Virtual Children's Programming

The onset of COVID-19 in our area about a year ago led to the Westmoreland Library Network (WLN) issuing a weekly menu of virtual programs for kids, each originating from a WLN member library. If you are on the WLN e-mail blast list for library announcements as a cardholder, you may be already seeing items from the menu with dates and times. Scheduling is available at library websites.

Here, without dates and times, is a sampling from recent WLN menu offerings. An * indicates that registration is required.

DIY Slime Chemistry Take & Make Kits, <u>Murrysville Community Library</u>. Stop by the library or call to reserve a slime chemistry kit! These kits are best for school age children ages 5-10 years old but still fun for younger children with a little added supervision. After picking up your kit at the library, follow along with our YouTube video demo here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nlxAo3OWujU.

Story Time, <u>Trafford Community Library</u>. Join us to read a book and complete a craft. Recommended ages 3-8.

Teens Create: Paper Circuits: Ages 12-18 Yrs., <u>Greensburg Hempfield Area Library</u>*. Let's light stuff up! Build something out of paper and then use LED lights and basic circuity to make it glow. This virtual program will be held via Zoom. You must include your email when you sign up. The library will e-mail you a link to participate in the program via Zoom. Families will be called by the library when program materials are ready to be picked up.

Facebook Live Story Time and More with Miss Jen!, <u>Sewickley Township Public Library</u>.

Afternoon Story Time for 3-5-Year-Olds, <u>Greensburg Hempfield Area Library</u>*. Come join Miss Patty for fun with stories, crafts and more! Funding has been provided by the Pennsylvania Humanities Council and the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act of 2020.

Storytime Soundbites with Ms. Becky: A Pocket for Corduroy, Murrysville

Community Library. Families with young children ages 2-5 years old are invited to tune in to the library's Facebook page and YouTube channel for this "bite-sized" storytime all about POCKETS, featuring rhymes, songs, a fine-motor activity, and a read-aloud of the book A Pocket for Corduroy by Don Freeman.

Baby/Toddler Story Time: Ages 6 mon.-2 yrs., <u>Greensburg Hempfield Area Library</u>*. Come have some fun with your little ones. Enjoy some Songs, Movement and Story Time. Funding has been provided by the Pennsylvania Humanities Council and the NEH as part of the CARES Act of 2020.

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The Cat in the Hat, In a People House!, <u>Jeannette Public Library</u>. Storytime with the Cat in the Hat!

Invisible Ink - a pH Science Experiment, Manor Public Library. Using the supplies in your March K-6 take home bag, mix up invisible ink to write messages. Learn how turmeric is an acid/base indicator, and mix up a decoding solution to reveal your secret message!

So, just as the WLN collaboration of public libraries gives you one-card access to books countywide, print and e-book, you also have access to virtual programming from WLN libraries other than your home library. Check them out.

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