



The West Linn & Wilsonville Public Libraries Present



# THE WEST LINN-WILSONVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## At West Linn Public Library in December!

### **Drive A Robot** on Wednesday, December 6th from 1:00-3:00pm

Join us for an in-person, hands-on opportunity to learn about and drive a robot. Members of West Linn High School's *2B Determined* FRC robotics team will assist you with learning to drive a robot during a 15-minute time slot. Registration is required.

### **STEAM Take & Make Kits for Kids: LED Lightsabers** pickups are December 13th - 17th

Begin your journey as a force-wielding space wizard! We'll provide all the supplies and instructions you'll need to make your own LED Lightsaber. Once you create your lightsaber, you'll then add your magic to get out there and defend the galaxy! Registration is required.

### **Tales to Tails!** on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3:00-4:30pm

Want to practice reading to one of our therapy dogs? Sign up for 20-minute sessions to read to a dog at the library. Our dog handlers encourage interaction with their dogs and will offer help if needed. All dogs and handlers are registered therapy teams. Registration is required.

## Did You Know?

### Notifications Are Now Available Via Text Message

All LINCC library cardholders can now receive notifications via text message. These include notifications for holds, overdue items, and other updates. To update your preference you can stop by, call, or email your local library. For West Linn: call 503-656-7853 or email [wref@lincc.org](mailto:wref@lincc.org). For Wilsonville: call 503.682.2744 or email [circulation@wilsonvillelibrary.org](mailto:circulation@wilsonvillelibrary.org).

We will need your library card number to make this change.



## At Wilsonville Public Library in December!

### **Drop-in STEAM Activities** on Wednesday, December 6th from 1:00-2:30pm

Drop in for a fun, hands-on STEAM activity on this Early Release Day. For kids grades K-5 with their grown-up.

### **Wintry Crafts** from December 12th - 31st

Get crafty and help us create our winter bulletin boards in the children's area!

### **Wintry Take & Makes** starting Saturday, December 16th

Take a break with a wintry Take & Make for you to try at home. Available at the Children's Desk while supplies last.

# Books to Prompt Writing and Conversation

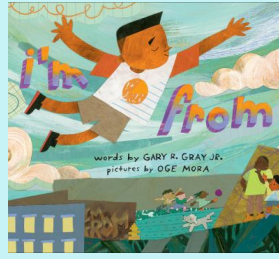
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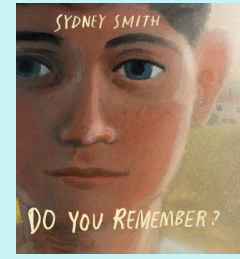
**It's Fall!**  
by Renée Kurilla

A charming ode to fall through the eyes of a child. Heartfelt words coupled with autumn-hued, childlike illustrations celebrate the traditions of this vibrant season. Full of gratitude, joy, and community, this book is an endearing resource for every classroom!



**I'm From**  
by Gary R. Gray Jr.

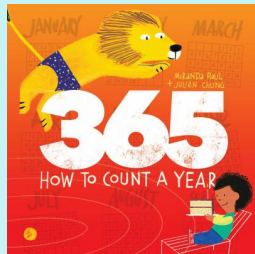
With illustrations by Caldecott honoree Mora, this compelling book shares where a child "comes from". Note that it won't be found on any map. Instead, witness meaningful moments spent eating, listening, playing, and reading that define where we truly come from.



**Do You Remember?**  
by Sydney Smith

A beautiful glimpse of a family navigating a distressing change by recalling moments, joyful and sad, that offered a sense of unforgettable enchantment. A nod to the power of authentic conversations, love, and shared memories. Truly marvelous!

Nonfiction



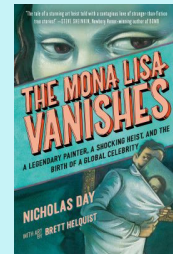
**365: How to Count a Year**  
by Miranda Paul

How would you count a year? In this vibrant book we discover that 365 days of (hopefully) clean underwear can be chunked into 52 Saturday morning sleep-ins or 12 fish-tank-cleanings or 1 birthday cake! A unique and delightful way to teach calendar time to kids.



**There Was A Party for Langston**  
by Jason Reynolds

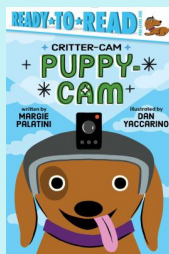
This joyful collaboration between Jason Reynolds and the Pumphrey brothers celebrates the inspiration of Langston Hughes and his poetry. The text and illustrations shimmer and dazzle, recounting a historical event when literary greats came together to honor Hughes.



**The Mona Lisa Vanishes**  
by Nicholas Day

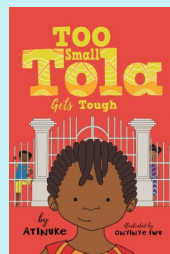
What do you get when you combine a heist, a polymath, and a Paris museum? A page-turner of narrative nonfiction that reads like a thriller! With a timeline alternating between the crime and da Vinci's history, we learn how the Mona Lisa became the world's most famous painting.

Fiction



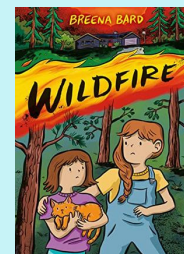
**Puppy Cam**  
by Margie Palatini

What could you show if you had a camera on your head? The latest title in the emerging reader series, *Critter-Cam*, shares the view of a puppy. Filled with sight words, repetition, and excellent visual clues, this book is a playful and engaging first reader.



**Too Small Tola Gets Tough**  
by Atinkuke

The latest in the *Tola* series is set during the pandemic where Tola resides in Nigeria with her family. As the lockdown starts in Lagos, Tola's family must endure, survive, and hope. This empathetic and inspirational story sends a bold message of resilience, strength and triumph.



**Wildfire**  
by Breena Bard

From local author Breena Bard comes an important and powerful book about the impact each of us has on the environment—good and bad. Including threads of friendship, climate change, and restorative justice, this thought provoking graphic novel is a must read!