

OC READ MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

It's never too late to reach your goals.



Literacy Fact: Children whose parents read with them score 10 points higher on standardized reading tests.

Ever hear the phrase "the dog days of summer"? This [expression](#) refers to the hottest days of summer, between July 3 - August 11. Do you know where it came from?

The expression refers to the "Dog Days" of summer when the Sun [occupies](#) the same area in the sky as Sirius, the brightest star seen from any place on Earth; pictured above. Sirius is part of the constellation Canis Major, meaning the Greater Dog!

Just a fun science fact to kick off July. If you like science, sign up for our STEAM AHEAD summer programs!

OC Read staff is here to assist both learners and tutors. If you have questions or need any support, [we've got your back](#).

WHAT YOU'LL FIND INSIDE:

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Tip: [Purple](#) words can be clicked on to learn more.

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LEARNER SUCCESSES

- Mindy has achieved all her goals and has come to the end of her journey with OC Read. Congratulations, Mindy!
- Lucas read the book “The Messenger” in about two weeks.
- Francisco is writing down new words he comes across while reading, and it's helping his comprehension improve.
- Luisa read the entire DMV manual.
- Jeremy is recognizing root words.

**Keep up the great work
everyone!**

UPCOMING CLASSES

To register for a class, click on the accompanying RSVP link and fill out the Zoom Access [Waiver](#) Form.

ADULT LITERACY CLASSES

Job Preparation Workshops:

Interview Skills

July 8 at 5:30 PM

Join us for our last class in our Job Preparation Workshops series. On July 8, we'll be focusing on [honing](#) your interview skills.

RSVP: bit.ly/32Minzs



FAMILY LITERACY CLASSES

STEAM Ahead

Tuesdays July 6 - July 20 at 6 PM

The celebration continues! Dive into science, technology, engineering, art, and math (STEAM) with your family at these Summer Events.

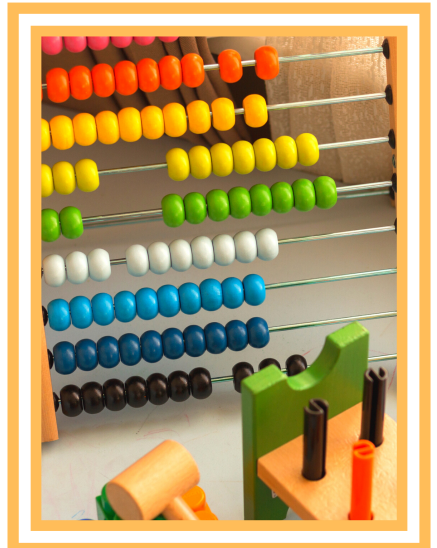
July 6 - Magnetic Magic

July 13 - Energy Burst

July 20 - Chazz Ross's Jungle Drum-Circle

RSVP for adults: bit.ly/3ex0s4W

RSVP for kids: bit.ly/32Hmb4O



TUTORING TIP

Building your vocabulary, one grain of rice at a time.

Focusing on building your vocabulary? Freerice.com turns learning new vocabulary words into a fun, easy-to-use game! All while giving you the chance to make a difference in someone else's life.

For every question you answer correctly on Freerice.com, a payment is made to the World Food [Programme](#) (WFP). This money, [represented](#) by grains of rice, goes to support WFP's ongoing emergencies.



Both the website and the app are free to play. You can create an account, but it's not required. If you need help getting started, just let us know!

Link: <https://freerice.com/categories/english-vocabulary>

Trivia: Did you notice how "Program" was spelled "Programme" above? This is because "program" is the American English spelling of the British English "programme". There are a couple of main spelling differences between British English and American English. This is because British English, [for the most part](#), keeps the spelling of words it has borrowed from other languages. While [on the other hand](#), American English tries to change the spelling of these words to the way they are pronounced in English. Curious? Here's a link to read a little more about the spelling practices of our friends from [across the pond](#).

Link: <https://www.cambridge.org/elt/blog/2017/09/08/american-british-english-spelling/>

OC READ NEWS

News For You available in print!

OC Read is offering free copies of *News For You*, print edition, for you and your Learner! Each paper includes the week's top stories, vocabulary words, and a crossword puzzle.



News For You offers easy-to-read news stories that can help you learn to read, write, and understand the English language. To request a paper copy please email OC Read and we will route to your nearest branch. All stories in the print edition can be found online at newsforyouonline.com. Contact OC Read for the password.



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OCPL IS NOW

OPEN



Unlimited
browsing is back!

Walk-in computer
use is back!



Grab & Go and Curbside
services continue!

For a complete list of service updates please visit
<https://www.ocpl.org/serviceupdate>

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SUMMER READING IS HERE!



Celebrate 50 days of reading this summer! Sign up for your virtual log at ocpl.beanstack.org or download the free Beanstack app.

You can set up one account and add all the readers in your family!

Check out the website for more information about special summer performances and virtual events



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SUMMER READING PERFORMERS SNEAK PEEK:



Saturday
June 12 at 2pm
Happy Birds
7 feathered friends
perform and educate

Wednesday
June 16 at 2pm
Michael Rayner
Hilarious juggling
and stunts

Wednesday
June 23 at 2pm
Wild Wonders
A live session with
animal ambassadors

Wednesday
June 30 at 2pm
Michael D. McCarty
Storytelling with an
international flair

Wednesday
July 7 at 2pm
**Pacific Animal
Productions**
Tales and Tails!

Saturday
July 10 at 2pm
Mad Science
Fire and Ice

Wednesday
July 14 at 2pm
Arty Loon
Comedy, magic, and fun

Wednesday
July 21 at 2pm
Crazy About Chemistry
Science is not boring!

Wednesday
July 28 at 2pm
**Environmental Nature
Center**
Nature connections
to literature

Saturday
July 31 at 2pm
Zany Zoe
Wrap up the summer with
a high energy magic show!

Register by emailing:
Erik.Oviedo@occr.ocgov.com

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SUMMER READING AUTHOR EVENTS SNEAK PEEK:



ADULTS



Meet Author Kaira Rouda

July 15 at 6:30pm

Register by emailing: beatriz.preciado@occr.ocgov.com



CHILDREN/ FAMILY Register by emailing: samantha.smith@occr.ocgov.com



Meet Author David Shannon

Saturday, July 10 at 11am



Meet Author Mindy Thomas

Tuesday, July 20 at 3pm



Meet Author Drew Daywalt

Saturday, July 31 at 11am

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GRAB & GO MEALS



FREE SUMMER MEALS AT YOUR LIBRARY!



BRANCH LOCATIONS

**Garden Grove Chapman Library &
Garden Grove Main Library**

Through July 23

Tuesdays - Fridays (11 am-Noon)

Tustin Library

Through July 29

Tuesdays & Thursdays (10 am-Noon)

Free healthy meals for children and teens 18 and under.
No registration is required.

Meals distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. Children must be present at the time of meal pick up. Grab and go lunches will need to be heated at home.

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ESL CONVERSATION GROUP

Practice your English listening and speaking skills at
Katie Wheeler's ESL Zoom Conversation Group!
For ages 18+.

**To join, email ocpl.katiewheeler@occr.ocgov.com
or call 714-669-8753**



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JOB SEEKER SERIES



Refresh your job seeking skills
with free, virtual workshops
from Workforce Edge

Resume Building

Saturday, June 5th 11am
Wednesday, June 16th 6pm
Wednesday, July 21st 4pm

Maximize Your Job Search

Saturday, June 19th 11am
Tuesday, July 13th 6pm
Saturday, July 24th 2pm

Interviewing Skills

Saturday, June 12th 11am
Wednesday, July 7th 6pm

Register by email: maria.ruiz@occr.ocgov.com



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