September & October Programs

Registration begins August 30, 2021

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**Fall for a Good Book**

Another season is upon us and so is another slate of exciting and new programs and services. Our one on one services are returning to provide our residents with the help they need with technology, immigration and settlement, and genealogy. We reflect and take a step back in time with a fun heritage storytime for families and honor National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. We celebrate diversity, inclusion and our freedom to read with a special author visit and participate in Banned Books Week. There are so many ways to fall in love with learning, exploring, and reading at the Library. See you soon!

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**National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**

Learn more about truth and reconciliation by browsing our themed display of library resources. Take a bookmark to help you reflect and remember.

**Thursday, September 30**

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**Trick or Treat**

Come to the library in costume and receive a yummy treat. While you’re there take a photo in our spooky self directed photo booth.

**Saturday, October 30**

1:00-3:00pm
**Blended**

**Baby Rhymetime** (for parents/caregivers and 0-12mos)
Meet with other parents and babies biweekly. Weeks without a virtual meeting we will release a pre-recorded video with songs, rhymes and other fun! Drop by the library and pick up your Baby Rhymetime participation pack of a scarf, a shaker and a song book.
Register online.

**Pre-recorded videos:**
- Sept 13, Sept 27, and Oct 18

**Google meets:**
- Sept 20, Oct 4, Oct 25

**Mon, Sep 13 - Oct 25**
**10:30 to 11:00am**

**Let’s Make It** (adult/seniors)
It’s “SEW” easy to create your own bowl cozy! Please note you will require your own sewing machine, scissors and thread. Other supplies will be provided.
Register online.

**Fri, Oct 22, 2:00pm**

**Homemade Alphabet Soup** (ages 4-5)
Join us for virtual stories, songs and crafts that focus on letter recognition. You will receive a link to the weekly videos. Drop by the library and pick up your Homemade Alphabet Soup pack. These contain our weekly activity, colouring and craft pages.
Register online.

**Thu, Sep 9 - Oct 28**
**10:30 to 11:00am**

**Toddler Storytime** (ages 1-3)
Sing, dance, rhyme and interact with us LIVE on Facebook. Every storytime is archived on our YouTube channel, so you can watch it whenever you want!
Register online.

**Tue Sep 14 - Oct 26**
**10:30 to 11:00am**

**Family Storytime** (ages 1-5)
Virtual crafts and stories for the whole family!
Register online.

**Wed Sep 15 - Oct 27**
**10:30 to 11:00am**

**Virtual**

**Historical Storytime**
In partnership with the Fort Heritage Precinct (families)
Join us for a special virtual storytelling session with the Fort Heritage Precinct. Learn some local history and enjoy traditional rhymes and songs.

**Fri, Oct 15**
**2:00pm**

**Fall Reading Challenges** (all ages)
Beanstack is a reading tracker that can be accessed by either computer or on a tablet/phone as an app. Log reading, earn points and badges, and win prizes. Reading challenges have never been so fun and easy! Challenges begin September 1.

Visit fspl.ca for more information.

**Self Directed**

**Outdoor Storywalk ®** (all ages)
There will be an interactive Storywalk® set up in front of the library for you to enjoy. Walk through the amazing story, Leaf Man by Lois Elhert.

**Sep 7 - 30**
Take Out

Living Classics Activity Packs
(seniors/adults)
Packages contain games, trivia, word puzzles and more, guaranteed to keep your brain active. Get your monthly bundle electronically by contacting Sam (sdicaire@fspl.ca, 780-912-2159) or pick it up at the library. Starting the first Monday of the month.

Travel Club
(seniors/adults)
Visit different countries from the comfort of your own home. We have games, trivia, recipes and other activities included inside your Travel Club package.

September: Egypt
October: Japan
Starting the first Monday of the month.

Snacks in the Stacks
In partnership with Shell Scotford. (all ages)
Drop by the library anytime during opening hours for a healthy take away snack. While supplies last.

Sep 1 - Oct 31

Fall Easel Card
(adult)
Make this rich purple and gold fall-themed easel card for yourself or to send to a friend! All supplies except adhesive provided.

Tue, Sep 7
While supplies last.

Settlement Services
In partnership with the Edmonton Immigrant Services Association.
Our Settlement Services Practitioner connects newcomers to available services and resources in the community. For more information contact Riza Tuiza, at RTuiza@eisa-edmonton.org or call 780-991-8223

Thu, Sep 9 - Oct 28, 10:00am - 5:00pm Appointment recommended.

Teen Take Out
In partnership with the Youth Action Committee. (ages 11+)
Drop into the library to pick up take home projects - just for teens! Each month we’ll try something new.

September 17: Bath Bombs
October 15: Tiny Pumpkins

Take Out DIY Crafts
(all ages)
Get crafty with weekly DIY projects! From paper crafts to recycling challenges, there’s something for everyone.

Mon, Sep 7 - Oct 25
Tuesday when a holiday Monday.

Tech Help
(seniors/adults)
Book your one-hour one-on-one training session:
- Basic computer skills
- How to use your laptop
- Smartphones and tablets
- Library e-resources
Call 780-998-4275.

Roots to Research
(seniors/adults)
Did you know Ancestry Library Edition is free and included with your library card? Dig into your past with an individual 1 hour session with Robina. Call 780-998-4275 OR email fsasklib@fspl.ca to book a session.

Tue, Oct 5 - 28, 2:00pm - 4:00pm
Author Spotlight: Sue Farrell Holler

We’re excited to announce that author Sue Farrell Holler will be providing virtual author visits for Fort Saskatchewan K-3 students on October 7, 2021. Schools will receive more information on how to register their classes in early September.

Please contact Sam Dicaire (sdicaire@fspl.ca or 780-912-2159) if you have any questions.

Session description:

“Introducing her newest picture book, “Raven, Rabbit, Deer.” This session includes a reading of the story about a child and his grandfather going for a woodland walk in which they greet the animals in English and in Ojibwemowin. Sue supplements the images in the book with photographs from one of her daily walks that show how animal tracks look in real life and discusses other ways to identify what animals that might be hiding.”

Banned Books Week

Banned Books Week is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read. Banned Books Week was launched in 1982 in response to a sudden surge in the number of challenges to books in schools, bookstores and libraries. Celebrate at the Fort Saskatchewan Public Library with a book display and a fill in the blank contest!

Banned Books Week runs September 26 - October 2.

E-Library: Brainfuse HelpNow!

Get a head start on back to school with Brainfuse HelpNow! Brainfuse HelpNow is one of the library’s newest electronic resources and is free for residents with a valid Fort Saskatchewan Public Library card. This resource contains subject lessons, videos, practice tests, flashcards and even help learning to play chess! What makes Brainfuse unique is live tutors that are available for support with writing or homework help. Expert tutors are available every day from 12:00pm to 11:00pm MDT.