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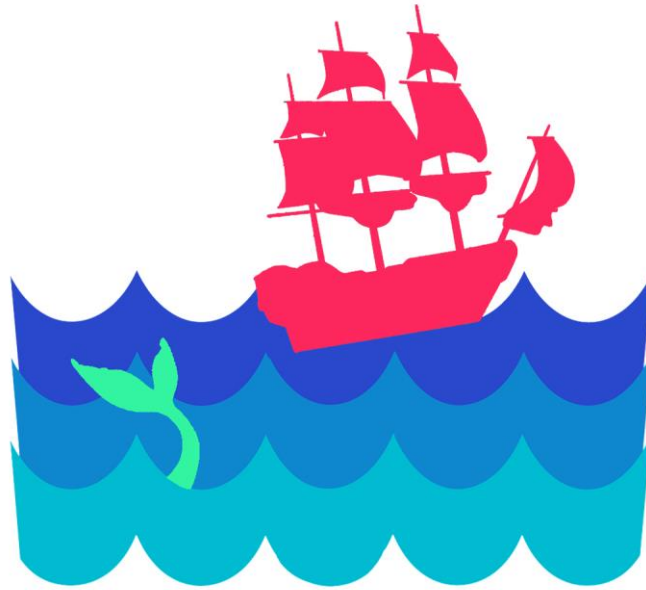
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Ahoy mateys! *Pirates and Mermaids Storytime* will be held on Thursday, June 21 at 2pm at the Clallam Bay Branch Library of the North Olympic Library System (NOLS). This special storytime will feature swashbuckling pirate stories, sea chanties, games, and crafts to make you go "Argh!" Be sure to come dressed as your favorite pirate or mermaid. Activities are geared towards youth 3-7 years of age.

More About the Summer Reading Program

The theme for the 2018 Summer Reading Program is *Libraries Rock!* 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 2018 Summer Reading Program runs June 16 through August 18.

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, visit www.nols.org/srp, call 360.417.8500, or email discover@nols.org.



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