



# BC Summer Reading Club 2023 Press & Media Information

## About BC Summer Reading Club

[BC Summer Reading Club](#) is a free literacy program encourages reading throughout the summer and engages children (ages 5-14 years old) with their public library. Summer Reading Club is a fun, educational, inclusive and community-oriented program that began over 30 years ago in 1990.

BC Summer Reading Club is sponsored by the British Columbia Library Association and BC Public libraries with the generous assistance of Public Libraries Branch, Ministry of Municipal Affairs, and CUPE BC.

For more information about BC Summer Reading Club, there are two resources available in a variety of languages for libraries, settlement organizations, and community partners:

- [Value of Summer Reading Club leaflet](#)
- [“What is BC Summer Reading Club?” brochure](#)

## BC Summer Reading Club 2024 Details

Every summer, our libraries vote on a theme suggested by library across the province. This year’s theme **World of Curiosities** – celebrates the various ways that curiosity can spark exploration, imagination, and learning in young people. We are excited to be working with Victoria-based illustrator and educator, [Meneka Repka](#), as this year’s BC SRC artist.

Seven weekly sub-themes carry the club through the summer:

- Mysterious Creatures – either real animals or mythical/imaginary
- Depths of the Earth – rocks, volcanoes, and deep time
- Precious Mysteries – magic and mysteries
- Natural Curiosities – plants and nature
- Works of Art – arts and crafts
- Beyond Our World – space and exploration
- Collections and Memories – show-and-tell, ephemera and personal collections

**WORLD  
 of  
 CURIOSITIES**

BC SUMMER READING CLUB 2024

**Explore amazing  
 wonders at your local  
 public library!**

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## How to Participate

BC SRC welcomes all children and their families to participate. We encourage children to visit their local public library to register and pick up a reading record, new books to read, and learn about events and programs happening in their community. Furthermore, BC SRC also has an online participation option including an accessible online reading tracker, activities, contests, and more that can be found on [bcsrc.ca](http://bcsrc.ca).

Throughout the summer, participants track their daily reading goals (this could be set by the library or their own choice). All types of reading are encouraged including reading in other languages, listening to audiobooks and oral stories, and more. For accessible reading options, please check in with your library to see what is available.

[Online registration opens on June 17](#) and local libraries will open registration in mid-to late June.