

# Fall 2017 Preschool Programs

at the

## Alamogordo Public Library

Our preschool programs are held on Mondays and Wednesdays, from 10:30-11:30 (same thing both days, so you can pick the one that works best for you). Each week will be one of three programs:

### **Traditional Story Times**

Held every other week, these will start with a few stories, songs, and finger plays, then end with a related craft. As always, we are working on prereading skills, even though it isn't (we hope) obvious. To see what some of those skills are, and how you can work them into your daily routine, check out this great pdf – stolen from another library, of course!

<http://www2.westminsterlibrary.org/kids/6PRSSummary.pdf>

### **Toddler STEM**

Think of this as pre-science (and technology, engineering and math) for toddlers. Just as with prereading skills, learning to think scientifically can (and should) be developed early on. We will be exploring the world together using our senses – and we will make a mess! We will have t-shirts you can put on over your child (and yourself), but this is not the day to wear your best clothes. Parent-child interaction in this one is very important, both for the learning process and because we will sometimes have small objects that would fit in mouths.

## Playdate Picnic

Bring a sack lunch or snack for yourself and your child, and join us as we play with costumes, musical instruments, blocks, etc. This program combines more STEM and imaginative play with a chance for parents to relax and talk to other grown-ups. Because of possible allergies, we ask that everyone keep an eye on the food they bring and their own children, to make sure the wrong things don't end up in the wrong mouths!

### Schedule (so you know what to plan for!)

September 11/13 – **Story Time** (*frogs*)

September 18/20 – **Playdate Picnic** (*musical instruments*)

September 25/27 – **Story Time** (*Fall*)

October 2/4 – **Toddler STEM** (*five senses*)

October 9/11 – **Story Time** (*gross stuff – think farting, underwear, etc.*)

October 16/18 – **Playdate Picnic** (*Dress-ups*)

October 23/25 – **Story Time** (*Monsters*)

October 30/Nov 1 – **Toddler STEM** (*all things pumpkin*)

November 6/8 – **Story Time** (*Thanksgiving*)

November 13/15 – **Playdate Picnic** (*building things*)

**\*\*\*November 20-27 no programming\*\*\***

November 29 – **Story Time** (*jungle animals*)

December 4/6 – **Toddler STEM** (*snow*)

December 11/13 - **Story Time** (*winter*)