

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

Fall 2018 (September - November)

Registration opens for Sprouting Up and Branching Out on September 1

Classes run from September 12 - November 16

There are no classes during the week of October 8

Winter/Spring 2019 (January - May)

Registration opens for Sprouting Up and Branching Out on January 1

Classes run from January 16 to May 17

There are no classes during the weeks of February 11 - 28 and April 1 - 19

Summer 2019 (July)

Registration opens for Sprouting Up and Branching Out on June 17

Classes run from July 3 to July 26

How do I enroll my child?

There is no registration for Little Seeds. Classes are filled on a first come, first served basis each week. The class will close once that day's capacity is filled. A Glen Ridge Library card MUST be shown for entrance to the class.

For Sprouting Up and Branching Out, you may register your child online or when you visit the library. To enroll your child online for one of these classes, visit our website at www.glenridgelibrary.org/storytimes. Select a class and fill out the form with your child's information. You only need to register once per season/series. If your child has any allergies to food, please let us know. We also request that you tell us who will be accompanying your child during class.

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Library Hours

Mon 12pm - 8 pm

Tues 9am - 8 pm

Wed 12pm - 8 pm

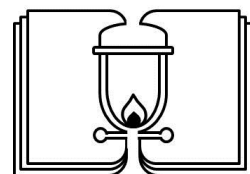
Thurs 9am - 5 pm

Fri 9am - 5 pm

Sat* 9 am - 5 pm

*closed in July & August

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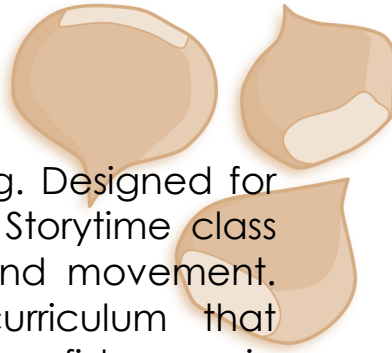


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LITTLE SEEDS



We help you plant the seeds for lifelong learning. Designed for children aged 6 to 23 months, the *Little Seeds* Storytime class consists of books, music, finger plays, rhymes and movement. Children and caregivers participate in a curriculum that encourages vocabulary, social skills and confidence in movement. **Fridays at 9:30 am. Glen Ridge residents only.**

SPROUTING UP

Your little one is growing up fast. Building on the foundation set in *Little Seeds*, your toddler will engage in weekly activities that encourage language development, body awareness, sharing and social interactions, and following directions. For children aged 2, with a caregiver. **Thursdays at 9:30 am. Glen Ridge residents only.**

BRANCHING OUT

It's time to explore the world! Your 3-5 year old is ready to *Branch Out* and participate in this "on my own" Storytime class. Science, art, math, and stories come together to encourage language and literacy skills, sharing and making friends, and learning many vital school readiness skills.

Wednesdays at 1:30 pm. Glen Ridge residents only. A parent/caregiver must remain in the library during the class.

Why is Storytime important?

We all know the value and importance of reading to children at home and allowing them to explore books on their own. Did you know that your child also benefits from attending group Storytime at our library? Here are just a few of the reasons to take advantage of the group Storytime programs we offer:

- *Children watch others become engaged in a Storytime and learn from each other.*
- *They are exposed to a wide variety of authors and writing styles.*
- *They learn vital school readiness skills - sitting still for a period of time, how to pay attention to an adult other than a parent, how to take turns, and how to be reasonably quiet.*
- *More surprisingly perhaps, Storytime are also helpful to parents and caregivers.*
- *Adults learn songs and rhymes to support their child's learning.*
- *Fun, engaging, and educational ways of reading to a child are modeled.*
- *They offer an opportunity to meet and connect with other parents and caregivers.*

Attending a library Storytime ensures that a trip to the library will be fun and something special to look forward to. While you're at the library, allow your child to check out some books as a special take home treat.