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FPL KIDS NEWS



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December is here! Time for the holiday season! No matter what holiday you celebrate, it is a festive, happy time! Things may look different this year, but you can always celebrate with a book! In this edition, I will give you a list of some of the books we have for Christmas, Hanukkah, and Kwanzaa!

Ms. Megan

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DECEMBER VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

Family Programs



We have three special family programs this month. December 10 we will have Hanukkah story time for families, and on December 17, we will have a Christmas story time for families. Both of these programs will be available at 4:00pm on their scheduled days. Noon Year's Eve will be Dec. 31 @ 11:45am!

Schedule of Programming

Mother Goose Monday- December 7,14
Mad Science Monday-December 21, 28
Teen Tuesday-December 1,8,15, 22, 29
Wednesday Story Time-December 2,9,16,23,30
Tween Thursday-December 3,10,17
Family Hanukkah Program-December 10
Family Christmas Program-December 17
Family Fun Friday- December 4, 11, 18
Noon Year's Eve-December 31 11:45am

How to Find the Virtual Programs



You can get access to our virtual program by searching for "Children and Teen Services at Fruitland Park Library" on Google or Facebook.

Special Guest

We have a special guest coming to story time on December 16 and to our Family Christmas Program on December 17! Be sure to tune in to find out who!

New Holiday Books

We have been busy adding new holiday books in our children's room!
Our new holiday picture and easy non-fiction books!

Picture Books (E)

The Night Before Hanukkah by
Natasha Wing

Eight Candles and a Tree by Simone
Bloom Nathan

*Daddy Christmas and Hanukkah Mom
Mama* by Selina Alko

Little Rabbit's Kwanzaa by Donna L.
Washington

Mistletoe A Christmas Story
by Tad Hills

Babar and Father Christmas
by Jean De Brunhoff

Latke the Lucky Dog by Ellen Fischer
I Know an Old Lady Who Swallowed a

Dreidel by Caryn Yacowitz

Rocket's Christmas Surprise by Tad
Hills

E NON FICTION

Kevin's Kwanzaa by Lisa
Bullard

*My Family Celebrates
Kwanzaa* by Lisa Bullard

The Story of Hanukkah by
David A. Adler

Kwanzaa by Rebecca
Pettiford

HAPPY
HOLIDAYS

New & Holiday Books

Titles listed are available in the Lake County Library System. If a title isn't available at Fruitland Park Library, we can have it brought over from another library.

NEW Graphic Novels and Chapter Books

Happy Narwahlidays by Ben Clanton

Monster of Disguise by Joe McGee

A Good Kind of Trouble by Lisa Moore Ramee

Garbage Pail Kids: Welcome to Smellville by

R.L. Stine

The Last Mirror On the Left by Lamar Giles

NEW Non-Fiction

Lela and the Butterflies by Sherri and Tim
Maret

Who Was Kobe Bryant? by Ellen Labrecque

Bright Dreams The Brilliant Ideas of Nikola

Tesla by Tracy Dockray

Holiday Non-Fiction

The Night Before Christmas by Clement C. Moore

All About the Three Kings by Kristen Rajczak
Nelson

All About Santa by Kristen Rajczak Nelson

A World of Cookies for Santa by M.E. Furman

Celebrate Kwanzaa by Carolyn Otto

The Story of Kwanzaa by Donna L. Washington

Macabee! The Story of Hanukkah by Tilda Balsley

Hanukkah by Molly Aloian



Holiday Chapter Books

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Lucy's Holiday Surprise by Ilene
Cooper

Miss Holly is Too Jolly by Dan
Gutman

Mrs. Claus Doesn't Climb

Telephone Poles by Debbie
Dadey

It's a Crazy Christmas by Giles
Andreae

A Boy Called Christmas by Matt
Haig

Emmett Otter's Jugband

Christmas by Lillian Hoban

Top Elf by Caleb Zane Huett

The Christmasaurus by Tom
Fletcher

Perfect Picture Book for December



One of my favorite holiday books to read when I was a school librarian was Arthur's Perfect Christmas by Marc Brown. I liked reading this book because it not only talked about Christmas, it talks about other winter holidays such as Hanukkah and Kwanzaa. It is a great way to introduce children to different holidays that their friends may celebrate instead of Christmas. If you are looking for something that covers the three holidays and has a familiar character, this is a great one to go with!

After taking a month off from the SSYRA books, I jumped back in with *Operation Frog Effect* by Sarah Scheerger. I loved this book. It is written in the form of journal entries completed by the students in a class as part of a requirement by their teacher Ms. Graham. At the beginning of the book the class is divided into their cliques, and not always getting along. Ms. Graham's assignments teaches them how to think and how to become better people. However, one of her assignments has unexpected consequences.

I loved this book. I loved reading how the characters in this book changed from the first page all the way to the end. I can easily see why this book made this year's SSYRA list. Oh, and what does a frog have to do with all of this? Read it and find out!

WHAT IS MS.
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JUST FOR FUN

Candy Cane Crafts



Candy canes taste good, but they are good for crafting too!

Check out these links for some fun crafts you and your family can make at home to give as gifts or keep for yourself!

Candy Cane Reindeer

<http://jeanscraftycorner.blogspot.com/2010/12/day-13-of-20-days-of-christmas-reindeer.html>

Candy Cane Sleigh

<http://ellynsplace.blogspot.com/2011/12/candy-sleighs.html>

List of Other Candy Cane Crafts for Families

<https://www.countryliving.com/food-drinks/g23511191/candy-cane-reindeer/>

THE ELF ON THE SHELF

The elf is back at the Fruitland Park Library! Look for him in December in the Children's Room! When you find him tell Ms. Megan where he is and get a special treat!

