

Oceans of Possibilities bringing us All Together Now

Reflecting on 2022 Summer Reading Program –
looking forward to 2023 Summer Reading Program

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Welcome to Westboro!

- 702 population
- 124 square miles
- Town Highlights:
 - Post office
 - Bar
 - VFW
 - Baseball field
 - Small community park
 - Pine Line recreational trail
 - AWESOME LIBRARY!



The Westboro Public Library



- Started in 1947
- Now in the old Catholic Church
- Library is 1,500 sq ft, sharing the building with Town offices and lower level Community Center
- Open 27 hours a week
- Staff of 2:
 - Director 20 hours
 - Assistant 15 hours

Children's Area & Circulation Desk



Important Community Partnerships:

1. Local businesses

We asked for donations of prizes and money. In return, they were recognized on our facebook page individually, on a running list on the bulletin board and in our monthly newsletter.

2. Rib Lake School District

I created a flyer, printed them and dropped them off at the school to be handed out the last week of school.

3. Local 4-H / UW Extension office

They created a STEM program to present one day along with social media promotional material.

OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES

2022

WHAT IS IT?

READERS OF ALL AGES ARE INVITED TO DIVE IN AND SPEND THE SUMMER READING WITH US! OUR SUMMER READING PROGRAM THIS YEAR IS CALLED "OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES" AND YOUR POSSIBILITIES TO BE A PART OF IT ARE ENDLESS!

STOP BY THE LIBRARY TO SIGN UP AND GET YOUR FREE BADGE BOOK OR READING LOG TO KEEP TRACK OF YOUR PROGRESS - ALL AGES ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE!

WHEN & WHERE IS IT?

THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM STARTS JUNE 1 AND WILL END THE WEEK OF AUGUST 22. STOP IN THE LIBRARY AT ANY TIME THIS SUMMER TO REGISTER AND PARTICIPATE.

THE WESTBORO PUBLIC LIBRARY IS LOCATED AT
N8855 SECOND ST. IN WESTBORO. HOURS ARE:

TUESDAY 9-5

WEDNESDAY 9-5

THURSDAY 9-5

SATURDAY 9-12

READ FOR PRIZES!

KEEP TRACK OF YOUR TIME READING THIS SUMMER AND ENTER TO WIN PRIZES!

FOR EVERY 15 MINUTES YOU READ, YOU CAN COLOR IN A SEA CREATURE ON THE READING LOG. CLAIM YOUR PRIZE WHEN ALL SEA CREATURES HAVE BEEN COLORED IN!

EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY TOO!

- STARTING JUNE 1, COME GET YOUR BADGE BOOK AND ADOPT YOUR "FISH"
- EVERY TUESDAY - 11 AM IS STORY TIME AT THE LIBRARY
- JUNE 17 & 18 BOOK & BAKE SALE
- JULY 13 - DINOSAUR GUY BRINGING HIS DINOSAURS TO THE LIBRARY!
- JULY 26 - UW EXTENSION PRESENTS OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES STEM HANDS ON EXHIBITS
- AUGUST DATE TBD ICE CREAM EVENT AT LIBRARY



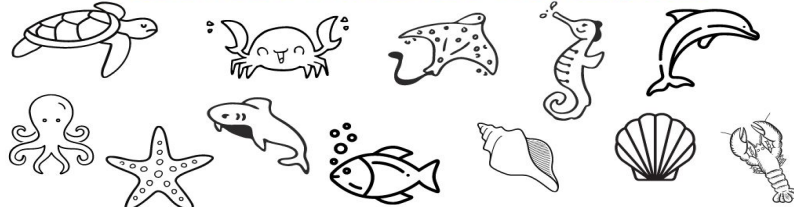
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Read 15 minutes to color in a sea creature.
Claim Prize 1 when all have been completed.



Read 15 minutes to color in a sea creature.
Claim Prize 2 when all have been completed.



Read 15 minutes to color in a sea creature.
Claim Prize 3 when all have been completed.



THIS SUMMER READING LOG BELONGS TO:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Fall School: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____

Adult's name: _____ Phone Number: _____

OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES SUMMER READING 2022

Prize 1: _____

Prize 2: _____

Prize 3: _____

Staff Initial and Date



Bring your completed log by August 31 to pick-up prizes!
Summer Reading Begins June 1 and ends August 25.

Summer Reading Extra Credit

Keep track of your reading in a Badge Book and show a staff member at the end of the summer for extra entries into the prize drawings!



Check out e-books,
audiobooks and
comics with the libby
app from the library!



Libby.

Follow the library!



Westboro Public Library
N8855 Second St.
Westboro, WI 54490
715-427-5864

Hours:
Tuesday 9-5
Wednesday 9-5
Thursday 9-5
Saturday 9-12

Story Time every Tuesday @ 11 am
Westboro Public Library

westboro.catalog.wvls.org

Don't forget the adults!

- Have reading logs for them.
- Have some prizes available, they don't always want them but sometimes they did take them. Candles, gift cards, fancy tea/chocolates (individually wrapped), instant coffee.
- Create themed displays for adults too!



3 things I learned:

1 | Kids loved it!

- The excitement of reading to get to the next level and earn prizes kept them motivated.

2 | Paper logs work better for us.

- Kids loved coloring in their log books and returning them once filled.
- Badge books are cute but they weren't brought back as often, plus they were \$\$..

3 | Gather ideas wherever you can.

- CSLP website and handbook.
- Facebook groups:
 - CSLP
 - Programming Librarian Interest Group
 - Library Think Tank #ALATT
 - Library Bulletin Boards and Displays



When coming up with ideas, sometimes we got very literal.

Meet Kiki and Mango, my son's two hermit crabs. He let me borrow them for a week to bring to the library so we did all things hermit crab.

The kids went nuts for Kiki and Mango.

Think Big!

...never did I ever believe that I would get a chance to host an author that is beloved by my community.

Victoria Houston changed that for me.



Main performer: Dinosaur Dimensions



Time to Celebrate!



2022 Statistics:

Readers signed up:

- Elementary & Pre: 26
- MS/HS: 9
- Adult: 8

35,910 minutes read

45 people came to the end of the summer ice cream party



Ideas for 2023: kindness, friendships, neighbors

Characters: Elephant & Piggie ; Calvin & Hobbes ; Charlotte & Wilbur ; Frog & Toad, Sesame Street characters, Mr. Rogers, etc.

Crafts: Friendship bracelets, painted rocks (Kindness Rocks Project), cards for nursing home, handprint garland, etc.

Other Ideas: Invite community partners to come visit and talk/read for storytime. Firefighters, Chefs, Police Officers, Community Leaders.

