

**RECAP**

- Building club on 3rd Saturday
- Crafts with Briana on the 2nd and 4th Saturday
- Family Storytime every Thursday at 3pm
- Virtual Storytime Literacy Kit launch
- Picture books shelving rearrangement
- Homeschool Learner Program
- Classroom visits at PCSD
- Cocoa and Crafts continues

**Programs**

Virtual Storytime launched on our YouTube channel this month. Families can come to the library and pick up a *Virtual Storytime Literacy Kit*, that includes the hyperlink to a story that is read aloud, a simple craft video tutorial and materials, and a challenge activity with materials and written directions to follow. Each kit is intended to provide multiple literacy experiences for a wide range of audiences. Each month two new stories and kits will launch. To kick it off, one kit for each 1st grader in 3 classrooms at PCSD were sent home. Week one’s kit made a flying dragon that went along with My Father’s Dragon and week two’s kit explored traditional Ukrainian eggs and heard Renshenka’s Eggs read by the author Patricia Polacco. Check it out at <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLKo5waKT3GLhz0wicDh6MHawS7iwU0Afy> or <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLKo5waKT3GLiQ9U9-O1utBHuncm8QrX2B>

National Library Week was celebrated by reading aloud to 6 PCSD classrooms.

Egg-stra Special Easter Storytime (4/1/2022) had an egg hunt, pysanky egg craft, and a “special guest”, Henrietta the egg-cellent mother hen who lays eggs while singing.

<u>Program</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Family Storytime	4/7/2022	7
Family Storytime	4/14/2022	0
Family Storytime	4/21/2022	3
Family Storytime	4/28/2022	6
Crafts with Briana	4/9/2022	0
Crafts with Briana	4/16/2022	0
Building Club	4/23/2022	0
Craft with Cocoa	4/4/2022	2
Craft with Cocoa	4/21/2022	4
Craft with Cocoa	4/26/2022	2
Worryfree Homeschoolers	4/27/2022	11
Homeschoolers Tour	4/28/2022	8

<u>Virtual Storytime</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Literacy Kits</u>	<u>YouTube Views</u>
My Father's Dragon	4/1-15	80	31
Eggs	4/16-30	30	5*

## **FACILITIES/ COLLECTION**

- The picture books have been spread out over more shelves to improve the physical access to the books as they were extremely crowded. A-Z shelf indicators were added to indicate where the books are located on the shelves. Holiday books are now shelved with the general collection but will still have stickers on the spine for easy retrieval.
- A section of shelving near the entrance to the Children's room has been revamped into a thematic display of new books.

## **OUTREACH**

- Perry Elementary School classroom visits
  - 4/4/2022 Read aloud Ruby Finds a Worry by Percival, made Worry Dolls, and gave a classroom copy of Ruby Finds a Worry to three 5th grade classrooms.
  - 4/6/2022 Read aloud Ruby Finds a Worry by Percival, made Worry Dolls, and gave a classroom copy of Ruby Finds a Worry to one kindergarten classroom and two 1st grade classrooms.
- Wyoming County Youth Bureau Summer Reading planning meeting
- Newsletter
  - The newsletter is continuing to prove to be a valuable tool with 2x the number of views than emailed out. May's newsletter: <https://www.smores.com/05dqj>
- A homeschool group came in to hear Ruby Finds a Worry and made worry dolls.
- A homeschool group from Wayne County came for a tour, to learn about Virtual Literacy Kits, and scratch off blackout squares.
- Facebook
  - If you have Facebook, please consider inviting your Friends to Like our page.
  - Please continue to check our page frequently, Like, Share, and Comment our content.

## **FUTURE PLANS**

- More classroom visits
- Summer Reading!
- The Free Summer Lunch Program is going back to pre-Covid on-site lunch consumption i.e. take-home lunches will not be provided. We are planning on offering this at the library this summer and are working on the logistics regarding service, tables and chairs, number of days offered, and program coordination.
- Modified Virtual Storytime Literacy Kits for PSCD special education classroom on-site use.
- Teen patrons are very interested in starting a Dungeons and Dragons club this summer.
- Family Storytime will take a break for summer starting May 23rd and will resume in September.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- 4/30/22: Get Ready for Mother's Day: Family event to create a present for mom \*
- May 12th Storywalk table at PCSD (camping themed cootie catcher/ fortune teller)

## **WORKSHOPS/ TRAININGS/ SERVICE to the PROFESSION**

- OWWL Summer Reading Workshop
- Oceans of STEAM Resources: Facilitating Creative Learning Programs with the PLIX MIT Media Lab
- Youth Services Advisory Committee chair meeting
- Finding Your New Favorite Book workshop

\*Report submitted prior to April 30th. Updates will be in June's report.