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Re: Baby Playdates! Attached: librarybabies.jpg

As part of the North Olympic Library System's annual Summer Reading Program, the Sequim Branch Library is welcoming families with young babies and waddlers to meet and greet at *Baby Playdates* Wednesdays, June 21 through August 16 from 2-3pm. Meet at the library for a bit of family fun at this parent-led, casual program. Shakers, balls, and parachute provided! By bringing your baby to the library, you will be exposing them to a variety of new experiences, sights and sounds. Attending library events and meeting other families is a great way of introducing your baby to other children and meeting other adults just like you!

More Information

The theme for the 2017 Summer Reading Program is *Build a Better World*. This summertime celebration, which encourages children to keep reading during the summer break from school, features a reading challenge and a multitude of events for all ages. Research shows that children who do not read during the summer experience "summer slide" and may lose up to a month of the instructional knowledge they gained during the previous school year. Library summer reading programs have been shown to help alleviate the "summer slide" by providing access to books, enrichment activities, and encouraging young people to keep reading. The Summer Reading Program runs through Saturday, August 19.

The Summer Reading Program is generously supported by the Friends of the Library at all four NOLS libraries. For more information about the Summer Reading Program and other events for young people, visit www.nols.org, call 360.683.1161, or email youth@nols.org. The Sequim Branch Library is located at 630 N. Sequim Avenue.



PARENTS AND BABIES WANTED! Gather at the Sequim Branch Library on Wednesdays 2-3pm June 21 — August 16 for Baby Playdates.

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