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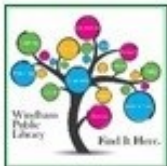


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## Windham Public Library 2014 Summer Reading Programs

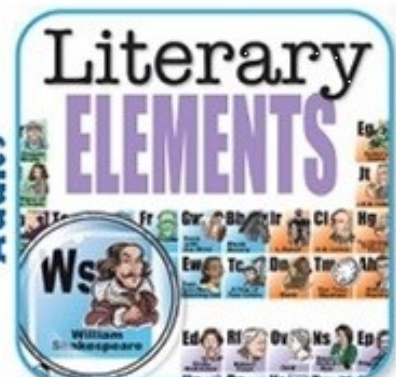
Children's



Teens'



Adults'



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**All programs, now through August 25th**

**Pick up your flyer at the library, or online at**

**[www.windham.lib.me.us/summer-reading-programs](http://www.windham.lib.me.us/summer-reading-programs)**

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## Director's Note:

The library staff is gearing up for the end of the school year, which means we will turn our attention to the Summer Reading program. We have something for everyone this year! See a staff member for more information and to sign up. You will find games, reading incentives, prizes and exciting events throughout the summer. The themes this year are **Fizz, Boom, Read** for the Children, **Spark a Reaction** for the Teens and **Literary Elements** for the Adults. As you can imagine there is a strong Science aspect to this theme so programming will be based around that. Look for us in the Summerfest parade as well; we have a really fun float planned!



Our new **Kindles and Nooks** are stocked and nearly ready to circulate. The Kindles will be in the Children's Room and have the Maine Student Book Award nominees loaded on them. You will be able to check them out on your account and take the devices home to experience reading on a Kindle. The Nooks have been loaded with popular adult fiction and non-fiction titles. Ask at the desk for more details. We are excited to begin circulating e-reader devices. Check one out for yourself!

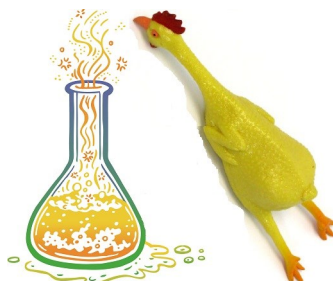
~Jen Alvino

Library Director



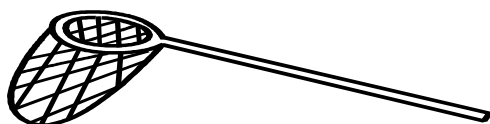
The Summer Reading Program "Fizz, Boom, Read" can be celebrated with the purchase of a \$5 shirt. See the folks in the Children's Room for

details. Shirts will be available to try on to be sure you get the right size.



**Dr. Beaker Fizz-Meister**, Scientist Extraordinaire, will be conducting experiments with vanishing solutions during the summer. Can you help us find him? The **rubber chicken will be hidden somewhere**

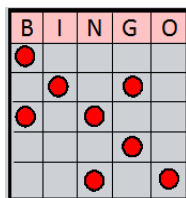
**upstairs** each day, from **June 23rd through August 22nd**. Find the chicken and get a small treat.



Thursday, June 19th, 10:30am  
**Craft time** for school-age children. Open to 24 participants. We will be making a **skimmer net** for scooping up water creatures from a pond or creek.



Wednesday, June 25, 2:30pm  
Join the folks from **Mad Science** for "**Fizz, Pop, Boom! Spectacular Science Show**" in the Windham Middle School Gym (408 Gray Road). Come see some of the wonders unfold with real scientists. Best for school-age children and their adults.



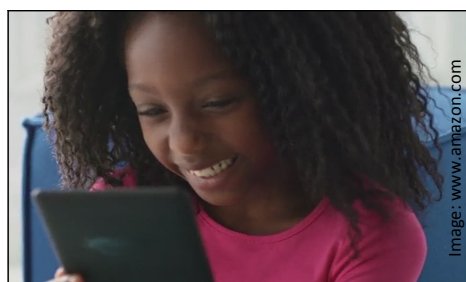
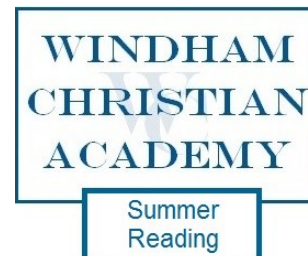
Get your **Teen** or **Adult Bingo sheet** upstairs in the library, or online at

<http://www.windham.lib.me.us/summer-reading-programs>

**Win prizes! Try something new! Have fun!**



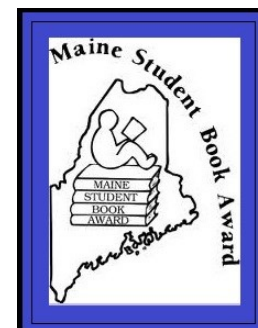
The library is supporting **Windham High School** and **Windham Christian Academy** students by having copies of their required Summer Reading books available for check out. Stop at the Help Desk upstairs if you need assistance finding an item, or check our catalog at <http://windham.kohalibrary.com>



**The Kindles are here!** The Children's Room now has two Paperwhite Kindle e-readers loaded with 44 books each, featuring many of the [2014-2015 Maine Student Book Award](#) titles as well as several Newbery Medal books. They circulate for three weeks at a time and can be renewed once (if no one else has reserved it). Easily search the catalog by entering "kindle" to reserve one of them. This is a great way to try one out and see if you would enjoy reading in this format.



The library community is pleased to announce that a selection of audio books and e-books from the **2014-2015 Maine Student Book Award** list have been added to **Maine Infonet's Download Library**. If you'd like a list of those items, please send an email to Mrs. Parker at [ltparker@windhammaine.us](mailto:ltparker@windhammaine.us) who will be happy to send you the title list.



The Children's Room is planning to add **family backpacks** to the library collection. Each backpack would include information and items based on a specific theme. **Here are some themes that are being explored:** Airplanes, Birds, Bugs, Card Making, Family Games, Geocaching, Hiking, Juggling, Magnets, Meadow, Music, Nature, New Sibling, River and Pond, Saltmarsh and Wetlands, Seashore, Stamping, Trucks, Windham History.

**What themes would you like to see added?** Stop by the Children's Room to fill out a slip with your choices and turn it into the circulation desk.

The backpacks will circulate for one week at a time. We are hoping to have them available for summer use.





The new pass for the [19th Century Willowbrook Village](#) has arrived thanks to the Friends of the Windham Public Library.

For a complete list of the discount passes available at the Windham Public Library visit [www.windham.lib.me.us/passes](http://www.windham.lib.me.us/passes) or stop in for a flyer.

## Ongoing programs and displays

### Books and Babies

**FOR:** Ages 6-24 months

**HELD:** Tuesdays, 10:00 am

*Please call to verify that program is still being held that day*



Books and Babies lasts approximately 20 minutes, and includes songs, fingerplays, and a story. This program has several goals: to provide early experiences for children with the spoken word, to provide a chance for parents/caregivers to share activities with children, and to create enjoyment for all during story time. It is very helpful for the adults to model the activities by participating with their child.

### Preschool Story Times

**FOR:** Children up to age 5

**HELD:** Mondays, 10:30 am  
Mondays, 1:00 pm

Thursday, 10:30 am, **July 5, 12 & 19**

*Please call to verify that program is still being held that day*



Children up to age 5 and their parents/caregivers are invited to join us. This presentation includes two stories and several songs. Children should be able to sit attentively throughout the 30 minute program.

### TNT Club

(\*Tweens-n-Teens)



**FOR:** Kids only! Grades 6-12 (ages 10-18) welcome!!

**WHAT:** Free, monthly after-school program

**WHERE:** Held in the library meeting room downstairs

**NEXT MEETING:** June 5th, 2:30-3:30 pm

**TOPIC WE'LL CHAT ABOUT:** Talk about your favorite book/audio/download  
Suggestions at [www.windham.lib.me.us/tnt-clubs-top-titles](http://www.windham.lib.me.us/tnt-clubs-top-titles)

**ACTIVITY:** [3rd Annual Outdoor Scavenger Hunt!](#)

**MORE INFO:** <http://www.windham.lib.me.us/teens>



**Windham  
Public  
Library  
Book  
Group**  
*(for adults)*



### Historical fiction

The Book Group usually meets on the last Tuesday of each month, at 6:15 pm. All are welcome to attend, whether a patron of our library or not. Contact the facilitator (Barbara) if you need a copy of the monthly selection.

**Next meeting:** June 24th, 6:15 pm

**Selection:** *Read any novel of **Historical Fiction**.*  
*Contact facilitator for suggestions*

## Tea For You @ The Library



**Next Tea:** *No Tea in June. But don't miss our **July 1st** Tea, 1:30-2:30 pm*

The library hosts an informal tea in the meeting room. Folks are encouraged to drop in, share conversation, tea, and goodies. The tea is open to anyone who would like to stop by that afternoon, whether you have a library account with us or not. All ages– kids to adults– are welcome, and the atmosphere is quite relaxed (no need to dress up, unless you wish). We hope you (and friends) will come!



### Exhibit Case

May 1st - July 31st

### Airplanes

Brandon Currier

### Art Display

May 1st -  
July 31st

### Virginia March



For more information about our displays, go to <http://www.windham.lib.me.us/exhibits>



### LIBRARY HOURS

*year-round*

#### Mon

9:30 am - 8:00 pm

#### Tues, Wed, Thurs

9:30 am - 6:00 pm

#### Fri, Sat

9:30 am - 5:00 pm

### YOUR LIBRARY STAFF

**Library Director:** Jen Alvino

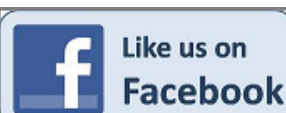
**Adult Services Librarian:** Sally Bannen

**Reference/Technology Librarian:** Barbara Keef

**Children's Librarian:** Laurel T. Parker

**Children's Room Coordinator:** Diana Currier

**Library Aides:** June Hawkes, Janet Stover, Jeanne Thurber



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