Preschool Pages

Book Recommendations, Early Literacy Tips, and More from the Deerfield Public Library Youth Services Department

Book Recommendations

Sam's Super Seats

Don’t Worry, Murray

I Like This, You Like That

Mine Mine Yours

Sam is excited to go back to school! She goes to the mall with her mom and friends to try on outfits, but because of her cerebral palsy, she gets tired easily and often needs to rest. This book is a great back to school title while also reminding readers that rest is good and that asking for help and what you need is important.

This new book by David Ezra Stein is a great read-aloud that's humorous while also gently talking about anxiety. It can be overwhelming to try new things. But readers can follow along as the narrator encourages Murray and reassures him that while things don't always go smoothly, the joys in life are worth trying for.

This book introduces us to two friends who are as different as can be. From the way they play to their preferred seasons, can they agree on anything? This is a sweet rhyming story about finding common ground, and it even features a bit of mathematical concepts! Read this in the early days of school as a reminder that opposites can attract!

This opposites book is perfect for toddlers. Set during a playdate, the little ones climb OVER the arch and UNDER it too. They explore turn-taking as they STOP on the slide until their friend can GO. And of course there’s the MINE and YOURS problem that gets solved with some help from the loving grown-up.

News You Can Use

Can you read your child 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten? Of course you can! And we're here to encourage you to develop the habit of reading aloud and to reward you and your little one along the way. Just sign up at the Library to start the journey; you'll get a custom tote bag to hold your books! Read just 3 books a day to finish in a year, and we have lots of great recommendations for you. For more information, click here...and then start reading to your child!
Author/Illustrator Spotlight

KENARD PAK

Sometimes an author or illustrator has so many great titles, we wish we could name them all! This month, we want to highlight the work of Kenard Pak! Pak's illustrations are beautiful and expansive. Many of his books feature landscapes rich with detail and feeling that make you feel like you are there. Experience the magic and check out one of his titles!

Early Literacy Tips

Print motivation is an important early literacy skill as it encourages kids to want to read and write on their own! One way to do this is to help your child create their own story. Ask them what they'd like to write and write it down for them. Read back to them what you wrote so they can connect your written words to their spoken words. Being an active participant in creating a story will make your child excited to read and write more!

Another way to encourage your little one's love of reading is to read what interests them! We all know that multiple readings of any book gets tiring! However, letting your child choose what they want to read promotes ownership and motivates them to eventually read on their own. As adults, we choose our own books, so be sure to give the same freedom to your child!