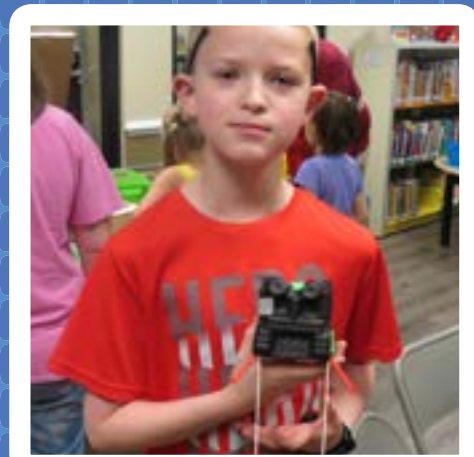
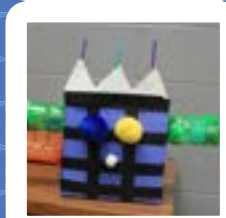
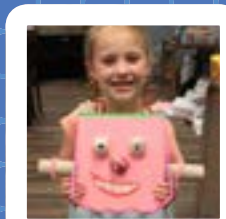


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A woman wearing a green polka-dot dress and yellow gloves is blowing a large, clear bubble around a young girl who is standing on a blue inflatable ring. The girl is wearing a pink floral dress. Several other children are gathered around them, some sitting on the floor and others standing, all watching the activity. The setting appears to be a gymnasium with a wooden floor and blue walls. A black speaker is visible on the right side of the frame.

Fort Bragg
North Carolina

Summer Reading participants having some bubble popping fun with a “Bubbleologist” from Hello Bubbles. (Photo: Eamonn O’Shea)

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Summer Reading participants having some bubble popping fun with a “Bubbleologist” from Hello Bubbles. (Photo: Eamonn O’Shea)



OVERVIEW

2017 DoD-MWR total:

39,238,146
minutes read.

The equivalent of
74.7 years!

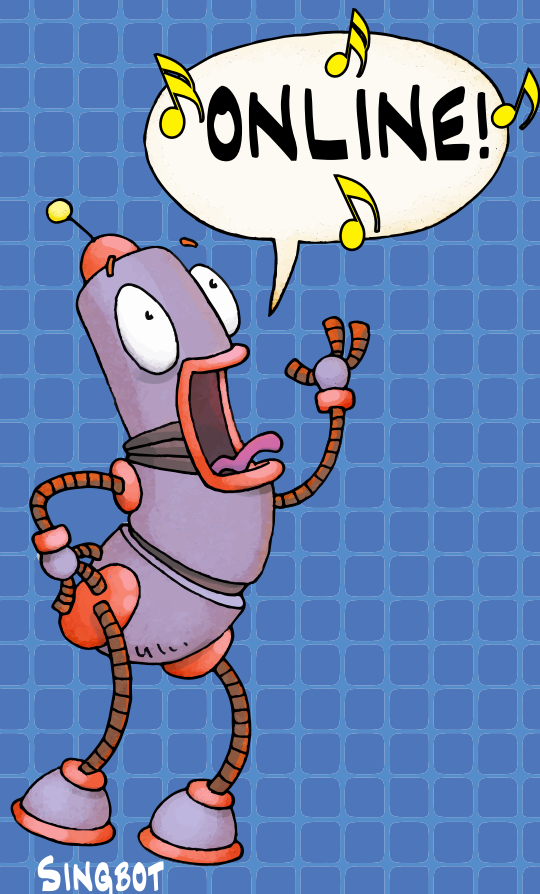


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VIRTUAL SUMMER READING

FOR MILITARY KIDS



SINGBOT

Guard, Reserve, and Active Duty Kids & Teens who live far from military bases are invited to participate in DoD-MWR Virtual Summer Reading, June 1-September 4.

**SIGN UP TODAY
& WIN A PRIZE***

*Prizes awarded on a first come, first served basis while supplies last.

**PARTICIPATE IN ONLINE READING TO
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DOD LAUNCHES FIRST-EVER VIRTUAL SUMMER READING PROGRAM

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For the seventh year the Defense Department's Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) Summer Reading Program begins on June 1. But for National Guard, reserve, and active duty families who do not live on or near a military installation (or communities without a base library) DoD will offer its first Virtual Summer Reading Program.

"The DoD MWR Summer Reading Program (from) 2010 to 2016, was base library centric and did not address the issue of military family members who did not live near an installation or installations without a library," said Nellie S. C. Moffitt, MSLS, the Navy General Library Program Manager at Washington Navy Yard. Moffitt stressed the importance of childhood reading regardless of their location.

"During the summer, some children experience what is often referred to as the 'summer slide' where their reading and other schoolwork comes to a screeching halt," she said. "Our goal would be that every eligible family member sign-up for the program. Because this is our first year conducting a virtual program, we hope the word gets out and family members all over the globe are aware."

As of the fourth week in May, approximately 212 toddlers, 551 kids and 101 teens are registered for the program. Parents can sign up at DoDVirtualSRP.com. The program runs from June 1 to July 31 and registrants receive a reading incentive and prize while supplies last.

Books are not provided as part of the virtual program for children who don't

live near installations with base libraries, Moffitt said. But family members and parents are encouraged to check out books from their local libraries and, if possible, purchase them wherever books are sold.

"As with all of our MWR programs, we continue to assess their effectiveness and ways to improve," Moffitt added. "Our goal is to ensure every family member who is eligible for the summer reading program is able to participate no matter where they live."

**423,903
MINUTES READ
BY PARTICIPANTS
IN 2017 VIRTUAL
SUMMER READING!**



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AIR FORCE



A group of children listen to Alvina Smith, 4th Force Support Squadron library technician, read during weekly story time, June 13, 2017, at the base library at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, North Carolina. The six-week Summer Reading Program includes weekly get-togethers for children ages newborn to teens. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Victoria Boyton)



SEYMOUR JOHNSON AIR FORCE BASE. Tech. Sgt. Jarrett Harkey, 4th Equipment Maintenance Squadron aircraft structural phase lead, and his daughter, sign up for the Department of Defense Summer Reading Program, June 13, 2017, at the base library at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, North Carolina. Participants ages birth through adulthood can register for the Summer Reading Program at the library or online at <https://seymourjohnson.beanstack.org/reader365>. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Victoria Boyton)



RAMSTEIN & VOGELWEH AIR FORCE BASE. Children and parents participate in storytime during 2017 DoD-MWR Summer Reading.



HURLBURT AIR FORCE BASE. Participants get up close and personal with prairie dogs.



KADENA AIR FORCE BASE. Creation Station 2017 was a weekly program for ages 6-12. Creation Station included a Storytime followed by a craft activity with the focus on imagination and creative play. Above, children prepare to create colorful catapults.



YOKOTA AIR BASE. Summer Reading final pool party and awards ceremony.

AIR FORCE





YOKOTA AIR BASE. Working together to learn, build, and engage in engineering, physics, and design principles.

ARMY



Future engineers design robots at Redstone MWR Library. Children participated in the “Reading By Design” theme by designing and crafting rockets and robots to tie in with the anniversary of the moon landing. (Photo: Librarian Heather Morris)



Fort Drum New York



Fort Drum held a weekly class where participants learned how a house is built—from concept, to blueprints, to final product.

Fort Knox Kentucky



Harry Potter fans united and shared some time on the lawn to read. (Photo: Katherine Plater)

USAG Bavaria—Hohenfels Germany



Young designers display their robots at US Army Garrison Bavaria—Hohenfels.

Fort Belvoir Virginia



Learning about bees and other pollinators at Fort Belvoir in Virginia.

ARMY

Camp Darby
Italy



Camp Red Cloud—Camp Casey
Korea



Fort Jackson
South Carolina



Kids picked a challenge card that instructed them to build different structures using Lego bricks or to try their hand at creating 2-D and 3-D structures using toothpicks and marshmallows. (Photo: Tressa Shields)

USAG Rheinland-Pfalz Germany



USAG Rheinland-Pfalz Library's amazing volunteer, Kathy Lee, taught taught families how to how to design decoupage items. (Photo: Mindy Malenius)

Fort Bragg North Carolina



Parents and children react to the tale of The Three Little Pigs as told by Stanley the Pig and friend Ralphie the Sheep.

MARINE CORPS



MCCS LeJeune—New River
North Carolina

Summer reading has its rewards at MCLB Barstow

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Public Affairs Specialist



Colonel Sekou Karega, commanding officer, Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., and Jamie Collins, Marine Corps Community Services, Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, present medals at the base library to some of the 50 children from MCLB who participated in the Summer Reading Program, July 17. Collins and summer reading help present "summer slide" where students have to spend six to eight weeks of the new school year re-learning what they were taught last year.



The End of Summer Reading for Cream Party brought out families to engage in crafty things, such as decorating cookies.

The results are impressive from a program at Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow to encourage students and adults to read more during the summer.

Fifty adults and children gathered at McTearns Hall aboard MCLB July 17 for the End of Summer Reading Program for Cream Party to recognize all of the readers who had kept their minds sharp and their reading skills honed during summer vacation.

"We had 2,737 readers from MCLB and Camp Pendleton combined participate in the Summer Reading Program this year," said Jamie Collins, the child services librarian for Camp Pendleton. She organized the reading program for both bases. "MCLB Barstow had 58 participants read a total of 13,939 minutes," Collins said.

She explained the program is not just intended to pry people out from behind their TVs and video games and read more, but also to help the children when they go back to school in the fall by lessening the effects of "summer slide."

"Teachers have to spend on average six to eight weeks at the beginning of the school year re-teaching the students about what they learned in the previous grade," Collins said. "That's called the 'summer slide' effect."

"It's caused by kids not reading during the summer so they forget what they learned during the school year," explained Leanne Yoss, the adult services librarian for Camp Pendleton who also helped administer the reading program. "The children are outside playing and not thinking about school and the program is a way to keep them sharp by having them exercise their minds during the summer."

"They don't get as much practice reading as they do during the school year and this Summer Reading Program gives them an incentive to keep those skills up," Collins said.

"For every 100 minutes of reading they log they can claim a prize which they can either collect immediately or wait until the end of the program and get all the prizes at once," she said. "For adults, they get a prize for every 600 minutes they read. They could read anything they wanted to include audio books and magazines. It's all literacy as far as we're concerned."

"Students between Kindergarten and third grade who don't enter a summer reading program end up approximately two to three grade levels behind in reading skills compared to those who do participate in reading," she said.

"I learned things from reading and I think this reading will help me in school," said 9-year-old Blake Stevens, one of the children participating in the program. He was attending the party with his two younger sisters and his mother Amanda Stevens, whose active-duty husband works at the U.S. Army Airfield in Dugway.

"I like reading because it has pictures and they show you how things work. It's fun, too," agreed 6-year-old Katelyn Stevens.

As part of the celebration at the End of the Summer Reading Program for Cream Party, Col. Sekou Karega, commanding officer, MCLB Barstow, presented each of the participants from the base with a medal, which he placed around their necks on a red, white, and blue ribbon.

"You'll be getting a lot of these medals if you keep up your reading," Karega said.

"Other Marine Corps reading programs won't end until August, so we don't know what their total minutes read are yet, but with a combined total of 648,479 minutes read between MCLB Barstow and 29 Palms we are anticipating being the top readers this year as well," Collins concluded.



Three-year-old Emma Stevens proudly displays the medal she just decorated as part of the End of Summer Reading Program for Cream Party celebration at McTearns Hall aboard Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., July 17.



Nine-year-old Blake Stevens runs the "obstacle course" at McTearns Hall in Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., as part of the End of Summer Reading Program for Cream Party staged by Marine Corps Community Services, Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, July 17. Jamie Collins with MCLB, said the more than 2,700 readers from both MCLB and Camp Pendleton signed up for the program read enough minutes to add up to 650 days of reading.



Colonel Sekou Karega, commanding officer, Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., is joined by Col. Sgt. Neil Roselli, Headquarters Company first sergeant, the staff of the base library and Marine Corps Community Services from Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, gather for a group photo with the children who participated in the Summer Reading Program around the base library, July 17. The 2,700 children who took part in the Summer Reading Program racked up a total of more than 648,000 minutes of reading.

MCLB Barstow California



Colonel Sekou Karega, commanding officer, Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., and Jamie Collins, Marine Corps Community Services, Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton; present medals to some of the 50 children from the base who participated in the Summer Reading Program at the base library, July 17.

MCB Quantico Virginia



Capt John Trodden reading to kids on Marine Corps Base Quantico.

MARINE CORPS

MCAGCC 29 Palms California



On Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center Twentynine Palms, teens and 'tweens learn innovation and creativity while developing computer skills.

MCCS LeJeune—New River North Carolina



On Marine Corps Community Services LeJeune—New River, children and adults enjoy a demonstration of acrobatics.



On Marine Corps Community Services LeJeune—New River, youngsters encounter and learn about reptiles and other animals.

MCB Hawaii
Hawaii



MCAS Iwakuni
Japan



On Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, budding engineers design and build colorful "marble mazes" using paper plates, paper, pipe cleaners, and glue.



Design-Your-Own-Library-Bag Day on Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni.

NAVY



NSF Dahlgren
Virginia



SOUTH POTOMAC PILOT

NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR THE ARMY, SUPPORT ACTIVITY SOUTH POTOMAC DEFENSE COMMUNITY

Friday, June 16, 2017

The South Potomac Pilot

NSF Indian Head MWR General Library Summer Reading Program Kickoff

The Naval Support Facility Indian Head Library kicked off its Summer Reading Program Kickoff with an event at the 11th anniversary of the Indian Head MWR General Library. Attendees enjoyed live music, games, and received a special reading kit with a variety of books. The program is for all ages and is held every week during the summer months. The program is for all ages and is held every week during the summer months.



NAS Fort Worth JRB

Texas



NSF Dahlgren

Virginia



The Naval Support Facility Dahlgren Eclipse Party attracted over 1,000 attendees for green screen photos, kids crafts, and eclipse viewing with provided glasses.

JB Pearl Harbor—Hickam

Hawaii



Cleaning pennies with vinegar draws the rapt attention of children at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

JAS JRB New Orleans

Louisiana



NSB New London *Connecticut*



JB Anacostia—Bolling *Washington, DC*



NSF Indian Head
Maryland



NAS Kingsville
Texas



NAVSTA Rota
Spain



NSA Naples
Italy



DOD-MWR LIBRARIES SUMMER READING PROGRAM



2010

Voyage to Book Island

*Oceans, vacations, and
treasure hunts*

Artist: Kevin Luthardt

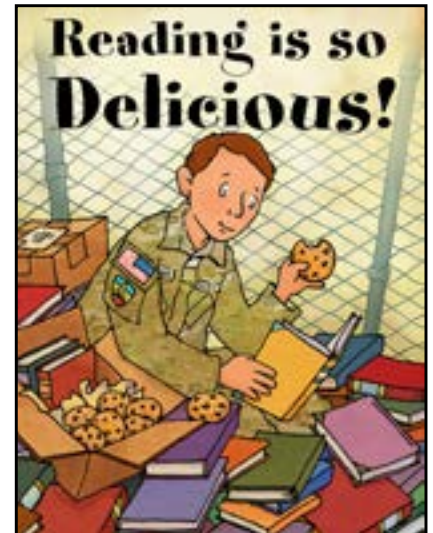


2011

Midsummer Knight's Read

Medieval times and fantasy

Artist: David Catrow

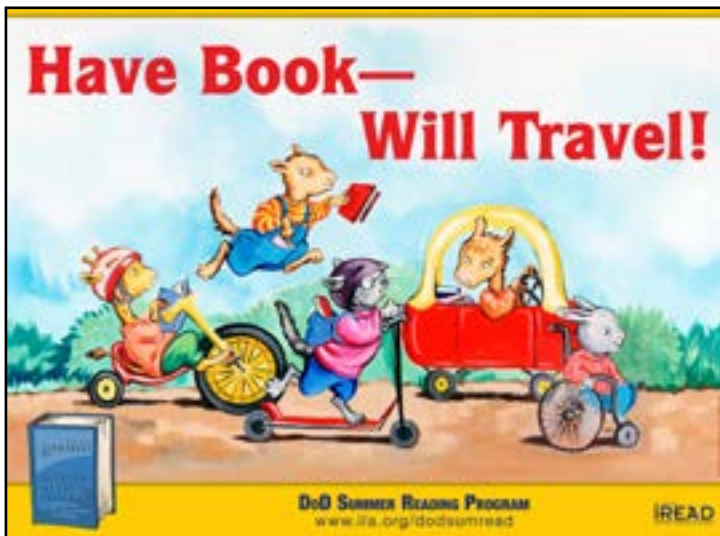


2012

Reading is So Delicious

Food, eating right, and exercise

Artist: Patrick Girouard

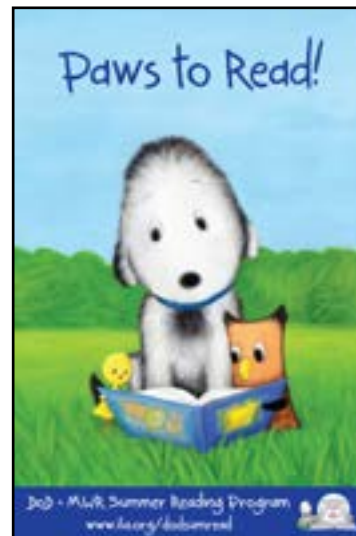


2013

Have Book Will Travel

Travel, types of transportation, and geography

Artist: Anna Dewdney



2014

Paws to Read

Pets and other animals

Artist: Tad Hills

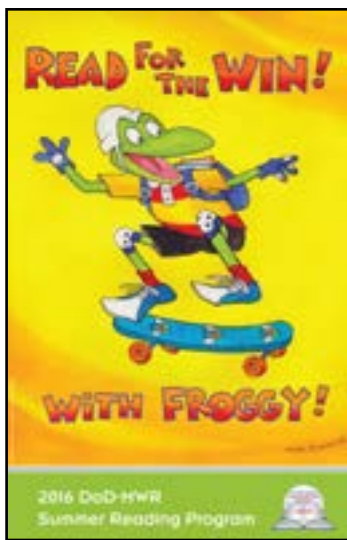


2015

Read to the Rhythm

Music and dance

Artist: Don Tate



2016
Read-For the Win!
 Sports, the Olympics,
 achievement
 Artist: Frank Remkiewicz



2017
Reading By Design
 Engineering, architecture, invention, STEM
 Artist: Nick Dragotta



2018
Reading Takes You Everywhere
 Exploration, discovery, and adventure
 Artist: Terri Murphy



2019
It's Showtime
@ Your Library
 Movies, theater, dance, music
 Artist: TBD



2020
Investigation & Discovery
 Learning to investigate
 Artist: TBD

Reading
takes you
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