

December 2018

Manchester Public Library

Children & Teen Programs

See reverse for further details. All programs are FREE.

***Starred programs require registration.**

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Orange programs are for teens

Green programs are at Whiton

Blue programs are at Cheney

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Mary Cheney Library 586 Main St Manchester, CT 06040 860-645-0577	Whiton Branch Library 100 North Main St Manchester, CT 06042 860-643-6892			Drop-In Storytime 10:30am/Cheney Rock, Paper, Airplane, Scissors! (Gr. 1-3) 2pm/Cheney *
2 Cheney Open 1-5pm	3	4 Make It, Take It 3-4:30pm/Cheney Pajama Storytime 6:30pm/Whiton	5 Middle School Gamers 6-8pm/Cheney	6 Pajama Storytime 6:30pm/Cheney	7 Preschool Playgroup 10am-3pm Whiton 10am-noon Cheney Preschool Dance Party 2pm/Cheney	8 Drop-In Storytime 10:30am/Cheney
9 Cheney Open 1-5pm	10	11 Make It, Take It 3-4:30pm/Cheney Eric Carle's Creations (ages 3-5) 6:30pm/Cheney* Pajama Storytime 6:30pm/Whiton	12 Middle School Gamers 6-8pm/Cheney	13 Pajama Storytime 6:30pm/Cheney	14 Preschool Playgroup 10am-3pm Whiton 10am-noon Cheney	15 Drop-In Storytime 10:30am/Cheney Late Fall Storytime Session Ends
16 Cheney Open 1-5pm	17	18 Make It, Take It 3-4:30pm/Cheney Papier Mâché Ornaments (ages 3-5) 6:30pm/Cheney*	19 Gingerbread Cookie Party (preschool age) 2-3pm/Cheney Gingerbread House Workshop (K-Gr.5) 3:30-4:45pm/Cheney Middle School Gamers 6-8pm/Cheney	20 Ed Leonard's Silly Song Sing-a-Long 6:30pm/Cheney	21 Preschool Playgroup 10am-3pm Whiton 10am-noon Cheney Papier Mâché Ornaments (ages 5-10) 2:30pm/Cheney*	22
23 Cheney Open 1-5pm	24 LIBRARY CLOSED	25 LIBRARY CLOSED	26 Preschool Picture BINGO 10:30am/Cheney Snowflake Storytime 2-3pm/Whiton Magic Workshop (ages 7+) 3pm/Cheney* Middle School Gamers 6-8pm/Cheney	27 Building with KEVA Planks 2:30pm/Whiton Crafternoon 3-4pm/Cheney Dancin' with Hoops 6:30pm/Cheney	28 Preschool Playgroup 10am-3pm Whiton 10am-noon Cheney	29 Preschool Drive-In 10:30am/Cheney
30 Cheney Open 1-5pm 	31 Library Open 9am-5pm Countdown to Noon 10:30am-12pm Cheney New Year's Crafts 11am-12pm Whiton Storytime Sign-Up for Manchester Residents					

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***Special Programs – Please register in advance 860-645-0577 for Cheney & 860-643-6892 for Whiton**

***Early Winter Storytime Session** – The session begins the week of January 7th with storytimes for infants, one-year olds, two-year olds and three-to-five year olds. Some groups require registration; please see a storytime brochure for further details. See ‘Drop-In Programs’ below for storytimes for all ages that do not require registration; more drop-in storytimes for two-year olds, three-to-five-year olds and all ages may also be seen on our website under the Drop-In Programs tab or in our storytime brochure. This session will run January 7th – February 16th. **Registration begins December 31st for Manchester residents and January 2nd for non-residents.**

***Rock, Paper, Airplane, Scissors!** – Saturday, December 1st, 2pm at Cheney. This program with the Lutz Children’s Museum is for children in **1st – 3rd grade**. Learn to make and launch a paper airplane while exploring the science and math behind its folds and flight. **Registration is required and begins November 26th.**

***Eric Carle’s Creations** – Tuesday, December 11th, 6:30pm at Cheney. Read, learn, touch and create! Learn about author/illustrator Eric Carle, get up close with butterfly artifacts and create colorful butterfly art using Carle’s collage technique in this program with the Lutz Children’s Museum. This program is for children **ages 3-5. Registration is required and begins December 3rd.**

***Papier Mâché Ornaments (ages 3-5)** – Tuesday, December 18th, 6:30pm at Cheney. It’s time to get messy! Learn about papier mâché and the techniques artists use, then create your own unique papier mâché gift for a family member or friend at this program with the Lutz. **Registration is required and begins December 10th.**

***Papier Mâché Ornaments (ages 5-10)** – Friday, December 21st, 2:30pm at Cheney. Learn the modern uses and techniques that artists implement when creating papier mâché models at this program with the Lutz. Then we will put that knowledge to the test by creating a personalized gift for a family member or friend. **Registration is required and begins December 10th.**

***Magic Workshop with Christina the Magician** – Wednesday, December 26th, 3pm at Cheney. Christina the Magician will teach a variety of magic tricks in this program for **children ages 7+! Registration is required and begins December 17th.**

Drop-In Programs – No registration required

Preschool Playgroup – Fridays from 10am-3pm at Whiton and 10am-noon at Cheney. Toys are provided and **parental supervision is required.**

Pajama Storytime – Tuesdays, December 4th & 11th at Whiton; Thursdays December 6th & 13th at Cheney. 6:30-7:15pm. Join us for stories, songs and an activity – you can even come in your pajamas if you’d like!

Drop-In Saturday Storytime – Saturdays, December 1st, 8th and 15th at 10:30am. Visit Cheney for a fun family storytime!

Preschool Dance Party – Friday, December 7th, 2pm at Cheney. For children up to 6 years old, this is a time for little ones and their grownups to rock out at the library. Dance, sing along, and have fun to kids’ music, oldies and some wintry tunes.

Gingerbread Cookie Party – Wednesday, December 19th, 2-3pm at Cheney. Decorate a delicious gingerbread cookie at this tasty program for **preschool age children.** *While supplies last.

Gingerbread House Workshop: A Holiday STEAM Program – Wednesday, December 19th, 3:30-4:45pm at Cheney. **Children in Kindergarten through Grade 5** will practice their STEAM skills by constructing gingerbread houses. *While supplies last.

Edward Leonard’s Silly Song Sing-a-Long – Thursday, December 20th, 6:30pm at Cheney. Enjoy a mix of songs, musical games, dance, movement and rhythms. Recommended for preschool age children.

Preschool Picture BINGO - Wednesday, December 26th, 10:30am at Cheney. Picture BINGO for children **ages 3-5.**

Snowflake Storytime – Wednesday, December 26th, 2pm at Whiton. Listen to great seasonal stories, sing songs and make a craft. For all ages.

Building with KEVA Planks – Thursday, December 27th, 2:30-3:30pm at Whiton. Children will get creative and see what they can construct with KEVA planks at this drop-in program.

Crafternoon for Kids – Thursday, December 27th, 3-4pm at Cheney. Stop by the library during this time to make a cool craft.

Dancin’ with Hoops – Thursday, December 27th, 6:30pm at Cheney. Join Judi Ann Jones for creative dance, play and movement with hula-hoops in this participatory children’s program.

Preschool Drive-In Movie – Saturday, December 29th, 10:30am at Cheney. Let’s go to the movies! Build your own car out of a cardboard box and then hop in for a short film and snack. For children **ages 3-5.** *While supplies last.

New Year’s Eve Crafts & Countdown to Noon – Monday, December 31st, 10:30am-12pm at Cheney. Children can celebrate the holiday early and make a party hat and noisemaker craft starting at 10:30am until our countdown to noon. We will celebrate at noon with sparkling apple cider for the kids and a parade through the library. Happy New Year! *While supplies last.

New Year’s Eve Crafts – Monday, December 31st, 11am-12pm at Whiton. Children can prepare for New Year’s Eve celebrations by making fun noisemaker crafts at the library. *While supplies last.

Programs for Teens

Make It, Take It – Tuesdays, 3-4:30pm at Cheney. This program is for middle and high school students.

December 4th – Mug Sharpies: Use Sharpies to decorate mugs. Sharpies and mugs provided – you make the design!

December 11th – Hot Chocolate in a Jar: Nothing beats hot chocolate on a cold night! Come create a unique hot chocolate mix to keep or give as a gift.

December 18th – Gingerbread Houses: We will have all the fixings to create an awesome gingerbread house.

Middle School Gamers – Wednesdays, 6-8pm at Cheney. Join us as we battle it out on Xbox, Nintendo Switch and Wii. Computers will also be set up for Minecraft and Roblox.