

# Beale Memorial Library Kids' EVENTS GUIDE

## Hours

Monday - Thursday	10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Friday	10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Saturday	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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# Storytimes

## Baby Bounce

Ages 0-2 MONDAY, MAR. 2, 16, & 30 | 10:30 - 11:30 A.M.

Rhymes, songs, bounces and books just right for your little one! Build a foundation for lifelong reading and learning with this engaging Storytime.

## Preschool Storytime

Ages 3-6 EVERY TUESDAY | 10:30 - 11:30 A.M.

Music, movement, visual literacy and language development in a fun Storytime that teaches social skills.

*Weekly Themes: Kailan Carr, Pets, St. Patrick's Day, Spring, Dinosaurs*

## Toddler Time

Ages 2-4 EVERY THURSDAY | 10:30 - 11:30 A.M.

Enjoy songs, stories, and movement that will build early childhood skills.

*Weekly Themes: Rainbow Day, Fruits & Veggies, Elephants, Color Green*

## Family Storytime

Ages 6-11 EVERY SATURDAY | 1:00 - 2:00 P.M.

Bring the entire family to this age-inclusive Storytime full of stories, songs, and movement.

*Weekly Themes: Young Authors, Ramadan, Women's History Month, Monsters*



## Cover to Cover In-N-Out Reading Challenge

Ages 4-12

MARCH 7- APRIL 18

Children ages 4-12 can earn a free hamburger or cheeseburger for every five books read or 300 minutes spent reading. Kids may read on their own or enjoy stories read aloud by a parent, caregiver, or friend. Sign up at your local Kern County Library branch to get started, pick up a reading log, and keep track of your progress all program long.

## Support our Special Programs!

Scan the QR code to visit our Amazon Wishlist and see how you can donate.



From art supplies, toys, and everyday essentials, your gift will help bring joy to our community and make our programs brighter and more creative for kids and families.



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

# Special Events

## Family Storytime with the Kern County Network for Children

MONDAY, MAR. 2  
3:30 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.  
CHILDREN'S AREA

Ages 6-12

Yadira Vargas, member of the Child Abuse Prevention Council, will be at the library to read books, sing songs, and offer resources to families and caregivers that highlight the importance of child safety and child abuse prevention.



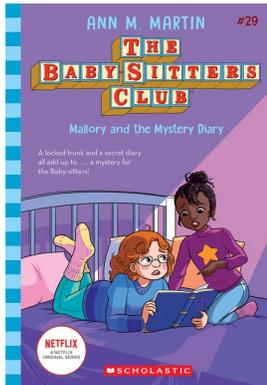
# Guest Readers

## Baby Bounce with the Kern County Network for Children

MONDAY, MAR. 2  
10:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.  
CHILDREN'S AREA

Ages 0-2

Maribel Galvan, member of the Child Abuse Prevention Council, will be at the library to read books, sing songs, and offer resources to families and caregivers that highlight the importance of child safety and child abuse prevention.

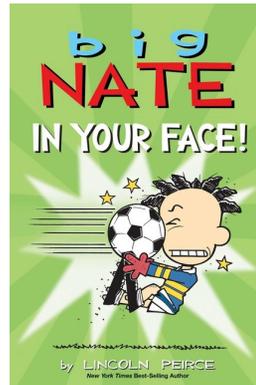


## Book Bingo

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 4  
4:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.  
CHILDREN'S AREA

Ages 6-12

Does your child read popular titles like *The Baby-Sitters Club* or *Big Nate*? Join us and play a few games of bingo for the chance to win your own copy of these popular picks.



Kailan Carr  
Prioritizing play!

## Preschool Storytime with Kailan Carr

TUESDAY, MAR. 3  
10:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.  
CHILDREN'S AREA

Ages 2-5

You can meet, local author, Kailan Carr once a month at the library during Preschool Storytime. She will read a book with us and bring her screen-free play resources.



## Rainbow Rush

THURSDAY, MAR. 5  
10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.  
AUDITORIUM

Ages 0-5

Jump into a rainbow of fun! Rainbow Rush invites little learners to explore colorful art, hands-on sensory play, free play, and an interactive storytime designed to build early literacy skills through play.

## Time to Sign with NAMI

MONDAY, MAR. 9 & 23  
10:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.  
CHILDREN'S AREA

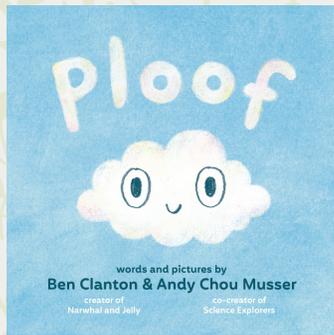
Ages 2-6

Come to the library and join NAMI Kern (National Alliance on Mental Illness) to learn American Sign Language in a Storytime format.



# Staff Picks

Looking for a great read-aloud or a new favorite story? These are just a few beloved stories hand-selected by our staff.

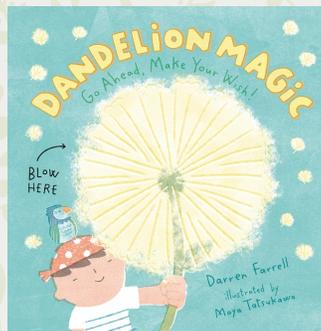
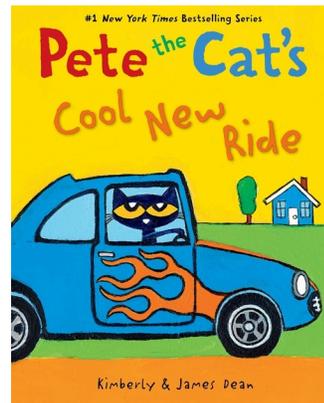


## **Ploof** Written & Illustrated by Ben Clanton & Andy Cou Musser

By following cues to say hello, clap, blow, shake, wave or make a funny face, young readers will be delighted to see the effects of their actions on Ploof.

## **Pete the Cat's Cool New Ride** Written by Kimberly Dean & James Dean Illustrated by James Dean

Pete the Cat just got some new wheels. Beep, beep, beep! And as he's grooving down the street, he bumps into one friend, two friends, three! When they pile up in the car, Pete can't keep count and wonders if there is room for everyone.



## **Dandelion Magic: Go Ahead, Make Your Wish**

Written by Darren Farrell  
Illustrated by Maya Tatsukawa

Jonah's nana has always told him that some dandelions are magical and can grant wishes. Help Jonah with his magical dandelion, but make sure you don't wish for a pineapple.



## Kids Get Crafty

Ages 6-12

EVERY THURSDAY | 4 - 5 P.M.

Work on a new craft or art project every week. All materials will be provided.



## Audiobooks + Art

Ages 6-12

FRIDAY, MAR. 6, 13 & 27 | 4 - 5 P.M.

During this program we will listen to an audiobook that you can access with a library card and we'll work on a project at the same time.



## Sign Language with Lisa

Ages 6-12

FRIDAY, MAR. 20 | 4 - 5 P.M.

Lisa, our volunteer Sign Language instructor, will teach you some basic Sign Language signs by using books, activity sheets, and more!



## FREE MEALS!

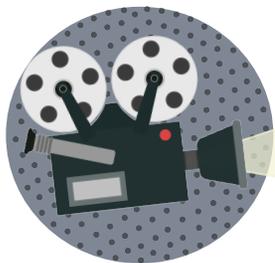
AGES 2 - 18 | MON - FRI

3 P.M SUPPER  
5 P.M SNACK

In partnership with the Kern County Superintendent of Schools, the Kern County Library is offering FREE meals and a place to do homework for ages 2-18.

# After School Programs

# Early Learner Mornings



## Family Flix

Ages 2-12

MONDAY, MAR. 9, 16, 23, & 30 | 4 - 5 P.M.

Join us for a different movie every week and play an interactive game of Movie Bingo.



## LEGO Maniacs

Ages 2-12

EVERY TUESDAY | 4 - 5 P.M.

Come to the library and build your own LEGO creation and put it on display for all to see.



## Crafting Literacy Club

Ages 7-12

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 11 & 18 | 4 - 5 P.M.

To improve literacy and social-emotional learning, we will read a book together and create a craft based on the story.



## Barks and Books

Ages 2-12

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 25 | 4 - 5 P.M.

Get cozy at the library and read books with a furry friend from Marley's Miracle Mutts.



## Mini Makers

Ages 0-5

FRIDAY, MAR. 6 & 20. | 10:30 - 11:30 A.M.

Process art is an authentic, joyful way for toddlers to build the tools they'll later use to read and write. Join us at the library where we make early development fun!



## Mindful Mornings

Ages 2-5

FRIDAY, MAR. 13 & 27 | 10:30 - 11:30 A.M.

Join us for a gentle and playful hour where little ones can explore emotions through themed stories, calming breathing techniques, grounding exercises, and mindful movement.



## Rhythm and Rhyme Time

Ages 2-5

SATURDAY, MAR. 21 | 10:30 - 11:30 A.M.

A music lesson using songs, games, storytelling, and the Kodaly Methodology to teach music, singing, and literacy!



## Little Letter Lessons

Ages 2-5

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 25 | 10:30 - 11:30 A.M.

Join us for a letter lesson where we'll practice letter sounds with songs, books, and play-based learning activities. This month's letter is 'Gg'.

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monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday	
<p>2.</p> <p>10:30am - Baby Bounce 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 3:30pm - Family Storytime w/ KCNC</p>	<p>3.</p> <p>10:30am - Preschool Storytime w/Kailan Carr 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Lego Maniacs</p>	<p>4.</p> <p>3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Book Bingo</p>	<p>5.</p> <p>10:30am - Rainbow Rush 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Kids Get Crafty</p>	<p>6.</p> <p>10:30am Mini Makers 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Audiobooks &amp; Art</p>	<p>7.</p> <p>1pm - Family Storytime: Young Authors</p>	
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<p>16.</p> <p>10:30am - Baby Bounce 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Family Flix</p>	<p>17.</p> <p>10:30am - Preschool Storytime: St. Patrick's Day 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Lego Maniacs</p>	<p>18.</p> <p>3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Crafting Literacy Club</p>	<p>19.</p> <p>10:30am - Toddler Time: Elephants 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Kids Get Crafty</p>	<p>20.</p> <p>10:30am - Mini Makers 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Sign Language w/ Lisa</p>	<p>21.</p> <p>10:30am - Rhythm &amp; Rhyme Time 1pm - Family Storytime: Women's History Month</p>	
<p>23.</p> <p>10:30am - Time to Sign w/ NAMI 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Family Flix</p>	<p>24.</p> <p>10:30am - Preschool Storytime: Spring 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Lego Maniacs</p>	<p>25.</p> <p>10:30am - Little Letter Lessons: 'Gg' 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Barks and Books</p>	<p>26.</p> <p>10:30am - Toddler Time: Color Green 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Kids Get Crafty</p>	<p>27.</p> <p>10:30am Mindful Mornings 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Audiobooks &amp; Art</p>	<p>28.</p> <p>1pm - Family Storytime: Monsters</p>	
<p>30.</p> <p>10:30am - Baby Bounce 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Family Flix</p>	<p>31.</p> <p>10:30am - Preschool Storytime: Dinosaurs 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Lego Maniacs</p>	<p>In-N-Out Reading Challenge Read 5 books or 5 hours and receive a FREE hamburger or cheeseburger</p>				<p>More information on pg. 10</p>



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