



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.

Fall 2019 Timelines

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

Fleetwood ~~WDEK~~ Tuesdays from 4:00-5:00pm from October 22nd to November 26th

Guildford ~~WDEK~~ Tuesdays from 3:45-4:45pm from October 15th to November 19th

Newton ~~WDEK~~ Tuesdays from 4:30-5:30pm from October 15th to November 19th

Strawberry Hill ~~WDEK~~ Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30pm from October 23rd to November 27th

Cloverdale Pop-Up _____: Wednesdays from 3:45-4:45pm from October 16th to November 20th

City Centre ~~WDEK~~ Wednesdays from 3:45-4:45pm from October 16th to November 20th

Semiahmoo ~~WDEK~~ Tuesdays from 3:30 -4:30pm from October 29th to December 3rd

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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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Surrey Libraries has my permission to use quotes / general information / photographs / video acquired in a program / event / interview with me and/or my children today, for use on brochures, posters, annual reports, advertisements, our website/Internet including social media outlets (i.e. Facebook, Twitter) or any other item used by the Library for promotional purposes.

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)

Childs Name: _____ Age: _____ girl/boy: (circle one)

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