

# Special Events



**2017 Winter Reading Program:  
Get Fired Up for Reading!**

**January 4—March 5**

Kids in Kindergarten - 2nd grade are invited to participate in the 2017 Winter Reading Program. Following along with a reading guide, participants will get a dragon scale to help us form a reading dragon. Participants who read all of the books will get to pick a treat from the Mystery Box!

**Registration begins Wednesday, January 4**



**Paws for Reading**  
(Kids in 1st-5th grades with a grown-up)

Kids can come to the library and read with one of the volunteer dogs from Therapy Dogs International. You'll have the chance to read for up to 15 minutes with 2 dogs. While you wait, you can explore the library's collection of iPads, games, and STEM activities.

Dates: January 19 and February 16  
When: Thursdays from 5:30-6:30pm  
Where: Children's Story Room

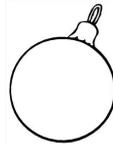
**Registration begins on  
Wednesday, January 4**

# Crafting Fun

Get ready for your favorite holidays by making some great crafts at the Library!

*Parents must accompany their children during craft time.*

## Make a Holiday Ornament



**Monday, December 12 through**

**Thursday, December 22**



## Celebrate Winter

**Wednesday, January 4 through**

**Sunday, January 15**



## Celebrate Valentine's Day

**Monday, February 6 through**

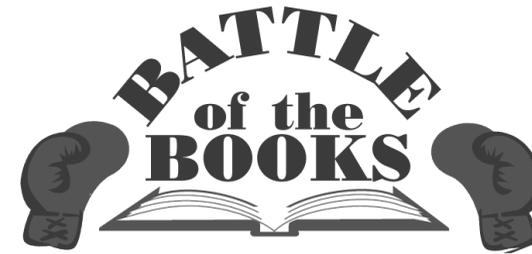
**Tuesday, February 14**

### Craft Times

Mondays-Thursdays—9:30am—8:30pm

Fridays & Saturdays—9:30am—4:30pm

Sundays—1:00pm-4:30pm



## 3rd & 4th Grade

# Battle of the Books

Families are invited to compete in the ultimate showdown of book knowledge!

Form your team of 1 student (a 3rd or 4th grader) and 1 grown-up who is related to the student. Come in to the Library to register, receive your booklist, check-out books, and start reading. All teams will read the same books and come back to the library for a fun quiz show event!

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will receive a trophy; everyone will get a take-home prize and bragging rights; the school with the most points will win a trophy to display for one year.

**Registration runs from Monday, January 16 through Monday, February 6**

**3rd Grade Battle of the Books  
Monday, February 27 at 6:00pm**

**4th Grade Battle of the Books  
Thursday, March 2 at 6:00pm**

# USC Township Library



## 2017 Winter Classes & Programs for Kids and Families

*Our classes are designed for incremental learning.*

*Each class builds on the last.*

*Regular attendance will produce optimal growth.*

**Registration is in person at the library, beginning on Wednesday, January 4.**



# Library Classes for Kids and Families

**Registration  
begins on  
Wednesday,  
January 4  
in person at the  
Library.**

- Children's classes/ events are free of charge.
- To ensure quality classes, limiting groups by size and age is often necessary.



**Babies and Toddlers**  
(Children ages 4 months—24 months with a caregiver)

This class combines action rhymes, songs, interactive play, and books all designed to hold the attention of our youngest participants. Active adult participation is encouraged.

Dates: January 16/17 through February 20/21  
When: Mondays or Tuesdays at 10:00am  
Where: Children's Story Room



**Twos & Threes Storytime**  
(Children ages 2—3 ½ years old with a caregiver)

Twos and Threes Storytime features books and stories, action rhymes and songs, puppets, and play to entertain your child.

Dates: January 17/18 through February 21/22  
When: Tuesdays at 11:00am or 1:45pm  
Wednesdays at 10:00am  
Where: Children's Story Room



**Preschool Storytime**  
(Pre-school children ages 3 ½, 4, and 5 years old who are ready to spend a half hour on their own)

Stories, songs, fingerplays, and book-related activities are in Preschool Storytime which concludes with an ending activity for participants and their caregivers.

Dates: January 19/20 through February 23/24  
When: Thursdays at 10:00am or 1:45pm  
Fridays at 10:00am  
Where: Children's Story Room



**Math Mites**  
(Kids ages 4 and 5 years old who are not yet attending Kindergarten)

Each week of this six-week class will concentrate on different math concepts. The classes will feature a short group time and lots of hands-on activities!

Dates: January 18 through February 22  
When: Wednesdays at 10:00am or 1:45pm  
Where: Children's Quiet Place



**Library Explorers**  
(Children who are currently in Kindergarten)

This session of Library Explorers will feature activities developed by the Crazy 8s Math Club which sneaks arithmetic lessons into fun games.

Dates: January 17 through February 21  
When: Tuesdays at 10:00am or 1:45pm  
Where: Children's Quiet Place



**BookTrek**  
(1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> graders)

Express yourself this winter through creative art workshops developed by Hervé Tullet, author and illustrator of *Press Here*, *Mix it Up*, and *Let's Play*.

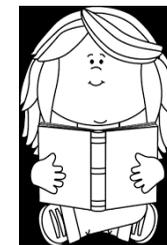
Dates: January 17/18 through February 21/22  
When: Tuesdays or Wednesdays at 4:00pm  
Where: Children's Story Room



**Family Storytime**  
(Families with children ages 2-7 years old)

You're invited to spend a fun evening sharing stories, songs and games. Active participation by kids and parents is strongly encouraged!

Date: January 12  
March 16  
When: Thursdays at 7:00pm  
Where: Children's Story Room



**A Special Storytime**  
(Families with children ages 3-6 years old)

If your child has difficulty sitting through a regular storytime, perhaps this class will work for you. We are hoping you and your child will feel comfortable and safe in this storytime setting.

We'll share books, songs, rhymes, and spend time socializing in our Story Room. A parent or caregiver is asked to attend with their child and help guide them through the activities.

Dates: January 16  
February 13  
March 13  
When: Mondays at 7:00pm  
Where: Children's Story Room

