

# Webb Happenings Newsletter

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248-658-5900

April 8, 2024



## Important Dates

- 4/8/24 - ALL students released at 1PM due to solar eclipse
- 4/9/24 - Half Day - Students dismissed at 11:20 - PM Records Day
- 4/10/24 - HP Bond Meetings (see information below)
- 4/11/24 - Fifth Grade M-STEP ELA
- 4/11/24 - Hazel Park Youth Assistance Recognition Night
- 4/18/24 - Fifth Grade M-STEP Math
- 4/16/24 - Fourth Grade M-STEP ELA
- 4/16/24 - Report Cards go home
- 4/23/24 - Fourth Grade M-STEP Math
- 4/24/24 - Third Grade M-STEP ELA
- 4/25/24 - Student of the month breakfast
- 4/25/24 - Half Day - Students dismissed at 11:20 - Family/school Conferences
- 4/25/24 - 4/26/24 Webb Glow Art Show
- 4/30/24 - Fifth Grade M-STEP Science

## From the Principal

Dear Webb Families,

I want to again take this opportunity to remind you of the importance of attending school during half days. Today is an early release, tomorrow is a half day and we will be having another half day at the end of the month for family/school conferences. Important instruction is still happening and to count the school day, we need to have a certain percentage of students in attendance. Days that don't count could result in us having to make up extra days in June. Please make every effort to have students at school every single day of instruction, even half days. We appreciate your support with this.

Sincerely,

*Corri Nastasi*

Principal, Webb Elementary

## Resource Fair

The Family Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs, Michigan Family to Family, and Michigan Family Voices are collaborating on our very first Virtual Resource Fair! The Virtual Resource Fair will take place on May 7th, 2024, from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. The event will be hosted on Microsoft Teams.

[Family Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs Resource Fair](#)

## Early Release on Monday

Due to the eclipse on Monday with the most intense time being during our dismissal, the district has made the decision to dismiss all of the students in the district early. The elementary school students will be dismissed at 1:00PM. We have glasses for each student (please note you cannot see through them to walk), but we do NOT have any extras for adults. Latchkey will be available for families who are already enrolled. Please make arrangements to make sure your child is picked up by 1PM on Monday. See the letter below from the district for more information.



**HAZEL PARK  
SCHOOLS**

Today's Learners, Tomorrow's Leaders

Amy Kruppe, Ed.D.  
Superintendent

Ford Administration  
1620 E. Elza, Hazel Park, MI 48030 | 248-658-5200 | F: 248-544-5443  
www.hazelparkschools.org

4/5/24

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On Monday, April 8th, Michigan is on the pathway to experience the solar eclipse. While observing a solar eclipse can be a memorable and educational experience, looking directly at the sun during an eclipse can cause permanent eye damage. The timeframe for the solar eclipse in Hazel Park falls between 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm, with peak time at 3:14 pm. **Since this event falls during dismissal, we will be releasing students early. This will allow our students, staff, and families to get home and observe the eclipse safely.**

- High School - 12:10
- Webster - 12:30
- Advantage - 12:00
- Middle School - 12:45
- Elementary Dismissal - 1:00
- Edison - 1:00
- Jardon - 1:00

### Important Points

- All after-school activities are canceled, except latchkey.
  - Latchkey will remain in session until 6:00 pm for students enrolled in the elementary latchkey program.
  - Webster latchkey will not be in session.

For your reference, we have included additional information about the solar eclipse that includes basic safety guidelines

### Solar Eclipse Time Frame

- **Begins:** Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 1:58 pm
- **Maximum:** Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 3:14 pm 0.987 Magnitude
- **Ends:** Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 4:27 pm
- **Duration:** 2 hours, 29 minutes

### Solar Eclipse Information

A solar eclipse happens when the moon passes between the sun and the Earth, blocking out the sun's light either partially or completely. This event can be a fascinating learning opportunity for our students, providing them with a firsthand experience of a celestial phenomenon.

Here are some safety guidelines we will be following:

- Solar Viewing Glasses: We will provide ISO-certified solar viewing glasses for all students. These glasses are specially designed to protect the eyes while allowing safe viewing of the sun during an eclipse.
- Educational Activities: Teachers will incorporate the solar eclipse into their lesson plans, providing students with background information about eclipses, the science behind them, and safety precautions.
- We encourage you to talk to your child about the solar eclipse and the importance of following safety guidelines.
- Additional Information:
  - [Solar Eclipse Timeline](#)
  - [NASA – “Total Solar Eclipse Safety”](#)
  - [American Astronomical Society – “How to Safely View TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE!”](#)
  - [Detroit Free Press – “2024 Solar Eclipse – Everything you need to know!”](#)
  - [Solar Eclipse Parent/Guardian Information](#)

We believe that witnessing natural phenomena like a solar eclipse can spark curiosity and interest in science among our students. Thank you for your support in ensuring a safe and enriching experience for all. Thank you for your support in ensuring a safe and enriching experience for all.

Sincerely,

Amy Kruppe, Ed.D.  
Superintendent

## **M-STEP**

Over the course of the next month, our third, fourth and fifth grade students will be taking very important state tests. These tests are very important for Webb. The state uses these results to aid in determining the success of our school. We ask for the help of our families as we embark on these important tests. Please make sure your child gets a good night's sleep and gets to school for breakfast or eats at home each morning before the test. We also ask that you discuss the test at home with your child and talk about the importance of doing their best. The students have been working hard preparing for these assessments at school so they are familiar with the format and have worked to build up the stamina to complete them, so they are equipped to be successful - you can reassure them of this. Any help you can give us with this, is greatly appreciated. Please see the schedule of testing below:

	<u>ELA</u> (reading/writing)	<u>Math</u>	<u>Soc. St.</u>	<u>Science</u>
<b>Third grade:</b>	April 24th	May 1st	X	X
<b>Fourth grade:</b>	April 16th	April 23rd	X	X
<b>Fifth grade :</b>	April 11th	April 18th	April 30th	May 2nd

## **Attention 5th Grade Families**

The fifth grade students will begin M-STEP testing this week on Thursday. They are starting with ELA - Reading and Writing. This is quite a rigorous test, so we need to make sure all of the students are well rested, have a good breakfast (we will always provide that at school from 7:40-8:00AM) and are ready to test. It is always helpful when students get support from home as well to encourage them to give their best effort. They have been working hard all year and have a lot of the skills they need to be successful. Our biggest barrier is often stamina. Students struggle to stay focused for the time they need to be successful. We appreciate any help you can give us to encourage them to persevere and do their best.

## **Bagels**

No bagels this week due to the half day.

## **Climate Survey**

Your opinion is important to us. Please take a few minutes to take this parent survey. We collect similar information from our staff and students and use this data to help drive the improvement process for our school. It takes just a few minutes but can really help us to see our strengths and weaknesses. Here is the link: <https://www.pbisassessment.org/Anon/JVa20BiE4W0>

## **Playground After School**

As the weather gets nicer, more families choose to stay and play on the playground after school. Please don't forget our school rule about playground use after school. Any students staying on the playground after school **MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT** and the adult must be physically in the playground area. This does NOT count for older siblings. Students who walk home, must go home and cannot return until after 6PM (when latchkey is done for the day) without an adult. We do NOT monitor the playground after school. Adults **MUST** monitor their students. We appreciate your help with this.

## **Spring Concert**

Our 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders have been working very hard in music class on songs they will perform in our Spring Concert. They cannot wait to show you what they have learned! The concert is on May 9 at 6 pm at Hazel Park High School. Students should arrive to find their seats by 5:45 pm. They will be sitting by grade level.

3rd grade students are singing three songs. 4th and 5th grade students are playing six short songs per grade level on their recorders. We have limited time in music class, so students are strongly encouraged to practice at home. Please scan the QR code for the music and background tracks for each of the songs.



4th and 5th-grade students can purchase a recorder from Ms. Fox in music class to have to practice at home. New recorders are \$5.00, used (sanitized) recorders are available for \$1.00. Please have your child bring the money to their music class or turn it into their classroom teacher.

Questions? Please reach out to Ms. Fox at [katherine.fox@myhpsd.org](mailto:katherine.fox@myhpsd.org). We look forward to seeing you there!

## **Open Board Position**

On March 20, 2024, Board of Education Trustee Dawn Rice resigned from her position. The Board of Education is now seeking applications to fill this opening and serve the remainder of her term, which expires on December 31, 2024. Applications will be accepted electronically through Tuesday, April 10, 2024. Applicants must reside in Hazel Park or Ferndale to apply.

A school board member plays a crucial role in collaborating with the community to make decisions on various issues. The four major roles of a board member are:

- Envisioning the district's educational future, setting goals, and defining strategies to guide the district toward that vision.
- Hiring a superintendent who will effectively implement the board's policies and manage the district to achieve its goals.
- Monitoring and assessing the district's performance, and keeping the public informed and engaged.
- Advocating for students and public schools within the community, state, and national levels.

The Board of Education plans to invite selected applicants to a special meeting on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, for interviews. We are hopeful that a candidate will be selected on April 16th following the interviews. To apply, please follow this link: [Board](#)

## **Incentive to Keep Reading**

Just because reading month is over does not mean we are done reading. As an incentive to keep the reading going throughout the month of April, we have teamed up with Panda Express to offer an incentive. Each student will get a bookmark to monitor their reading. When the bookmark is completed (within the month of April), it can be turned into school and the student who read will get a coupon for a free kids meal at Panda Express. We hope you will join us in encouraging our students to keep up the reading.



## **Bond Meetings**

We have scheduled some 2024 Bond Proposal Informational School Bus Tours for our district. Come and take the bus tour with us or follow along in your car to get a guided tour on what is included in the 2024 Bond Proposal that Hazel Park and Ferndale residents will vote on May 7, 2024.

We also have three Community Meetings scheduled to answer any questions you may have regarding the bond. They last one is April 10 (Zoom - 11 am to 12:30 pm & In-Person - 6:30 to 8 pm). Here is the Zoom link -

<https://hazelparkschools.zoom.us/j/87148878430> - for all three meetings taking place on Zoom. Each In-Person meeting will take place at the Ford Administration Building (1620 E. Elza).

The bond will address several school construction matters, as well as safety and security efforts. We hope the HPS community members will join us for these Bus Tours and Community Meetings. For more information regarding the 2024 Bond Proposal please click on this link - HPS Bond - for it. The proposed updates for Webb are listed in the box and can also be found on the district website.

## **Webb Elementary**

### **Safety & Security**

- Upgrade secure entry
- Replace interior/exterior doors and locks
- Replace Public Announcement System

### **Learning Environment**

- Remodel restrooms
- Replace lighting

### **Mechanical/Electrical Systems**

- Upgrade heating & cooling system

### **Exterior/Site Work**

- Replace select windows
- Replace roofing
- Update outdoor interactive learning space
- Update playground

welcome to the  
**Artist Studio**  
*April 2024*

**From the teacher Mrs. McClenahan:**

Last month we were very busy with completing most of our artwork for our upcoming art show. Some grades learned about famous artists Claude Monet and Paul Klee and created similar to them. Other grades learned about the Magical Power of Yet and made a multi-media piece to remind them to use their growth mindset.



As we came back from break I allowed time to reconnect with artists as we spun the wheel in honor of those classes that earned a compliment from me.

*Projects & Focus:*

**Young 5's & Kinder & 1st grade:**

Mario Landscapes  
Piet Mondrian Letters

**2nd & 3rd grades:**

Fabric Flag collage  
Alexander Calder abstracts

**4th & 5th grades:**

Folk Art Cityscapes  
Glow Show art

*Projects & Focus:*

**Natzke & Sonnenday & Kondek:**

Glow Show art  
Piet Mondrian letters

*Reminder:*

**" Art is messy!"**

We will use paint and other messy mediums periodically. Please send your artist to school on their art days in clothes that you feel comfortable getting messy.

\*Most supplies are washable.



welcome to the

# Artist Studio

April 2024

## Highlights:



Above: 3rd grade Fish Streamers were created with glow in the dark oil pastels & tempera cake paints, scrap paper, and tissue paper

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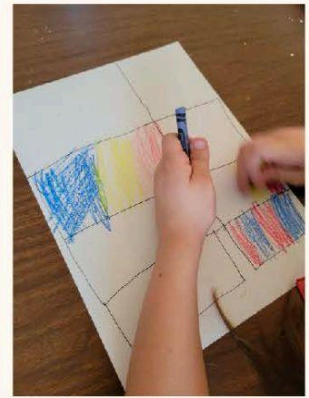
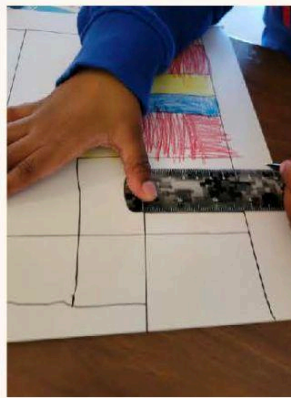
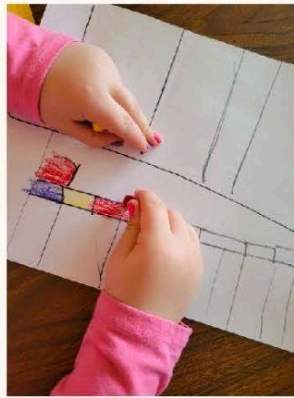
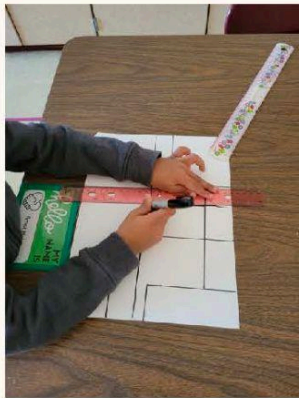
Below: 5th grade Folk art Cityscapes

Artists were challenged by drawing with a felt tip pen only. They then added color with their choice of medium.



welcome to the  
**Artist Studio**  
March 2024

### Highlights:



Above: Kindergarteners used rulers to make straight lines and added primary colors just like Piet Mondrian.

### Requests:

**cleaning wipes**

**Kleenex**

**cardboard cup holders**



email me at:

[courtney.mcclenahan@myhpsd.org](mailto:courtney.mcclenahan@myhpsd.org)

### Student Voice:



[mrs.monalisa\\_artteacher](#)

[Instagram page](#)

Check out highlights from  
class. Student artwork will be  
highlighted weekly.





**YOU ARE INVITED TO**



**WEBB ELEMENTARY'S**  
**GLOW ART SHOW**

**THURSDAY APRIL 25TH**  
**@12:30-3PM & @5-7:30PM**

**JOIN US DURING CONFERENCES OR AFTER SCHOOL**

**FRIDAY APRIL 26TH**  
**@3:10-4:10PM**

**THE GALLERY WILL BE IN THE GYM**



**ALL WEBB STUDENTS WILL HAVE ART UP FOR THIS EVENT**





# EARTH DAY!

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024**

**10AM TO 2PM – RECYCLING @ DPW 24211 COUZENS**

PAPER SHREDDER, ELECTRONICS, SCRAP METAL, OLD PAINT, OLD  
HOUSEHOLD CLEANERS. LEARN ABOUT: WATERSHED AWARENESS

SEED BALL ACTIVITY BY:  **OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS**

**! FREE LUNCH !**

**9AM TO 12PM – PARK CLEAN UP**

**CALL TO REGISTER YOUR FAVORITE PARK:**

**248-547-5535**

# LEARN HOW TO SAVE A LIFE WITH NALOXONE

(also known as NARCAN® nasal spray)



FAN invites the Hazel Park community to join our free naloxone training event. Naloxone is a safe, over-the-counter medication designed to rapidly reverse the effects of opioids in the event of an overdose from heroin, fentanyl, or narcotic pain medications.

Become a bystander RESCUER trained to identify an opioid overdose, administer NARCAN nasal spray, and provide first aid support & recovery.

Participants will receive their own **FREE NARCAN Kit** and training certificate. **My Town Market** is generously providing free water, chips, and apples!

**Hazel Park**  
Community Center



620 W Woodward Heights Blvd,  
Hazel Park, MI 48030  
Club Community Room

**April 10th, 2024**  
Wednesday evening  
6 - 7 p.m.

Presented by Kelley Kummer,  
a registered nurse (RN), BSN student  
at the University of Michigan Flint,  
School of Nursing, and resident of  
the city of Hazel Park.

[CLICK HERE](#),  
scan the QR code,  
or call Hazel Park  
Recreation at  
**248-547-5535**  
to reserve your spot!





# 2024 SUMMER FEST!

**Green Acres Park**  
July 27, 2-4 PM



**SAVE THE  
DATE!**



~CLIMBING TOWER~  
~INFLATABLES~  
~OBSTACLE COURSE~



## Hazel Park Recreation Youth Baseball Youth Softball



**Registration is now open!**

Practices begin in May.  
Games will be played the first week in June.  
For more information call 248-547-5535





Hazel Park Recreation Center Presents

**CERTIFIED  
INSTRUCTORS**

# KARATE *hp*

**12 WEEK  
PROGRAM**

**“PAY AS YOU GO”**

**ONLY**

**\$5.00**

**Per Class Attended**



## Registration

**Register on-site on:**

**April 16th, 2024**

**Starting at: 5:45 pm**

**\$20.00 Registration Fee**

**then pay only**

**\$5.00 per class attended.**

**Class starts at 6pm!!**

**for New Students**

### Life-Skills such as:



- Leadership
- Respect
- Responsibility
- Self-Confidence
- Self-Discipline
- Honesty
- Cooperation
- Team Work
- Honor
- Service

### Physical Fitness such as:

- Karate for kids
- Strength Training
- Flexibility Training
- Coordination Training
- Endurance Training
- Nutritional Training
- Games



### Danger Awareness such as:



- Stranger Danger
- How to Avoid Danger
- Proper use of 911
- Self Defense
- Home Safety
- Fire Safety
- Auto Safety

### Anti Bully Programs such as:

- Avoiding Conflict
- Non-Violent Tactics
- Walking Away with Confidence
- Not Being the Bully



## **DATE - TIMES - DAYS**

**Starts On**

**April 16th, 2024**

**Class Times**

**6:00-6:45pm (New Students)**

**7:00-8:00pm (Adv. Students)**

**Class Days**

**Tuesday & Thursday**

**Uniforms  
Available  
at Class**



**Boys and Girls  
5 years and up**

## **LOCATION**

**620 Woodward Heights Blvd**

**Hazel Park, MI 48030**

**(248)546-4092**

**(East of Woodward-South of i-696)**

**For Information Call**

**(586)-263-9449**



SEED SHARING



CREATING  
A POLLINATOR GARDEN  
IN YOUR YARD!

Learn how to help the honey bee and other  
pollinators

Honey tasting! Compare Hazel Park Honey to  
other local City's honeys.

Sample Hazel Park Raw Honey sweetened  
lavender lemonade and Hazel Park HOT  
PEPPER honey.



Hazel Park Community Center  
Wednesday, May 8th  
6:00pm  
Cost: \$5,00  
Call 248-547-5535 to register





# OPEN SWIM IS BACK

HAZEL PARK HIGH SCHOOL  
ATHLETIC ENTRANCE

**EVERY MONDAY  
& WEDNESDAY  
7 TO 8:30 PM**

COST: FREE  
KIDS MUST BE SUPERVISED BY PARENTS  
LIFEGUARD ON DUTY - 50 SWIMMER LIMIT



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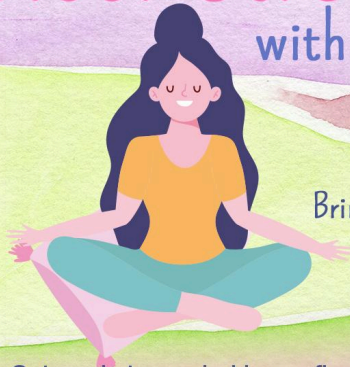


## *Now Open*

The Track and Tennis Courts  
at our High School are open to  
the public seven days a week  
from 6:30 am to 9 pm.

*\*Please no pets, no strollers and wear tennis shoes\**

# Floor Stretch with Nathalie Wood



Bring a Yoga Mat, Straps are Provided.  
Ages 18 - 118 are Welcome!

Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10:30am

\$5 Drop-In Fee

Hazel Park Community Center  
620 W Woodward Heights  
Hazel Park, MI



Get ready to unwind in our floor stretch class - it's like a gentle embrace for your body and soul! Imagine easing into a world of movements and exercises that are like a soothing balm for your flexibility, balance, and overall well-being.

Whether you're a seasoned stretcher or just starting your journey, everyone is invited with open arms! Active older adults, get ready for a challenge that respects the wisdom of your body.

Discover the rejuvenating benefits of our floor stretch class. Improve flexibility, find balance, and enhance overall well-being through movements suitable for all capabilities.

Join us for some serene feel-good vibes, and leave with the sense of having treated yourself to a deeply nurturing self-care session.

For more information please contact the Hazel Park Recreation Department at: (248) 547-5535

HAZEL PARK RECREATION

# MOVIE IN THE PARK

FREE ADMISSION!  
JUMBO YARD GAMES!

FRIDAY  
JULY 19, 2024  
8PM

GREEN ACRES PARK





# HAZEL PARK DISTRICT LIBRARY

## FAMILY FUN NIGHT

TUESDAYS, 6:30-7:30pm

CRAFTS, GAMES, AND FUN!  
(Ages 0-12 & siblings)

FREE  
PROGRAM

March 26: Egg Hunt 6:00-7:30pm

(Sign up for a time slot: 6:00pm, 6:15pm, 6:30pm, 6:45pm, 7:00pm)

April 9: Slime Sensory

April 23: The Pigeon Party

(Celebrate the 20th anniversary of Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus)

May 14: Games, Trains and Legos...oh my!

May 28: Nerf War

June 11: Summer Reading Kickoff: Animal Magic



123 E Nine Mile  
Hazel Park, MI 48030  
<http://hazel-park.lib.mi.us/>  
248-546-4095

**Gleaners Food for Thought**  
Let's Make a Difference  
Donate Today!

**March 18-April 26**

The Hazel Park District Library is excited to be part of Gleaners Community Food Bank's Food for Thought Campaign. This campaign is in partnership with The Library Network and Suburban Library Cooperative. With your support, we are able to support the crucial work of Gleaners to help struggling families make ends meet!

**We are collecting unexpired NONPERISHABLE canned goods to donate to Gleaners**



**Drop-off Location**  
Hazel Park District Library  
123 E 9 Mile Rd  
Hazel Park, MI 48030



# HAZEL PARK DISTRICT LIBRARY



- March 28: Green Acres Park  
(620 W Woodward Heights Blvd. Hazel Park, MI 48030)
- April 11: Rosie's Park  
(1111 E Farnum Ave, Madison Heights, MI 48071)
- April 25: Martin Rd Park  
(1615 E Lewiston Ave, Ferndale, MI 48220)
- May 2: Civic Center Park  
(360 W 13 Mile Rd, Madison Heights, MI 48071)
- May 9: Green Acres Park  
(620 W Woodward Heights Blvd. Hazel Park, MI 48030)
- May 23: Red Oaks Nature Center:  
(30300 Hales St, Madison Heights, MI 48071)
- June 6: Harding Park (989 Mapledale Ferndale, MI 48220)

**GOTTA CATCH 'EM ALL!**

**Thursdays at 6:30 PM**

Join us to catch Pokemon and battle.  
Everyone will get 1 FREE Pokemon card.

# HAZEL PARK DISTRICT LIBRARY

Glow  
Popcorn



Fountain



# SLIME SENSORY

Slime  
Painting



Diy  
Squishy  
Maker

**TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 6:30 PM**



HAZEL PARK  
DISTRICT LIBRARY  
123 E Nine Mile  
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<http://hazel-park.lib.mi.us/>  
248-546-4095

# Hazel Park District Library

## Baby Story Time



**Wednesdays, 1:00 pm**

**(Older siblings are welcome)**

**No Storytime June 19**

Baby Story Time supports early literacy and language skills by encouraging singing, playing, talking, and shared reading.

Join us for fun stories, finger plays, and snuggling in a welcoming environment! This FREE program is geared toward babies, but older siblings are welcome.



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# Hazel Park Library

# Tiny Tales

## Storytime

**Free!**

## Fridays 10:30am

Ages 0-5 (Older siblings are welcome)

We read stories, do fun fingerplays, sing songs, play, color, and letter recognition games. Sometimes we will be doing a craft that you can pick up from the library. Join us for a fun time and develop literacy, language, and social skills as well as positive associations with reading and the library.

(No Storytime May 17 & 24)



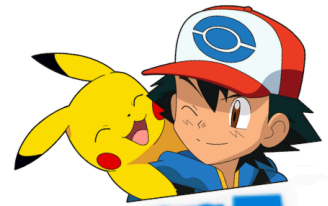
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**FREE  
PROGRAM**

# Hazel Park District Library

# POKÉMON &

# LEGO CLUB



**April 2, May 7, June 4  
6:30PM**



**Legos, craft & games, oh my!**  
**We will build with Legos and display our masterpieces  
in the Library. Bring your Pokemon cards. You can  
battle with friends, play the card game and do crafts.**