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GPPL's 2024 Summer Reading Games Kickoff Party

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On Saturday, June 22nd the Grande Prairie Public Library is hosting a party to celebrate the start of our Summer Reading Games from 12 pm to 4 pm. There will be bounce houses, face painters, carnival games, and more! All ages are welcome. The kickoff party will be located in the Teresa Sargent Hall and extend to the Mamawe Concourse and Montrose Cultural Centre green space.

"Encouraging reading as a day to day activity over the summer is so important to help children maintain their literacy skills and combat the summer slide. Reading should be fun and inviting, and we hope to accomplish that through our Summer Reading Games." says Erika Stamp, Children's Programmer, Outreach and Events.

The Summer Reading Games are open to all ages and run from June 26th - August 16th to encourage reading over the summer. Any book is eligible for the game including chapter books, picture books, graphic novels, or audiobooks. Participants can earn free books by completing reading challenges. Draws will be held for-some exciting prizes throughout the summer. This year's theme is Cosmic Circus.

Starting in July, GPPL's summer programs will tie into the Cosmic Circus theme:

Twinkle Twinkle Little Songs (babies to toddlers) Tigers and Tots (age 2.5 to age 5) Shooting Stars (age 4 to age 6) Galactic Explorers (age 6 to age 12)

There will also be family programs, such as Starlight Storytime and Imaginarium Hour. For a full listing of all the programs GPPL offers, visit www.gppl.ca.

About the Grande Prairie Public Library

The Grande Prairie Public Library is proud to serve the City of Grande Prairie, the County of Grande Prairie, and the Municipal District of Greenview. In 2023, 23,565 cardholders borrowed 495,016 items. Visit us in the Montrose Cultural Centre, online at www.gppl.ca, or call 780-532-3580.