November 2026

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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KERN COUNTY LIBRARY

Storytimes

Baby Bounce

Ages 0-2 MONDAY, NOV. 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, Weather, Mess, Gratitude

Toddler Time

Ages 2-4 THURSDAY, NOV. 5, 12, 19 | 10:30 - 11:30 A.M.

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

Weekly Themes: Day of the Dead, Things That Go, Farms

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: Friendship, Pajama Day, Turkeys



Closures



Wednesday, November 11

The Kern County Library will be closed Wednesday, November 11, in honor of Veterans Day and will reopen Thursday, November 12.
We wish you a meaningful Veterans Day. Even while our doors are closed, your online library is still open online with FREE eBooks and audiobooks available anytime with a library card.



Thursday, November 26–28

Kern County Library will be closed Thursday, November 26, through Saturday, November 28, for Thanksgiving. We will reopen Monday, November 30. Happy Thanksgiving! While we're closed, you can still check out eBooks and audiobooks anytime with your FREE library card.

Support our Special Programs!



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.

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

For more event information, visit our website - 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



Reading Dragons Replay

THURSDAY, NOV. 12 & 19
4:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Session 1: AUDITORIUM
Session 2: MIDDLES ROOM

Ages 7-12



Reading Dragons was hosted at the library in the Summer and Fall of 2025. It is a friendly community where kids track their reading to earn collectable, playable cards. We are replaying with the same cards but with different prizes, crafts, and friends.



National Family Pajama Day

SATURDAY, NOV. 14
1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.
LITTLE LEARNERS' ROOM

Ages 6-12

We're celebrating National Family Pajama Day with a cozy Storytime and an opportunity for family bonding time during the busy holiday season. Stay until the end and we'll do a craft project together!

Handmade Holiday Centerpiece Craft

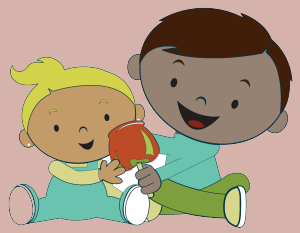


WEDNESDAY, NOV. 25
3:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.
MIDDLES' ROOM

Ages 6-12



Add a little handmade magic to your holiday dinner table! Kids can create their very own holiday centerpiece using festive craft supplies and faux greenery. It's the perfect way to get creative and celebrate the season.



FREE MEALS!

AGES 2 - 18 | MON - FRI

3 P.M SUPPER
5 P.M SNACK

Supper & Snacks in the Stacks

There will be no Supper & Snacks from Nov. 23 to Nov. 27

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.

Guest Readers



Kailan Carr
Prioritizing play!

Preschool Storytime with Kailan Carr

Ages 2-6

TUESDAY, NOV. 3
10:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.
LITTLE LEARNERS' ROOM

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.

offsite
5351 Olive Dr. Suite 200
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CALIFORNIA WIC WOMEN, INFANTS & CHILDREN Families grow healthy with WIC

Storytimes @ CAPK WIC

Ages 0-12

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 4
10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.
CAPK WIC OFFICE

Join us **offsite** at the CAPK WIC office for Storytime for kids of all ages. Read stories with us, sing songs, and do a craft that you can take home! Everything that you know and love from Storytimes at the library at the CAPK WIC office!



NAMI
National Alliance on Mental Illness

Time to Sign with NAMI

Ages 2-6

MONDAY, NOV. 9 & 23
10:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.
LITTLE LEARNERS' ROOM

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!

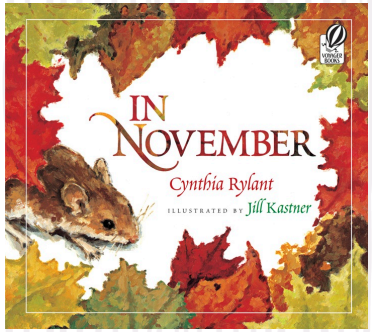


La divina Catrina = Oh, divine Catrina
Written by Aracely De Alvarado
Illustrated by Claudia Navarro

Catrina, a Mexican skeleton, searches for just the right outfit to wear to a Day of the Dead dance in this bilingual picture book for children ages 5-8.

In November
Written by Cynthia Rylant
Illustrated by Jill Kastner

In November the air grows cold and the earth and all of its creatures prepare for winter. Animals seek food and shelter and people gather together with families and friends to celebrate and be thankful for their blessings.





The Book Smugglers
Written by Anna James
Illustrated by Marco Guadalupi

When Milo's uncle and Tilly's grandfather are poisoned by a mysterious copy of The Wizard of Oz and fall into a deep sleep, Milo and Tilly travel to the Emard City to find out who is behind the poisoning.



Kids Get Crafty

Ages 6-12

THURSDAY, NOV. 5 | 4 - 5 P.M.
MIDDLES' ROOM

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



Audiobooks + Art

Ages 6-12

FRIDAY, NOV. 6 & 13 | 4 - 5 P.M.
MIDDLES' ROOM

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 7-12

FRIDAY, NOV. 20 | 4 - 5 P.M.
MIDDLES' ROOM

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

After School Programs

Bookmark Makerspace

Ages 6-12

MONDAY, NOV. 9
3:30 - 5 P.M.
MIDDLES' ROOM

Our kids' makerspace will be full of colorful supplies and fun embellishments. Give your next read a little extra joy!



Button Makerspace

Ages 6-12

MONDAY, NOV. 16
3:30 - 5 P.M.
MIDDLES' ROOM

Our kids' makerspace will be full of buttons for National Button Day. Button up for some crafty fun!



Family Bingo



Ages 6-12 MIDDLES' ROOM

MONDAY, NOV. 23 | 4 - 5 P.M.

Join us at the library for a fun game of bingo! Grab a card and if you get five across in any direction, you will get to take home a small prize!

LEGO Maniacs



Ages 6-12 MIDDLES' ROOM

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 LAKE ROOM

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 18 | 4 - 5 P.M.

To improve literacy and social-emotional learning, we will read a book together and create a craft inspired by the story. In honor of the One Book Project, we will be exploring themes such as empathy, self-expression, and communication.

Early Learner Mornings



Wonder Tots Learning Lab

Ages 2-5

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 4 & 18
10:30 - 11:30 A.M.
LITTLE LEARNERS' ROOM

A STEAM program that focuses on exploration, play, sensory discovery, and language development. At this stage, children learn best through hands-on experiences, movement, repetition, and guided curiosity.

Mini Makers

Ages 2-5

FRIDAY, NOV. 6 & 20
10:30 - 11:30 A.M.
LITTLE LEARNERS' ROOM



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!



Rhythm & Rhyme Time

Ages 2-6

SATURDAY, NOV. 14
10:30 - 11:15 A.M.
LITTLE LEARNERS' ROOM

A musical storytime where patrons will practice music literacy and reading literacy, using the Kodaly Method of folk music and singing games.

Little Letter Lessons

Ages 2-6

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 25
10:30 - 11:30 A.M.
LITTLE LEARNERS' ROOM

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 'Nn'.



NOVEMBER 2026

monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
2. 10:30am - Baby Bounce 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks	3. 10:30am - Preschool Storytime w/ Kailan Carr 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - LEGO Maniacs	4. 10:30am - Wonder Tots 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks	5. 10:30am - Toddler Time: Day of the Dead 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Kids Get Crafty	6. 10:30am - Mini Makers 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Audiobooks & Art	7. 1pm - Family Storytime: Friendship
9. 10:30am - Time to Sign w/ NAMI 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 3:30pm - Bookmark Makerspace	10. 10:30am - Preschool Storytime: Weather 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - LEGO Maniacs	11.  CLOSED Veterans Day	12. 10:30am - Toddler Time: Things That Go 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Reading Dragons Replay	13. 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Audiobooks & Art	14. 10:30am - Rhyme Time 1pm - Family Storytime: National Family Pajama Day
16. 10:30am - Baby Bounce 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 3:30pm - Button Makerspace	17. 10:30am - Preschool Storytime: Mess 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - LEGO Maniacs	18. 10:30am - Wonder Tots 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Crafting Literacy Club	19. 10:30am - Toddler Time: Farms 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Reading Dragons Replay	20. 10:30am - Mini Makers 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks 4pm - Sign Language w/ Lisa	21. 1pm - Family Storytime: Turkeys
23. 10:30am - Time to Sign w/ NAMI 4pm - Family Bingo	24. 10:30am - Preschool Storytime: Gratitude 4pm - LEGO Maniacs	25. 10:30am - Little Letter Lessons: Nn 3pm - Handmade Holiday Centerpiece Craft	26.  CLOSED Holiday Break	27. CLOSED Holiday Break	28. CLOSED Holiday Break
30. 10:30am - Baby Bounce 3pm-6pm - Supper and Snacks in the Stacks					

Ages 0-5 | Ages 6-12 | Ages 2-18