

Reading Buddies at Surrey Libraries

What is the Reading Buddies program?

This program is a chance for children grades 2-4 to practice and improve their reading skills in a non-threatening environment. The children will be paired up with a high school student volunteer to enjoy reading and playing literacy games together. This program does NOT teach children how to read.

Format

This after school program runs for 1 hour every week for 6 weeks. Parents must bring their children to the library and wait for them until the program ends. **Children must attend all sessions** unless they are ill. If they cannot come to a session, please phone or email before the program starts.

Audience

All children from grades 2-4 are welcome in this program. Children who speak a language other than English at home may benefit most from this program. Space is limited for this program and parents must fill out the following form. Parents will be contacted by Library staff if they are selected.

Volunteers

Each volunteer has received training to orient them to the resources available at the library, to learn about working with children and helping them to read, and to understand their responsibilities in keeping the children safe.

Branch Information

Branch	Weekday	Date Range	Time	Librarian	Contact
City Centre	Tuesday	Oct 22 – Nov 26	4:00- 5:00pm	Stephanie	stephanie.baum@surrey.ca
Clayton	Wednesday	Oct 16 – Nov 20	4:00- 5:00pm	Michelle	michelle.meech@surrey.ca
Cloverdale	Tuesday	Oct 22 – Nov 26	4:00- 5:00pm	Mara	mrdickie@surrey.ca
Fleetwood	Tuesday	Oct 17 – Nov 28 (no session Oct 31)	3:45- 4:45pm	Claire	claire.badali@surrey.ca
Guildford	Tuesday	Oct 15 – Nov 19	4:00- 5:00pm	Yesenia	yricardo@surrey.ca
Newton	Tuesday	Oct 22 – Nov 26	4:00- 5:00pm	Rei	rkitano@surrey.ca
Ocean Park	Tuesday	Oct 29 – Dec 3	5:00- 6:00pm	Leslee	lagawthrop@surrey.ca
Semiahmoo	Thursday	Oct 17 – Nov 28 (no session Oct 31)	4:00- 5:00pm	Sarah	sarah.mcneil@surrey.ca
Strawberry Hill	Wednesday	Oct 23 – Nov 27	3:30- 4:30pm	Mehj	mnali@surrey.ca

SURREY LIBRARIES READING BUDDIES CHILD REGISTRATION FORM

CHILD INFORMATION: (Child must be in Grade 2 to 4) Last Name (Surname): _____ First Name: Grade: _____ Gender (optional): _____ Child's first language (if not English): _____ PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION: Name of Parent/Guardian: Phone: _____ Email: _____ SPACE IS LIMITED Library branches will stop accepting registrations If your child is selected. once the program is full at that location. we will call you. Please return this application to the Youth Services Librarian at the branch where you want to attend the program at least two weeks before it starts. Photo/Video Release Surrey Public Library (also referred to as "the Library") has my permission to use photographs or video clearly showing my child's likeness for the Library's promotional purposes such as brochures, posters, annual reports, advertisements, website, and social media channels like Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and Instagram. I agree that the Library may also share this content with the City of Surrey for use in the City's publications and with Envision Financial, a division of First West Credit Union, the financial sponsor, for their promotions. I expressly release Surrey Public Library, the City of Surrey, and Envision Financial, a division of First West Credit Union, from any claims, demands, or compensation arising out of the distribution, broadcast or exhibition of my child's image. Signature of Parent or Guardian: ______ Date: _____

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