

Kids' EVENTS GUIDE

Baker Branch Library

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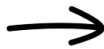
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hours

Tuesday - 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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SPECIAL EVENTS

Summer Reading Challenge Kickoff!

June 4th, 2026

Help us kickoff the Kern County Library's Summer Reading Challenge this year by attending our Summer Reading Challenge Kickoff! Visit the Baker Branch Library to sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge. Open to all ages, the challenge is to either read 10 books or read for 10 hours. If you complete the challenge, you'll receive a prize, donated by a local business, organization, or community member! Are you up for the challenge?

This year's theme is "Plant A Seed, Read!" Programs, storytimes, and special events will be themed around themes such as: farm-to-table, plants, animals, the environment, nature, food, and more! Come dressed in your favorite plant-inspired outfit, costume, or cosplay!

SCHEDULE:

Family Storytime + Craft @ 10AM-11AM

Magic of Josiah @ 11AM-11:45AM

Lunch at the Library @ 12PM-1PM

Plant Spelling Bee/Outdoor Activities @ 3PM-6PM



SATURDAYS

PLANT FINGER PAINTING | JUNE 6TH | 10:30AM-11:30AM

Help your child create a beautiful finger-painted work of art inspired by plants.

RECYCLING ART | JUNE 6TH | 12PM-1PM

Learn about the importance of recycling by making a one-of-a-kind work of art out of paper scraps, cardboard, and other material.

DRAGON EYE CRAFT | JUNE 13TH | 10:30AM-11:30AM

Step into an afternoon of creativity at the library, where kids can sculpt their own magical dragon eyes using model magic and a one-of-a-kind centerpiece.

PLANT PRINTS | JUNE 20TH | 12PM-1PM

Immortalize nature's beautiful and unique shapes and patterns in this craft. Children will use different leaves dipped in paint as stamps to create a unique piece of art.

PERLER BEAD FRUIT SLICES | JUNE 27TH | 10:30AM-11:30AM

Children will explore a fun fruit-themed Perler Bead craft by designing colorful fruit slices. This activity encourages creativity, patterning, and fine motor skills as kids bring their fruity designs to life.

BOOKWORM CRAFT | JUNE 27TH | 12PM-1PM

Create a funky little Bookworm who is reading in an apple. We'll have printed out pictures of book covers so it can read your favorite book!

BINGO | JUNE 27TH | 2PM-3PM

Join us for Bingo at the library! Enjoy a fun-filled evening of interactive games and friendly competition.





SPECIAL EVENTS

UC MASTER GARDENER | SATURDAY | JUNE 13TH @ 1PM-2PM

Whether you have a green thumb or struggle to keep your plants green, everyone can benefit from a master's advice. Learn how to grow plants successfully and sustainably from a UC Master Gardener!

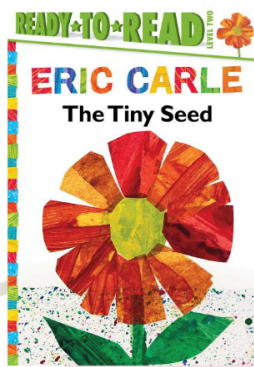
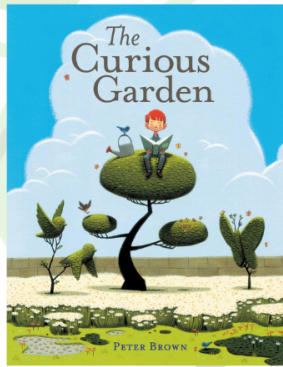
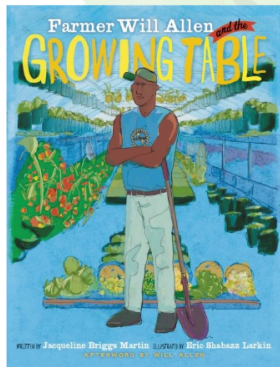


WIND WOLVES - WILDLANDS CONSERVANCY PRESENTATION | THURSDAY | JUNE 25TH @ 2PM-3PM

Come learn about the Wind Wolves Preserve and the wildlife that can be found there! See reptiles, bird silhouettes, and even some animals skulls!



Dig Into a Good Book



Events for Kids

THURSDAYS

FAMILY STORYTIME + CRAFT | JUNE 4TH & 11TH @ 10AM-11AM | JUNE 18TH & 25TH @ 12:30PM-1:30PM

Join us for a storytime for the whole family and reach your SRC goal! Following the story we will make crafts based on the books we have read!

MAGIC THE GATHERING 101 | JUNE 11TH | 3PM-4PM

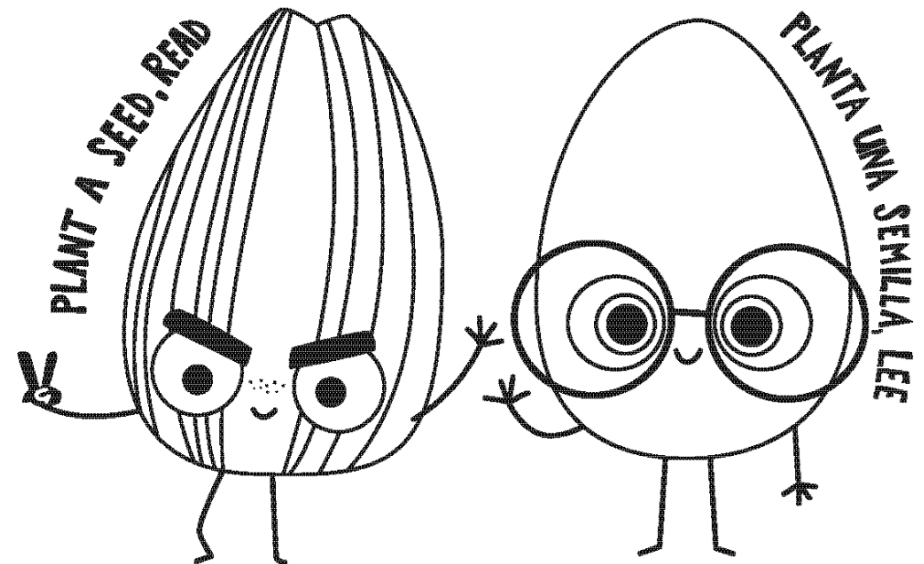
We invite you to come join us and learn the basics of how to play 'Magic the Gathering'. Learn to sort your own cards, build your own deck, and, most importantly, play the game. First timers will get to keep the decks they build, while supplies last. Thank you to MagiKids for providing these resources!

MAKE YOUR OWN MENU | JUNE 18TH | 10AM-11AM

Kids will cut out pictures of foods and use their creativity to put together a delicious menu fit for any Michelin Star restaurant!

SLICE OF CREATIVITY | JUNE 25TH | 10AM-11AM

During this afternoon craft, children will transform a paper plate and a fluffy cotton ball into their very own pretend pie.





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FRIDAYS

PETALS OF ENCOURAGEMENT | JUNE 5TH | 10AM-11AM

Join us for a flower craft that will help children bloom with encouragement. During this craft, children will create flower petals with positive affirmations.

BERRY BOOKMARKS | JUNE 5TH | 12:30PM-1:30PM

Use colorful fingerprints and thumbprints to create strawberries, blueberries, grapes, or other fruits.

LITTLE RAYS OF SUNSHINE | JUNE 12TH | 10AM-11AM

Children will transform simple materials into bright, cheerful masterpiece. As they paint, cut, and decorate, kids will strengthen their creativity and fine motor skills while having fun.

ZEN GARDEN | JUNE 12TH | 12:30PM-1:30PM

Zen Garden have a long history of helping people appreciate nature and meditate. Experience the calm that making one creates!

PLANT & FOLD | JUNE 19TH | 10AM-11AM

Children will create tiny paper seed boxes using traditional origami techniques. This nature-inspired craft invites children to explore critical thinking and encourages patience, focus, and creativity through the fun of hands-on folding and design.

BRUSHES & APRONS | JUNE 19TH | 12:30PM-1:30PM

In this program, children have the opportunity to design their own unique apron to take home, ready to wear for creative adventures at the library and at home.

JUST KEEP SWIMMING | JUNE 26TH | 10AM-11AM

Aquatic plants are just as important as terrestrial plants, and humans and animals alike depend on them. Children will think about the role of aquatic plant-life while they craft a fish that would depend on it!

CANVAS CREATIONS | JUNE 26TH | 12:30PM-1:30PM

Children can unleash their creativity by designing their own tote bags to take home, turning art into a fun way to inspire a love of reading.



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MAGIC OF JOSIAH | THURSDAY | JUNE 4TH | 11AM-11:45AM

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 sure to create unforgettable memories.

LIFE SUCCS WITHOUT PLANTS | TUESDAY | JUNE 9TH | 1PM-2PM

Join us for a succulent workshop hosted by Bethany Crawfill! First, there will be a succulent book reading, and then, you get to plant your very own! Limited materials for this program.



MAGIC NAPOLEON | WEDNESDAY | JUNE 11TH | 1PM-2PM

Join us for a Magic Napoleon magic show! This performance has lots of activities and lots of audience participation! It will incorporate the Summer Reading Challenge's theme "Plant A Seed, Read!"



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WEDNESDAYS

LITTLE SEEDLINGS | EVERY WED. | 12:30PM-1:30PM

Every week learn about a new plant and plant your very own! Take it home and watch it grow. Be sure to let us know how it's doing! Materials will be provided.

ANIMAL SOUNDS GAME | JUNE 3RD | 10AM-11AM

With a moo-moo here, and a cluck-cluck there, the library will be sounding a lot like Old McDonald's Farm in this program! Children will be assigned an animal, make its sound, and find someone else making the same sound!

CHIRPS & PRINTS | JUNE 10TH | 10AM-11AM

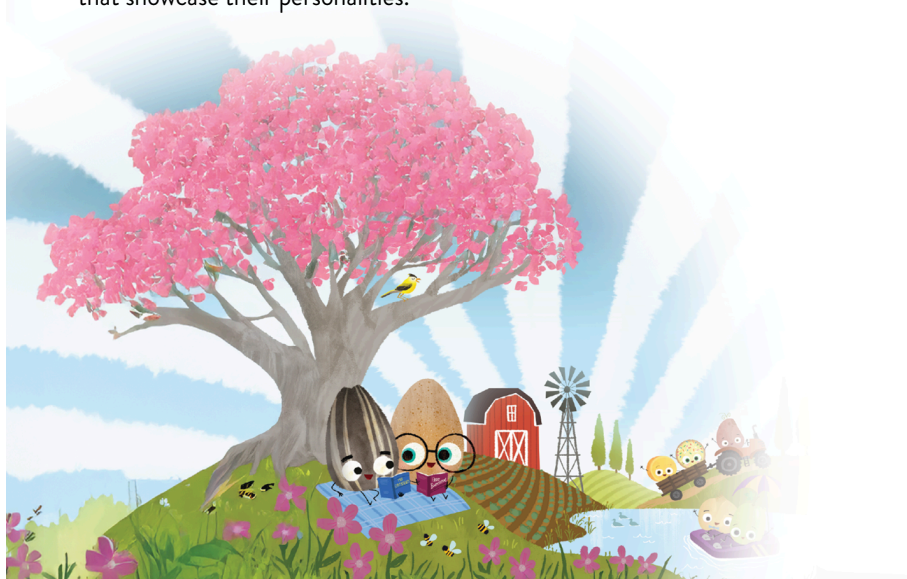
Children are encouraged to turn their handprints into vibrant, feathered birds. This delightful keepsake project sparks creativity while helping little hands grow stronger and more skillful.

PLANT Pictionary | JUNE 17TH | 10AM-11AM

In a game that encourages teamwork and laughs children will be given a plant-related word that they need to draw out and hope their teammates will guess it right!

HELLO, MY NAME IS... | JUNE 24TH | 10AM-11AM

Children will dive into creativity to design unique name tags that showcase their personalities.



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TUESDAYS

LEGO CHALLENGE | JUNE 2ND | 10AM-11AM

Flex your building skills and challenge yourself to make a plant-themed LEGO creation in this program!

COFFEE FILTER FLOWERS CRAFT | JUNE 2ND | 12:30PM-1:30PM

Coffee filters are a unique canvas and look especially beautiful when painted to look like a flower. Look to real flowers for inspiration or create something new!

YARN ART | JUNE 9TH | 10AM-11AM

Children are invited to a yarn-painting day! Kids will pour paint and pull yarn to create their own unique, colorful artwork.

BIRD WATCH IN THE LIBRARY! | JUNE 16TH | 10AM-11AM

Tweet-Tweet. Learn about some of the birds that can be found in Kern County, then walk around on a bird-watching tour to look for their picture in the Library! Can you remember their names and calls?

ROCK-O PAINTING | JUNE 16TH | 12:30PM-1:30PM

Ever wanted your own pet rock? Well, you can paint one! Anything can be a canvas, even a rock!

MAKE A MUSHROOM CRAFT | JUNE 23RD | 10AM-11AM

Use all sorts of colors to make your very own mushroom! Look to real mushrooms for inspiration or be extra creative and make it all your own!

PLANT TRIVIA | JUNE 23RD | 12:30PM-1:30PM

Think you're smart? Just how well did you pay attention to your science lesson? Compete in our Plant Trivia Game to find out!

PAGES OF IMAGINATION | JUNE 30TH | 10AM-11AM

Children will dive into their imaginations as they craft their own picture books with just paper, crayons, and colored pencils. Each child will dream up a unique story to bring to life on the pages.

COFFEE FILTER RAINBOW | JUNE 30TH | 12:30PM-1:30PM

Children will discover the magic of rainbows and bring their own vibrant creations to life with coffee filters.



JUNE 2026



LIBRARY HOURS

Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	10am-7pm
Wednesday	10am-7pm
Thursday	10am-7pm
Friday	10am-6pm
Saturday	10am-4pm
Sunday	CLOSED

eBooks, eAudiobooks, catalog & databases are available 24/7

HORARIO DE LA BIBLIOTECA

Lunes	CERRADO
Martes	10am-7pm
Miercoles	10am-7pm
Jueves	10am-7pm
Viernes	10am-6pm
Sabado	10am-4pm
Domingo	CERRADO

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