

## Fort Saskatchewan Public Library

### Winter Programs

Registration begins Monday, December 19, 2022

### Change in Hours

You spoke, and we listened! Our hours are changing in January:

**Monday-Thursday 9am-8pm**

Friday 10am-6pm, Saturday 10am-5pm and Sunday 1pm-5pm

These changes mean that many of our programs are being offered earlier, so be sure to check the times.

**Effective Monday, January 2, 2023**

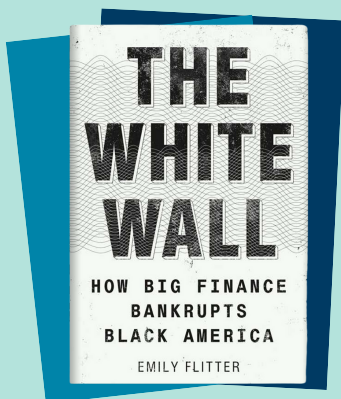
### 3 & Under Fair

The Fort Saskatchewan Early Years Coalition is excited to host the Under 3 Fair at the Library. We encourage families with children 3 and younger to come and learn about health and wellness from participating agencies. There will be prizes, entertainment, refreshments, and fun!

Admission is free.

**Monday, March 20, 3-7pm**

Program Calendar:



### The White Wall: A Black History Month Program

New York Times journalist Emily Flitter joins us to talk about her first book *The White Wall*. The book investigates the racial wealth gap in America and the financial hurdles minorities—especially Black people—contend with like differential rates of pay, discriminatory lending, and the inability to accumulate intergenerational wealth. Join us for an eye-opening virtual author visit about what it means to bank in America while Black.

**Register online.**

**Monday, February 6, 7-8pm**

## Early Literacy Programs

### Monday

#### **Baby Rhyme Time** (0-12 months)

Encouraging bonds through stories, rhymes, bounces and tickles. Meet other babies and caregivers!

**Register online.**

**Mon, Jan 9 - Mar 13**

**9:30-10:30am**

### Tuesday

#### **Toddler Storytime** (ages 1-3)

Fostering pre-literacy through stories, colouring, play and music for children ages 1 to 3. This is a parented program.

**Register online.**

**Tue, Jan 10 - Mar 21**

**9:30-10:30am**

### Wednesday

#### **Family Storytime** (ages 2-5)

Building early literacy skills through weekly songs, stories and fun for the whole family! This is a parented program.

**Drop in.**

**Wed, Jan 11 - Mar 22**

**9:30-10:30am**

### Thursday

#### **Alphabet Soup** (ages 3-5)

Developing school ready skills through stories, crafts and letter recognition for children ages 3 to 5. Parents welcome.

**Register online.**

**Thu, Jan 12 - Mar 23**

**9:30-10:30am**

## Parent Child Mother Goose

(ages 0-3)

The Families First Society is offering a Parent Child Mother Goose (PCMG) program. The PCMG program is a free of charge, group experience for parents and their babies and young children. It focuses on pleasure and power of using songs, rhymes and oral stories. To register please call Families First Society at 780-998-5595 ext. 223.

**Wed, Jan 18 - March 22**

**6:00-7:00pm**

**Registered.**



**Families First Society**  
FORT SASKATCHEWAN

## Special Storytime

(ages 2-5)

What makes a storytime special? Who you share it with! Join us on the last Saturday of the month for 30 minutes of stories, songs and rhymes plus 30 minutes of storytime-themed activities designed for the whole family.

This is a parented program.

**Sat, Jan 28, Feb 25, Mar 25**

**10:30-11:30am**

**Drop in.**

## Physical Literacy Month:

### Movers & Shakers Storytime

(all ages)

This active literacy program is perfect for children and their caregivers to shake their sillies out. Ideal for Preschooler to Grade 3, but fun for the whole family. We will read, rhyme, sing - and of course move!

**Tue, Feb 7 - 28**

**3:30-4:30pm**

**Registered.**

## Physical Literacy Month:

### CALM Storytime

(all ages)

This small-group literacy program is perfect for families that are looking for structure and repetition. Smooth transitions from rhymes, stories, and songs will leave your child feeling centered and calm. Our literacy specialists will contact you after registration to share the program plan so your child will know just what will happen next.

**Thu, Feb 9 - 23**

**3:30-4:30pm**

**Registered.**

## Early Out Wednesday

(ages 5-12)

Join us for monthly projects and activities!

**Wed, Jan 4, Feb 1, Mar 1**

**2:30-3:30pm**

Drop in.

## Homeschool Club

(ages 5-9 & 10+)

Join fellow homeschoolers for fun and learning.

**Fri, Jan 13, Feb 17, Mar 10**

**Junior: 1-1:45pm**

**Senior: 2-2:45pm**

Registered.

## Family Flick

(ages 5-12)

Join us for an afternoon flick, juice and of course popcorn! We will be watching DC League of Super Pets.

**Fri, Feb 10**

**1-2:30pm**

Drop in.

## DIY Take Home Crafts

(ages 5-12)

Weekly fun take-home crafts for creative kids!

**Mon, Jan 9 - Mar 20**

## LEGO Wall Drop-In

(ages 5-12)

Let your imagination run wild! Build, craft, play and explore with our LEGO Wall. Building families, fun and friendships at your library!

**Sun, Jan 8 - Mar 29**

**1-4:30pm**

Drop in.

## Ferguson's Spring Break Reading Challenge

(grades K-12)

Read your way to a free cheesy bread - generously sponsored by Panago Fort Saskatchewan. All you need to do is pick up an entry form at the library, read 5 books (or 5 twenty-minute blocks) over the break, and then receive your certificate for a free cheesy bread.

**Mar 24 - Apr 3**

## Spring Break Junior & Senior Artists

(ages 5-8, 9-12)

Daily age-appropriate art projects in different mediums. Explore your inner artist!

**Mar 28 - 30**

**Junior: 11-12am**

**Senior: 1-2pm**

Registered.

Information about  
all our programs can  
be found on our  
website at  
[fspl-ca.libcal.com](http://fspl-ca.libcal.com)

## Resume & Interview Prep for Teens

(ages 11-17)

Find answers to common first resume questions in this informative 45-minute session with expert Christy Ciezki.

**Wed, Jan 25**

**4-5pm**

Registered.

## Fidget Making

(ages 11-17)

Learn how to make your own puzzle cube fidget toy. Fidgets are a great way to improve focus and help with stress management.

**Mon, Feb 27**

**4-5pm**

Registered.

## Women's History Month Scavenger Hunt

(ages 11-17)

Search the library building to find clues about revolutionary women and then make your own themed buttons.

**Mar, 1 - 31**

Want to learn  
more? Follow our  
Teen Instagram  
account  
[@fslibraryteens](https://www.instagram.com/fslibraryteens) !

## Registered Programs

### Die-Cut Cards

(adults)

Spend an evening designing beautiful cards with other local crafters.

Participants will learn scrapbooking skills and learn how to use the library's die cut machine.

No prior knowledge required.

**Wed, Feb 8**

**6-8pm**

Registration recommended.

### Wellness Wednesdays

(adults)

Join us for monthly wellness programs at the library. Each session is a self contained program and you must register individually.

**Jan 18:**

Cooking for Two

**Feb 15:**

Using Consumer Reports

**Mar 15:**

Home Renovations on a Budget

**2-3pm**

Registered.

### Ft. Saskatchewan Prairie: Our Local Parkland Gem

(adults)

Fort Saskatchewan Prairie: Our Local Parkland Gem". Patsy Cotterill and Manna Parseyan of Friends of Fort Saskatchewan Prairie will take a look at the history, management and flora and fauna of the City's grassland reserve. Please join us for this free presentation and an opportunity to learn more about this valuable natural resource on the city's doorstep.

**Sat, Jan 7**

**2-4pm**

## Drop In Programs

### Writers Group

(adults)

The Group provides positive, constructive feedback and shares knowledge and thoughts on the craft of writing. All levels and genres are welcome.

If you have an interest in writing, are already working on a writing project or interested in encouraging feedback, join us.

**Tue, Jan 3, Feb 7, Mar 7**

**6:30-8pm**

Drop in.

### Book Club

(adults)

Book lovers unite! Read new and interesting books with a fun and welcoming group! Pick up a copy at the front desk and join us for literary discussions.

*Jan: Where the Crawdads Sing*  
by Delia Owens

*Feb: The Cellist of Sarajevo*  
by Steven Galloway

*Mar: The Devil in the White City*  
by Erik Larson

**Wed, Jan 11, Feb 15, Mar 15**

**6:45-8pm**

Drop in.

### Knitting & Crochet Circle

(adults)

Join other local crafters for conversation and work on your individual project.

Crochet and knitting lessons are not provided. Please bring your own supplies.

**Fri, Jan 6 - Mar 31**

**3-4pm**

Drop in.

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## Virtual Financial Literacy Classes

### Effective Tax Strategies

Learn valuable information from a CPA as we head into tax season.

**Tue, Jan 31**

**6-7pm**

Registered.

### Travel Insurance Demystified

Participants will learn how to choose the right travel insurance for you and your family.

**Mon, Feb 27**

**7-8:30pm**

Registered.

### 65 Side Hustles

Participants will explore various side hustle ideas and learn how to use their expertise when deciding on the best side hustle to pursue.

**Thu, Mar 23**

**7-8pm**

Registered.

## Language Classes

### Drop-In English Classes

(adults)

Join Althea from CALLS to learn English on Thursdays from 6-8pm.

Phone/text 780-667-8441 for more info.

**Thu, Jan 5 - Mar 30**

**6-8pm**

Drop in.

### English Conversation Circle

(adults)

CALLS English Conversation Circles offer a comfortable place to practice English conversation skills in an informal group setting with other language learners as well as native English speakers.

Phone/text 780-667-8441 for more info.

**Mon, Jan 9 - Mar 27**

**7-8pm**

Drop in.

### French Conversation Circle

(adults)

Join us for casual and fun conversations, en français! Any and all levels are welcome to participate as much or as little as you want! It's a great way to keep up your French and to learn more!

**Thu, Jan 5 - Mar 30**

**6:45-7:45pm**

Drop in.



Community Adult  
Learning & Literacy Society  
Fort Saskatchewan & Strathcona County

## Digital Literacy

### Introduction to Android

(adults)

We will explore the basics in this 2-session tech training: using the touchscreen, exploring settings, connecting to the internet, and downloading apps.

Please bring your fully charged Android phone or tablet.

**Mon, Jan 23 & 30**

**2-3:30pm**

Registered.

### Introduction to iOS

(adults)

We will explore the basics in this 2-session tech training: using the touchscreen, exploring settings, connecting to the internet, and downloading apps.

Please bring your fully charged Apple phone or tablet.

**Mon, Feb 6 & 13**

**2-3:30pm**

Registered.

### Introduction to Windows 10

(adults)

We will explore the basics in this 2-session tech training: navigating the desktop, connecting to the internet, and downloading apps.

Please bring your fully charged Windows laptop or tablet.

**Mon, Mar 6 & 13**

**2-3:30pm**

Registered.

## February is Physical Literacy Month

### What is physical literacy?

One of the simplest definitions of literacy is being competent or having knowledge of something. In this case, it is being competent at fundamental movement and basic sports skills. It is having the knowledge of how to make healthy, active choices that are beneficial to you. We hope during Physical Literacy month, we can encourage you to move, grow and learn with us.

### Calorie Crunch Before Lunch

(adults)

Stop by and get your heart rate pumping as we do a quick 20-min workout, diving into different exercise formats each week. These exercises will be equipment-free so you can redo them anytime while on the run. Grab your sneakers, your afternoon smile, and some water, and we'll see you there!

**Thu, Feb 2 - 23**

**12-12:30pm**

Drop in.

### Yoga Fridays

(all ages)

We welcome you to join us for a 30-minute yoga break. Take some time to de-stress and take care of you. No experience necessary.

**Fri, Feb 3 - 24**

**12-12:30pm**

Drop in.

### Meet Your Yoga Instructor:

In 2008, Nicole wandered into a yoga class at her local gym and found an amazing stillness that has captivated her ever since. She has been teaching since 2014, and loves sharing this practice that can help us connect authentically with ourselves and others, nourish our bodies and minds, and find the sweet spot of balance in our lives. Nicole currently teaches locally for the City of Fort Saskatchewan and also offers retreats and workshops.



### Beanstack BINGO

(all ages)

Use the Beanstack App to participate in Physical Literacy BINGO! Build a snowman, attend a physical literacy program, play a sport, or complete one of our other activities. Once you've completed five activities you will be entered into our grand prize. We will announce the grand prize on our social media in the beginning of February 2023. Stay tuned.

**Feb 1 - 28**

**Head to page 3 to find information about physical literacy month storytimes!**



## Help, I got an eReader for Christmas!

So you got an e-reader for Christmas? Don't fret! The staff at the Fort Saskatchewan Public Library can help you set it up and troubleshoot.

When you come to visit us for some help, be sure to bring your charged e-reader with any and all cords and gadgets that it may have come with. You'll need a resident library card to download electronic books from the library via Libby. If you do not yet have a library card, we can get you one for free!

If you were gifted an older e-reader (ooh, vintage!), some may not have the capacity to be updated further and as a result, may not be able to download content. Older models that are supported, but do not have the built-in Overdrive feature will need to be downloaded from your personal computer, so please bring your laptop if you have one or let front desk staff know if you do not.

Please note that due to licensing restrictions, Kindle e-readers are unable to download e-books from the library.



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## Digital Literacy Classes

(adults)

**Jan 23 & 30: Introduction to Android**  
**2-3:30PM**

**Feb 6 & 13: Introduction to IOS**  
**2-3:30PM**

**Mar 6 & 13: Introduction to Windows 10**  
**2-3:30PM**

Head to page 5 for more information on digital literacy classes.

## Tech Help

(adults)

Book your one-hour one-on-one training session at the customer service desk or call 780-998-4275 to register.

We can help with:

- Basic computer skills
- How to use your laptop
- Smartphones and tablets
- Library e-resources

**Wed, Jan 11 - Mar 29**

**Thu, Jan 12 - Mar 30**

**1-3pm**



The Fort Saskatchewan Early Years Coalition presents:

# 3 & UNDER FAIR

March 20  
3 - 7 pm

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN 3 & UNDER ARE WELCOME TO COME TO THE LIBRARY AND LEARN ABOUT HEALTH AND WELLNESS FROM PARTICIPATING AGENCIES. THERE WILL BE PRIZES, ENTERTAINMENT, REFRESHMENTS, AND FUN!



Access information and connect to community resources to support childhood wellness and development.

\$ Free Admission



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