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**JUNE 1-
JULY 31**

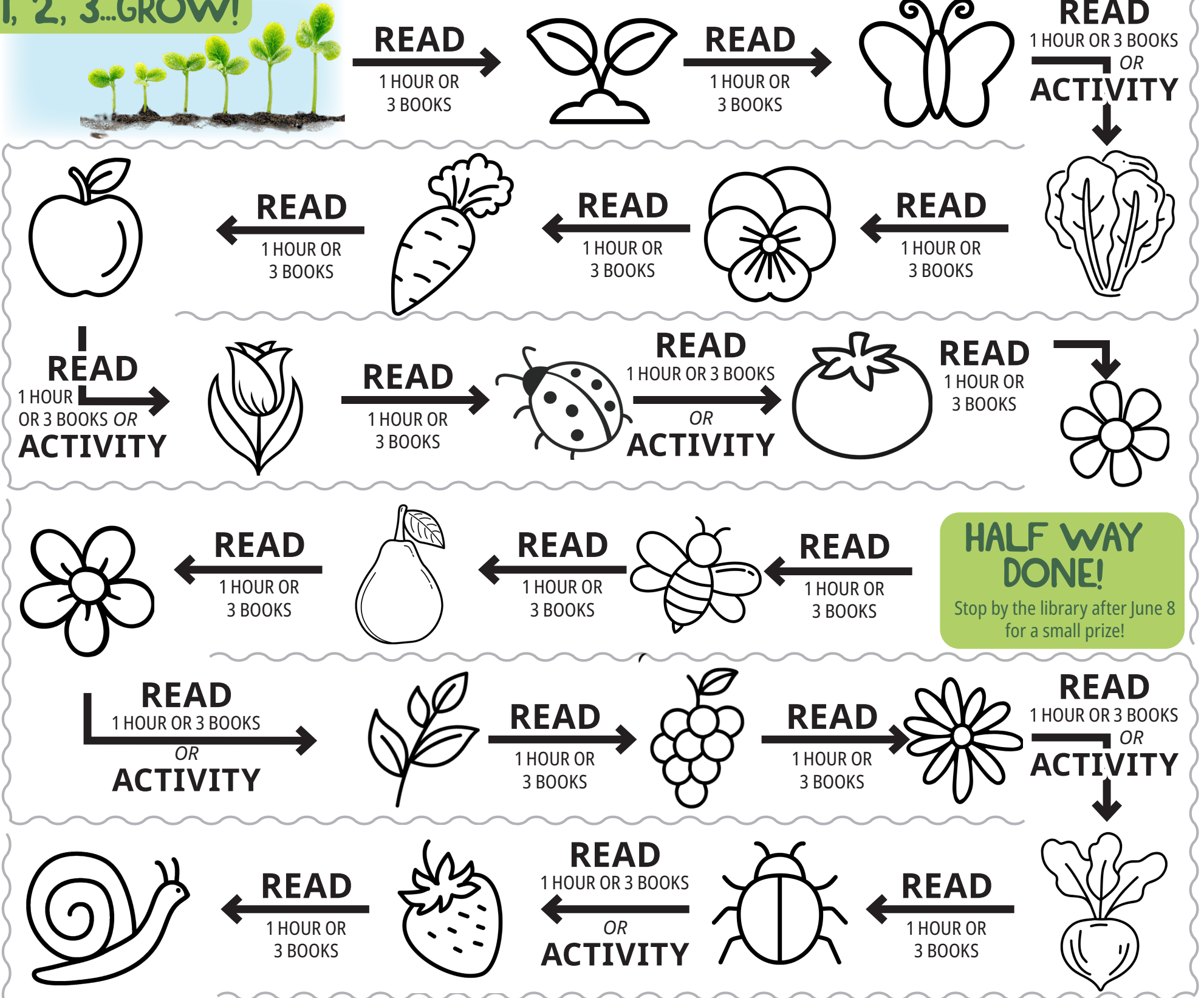


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DIRECTIONS

- Read **1 HOUR OR 3 BOOKS** for each **READ**.
- **READ or ACTIVITY**: either read or do an activity from the Activity Bank.
- Color in each item as you go.
- Stop by the library when you get halfway done for a mid-point prize.

1, 2, 3...GROW!



Algonquin
Area
Public
Library
District

Harnish Main
2600 Harnish Drive
847-458-6060

Eastgate Branch
115 Eastgate Drive
847-658-4343

www.aapld.org

**YOU
BLOOMED!**
Come back after
June 8 to get
your t-shirt
(ages 3+) and
final prize!

ACTIVITY BANK



**LIBRARY
EVENT**
Participate
in a Library
event.



**READ AN
EBOOK**
Check out
an ebook
via Overdrive/Libby,
hoopla, Palace Project,
Tumblebooks, or
LOTE4Kids.



**FIND YOUR
WILD**
Sign up to
explore local
Conservation Areas and
complete missions.

GARDEN OF CRAFTS
Complete one of our
Kids Crafts to display in
the Library.



SPROUT A STORY
Check out a book from one
of our Summer Reading
themed lists or displays.



GREEN THUMB
Spend an hour visiting or
working in a garden.

Youth Programs

BABY-GRADE 8

Heifer International

Bonus Perk: This year, your reading doesn't just earn prizes for you, it helps others! Through Heifer International's Read to Feed initiative, funded by corporate sponsors, your Summer Reading will help support access to real seeds for home gardens with fruits and vegetables, clean water for health and sanitation, flocks of chickens that can provide hundreds of eggs each year, and even honeybees that help pollinate future harvests. Want to learn more about Heifer International? Scan the QR code or visit: heifer.org.



FIND YOUR WILD

Kick off your outdoor adventure at the library! We've partnered with MCCD to encourage exploration through the Find Your Wild challenge!

Stop by the library to pick up a special code and earn points in the Find Your Wild challenge! These points can be redeemed for exciting prizes. While you're here, check out our librarians' top outdoor-themed book picks, perfect for reading at your favorite conservation area, as listed in the Find Your Wild app.

Learn more: MCCD.me/FindYourWild

Questions? Email FindYourWild@MCCDistrict.org



LET'S EXPLORE THE OUTDOORS!

Buzz, Wiggle, and Wander Outdoor Scavenger Hunt

All Ages
NR June 1-July 19
Buzz, wiggle, and wander the Spella Park Trail to find not-so-creepy bugs! These adorable creatures will guide you around the trail and right back to the library. Can you spot each one?

Unplug Illinois

For families with children
@ Towne Park, 100 Jefferson St, ALG
NR Saturday, July 11 • noon-2 pm
Celebrate Unplug Illinois by plugging into play, nature, and community! Step away from screens and enjoy fun, family-friendly activities.

Lunchapalooza

@Towne Park, 100 Jefferson St, ALG; Families with children
NR Wednesdays • 11 am-noon
June 24 MARKO POLO
July 8 LITTLE MISS ANN
July 22 MS. JAMIE'S FARM
Sing and dance in the sunshine! *Presented in partnership with Algonquin Recreation.*

The Buzz About Bees

Going into grades K-8 with a caregiver
RO Tuesday, June 30 • 10-11 am
Buzz into the world of bees, honey, and beekeeping with local beekeeper Kevin of Deep Roots Farm Stand.

Oh, no! My child can't attend anymore!



PLEASE CALL US at 847-458-6060, ext. 135 so we can make a child from the waitlist happy!

LOCATIONS

Harnish Main Eastgate Branch
 Outdoor

RO Registration required, open to all.
NR Drop in, no registration necessary.

Go to aapld.org or call 847-458-6060 to register.

Online Resources

Work on your Summer Reading Challenge goals from the comfort of your home with our online resources! An AAPLD Library Card is required to access some resources.

NEW: Educate Station

A free, all-in-one curriculum database for teachers, parents, daycare providers, and homeschool families, offering ready-to-use, printable activities for Pre-K through 5th grade.

hoopla

E-books. Movies. TV shows. Streaming audiobooks. Music. All for you, and all FREE with no waiting list.

Libby

Find ebooks, audiobooks, and digital magazines that are suitable for kids of all ages! If you already have an Overdrive account, it works here too!



LOTE4Kids

LOTE4Kids is our database of digital books in World Languages, created for children to enjoy stories and learn language through storytelling. The platform provides over 4500+ digital books in 70+ languages together with English translations.

NEW: The Palace Project

Enjoy thousands of free books from the Palace Bookshelf as well as exclusive titles only available on this platform.

Scholastic Teachables

Worksheets, lesson plans, learning games, and more! Download printable lesson plans, reading passages, games and puzzles, clip art, bulletin board ideas, and skills sheets for kids in any grade.

TumbleBooks Library

Enjoy storytime on your own time! The TumbleBooks Library is an online collection of animated, talking picture books. Books are available in English as well as in Arabic, Spanish, Russian, Ukrainian, and other languages.



Find more online resources at: bit.ly/4vNI6n9

Exclusively @ EASTGATE

Glow in the Dark Dance Party

Families with children 6 and under
NR Friday, June 5 • 11-11:30 am
NR Thu, July 9 • 11-11:30 am
Join us for half an hour of glow in the dark music fun!

Glow Bash

Going into grades 1-8
NR Friday, June 5 • 1-1:30 pm
NR Thursday, July 9 • 1-1:30 pm
Dance to your favorite pop and GoNoodle songs with the blacklights!

Shrinky Dink Drop In

Going into grades 2-8
NR Tuesday, June 23 • 4-7 pm
NR Wed, July 22 • 1-4 pm
Drop in to make Shrinky Dink keychains, earrings, and magnets.

for the YOUNG ONES

Storytime at James B. Wood Park

@ James B. Wood Park, 3711 Persimmon Dr, ALG; Ages 0-5 with a caregiver
NR Thu, June 18 • 10:30-11 am

Let's Play Outside

Ages 3-5 years with caregiver
NR Tuesdays • 10:30-11 am
June 23; July 14

Let's head outside for some summer fun!

Storytime Stroll at Barbara Key Park

@ Barbara Key Park, 9191 Pyott Road, LITH; Ages 0-6 with a caregiver
RO Thursday, July 2 • 10-11 am

Storytime @ Presidential Park

@ Presidential Park, 700 Highland Avenue, ALG; Ages 0-5 with a caregiver
NR Thu, July 16 • 10:30-11 am
A storytime filled with songs, dancing, and fun activities in the great outdoors!

Little Drivers at Play

Ages 2-6 years with caregiver
NR Thu, July 23 • 10 am-2 pm
Bring your favorite toy car and zoom through our Box City! This fun cardboard city is full of surprises! If you need to take a pit stop, we'll have activities for our little drivers to enjoy.

ESPECIALLY FOR OLDER KIDS

Dirt Made Your Lunch!

Going into grades 1-4
RO Wednesday, June 24 1-2 pm
Discover how soil is made and what it takes to keep it alive in this hands-on program led by instructors from MCSEEP.

Summer Scares

Going into grades 5-8
RO Monday, July 13 4-5 pm
Like scary stories? Learn about newly published scary books and make your own tiny haunted terrarium.

SUMMER READING FINALE WEEK

MONDAY, JULY 27-FRIDAY, JULY 31

Science Heroes: Digging It!

Families with children going into K-5
RO Monday, July 27 2-2:45 pm
Unearth your love for science in this interactive S.T.E.M. show! Volunteers help us conduct exciting experiments while we celebrate scientists who work with dirt! If you didn't already love science, you'll really 'dig it' after seeing Science Heroes in action!



Little Scientists: Earthworms, Rocks & Nature

Ages 3-6 years with caregiver
RO Tuesday, July 28 10-10:45 am OR 11-11:45 am
Explore and study real earthworms! Discover how these amazing little creatures help keep soil healthy and our planet growing strong through hands-on activities led by instructors from MCSEEP.

Plant a Seed Singalong

Families with children
NR Wed, July 29 • 6-6:45 pm
Come on out with the family for singalong favorites about plants, bugs, and the great outdoors. Bee there or bee square!



Summer Movie: Hoppers

Families with children
NR Thursday, July 30 2-4 pm
When Mabel "hops" her human mind into a robotic beaver, adventure awaits!

Summer Wrap-Up

Families with children
NR Friday, July 31 2-6 pm
The week wraps up with an interactive art jam and outdoor games. Cool off with a refreshing treat from the Kona Ice truck, available outside from 2-6 pm. Don't miss this fun-filled finale to a summer of stories, creativity, and community!