



The West Linn & Wilsonville Public Libraries Present



# THE WEST LINN WILSONVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## At West Linn Public Library in May!

**LEGO Club** (ages 4-12) on Saturday, May 5th from 12:00-1:30pm

Learn new building techniques on Saturdays with LEGO Master Builder Blair Archer.

**Robotics Showcase** (grades K-5)

Wednesday, May 23rd, Early Release day. Two programs: at 1:00 or 2:00. Space is limited.

Come and watch students from *2B Determined*, our own West Linn High School's FRC Robotics Team, show off their award-winning robot. Discover how it is built and the amazing things it can do.

**Summer Reading Program School Visits**

We will be presenting our Summer Reading Program to all grades on May 30th (Sunset & Cedar Oak Park), May 31st (Trillium Creek), June 4th (Willamette), June 6th (Stafford), and June 7th (Bolton).

**Tales to Tails!** *Reservations are necessary!*

Every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 3:30-5:00pm

Kids, want to practice reading? Come and read to one of our therapy dogs! Please stop by the Kid's Desk or call 503.742.8623 to make your reservation in advance.

## Did You Know?

We have chapter books for all levels of readers! There is an emerging trend in libraries to have a section of books that bridge the gap between leveled readers and traditional chapter books for newly independent and growing readers. These books offer familiar sight words, simple plots, intentional illustrations, and short chapters, all of which help young readers to practice their reading fluency and comprehension. And of course, these books have fun characters and exciting adventures which motivate children to continue reading. Note that each library may call this section by a different name. In West Linn this section is called Just Right Books, and at Wilsonville it is called First Chapter Books.

## At Wilsonville Public Library in May!

The Children's Room remains open during construction. The Library renovation project continues into June, and Storytimes will continue to be held at City Hall in May.

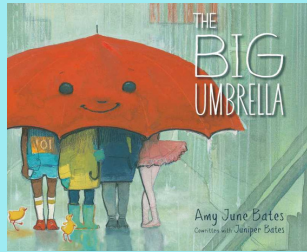
We will be visiting Kindergartners at all schools on May 3rd, and presenting our annual Summer Reading Program skit to all grades on May 30th (Boeckman Creek), June 4th (Lowrie), and June 5th (Boones Ferry).

For questions and the latest Library Renovation updates: call 503-682-2744 or visit [wilsonvillelibrary.org](http://wilsonvillelibrary.org) or [facebook.com/WilsonvilleLibrary](https://facebook.com/WilsonvilleLibrary)

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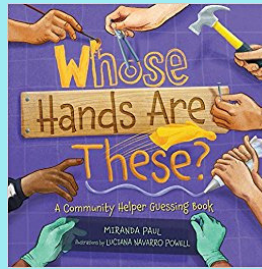
# Books We Recommend: Community

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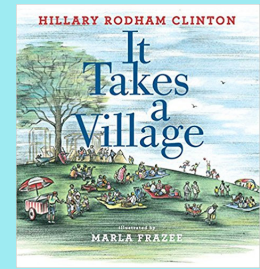
**The Big Umbrella**  
by Amy June Bates

Told with simple yet subtle depth, this beautiful story done in watercolor illustrations, is a reminder that there is always room for us to be together. Children and adults alike will enjoy this book about inclusion.



**Whose Hands Are These?**  
by Miranda Paul

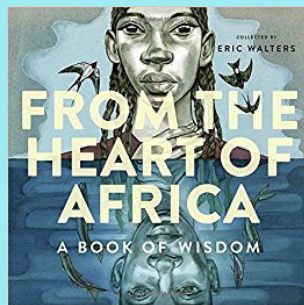
In this simple and sweet rhyming book we learn of all the hands it takes to make a community. Rarely mentioned helpers, such as farmers and mechanics, come to life as we guess whose hands are helping.



**It Takes A Village**  
by Hillary Rodham Clinton

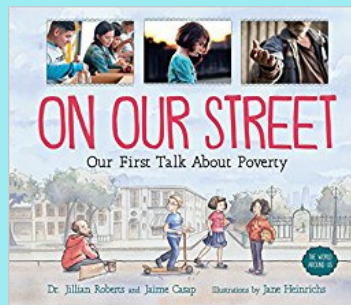
A message of unity is at the core of this darling picture book that celebrates hope and civic connection. We are reminded why it is important to be part of a community.

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**From the Heart of Africa**  
by Eric Walters

Illustrated by artists from around the globe, this book shares fifteen famous aphorisms from African countries. Their universal messages celebrate wisdom and hope for everyone.



**On Our Street: Our First Talk About Poverty**  
by Dr. Jillian Roberts

A gentle introduction to a complex topic, this book offers straightforward and age-appropriate information on homelessness and poverty. A gem of a resource.



**Chef Roy Choi and the Street Food Remix**  
by Jacqueline Briggs Martin

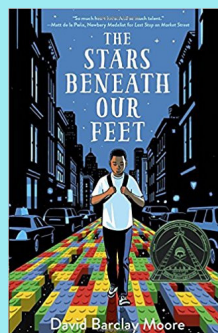
Vibrant, graffiti-style illustrations pair perfectly with this picture book biography of the famous L.A. street chef who started a revolution with his Korean-Mexican fusion.

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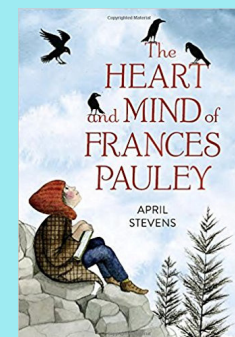
**Amina's Voice**  
by Hena Khan

Amina struggles to find her voice, both as a Pakistani-American girl trying to embrace both cultures and as a talented but shy singer in a school concert. Engaging story about family, culture, and identity.



**The Stars Beneath Our Feet**  
by David Barclay Moore

When Lolly's older brother is killed in a gang-related shooting he immerses himself in creative Lego building and finds an unexpected friend. Strong novel about community and friendship.



**The Heart and Mind of Frances Pauley**  
by April Stevens

Frances is happy to spend all of her time alone, but things start to change when her sister turns mean and her best friend unexpectedly dies. Funny, sensitive, and insightful fiction.