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Reading Into Summer!

June 2026

Welcome Amelia, South Chesterfield, Colonial Heights, Dinwiddie, Prince George, and Sussex to Imagination Library's monthly e-newsletter. Below, you will find helpful information designed to keep you informed and connected to our community's ongoing work to promote literacy. We are thrilled to have you as part of our growing family of readers!

Visit our website by clicking [here](#).

Community Partner Spotlight



Family Lifeline is a Central Virginia nonprofit dedicated to strengthening families, supporting children's healthy development, and helping older adults and individuals with disabilities live safely and independently in their homes. Through intensive, home-based services, Family Lifeline meets people where they are—building strong relationships and providing personalized support that creates lasting change.

From early childhood home visits through the Growing Well program to assistance for older adults through Living Well, Family Lifeline connects individuals and families to the resources they need to thrive. Their work is rooted in compassion, equity, and a deep commitment to the community—ensuring that every person has the opportunity to live well, safely, and with dignity.

Upcoming Community Partner Events

Amelia

June 5
[Children's Storytime](#)
📍 James L. Hamner Library
🕒 10-11am

June 12
[Children's Storytime](#)
📍 James L. Hamner Library
🕒 10-11am

June 19
[Children's Storytime](#)
📍 James L. Hamner Library
🕒 10-11am

June 26
[Children's Storytime](#)
📍 James L. Hamner Library
🕒 10-11am

South Chesterfield

June 1
[Pre-K Storytime](#)
📍 Ettrick-Matoaca Library
🕒 10-11am 🎟️ 3-5 years

[Toddler Storytime](#)
📍 Chester Library
🕒 10-10:30am 🎟️ 2-3 years

June 2
[Baby Storytime](#)
📍 Chester Library
🕒 10-10:30am 🎟️ birth-2 years

[Pre-K Storytime](#)
📍 Enon Library
🕒 10:30-11am 🎟️ 3-5 years

June 5
[Dig Into a Story: Excavator Themed Storytime](#)
📍 Enon Library
🕒 10:30-11:30am 🎟️ 3-5 years

June 6
[STEAM Storytime](#)
📍 Ettrick-Matoaca Library
🕒 10-11:30am 🎟️ 3-5 years

June 13
[Family Storytime](#)
📍 Chester Library
🕒 11-11:30am 🎟️ birth-5 years

June 17
[BabyArtsPlay!](#)
📍 Chester Library
🕒 10:30-11:30am 🎟️ 3-36 months

Colonial Heights

June 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24
[Family Storytime](#)
📍 Colonial Heights Library
🕒 10:30-11:30am 🎟️ 3-5 years

June 3, 10, 17, 24
[Baby Storytime](#)
📍 Colonial Heights Library
🕒 9:30-10:30am 🎟️ birth-2 years

June 4
[Playground Pop Up](#)
📍 White Bank Park
🕒 10am-12pm 🎟️ all ages

Dinwiddie

June 3, 10, 17, 24
[Baby & Me](#)
📍 Dinwiddie Library
🕒 10am 🎟️ birth-2 years

June 3, 10, 17, 24
[Storytime](#)
📍 Dinwiddie Library
🕒 10:30am 🎟️ all ages

Prince George

June 4, 11, 18, 25
[Baby & Me](#)
📍 Prince George Library
🕒 10am 🎟️ birth-2 years

June 4, 11, 18, 25
[Storytime](#)
📍 Prince George Library
🕒 10:30am 🎟️ all ages

Sussex

June 15
[Magic of John Kingry](#)
📍 Agnes Taylor Gray Library
🕒 5:30-6:30pm 🎟️ all ages

June 18
[Magic of Bob Wescott](#)
📍 Troxler Memorial Library
🕒 10:30-11:30am 🎟️ all ages

We Love Our Local Libraries!

Libraries offer a variety of resources and tools - usually for FREE! Not a member of your local library? Sign up wherever you are today.

Is your reader eager to get their hands on more books?

Visit your local library!

Sign up for a library card to keep the reading momentum!

Be Gentle with Yourself This Month!

Your June 2026 Focus on The Basics Tip



Go easy on yourself.

Life can feel overwhelming, and we all make mistakes. If you plan to read with your child, and life gets in the way? That's okay. What matters is that you keep showing up, ready to share a story and time with your little one. Remember to be gentle with yourself when things don't go to plan – and know that there is no shame in asking for help. All parents need help, and by modeling gentleness with yourself, your child will handle themselves with the same care.

Visit this principle from The Basics [here](#).

To learn more about how you can Maximize Love, Manage Stress, [click here](#).

Early childhood organizations all around Central Virginia have joined The Basics movement, a strategy for whole communities to support vibrant learning and brain development among infants, toddlers and preschoolers. Fun, simple, and powerful, starting at birth, The Basics are five science-based parenting and caregiving principles that support social, emotional, and cognitive development. Each month **Read to Them** will highlight tips and strategies that will assist you in creating a sturdy foundation for school readiness for our youngest citizens.

Visit [TheBasicsVirginia.org](#) for more information.

Current Number of Local Imagination Library Readers in Amelia, South Chesterfield, Colonial Heights, Dinwiddie, Prince George, and Sussex



To check the availability of Imagination Library in your area, [click here](#).

