

# The Pearl River Oracle

*Pearl River Public Library – Youth Services  
Summer Reading Program Special Issue*

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## Soar Into Reading



Activities  
for children, from infants  
through grade 6

Activities  
for Teens & Tweens,  
entering grades 6-12

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# Soar Into Reading

## 2015 Summer Reading Club



Independent readers who have finished kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade may join our summer reading club. Readers will read library books at home and participate in collecting stickers or games while earning prizes.

### Sign Up First...

Readers will get their drawstring backpacks filled with reading club information at the Children's Librarian's Desk:

**Monday, June 22 to Friday, July 24**  
**10:00am to 8:00pm, Fridays to 5:00pm**

### Now Start Reading...

Readers record what you read in your Reading Record. Bring it with you for stickers and a different prize each week.

**Monday, June 29 to Monday, August 3**  
**Monday – Thursday: 11:00am-1:00pm and 5:00pm-8:00pm**  
**Friday: 11:00am-2:00pm Saturday: 11:00am-1:00pm**

### Fantastic Finale!

Readers who have been in to get stickers at least once are invited to The Fantastic Finale to celebrate everyone's reading success.  
**Tuesday, August 4, 7:00-8:00pm: *Flow Circus with Paul Miller!***  
Paul's comedy juggling and magic show engages audiences of all ages. He loves to share his passion for skill-based play at schools, libraries, camps and companies throughout the year.

### Summer Reading Program Kick Off: Sidewalk Chalk Art

Wednesday, July 1, 4:00-6:00pm

Ages: families of all ages

Join us for our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Sidewalk Chalk Art!  
Bring your family and design a square of sidewalk that shows what makes you soar! We'll supply the chalk and the sidewalk. Face painting too.

**No registration.**

### Notes:

All activities are for PRPL cardholders. However, nonresidents can sign up for the wait list.

Age restrictions are set for each program to ensure it will run smoothly. Please do not ask us to make exceptions.

Parking is available in the Franklin Avenue School lot, once school has ended.

# Activities for Children:

## Infants/Toddlers/Preschoolers

### Concerts & Special Events

#### Steve Woyce: The Turtle Show

All Ages

Tuesday, June 9, 1:30-2:15pm

Children of all ages love turtles and they will be here for you!! "The Turtle Show" features a variety of live turtles and tortoises from around the world.

No registration. Bring a friend!

#### Mr. Kurt Sings Silly Songs

Ages: 1-5 years old with an adult

Wednesday, July 15, 10:30-11:15am

One of our favorites! Don't miss his "Summer Show!"

No registration.

#### Song Time with Delores Jiji

Ages: 1-5 year olds with an adult

Tuesday, August 4, 10:30-11:15am

No registration.

### Weekly Story Times

#### Stories, Songs & Silliness with Miss Sarah

Ages: Not yet 2 years old with an adult

Mondays, June 29 – August 3, 11:00-11:30am

It's the perfect introduction to story time, bubbles and all!

No registration.

#### Story Time for 2s & 3s

Ages: 2 & 3 year olds, with an adult

Thursdays, July 2 – August 6, 10:30-11:00am

Join us for summer-themed stories and a simple craft.

No registration.

#### Story Time for 4s & 5s

Ages: 4 & 5 year olds, not yet in kindergarten

Tuesdays, June 30 – July 28, 10:30-11:15am

Join us for summer-themed stories and a simple craft.

No registration.

#### Pajama Stories with Miss Sarah

Ages: 3 – 5 year olds, families welcome

Tuesdays, June 30 – August 4, 7:00-7:30pm

Children can wear their pj's & bring a favorite stuffed animal.

No registration.

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#### Minecraft with Mark Zaino



Ages: Entering grades 1-3

Friday, July 17, 3:30-4:30pm

Minecraft started as a game about breaking and placing blocks. Now players work together to create wonderful imaginative things. Be part of the fun!

Registration begins Monday, July 6 at 9:30am

# Infants to Entering Grade 6

## Younger Elementary

### Thursday Afternoons with Miss Annadora

Ages: children entering grades 1-3

Thursdays, July 2 – August 6, 4:00-5:00pm

Each week, there will be activities, crafts and a snack.

#### July 2 4-5pm Shazam!

Color a mask; make a logo/symbol, a badge to string and a quick cape to transform into a superhero.

Registration starts Monday, June 22 at 9:30am

#### July 9 4-5pm Be Your Own Hero!

Begin your quest by decorating your own sword and shield, tweak your target practice skills, and snack to strengthen your super powers!

Registration starts Monday, June 29 at 9:30am

#### July 16 4-5pm Bad Guys & Villains

Channel your inner villain! Explore the world of bad guys, evil queens and foils with mustaches, masks, crowns, creepy crafts and crackers.

Registration begins Monday, July 6 at 9:30am

#### July 23 4-5pm All About Animals

Mad Science will present "All About Animals."

Registration begins Monday, July 13 at 9:30am

#### July 30 4-5pm Sidekicks

Come dressed as one of your favorite Minions and meet the most lovable sidekicks of all time. Toilet paper roll and Twinkie crafts.

Registration begins Monday, July 20 at 9:30am

#### August 6 4-5pm Toga! Toga! Toga!

Tie on a toga: it's time to party! Create Grecian inspired crafts, games and grapes.

Registration begins Monday, July 27 at 9:30am

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### PRPL Code Club

Ages: entering gr. 3&4

Mon., June 29-August 10

10:00-11:00am

No class July 13 & 15. Class size is limited.

Registration starts Monday, June 22 at 9:30am

Ages: entering gr. 5& 6

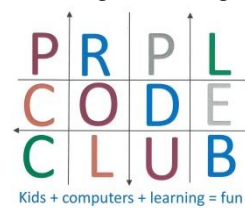
Wed., July 1- August 12

10:00-11:00am

Code.org is coming to the library this summer! We'll be

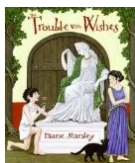
teaching kids the language of the future in this fun summer club for 3-6th grades. Using Code.org, Google Chromebooks, Angry Birds and a little imagination, kids will get familiar with the building blocks of writing code in JavaScript. Our Teen

Tech Tutors will also be on hand to provide some extra techie help and inspiration.



## Book Discussions with Miss Noël

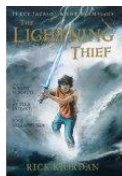
### The Trouble with Wishes



Ages: entering grades 1 & 2  
Wednesday, July 8, 7:00-8:00pm  
Based on the Pygmalion myth, this fun to read tale reminds us of the old adage: "Be careful what you wish for." Come in and sit with Miss Noël, talk, craft and have fun!

Registration starts Monday, June 22 at 9:30am.

### The Lightning Thief – Graphic Novel



Ages: entering grades 3 & 4  
Wednesday, July 22, 7:00-8:15pm  
Sign up and read the mega hit by Rick Riordan in graphic novel form. Enjoy the adventures of Percy Jackson and his friends. Come back for talk, craft and fun with Miss Noël.

Registration starts Monday, June 22 at 9:30am.

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## Older Elementary

### Wednesday Afternoons

Ages: children entering grades 4-6  
Wednesdays, July 8 – August 5, 4:00-5:00pm  
Something different each week!

#### July 8 4-5pm Poured Paint Flower Pots

Turn a pot upside down and drip colorful acrylic paint over it all. When dry, add a flower and it's a pretty addition to your garden. With PRSD art teacher Lorna Carroll.  
Registration starts Monday, June 29 at 9:30am.

#### July 15 4-5:30pm Fun with Science

PRHS senior Matthew Ding returns with some fun science experiments covering biology, chemistry and physics.  
Registration starts Monday, July 6 at 9:30am.

#### July 22 4-5pm Get Connected

Mad Science visits with all you need to learn how telephones work – the "old kind" with wires, and your cell phone too!  
Registration starts Monday, July 13 at 9:30am.

#### July 29 4-5pm Chips & Dip: Wholesome Snacks

These kinds of chips and dips *are* healthy – and good too. Learn about other snacks that make the cut on the healthy side.  
Registration starts Monday, July 20 at 9:30am

#### August 5 4-5pm Cartooning

Learn the basics for drawing your own comic strip. Learn about facial expressions, setting up the strip and more! With PRSD art teacher Lorna Carroll.  
Registration starts Monday, July 27 at 9:30am.



# Teen Zone

## Activities for Teens & Tweens (Entering Grades 6-12)

Hooray! It's (*finally*) summer once again!  
Don't forget to check in at the Library or on our website <http://www.pearlriverlibrary.org/pearlriver/teenstart.asp> for all the great programs that are happening for teens!

## Summer Reading Club

Teens who are entering grades 6-12 can earn prizes and more for participating in the summer Reading Program at the Library. Teens can read any books, magazines, graphic novels and/or listen to audio books of their choosing to earn prizes. Registration is online at <http://pearlriverlibrary.org/pearlriver/teenstart.asp>. For every book reviewed online, 5 raffle tickets are earned. Teens can record their books entirely online but must come into the library to redeem raffle tickets. There will be a weekly prize drawing for the 6-week program with incentives to be given to all who participate and redeem raffle tickets. You can sign up starting June 22.  
Need help with the online program or have questions? Stop by the library or contact Mrs. Gunning.

## 2015 Battle of the Books

Join our team, **The Book Eating Mice!** If you are between the ages of 12 and 18, then you are eligible to participate in the 2015 Battle of the Books Competition. Teams from neighboring libraries will come together on Sunday, September 13 and match wits to see which team knows the most trivia from eight selected titles. The Pearl River Team will meet during the summer to talk about the books and practice by engaging in mock battles, all to prepare for the final battle. (Location of the Battle to be determined.)

**Sign up at the Adult Reference Desk or call 845-735-4084, x115.**

This year's titles are:

*To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee  
*Counting by Sevens* by Holly Goldberg Sloan  
*Maze Runner* by James Dashner  
*Nothing Can Possibly Go Wrong* by Prudence Shen  
*A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* by Betty Smith  
*An Abundance of Katherines* by John Green  
*Down the Rabbit Hole* by Peter Abrahams  
*Temple Grandin* by Sy Montgomery

### Battle of the Books Meeting Dates:

All Tuesdays, 6:00-7:00pm  
July 7, July 21, August 4 & August 18

**Battle of the Books members will come together to discuss the books from the battle list to prepare for the regional battle in September. A mock Battle of the Books will be held.**

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### PRPL Summer T-Shirts

Friday, June 26, 10:30am-12:30pm or 1:00pm -3:00pm

Come make creative t-shirts to wear for extra credit with Arlene, t-shirt crafter extraordinaire. Splatter paint materials will be provided so wear old clothes. **Registration is required and space is limited** (preference given to those already signed up as summer volunteers).



### Summer Writing Workshop for Teens

Wednesdays, 4:00-5:00pm

This workshop is a supportive place where you will meet other teen writers and, together, set your creative ideas in motion. The workshop is led by librarian John Aiello, who has published fiction, nonfiction and poetry, and holds an MFA in Fiction Writing. Call us at 845-735-4084, x115 for exact dates and times.



No registration.

### Teen Movie Nights

Grades: entering 6-12

Wednesdays, July 1, July 8 and August 5, 7:00-8:30pm

Check our website for the name of the movie to be shown.

### Getting Ready for College

Grades: 10-12

Wednesday, July 15, 7:00-8:00pm

Get a month-by-month schedule to help you be ready when it's time to pack for college. (Postponed from an earlier date.)

Registration starts Monday, June 22.

### Song Writing Workshop

Grades: entering 8-12

Wednesdays, July 22 & 29, 7:00-8:30pm

Join Alice Leon, professional singer/songwriter and learn just what it takes to write a song and create a green-screen video.

Registration starts Monday, June 22.



### Teens and Tweens Art Club

Art Activities with Pearl River Art Instructor Lorna Carroll

for Teens and Tweens entering

Grades 6 – 12

Mondays, 4:00-5:00pm

Registration begins Monday, June 22 at 9:30am.



### June 29: Photograms

Come and make photograms using light-sensitive paper, the sun and miscellaneous objects – Photography without a camera.

### July 6: Post-It Note Mini-Masterpieces and Gallery

Lots of art is being created with simple Post-It notes. Draw mini masterpieces or calligraphy on the squares. There will be a large public art exhibit when we are finished.

### July 13: Marbled Paper, Part 1: Create the Paper

Create your own marbled paper with acrylic paints and shaving cream. Drip the paint and drag it into swirls.

### July 20: Marbles Paper, Part 2: Make Something

Using the paper you made last week, make something to decorate and enjoy.

### July 27: Recycled Poetry

Cut words from magazine and glue them onto magnetic paper. Cut them apart and place them on the fridge or other magnetic surface. "Write" new poetry every time you walk by.

### August 3: iPad/Kindle Sleeve

Make a protective sleeve for your device from a bubble wrap envelope and colorful duct tape.

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### Teen Tech Tutors

Fridays, 11:00-1:00, July 10 – August 7

We're looking for some tech savvy teens to teach others about the new technology. We need "specialists" in Smart phones, e-Readers, iPads and more. Do you know how to use these? Can you share your knowledge? Please contact Mrs. Gunning at 845-735-4084, x126.

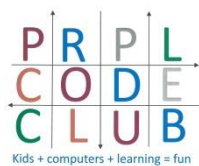
### PRPL Code Club

Mondays, 10-11am, June 29-August 10 (grades 3 & 4)

Wednesdays, 10-11am, July 1-August 12 (grades 5 & 6)

(No meeting July 13 & 15.)

PRPL will have a Code Club for kids this summer and we need your help! Know anything about code? Go to [code.org](http://code.org) and sharpen your skills to be ready to help. Here's **another chance for Teen Tech Tutors** to help out our community. Please contact Mrs. Gunning at 845-735-4084, x126.





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### ***Library Hours***

Monday – Thursday: 9:00am-9:00pm

Friday – Saturday: 10:00am-5:00pm

Sunday: 1:00pm-5:00pm

### ***Summer Hours begin Saturday, June 20:***

Monday – Thursday: 9:00am-9:00pm

Friday: 10:00am-5:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am-2:00pm

Sunday: Closed

### ***Holiday Closings***

Saturday, July 4 – Independence Day

Monday, September 7 – Labor Day

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*The Board of Trustees meets*

*the fourth Monday each month, at 7:15pm.*

*For additional details, please call 845-735-4084, x117.*

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