Dinosaurs in the ELC!

Dinosaurs have taken over the Early Literacy Center at MCPL Wausau! Follow the T-rex footprints to the ELC and explore the magnet wall, flannel board, volcano, activity play mat, puppet stand and more.

 Pretend play is an important part of your child’s development. Let your child’s imagination run wild as they explore a “dinosaur world.” Play mat with realistic dinosaur action figures. Your child can also put on a show with dinosaur puppets and arrange dinosaurs within the volcanic scene on the felt board! These activities promote hands-on learning and hand-eye coordination.

 Learn fun facts about volcanoes and their power to erupt! You and your child can explore this natural wonder. Open the volcano up to see the core and the “hot” lava!

 Stomp on over to the magnet board and encourage your child to say the ABC’s while arranging the dino cards from A to Z. This will help with letter knowledge and vocabulary. Also, count with your child while arranging the dino eggs from 1 to 10, and help them build spatial skills by using green shapes to create different dinosaurs.

 Work with your child to complete board puzzles, tangrams and more! Enjoy a wide variety of dinosaur-themed informational books, picture books and board books, and read together. The ELC features materials and activities for children ages 0-5 years old and their parents/caregivers. If you have questions about early literacy, please ask our trained staff at the children’s desk.

 Take note of the new service hours listed below, which will go into effect starting January 12. A few recurring events, such as story times and book clubs, will be affected by the change in hours and will meet at new times. Please contact your local library for more information about these changes.

 Participate in the next Big Library Read!

 This fall, curl up with a book that thousands of others will be reading at the same time! November 4-18, Overdrive – the company that supplies books to Wisconsin’s Digital Library – will host their next Big Library Read. During this global online book club, unlimited e-book and audiobook copies of a selected title are made available to all Overdrive and Libby users to download using their library cards.

 Library Hours Changing!

 One of the Marathon County Public Library’s main goals is to give the best service possible to our patrons. To help better serve you, the hours of operation at each MCPL location will change in mid-January. A balance of morning, afternoon and evening hours will be offered at each of our nine locations. In addition, Saturday hours will be cut at each location in order to provide patrons with weekend access to their local library in every part of the county!

 Visit www.mcpl.us/holidays for more information.

 Holiday Hours

 All MCPL locations will be closed 11/27 by 5pm; closed all day 11/28; closed 12/24 and 12/25; closed 12/31 by 5pm; and closed all day 1/1. For future holiday hours and closings, visit www.mcpl.us/holidays.

 Story Times: Nov.-Dec.

 FAMILY STORY TIME

 (for children of all ages; 30 minutes)

 Sat., 10am: 11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/23, 11/30 @ MCPL Wausau
 Tue., 10am: 11/5, 11/12, 11/19, 11/26, 12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 12/24 @ MCPL Athens
 Thu., 9:30am: 11/7, 11/14, 11/21, 12/5, 12/12, 12/19 @ MCPL Edgar
 Tue., 10:30am: 11/5, 11/12, 12/9, 12/16, 12/23, 12/30 @ MCPL Mosinee
 Wed., 10am: 11/6, 11/13, 12/10, 12/17, 12/24 @ MCPL Hatley
 Tue., 10:30am: 11/5, 11/12, 11/19, 12/16, 12/23 @ MCPL Marathon City
 Wed., 10am: 11/16, 11/23 @ MCPL Marathon City

 PLAY & LEARN

 (for children of all ages; 60-90 minutes)

 Fri., 9:30am: 11/1, 11/8, 11/15, 11/22, 12/19, 12/26, 12/27 @ MCPL Wausau
 Tue., 10:30am: 11/5, 11/12, 11/19, 12/6, 12/13, 12/20, 12/27 @ MCPL Wausau
 Thu., 10am: 11/7, 11/14, 11/21, 12/5, 12/12, 12/19, 12/26 @ MCPL Hatley
 Wed., 10am: 11/6, 11/13, 12/10, 12/17, 12/24 @ MCPL Mosinee
 Thu., 10:30am: 11/5, 11/12, 11/19, 12/6, 12/13, 12/20, 12/27 @ MCPL Mosinee
 Wed., 10am: 11/6, 11/13, 11/20, 12/17, 12/24 @ MCPL Hatley
 Wed., 10am: 11/6, 11/13, 11/20, 12/17 @ MCPL Spencer

 BOOK BABIES

 (for children ages 0-2 years; 20 minutes)

 Mon., 10am & 10:30am: 11/4, 11/11, 11/18, 11/25 @ MCPL Wausau

 DETAILS:

 www.mcpl.us/story-times

 www.mcpl.us/sp98

 www.mcpl.us/sp97
DIY Coasters!
Learn how to make your own coasters! Drop-in space available.

Book Club: “The Good Earth”
by Pearl S. Buck

Harvest Story Time
Celebrate the fall harvest with this story time!

Book Club: “My Bingo Grandma Asked Me To Tell You She’s Sorry!”
by Gail Honeyman

Pumpkin Club
Join fellow Pumpkin fans for a monthly gathering of all things pumpkin, including new activities each month and the opportunity to play the Pumpkin trading card game!

Button Craft Day
Make art with buttons of various colors and sizes!

World’s Most Wonderful Stories...
Knitting, crocheting and quilting!

Leaf Art
Why wait for fall to see colorful leaves?
Stop by the library to create your own piece of fall art to enjoy year-round!

Teen Advisory Group
Are you interested in learning about STEAM activities?
Drop-in space available.

PSYCHIC FAIR (Teens Only)
Learn from an EMT about ways to save a life.

By design your very own papier mâché bowl. Your painting and design skills will come into play here.

Get Your Glow On!
Help us light up the library with the glow of science in the dark story time!

Family Game Day
Bring your family for a fun day of games and card games for all ages!

Family Game Day
Bring your family for a fun day of games with board and card games for all ages!

Jingle the Night Away
Children, tweens and teens can make holiday crafts!

Pumpkin Pie Craft
Work on a pumpkin pie art project with this fun fall craft!

Create unique tree decorations and craft supplies!

Learn to Quilt! “The Basics of Hand Quilting”
Learn to Quilt with Kristin Hannah

Home School Huddle
Families of homeschooled children enjoy our weekly story time and participate in various STEAM activities!

Easy Knit Hat
Ever wanted to learn how to knit a hat? Now is your chance! Join us to learn the basics of knitting, crocheting and quilting! You’re sure to find something at a great price, and all levels are welcome at this library to create your own handmade holiday cards!

Book Sale
Browse through thousands of gently used books, CDs, DVDs, puzzles and more! You’re sure to find something at a great price, and all proceeds benefit our library.

International Games Week
Learn more about various board games and card games around the world!

Leaf Art
Learn how to make a leaf painting with watercolors and watercolor paints!

Pajama Story Time
Join us for a special story time!

Grandmother Asked Me
Grandmother asked me “What did you do today?” Come find out what kids did in the past and how times have changed!

ADULTS & TEENS
50s Night
Join us as we celebrate the 50s with music, fashion, and food!

All Aboard for Advent: Family Game Day
Drop in to enjoy board games and card games with family and friends!

Our Teen Advisory Group invites you to build creative spaces! (Bring your own popcorn!)

11/4–11/7 @ MCPL Athens
Mon., 6:30–7:30pm: 11/4, 11/7
Tue., 1–3pm: 11/5, 11/12, 11/19
Wed., 6–8pm: 11/6, 11/13, 11/20
Thu., 2–4pm: 11/7, 11/14, 11/21

11/2 @ MCPL Wausau
Thu., 5pm–7pm: 11/2

12/2 @ MCPL Wausau
Thu., 5pm–7pm: 12/2

12/19 @ MCPL Athens
Thu., 11:30am–12pm: 12/19

12/30–12/31 @ MCPL Marathon City
Thu., 10am–11am: 12/30–12/31
Fri., 10am–11am: 12/30–12/31

12/26 @ MCPL Marathon City
Thu., 6:30–7:30pm: 12/26

Winter Hat Craft
Make a sparkly holiday hat for you and your friends to wear at holiday events!

Family Game Day
Bring your family for a fun day of games with board and card games for all ages!

Cribbage at the Library
Join us for an evening of cribbage and other card games!

Peanut Butter & Jelly Day
Join us for an afternoon of crafts and games, all centered around peanut butter and jelly!

Winter Bird feeder
Make a special treat for your feathered friends that stay with us during the winter!

Leaf Art
Learn how to make a leaf painting with watercolors and watercolor paints!

button craft day
Make a buttoned up fall top from an old sweater!

Book Club: “The 13th Girl”
by Ann Leary

Family Fun February
Make your own handmade holiday cards!

Genealogy Hunters
Are you interested in researching family history, genealogy, and oils at home?

Button Craft Day
Make art with buttons of various colors and sizes!

Family Fun February
Make your own handmade holiday cards!

Animal Care Day
Learn about the different species on the planet and their needs.

Leaf Art
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