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community's ongoing work to promote literacy.

We are thrilled to have you as part of our growing family of readers! You can also visit us at www.ImaginationLlbraryRVA.org.

# **Play Sherlock Holmes** Your January 2024 reading tip

### Ask your child to identify or locate stuff in the pictures. Colors. Objects. Animals. Things they can count.

"Can you find the 3 red flowers?" This makes reading together fun and interactive.

Use the illustrations.

Jan. 3

Jan. 4

3:00pm, \$

**Upcoming Community Partner Events** 

free with museum admission

### • Creative Crafternoon, Ettrick-Matoaca Library, 1:00 - 3:00pm, free • Celebrate Chinese New Year, Children's Museum of Richmond Downtown, 2:00 -

• Playhouse Bilingual Story Time, Children's Museum of Richmond Downtown, 10:30 -11:00am, free with museum admission Jan. 5

• Bird Feeding Bouquet, Deep Run Park Recreation Center, 10:00am - 2:00pm, free

• Bilingual Storytime, Children's Museum of Richmond Chesterfield, 1:00pm - 1:30pm,

Jan. 10

**Jan. 11** 

advance

Jan. 8

Jan. 17

• Science Museum of Virginia \$10 Days, Science Museum of Virginia, \$

• PJ Story Time, Powhatan County Library, 6:00 - 6:30pm, free

Movie Monday, Powhatan County Library, 11:00am - 1:00pm, free

• Homeschool Hour, Clover Hill Library, 1:00 - 2:00pm, free but must register in

• Winnie the Pooh Party, Deep Run Park Recreation Center, 10:00am - 12:00pm, free

Jan. 19

Jan. 26 • Little Critters Art, Deep Run Park Recreation Center, 10:00 - 11:00am, free

• There's a Bear on My Chair!, Meadow Farm, 10:30 - 11:30am, free

• PUP READers, Clover Hill Library, 4:30 - 6:30pm, free but must register in advance

**Imagination Library RVA News** 

Have a community event you would like us to include? **Email us!** 



Christmas Party for Teen Moms at Urban Baby Beginnings. We cannot thank our community partners enough for their generosity and for inviting us to share our message and helping us get books in the hands of children. Thanks to this outpouring of interest, children have continued to be registered for Imagination Library RVA throughout the holidays. We are so looking forward to announcing further activities and events in 2024!

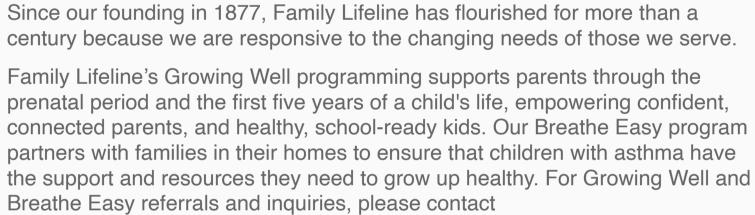
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**Partner Spotlight** 



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Family Lifeline's Living Well programming for older adults, persons with

change that is meaningful, measurable, and sustainable. For Living Well

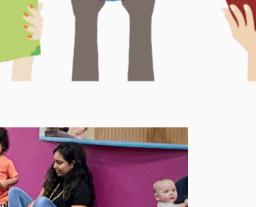
disabilities, and their caregivers strives to help individuals remain living well in community settings of their choosing where they feel safe, connected, healthy, and engaged. From the youngest baby to the oldest adult, we create positive

### Is your reader eager to get their hands on more books? Visit your local library!

Sign up for a library card to keep the reading momentum!

city!

sessions <u>here</u>.





Tuesdays: January 16

February 20 March 19 April 16 May 21

Camp Cultural Arts Center. Click here to find the dates and registration information for those sessions.

Beyond the library, Baby Artsplay! ™ is also available as a drop-in program at The Children's Museum of Richmond and a pre-registered session at the Pine

#### Early childhood organizations all around the City of Richmond have joined The Basics movement, a strategy for whole communities to support vibrant learning and brain development among infants, toddlers and preschoolers. Fun, simple,

Each month Read to Them will highlight tips and strategies that will assist you in creating a sturdy foundation for school readiness for our youngest citizens. This month, we are focusing on the value of Talking, Singing, and Pointing. Be Silly & Have Fun! Being silly and having fun while reading with your child is an incredible way to nurture imagination and a love for books. Encourage your child to share their thoughts about the story. Singing along to rhymes and pointing at pictures in the book further enhance this experience, making it a joyful and interactive







### and their caregivers. Teaching artists from Greater Richmond Wolf Trap will show you how to use music, drama, and movement to boost learning and development.

The classes are free and offered at various locations around Richmond. There is a drop-in program at the Main Library on Franklin Street on selected

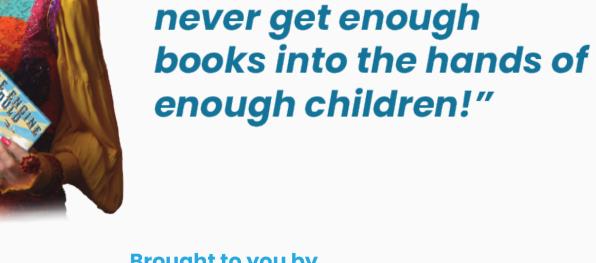
Five-week winter sessions will be starting at the Westover Hills branch (on January 26) and the **Belmont** branch (on February 26). Pre-register for those

Look for opportunities to be silly and have fun when you read this month! Your January 2024 "Focus on the Basics" Tip

and powerful, starting at birth, The Basics are five science-based parenting and caregiving principles that support social, emotional, and cognitive development.

activity for both of you. To learn more about Talk, Sing, Point, click here.

**Current Number of RVA Readers...** 



As Dolly says, "You can



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