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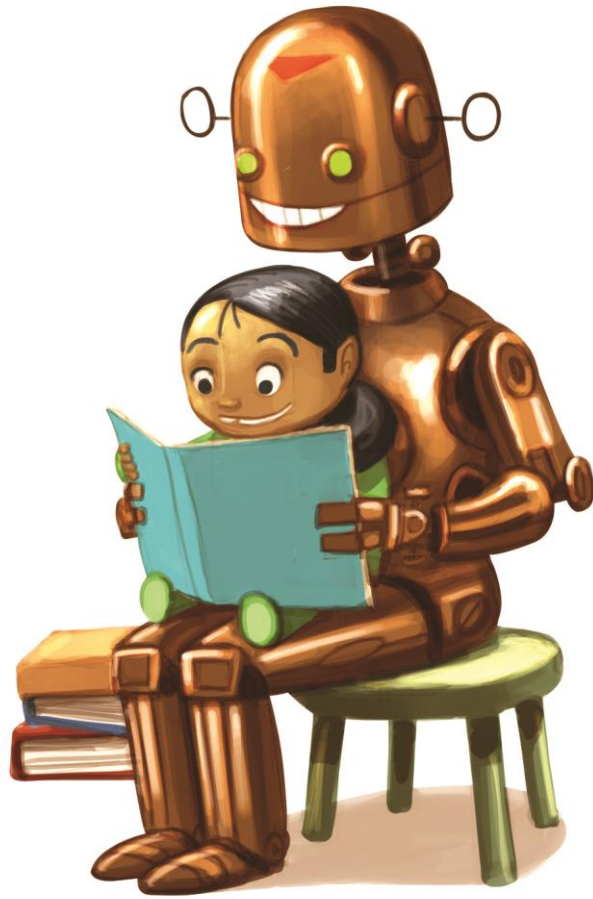
Re: Pajama Math at the Port Angeles Main Library

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Throw on your favorite snuggly pajamas, grab a blanket and stuffed animal friend and head to the North Olympic Library System's Port Angeles Main Library for *Pajama Math* storytimes on Thursdays from July 10 through 31 at 6:30pm. Offered as part of the Library's 2014 summer reading program *Fizz, Boom, Read!*, *Pajama Math* storytimes are all about math skills and social skills development, organized around engaging and entertaining math activities, math-themed books, songs and games.

Storytimes at the library provide young children the opportunity to interact with peers through music, storytelling, book-sharing, games and activities. Studies show that exposure to books and the shared experience of reading aloud can result in improved school readiness for younger children and can prevent the "summer slide", meaning the loss of reading and math achievement in school-aged children, which typically occurs over summer vacation months. Engaging in regular math related activities over the summer can prevent these losses and even boost math success. The Library's *Fizz, Boom, Read!* events and activities are designed to prevent the summer slide.

The Port Angeles Main Library is located at 2210 South Peabody Street. For more information about storytimes, the *Fizz, Boom, Read!* Summer Reading Program, or other early literacy programs at the Library, go to www.nols.org and click on "Youth", or contact Youth Services at 360.417.8500 x7705.



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