:00-4:00 p.m. (LKT)

Starts on the hour at 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, and 4:00. Part cookie, part healthy snack! This is a perfect match-up and easy snack to enjoy into the fall!

Library Scavenger Hunt - Wednesday, September 2, 1:00-8:00 p.m. (LKT)

Follow clues throughout the library to solve a riddle and receive a sweet prize!

Special Visitor Storytime: Bearcat Armored Vehicle - Thursday, September 3, 10:30 a.m. (LK)

At this Special Visitor Storytime, we'll get a visit from the "Bearcat," an armored vehicle.

Color By Number - Friday, September 4, 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. (KT)

Join us for a relaxing day of color by number! No experience is needed to create your own work of art.

Legomania - Saturday, September 5, 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. (KT)

We'll have lots of Legos out for this all-weekend build-a-thon!



The fun doesn't have to end just because summer is over! The library has events going on all year long. Pick up a copy of our September events calendar or check our website to find out what's next!

Did you know that you can borrow passes for free or reduced admission to area museums with your library card? Talk to our staff or visit our website to learn more about our Museum Pass program!



Little Ones Reading Record

For ages birth through entering Kindergarten in the fall

Full Name: _____

Checkmark or color in each day that you read to your child
for at least 20 minutes.

Earn 20 points for each day that you read for at least 20 minutes.

Plus: earn 5 bonus points
for every activity that you complete on the back of this sheet!

For every 60 points you earn, you get 1 chance to win in our prize drawings!

Be sure to turn in your reading record by
6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 24 to be entered in our prize drawings!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	STAFF USE ONLY
					6/26	6/27	
6/28	6/29	6/30	7/1	7/2	7/3	7/4	
7/5	7/6	7/7	7/8	7/9	7/10	7/11	
7/12	7/13	7/14	7/15	7/16	7/17	7/18	
7/19	7/20	7/21	7/22	7/23	7/24	7/25	
7/26	7/27	7/28	7/29	7/30	7/31	8/1	
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8/16	8/17	8/18	8/19	8/20	8/21	8/22	

Castleton Public Library - Little Ones Summer Reading Program Registration

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____

Age: _____ School/Preschool/Daycare: _____

Grade Entering in Fall (circle one): _____ Phone Number: _____

Pre-K K None

Color in each activity that you and your child complete this summer.

Earn 5 bonus points for every activity that you complete!

You'll get your bonus points for these activities when you hand in your reading record at the end of the summer!

Sign up for Summer Reading Club	Read a book in your PJs	Look for flowers outside	Read a book with a family member	Sing "Baby Shark" using hand motions	Read a book with a blue cover	Do a puzzle
Come to a craft program at the library or work on a Take & Make Craft Kit at home		Read a book about a cat		Read in a cozy spot	Read or look at a book with a pet or a stuffed animal	
Play "I Spy" outside	Read a book about dinosaurs	Go swimming or play with water	Name words that rhyme with "hop"	Come to a storytime at the library	What animals live on the farm?	Sing "BINGO"
Find something green in your bedroom	Name words that rhyme with "pig"	Read a book that came out in 2026		Visit a playground or park	Point out different colors at the park. Which color is your favorite?	
Check out a book at the library	Sing and dance to "The Hokey Pokey"			Try playing a new game	Read a book that rhymes or that you can sing	
Draw with chalk	Write or trace your name		Play with clay, dough, or other squishy stuff!		Draw a picture to give to a family member or friend	
Listen and name the sounds you hear outside	How high can you count?			Have a dance party!	Visit one of our StoryWalks at Schodack Island State Park or Schodack Town Park	

Kids Reading Record

For kids entering grades 1-5 in the fall

Full Name: _____

Checkmark or color in each day that you read for at least 20 minutes.

Earn 20 points for each day that you read for at least 20 minutes.

Plus: earn 5 bonus points

for every activity that you complete on the back of this sheet!

For every 60 points you earn, you get 1 chance to win in our prize drawings!

The more you read, the more chances you have to win.

Be sure to turn in your reading record by

6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 24 to be entered in our prize drawings!

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Castleton Public Library - Kids Summer Reading Program Registration

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____

School: _____ Phone Number: _____

Grade Entering in Fall (circle one): 1 2 3 4 5

Color in each activity that you complete this summer.

Earn 5 bonus points for every activity that you complete!

You'll get your bonus points for these activities when you hand in your reading record at the end of the summer!

Sign up for Summer Reading Club	Read a graphic novel or comic	Read in a cozy spot	Read a book about summer	Check out a book at the library	Read a fantasy or sci-fi book	Try out a new food
Read a book that starts with the first letter of your name		Play a game outside	Read a biography	Tell a friend about a book you read		
Learn a dinosaur fact	Complete a word search	Listen to an audiobook	Read a book that came out in 2026	Make a card for a friend	Read on a Friday	
Help to make breakfast		Read a book with a green cover	Go to a park or playground	Go on a nature scavenger hunt	Build with Legos	
Come to a Summer STEAM program at the library		Read to someone on the phone or Facetime	Have a dance party!	Come to a craft program at the library or work on a CPL craft kit at home		
Draw a picture of an animal	Try yoga	Read a book about your favorite animal	Try reading to a sibling, pet, or stuffed animal!	Write a review or make a video about a favorite book		
Re-read your favorite book	Go for a walk or bike ride	Learn a new song	Take a picture outside			

Teen Reading Record

For teens entering grades 6-12 in the fall

Full Name: _____

Checkmark or color in each day that you read for at least 20 minutes.

Earn 20 points for each day that you read for at least 20 minutes.

Plus: earn 5 bonus points

for every activity that you complete on the back of this sheet!

For every 60 points you earn, you get 1 chance to win in our prize drawings!

The more you read, the more chances you have to win.

Be sure to turn in your reading record by

6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 24 to be entered in our prize drawings!

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Castleton Public Library - Teen Summer Reading Program Registration

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Grade Entering in Fall (circle one): _____ School: _____

6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Checkmark or color in each activity that you complete this summer.

Earn 5 bonus points for every activity that you complete!

You'll get your bonus points for these activities when you hand in your reading record at the end of the summer!

Sign up for Summer Reading Club

Read a graphic novel or manga

Read a book about or set in NYS

Try a new sport or game you've never played before

Do a random act of kindness

Come to a library arts and crafts event or pick up one of our craft kits to work on at home

Try a recipe with an ingredient you've never had before

Try bird-watching

Read a nonfiction book

Find an interesting fact in the local history collection at CPL

Go for a hike or nature walk

Write a review or make a video about a book

Recreate the cover art of your favorite book

Listen to an audiobook

Recommend a book to a friend

Play a card game

Watch a movie that is based on a book you've read

Come to a Summer STEAM event

Go for a swim

Re-read a favorite book from your childhood

Try a new hobby or activity

Go on a walk or bike ride

Write a poem about books or the library

Read a book from a series

Read a book with a red cover

Read while sipping on a cold drink

Spend time reading outside

Read a book in a genre you've never read before

Collect wildflowers

Pick a book only based on the cover

Write your own story

Come to a food-related event at the library

Check out a book from the library

Read a book that came out in 2026

Read a book with a one-word title

Adult Reading Record

Full Name: _____

For each box, read a book (print, e-book, or audiobook) that fits the category.
Each book you read only counts for one category.

Earn 1 chance to win in our prize drawings for each category you complete!

Return this reading record by **6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 24** to enter to win our raffle prize drawings.

Read a book of your choice	Read a book with a season in the title	Read a book written by an author over 70	Read a book with a non-human character	Read a biography of a person born before 1900
Read a book published the year you turned 10 years old	Read a book written by an African-American author	Read a book related to or set during the American Revolution	Learn a fact about Castleton/Schodack using an item from our Local History section	Read a book of your choice
Read a book with an interesting cover			Read a book related to health, fitness, or sports	Read a book of your choice
Read a book about or set in the outdoors	Read a book with "family" or kinship words (for example: "mother") in the title	Read a book related to art, theater, music, or folk traditions	Read a book published in 2026	Read a book translated from another language
Read a book of your choice				
Read an award-winning book (examples: Pulitzer Prize; Edgar Award; National Book Award; Indie Booksellers' Choice Award; National Book Critics Circle Award)				Read a book with a blue cover

Castleton Public Library - Adult Summer Reading Program Registration

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Phone: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____

Email Address: _____

Library Materials & Services

There is so much to do and see at the Castleton Public Library!

- Books and Magazines
- eContent — access a wide variety of eBooks, audiobooks, magazines, comics, manga, and Comics Plus! online through Libby
- DVDs
- Museum Passes — we have passes for free or reduced admission to a variety of nearby museums! Stop by to check out our collection.
- Computers and WiFi — We have four public access computers/laptops, and free WiFi (which you can even access from outside the building on Stimpson Avenue!)

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