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Take Your Child to the Library Day – a Worldwide Celebration

Take Your Child to the Library Day (TYCLD) is set for Saturday, February 3rd this year, and Yakima Valley Libraries (YVL) has plans to join the worldwide celebration. YVL excitedly invites kids and their caregivers to drop in for crafts, explore science kits, play on children's learning tablets, and enjoy many other kid-friendly resources at the Library.

"Take Your Child to the Library Day is the perfect time to discover some library magic," www.takeyourchildtothelibrary.org invites.

The celebration was founded in 2011 at the Waterford Public Library in Connecticut. Now a worldwide event, it takes place on the first Saturday in February each year. TYCLD is an occasion for libraries to highlight their fabulous, free resources for families; and YVL joins forces with the movement to express its place as a safe, community space for youth to learn, explore, and be creative.

"YVL's Take Your Child to the Library Day activities will be a great opportunity for families to discover, or re-discover, their community library as a place for kids of all ages to learn, grow, and connect," said Krystal Corbray, programming librarian. "Most of the crafts and activities are self-paced and selfdirected, so kids and their grown-ups can drop in any time to join the fun."

Although Yakima Valley Libraries tailored the TYCLD program for children ages 5-12, all ages are invited. Activities will take place between 11am – 2pm at Moxee, Selah, Sunnyside, Terrace Heights, and Wapato Libraries. In addition, Naches, West Valley, and Yakima Central Libraries will host activities from 12pm-4pm.

Find more information at <u>www.yvl.org/take-your-child-to-the-library-day</u>.

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