



## Reading Buddies Program Surrey Public Library

### What is the Reading Buddies program all about?

The Reading Buddies program is a practice reading session for kids in Grades 2-4 wanting to improve their reading skills in a non-threatening environment. High school students offer their time and expertise by 'buddying up' with a child to enjoy reading together and supporting emerging readers. The Reading Buddies program is NOT designed to teach children how to read.

### Format

Each Reading Buddies session runs for 60 minutes for a 6-week period after school. Parents are required to bring their children to the Library, and wait for them. Each child is paired with a teen volunteer. The program will include individual reading experience and fun literacy-based games.

### Audience

All children are welcome to participate in this program. Children who do not have a parent who speaks English as their first language may benefit most from this program. Given limited space in the program, parents will be asked to fill in an application form indicating their interest. Parents will be contacted by library staff if they are selected.

### Training

Each volunteer has received training to orient him or her to staff and resources available at the Library, to learn about working with children and helping them to read, and to understand their responsibilities in keeping the children safe.

### Spring 2019 Timelines

***Children must attend all sessions unless they are ill. If they are ill, please call before the program starts.***

**Fleetwood Library:** Tuesdays from 4:00-5:00pm from April 9<sup>th</sup> to May 14<sup>th</sup>

**Guildford Library:** Tuesdays from 3:45-4:45pm from April 16<sup>th</sup> to May 21<sup>st</sup>

**Newton Library:** Tuesdays from 4:30-5:30pm from Feb 5<sup>th</sup> to Mar 12<sup>th</sup>

**Strawberry Hill Library:** Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30pm from April 3<sup>rd</sup> to May 8<sup>th</sup>

**Cloverdale Library:** Thursdays from 3:45-4:45pm from Feb 7<sup>th</sup> to Mar 14<sup>th</sup>.

**City Centre Library:** Wednesdays from 3:45-4:45pm from April 10<sup>th</sup> to May 15<sup>th</sup>

**Semiahmoo Library:** Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30pm from Feb 5<sup>th</sup> to Mar 12<sup>th</sup>

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# READING BUDDIES READER APPLICATION FORM

## CHILD'S INFORMATION: (Child must be in Grade 2 to 4)

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Male / Female: \_\_\_\_\_

Can your child's teacher be contacted if necessary? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Has your child participated in this program in the past? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Child's School: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

All languages child speaks: \_\_\_\_\_

## PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (daytime): \_\_\_\_\_ (evening): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_



Given limited space in our Reading Buddies program, children will be accepted on a first come first served basis. Library branches will stop accepting applications once the program is full at that location.

Children must attend all sessions unless they are ill. Should your child miss two sessions without prior notification, his or her spot in the program will be given to someone on the waiting list.

Parents/Guardians/Caregivers must remain in the library while their child is attending the Reading Buddies Program.

**Please return this application to the Youth Services Librarian at the branch where you would like to attend the program at least two weeks before the program start date.**

**Signature of Parent or Guardian**

**Date**

If you wish to receive, or continue receiving, e-communications from the Library regarding library programs, services and/or fundraising activities, please check the box  **Please Contact me**

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Date:	_____
Branch/Location:	_____
Event / Occasion:	_____
IMG #:	_____
Descriptive clothing item:	_____

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### Adult & Youth (12 and over) or Parent/Guardian Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

### For children under the age 12 (parents must sign on line above):

Childs Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ girl/boy: (circle one)

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