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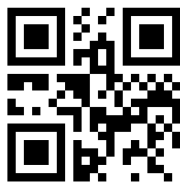
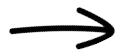
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June 2025

# Kids' EVENTS GUIDE

## McFarland Branch Library



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# Special Events



## SRC Kickoff

Ages 6-11

TUESDAY, JUNE 3 | 11 A.M.  
COMMUNITY ROOM

Get ready to LEVEL UP at our Summer Reading Challenge Kickoff! Join us for a day of arcade-style fun as we transform the library into the ultimate gaming zone. Play video games, challenge friends to board games, and enjoy tasty snacks while gearing up for an epic summer of reading and adventure. Whether you're a gamer, a book lover, or both, this event is the perfect way to start your summer quest. Drop in anytime and let the games (and reading) begin!

## Life Succs Without Plants

Ages 6-11

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4 | 1 P.M.  
LIBRARY

Join us for a delightful and educational event all about succulents! This hands-on program includes a detailed lesson on how to care for them. At the end, participants will plant their very own succulent in a terra cotta pot to take home! No sign-ups are not necessary, but space is limited. Come dig into the wonderful world of succulents with us!

## STEAM Workshop

Ages 6-11

THURSDAY, JUNE 5 | 11 A.M.  
COMMUNITY ROOM

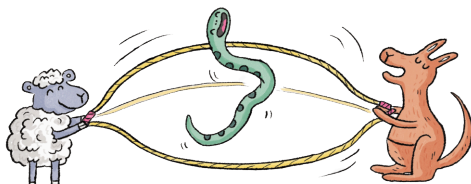
Designed for 3rd-6th graders, this program at the McFarland Branch Library will immerse students in the exciting world of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics. With interactive workshops, expert-led activities, and engaging team projects, participants will develop critical thinking, problem-solving, and collaboration skills. From robotics and engineering challenges to creative art projects and science experiments, each project will bring new opportunities to explore and innovate. The workshop will conclude with a special showcase where students present their projects to family and friends. Join us for a day of fun, learning, and STEAM-powered adventure!

## Rockets & Robots

Ages 6-11

THURSDAY, JUNE 5 | 1 P.M.  
LIBRARY

Aerospace education specialist, Bob Redman, brings the high-tech world of space exploration down to earth. These STEAM presentations use models and student-involved demonstrations to excite and inspire children to study science and math.



LEVEL  
UP AT  
YOUR  
LIBRARY

# Storytimes



## Tiny Tots Playtime

Ages: 6-8 Months

TUESDAYS, JUNE 3, 10, 17 & 24 | 10 A.M.

Join us for Tiny Tots Playtime, a fun and interactive program designed for toddlers and their caregivers! The library will provide a variety of toys for little ones to explore and play with while hearing a story and music. This is a great opportunity for children to develop early literacy skills, socialize with others, and engage in creative play. Come and enjoy a relaxed and engaging atmosphere perfect for tiny learners!

## Preschool Storytime

Ages: 18 Months - 4 Years

FRIDAYS | 10 A.M.

JUNE 6: Friends

JUNE 13: Father's Day

JUNE 20: Summer

JUNE 27: Plants

Music, movement, visual literacy and language development in a fun class that teaches social skills. Followed by a craft or free play.

## Family Storytime

All Ages

SATURDAYS | 1 P.M.

JUNE 7: Summer

JUNE 14: Father's Day

JUNE 21: Camping

JUNE 28: Ocean Animals

Enjoy stories, finger plays, rhymes, and more for the whole family.



LUNCH  
— at the —  
LIBRARY

Tuesday-Friday  
12 pm - 1 pm

In partnership with Kern County Superintendent of Schools, the McFarland Branch Library is offering **FREE lunches for kids ages 12-18 in June and July. Join us for a free meal + free activities!**

This institution is an equal opportunity provider. The Summer Food Service Program is a program of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, administered in California by the California Department of Education. Lunch at the Library is a project of the California State Library, supported with funds from the State of California.

For more event information, visit our website - [kernlibrary.org/events](http://kernlibrary.org/events)

Library workshops, performances, and events are **FREE** and open to the public. We're adding more programs all the time! At times, programs may be rescheduled or canceled without advance notice.



# Kids Events



## Family Flix

Ages 6-11

FRIDAYS  
JUNE 6 & 27 | 1 P.M.  
JUNE 13 | 4 P.M.  
JUNE 20 | 12 P.M.

Come enjoy a fun and relaxing afternoon at the library! We'll be watching a family-friendly movie, making a simple themed craft, and enjoying some yummy popcorn. It's the perfect way to spend time together, get creative, and enjoy a great story on the big screen.

## Blast From the Past

Ages 6-11

SATURDAYS, JUNE 14 & 28 | 11 A.M.

Step back in time and experience the joy of classic 80s games and toys with your family! Parents and kids can bond over timeless favorites like the Etch A Sketch, Slinky, Rubik's Cube, Lite-Brite, View-Master, and more. Enjoy hands-on fun, friendly challenges, and a chance to share childhood favorites with the next generation. Whether you're mastering the Rubik's Cube together or creating glowing masterpieces on the Lite-Brite, this afternoon is all about laughter, connection, and retro fun!

## Crafternoon

Ages 4-11

SATURDAYS, JUNE 7 & 21 | 12 P.M.

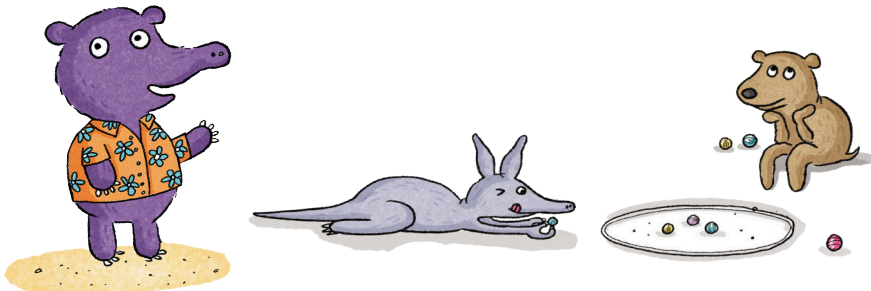
Let your imagination run wild at crafternoon! This hands-on crafting program is perfect for young artists who love to cut, glue, paint, and create. Each session features a fun, themed craft using a variety of materials, encouraging creativity, fine motor skills, and self-expression.

## Loteria

Ages 6-11

SATURDAYS, JUNE 14 & 28 | 12 P.M.

Join us for a fun-filled afternoon of Lotería at the library! Enjoy this traditional Mexican game with family and friends while winning prizes and making great memories.



# & Performances



## Rhythm & Roots

Ages 6-11

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11 | 12:30 P.M.

Louie Cruz Beltran will bring his 60-minute "Rhythm and Roots" music program to the Library. This event is a fun, interactive, and an all-inclusive exploration of the origins and evolution of Afro Cuban rhythms from Africa and into today's musical styles. He blends Afro Cuban rhythms with jazz, Latin jazz, pop, and R&B influences. Louie will use humor, world class percussion skills, a deep knowledge of percussion instruments and styles, which will impart a positive and uplifting message of empowerment through music education and the arts. He will bring an interesting variety of unusual percussion instruments, which he will display and talk about.

## Snakes on Sam

Ages 6-11

FRIDAY, JUNE 13 | 1 P.M.

Experience the thrill of the wild with Snakes on Sam's captivating reptile shows! Led by the knowledgeable and passionate Sam Sherdel, these interactive presentations bring you up close and personal with a variety of fascinating reptiles, including snakes, lizards, and tortoises. Each show is tailored to engage and educate audiences of all ages. Don't miss this unique opportunity to learn about these incredible creatures in a fun and safe environment!

## Golden Meadows Goats

Ages 6-11

TUESDAY, JUNE 17 | 1 P.M.  
COMMUNITY ROOM

Join us for a delightful visit from Golden Meadow Goats! Get up close and personal with these friendly, adorable goats in a fun and interactive experience for all ages. Perfect for animal lovers, this program offers a unique opportunity to learn about goats, their care, and their personalities. Don't miss this chance to make some furry friends!

## Magic of Josiah

Ages 6-11

FRIDAY, JUNE 20 | 2 P.M.

Join magician and illusionist Josiah Bunde for a fully dynamic and interactive large-scale show that fills the stage. Through skillful storytelling, powerful magic, and hilarious interaction, this show is not only magical but also sure to create unforgettable memories.

## Wind Wolves

Ages 6-11

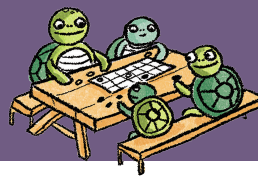
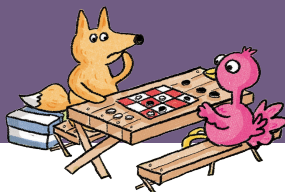
THURSDAY, JUNE 26 | 2 P.M.

Experience the natural wonders of our region with a special program by Wind Wolves, showcasing the fascinating wildlife native to our area and the rich cultural heritage of the indigenous people.





# Kids Events



\* KIDS EVENTS ARE HELD IN THE COMMUNITY ROOMS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

## Build & Play

Ages 6-11

TUESDAYS, JUNE 3, 10, 17 & 24 | 3 P.M.

Join us for Build & Play, a hands-on adventure where science, technology, engineering, art, and math come to life! Each week, dive into exciting activities—from engineering challenges and Lincoln log building, to creative art projects and LEGO challenges. Whether you're building, designing, or discovering something new, there's always a fun way to explore and expand your imagination.

## Lego Legends

Ages 6-11

TUESDAYS, JUNE 10 & 24 | 12:30 P.M.  
LIBRARY

Are you ready to become a LEGO Legend? Join us for an action-packed program where creativity and competition come together! Put your building skills to the test in exciting LEGO challenges, compete to create the most epic designs, or try your luck at a LEGO-themed board game. Whether you're a master builder or just love to play, this is your chance to show off your skills and have fun!

## Supersized Showdown

Ages 6-11

WEDNESDAYS, JUNE 4 & 25 | 11 A.M.

Get ready for big fun at the library! Join us for Supersized Showdown, where kids can play giant versions of their favorite games. From jumbo Jenga to oversized Connect 4 and life-sized board games, this action-packed event is all about teamwork, strategy, and tons of fun. Bring your friends and see who will come out on top in this larger-than-life game showdown!

## Ready, Set, Play!

Ages 6-11

WEDNESDAYS  
JUNE 4 | 4:30 P.M.  
JUNE 11, 18, & 25 | 1:30 P.M.

Get ready for a night of fast-paced fun and friendly competition! Ready, Set, Play is a weekly event where players take on exciting board games, party games, and quick mini-challenges. Each week brings a new mix of games, from classic favorites to unexpected twists, guaranteeing a fresh and thrilling experience every time. Whether you're strategizing, racing against the clock, or just enjoying the laughs, there's something for everyone. Gather your friends, test your skills, and see if you have what it takes to be the ultimate Game Night Champion!

## Crafternoon

Ages 6-11

WEDNESDAYS, JUNE 4, 11, 18, & 25 | 3 P.M.

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## Seed Starting

Ages 6-11

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18 | 11 A.M.

Get your hands dirty and learn how to start your own garden! Join us for a fun, hands-on workshop where we'll plant seeds in starter trays and talk about how to care for them as they grow. Each participant will get to plant a few crops to take home and watch them sprout!

## Level up!

Ages 6-11

THURSDAYS, JUNE 12, 19, & 26 | 11 A.M.

Join us at the library for Level Up!, a fun-filled gaming session where we play popular Nintendo Switch games on the big screen! Challenge your friends to exciting multiplayer battles, race to the finish line in Mario Kart, or team up for epic adventures. Whether you're a seasoned gamer or just starting out, there's something for everyone.

## Bead it up!

Ages 6-11

THURSDAYS  
JUNE 5, 12, & 19 | 3 P.M.  
JUNE 26 | 4 P.M.

Join us for a fun and creative afternoon at the library! Kids will get to design and make their own bead jewelry — from bracelets and necklaces to keychains and more. We'll provide all the colorful beads, stretchy string, and charms. Just bring your imagination

## Gamer's Gambit

Ages 6-11

THURSDAYS, JUNE 12 & 19 | 1 P.M.

If you like board games, don't miss out on this chance to play, laugh, and strategize together! Come in for some competitive fun, we have an assortment of board games to choose from.

## Gotta Catch em All

Ages 6-11

FRIDAYS  
JUNE 6 & 13 | 11:30 A.M.  
JUNE 20 & 27 | 3:30 P.M.

Calling all young gamers and crafters! Join us for Gotta Catch Em All, where kids can design and create their favorite video game characters using colorful Perler beads. This hands-on crafting session encourages creativity, fine motor skills, and a love for pixel art as participants bring iconic characters to life—one bead at a time! Whether you're a fan of classic games or modern favorites, this program is the perfect way to combine art and gaming in a fun and engaging way. All materials provided—just bring your imagination!