

WELCOME TO OUR

Library Newsletter

SUMMER
2026

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

This Spring...

In the Library we've been doing MakerSpace! Our students have shown amazing ingenuity in building gravity defying structures and creating unique pieces of art.

MakerSpace cultivates imagination, collaboration, and critical thinking skills. We love to see students working together to create things that are even more amazing because of shared ideas and skills.

From futuristic cars and robots to straw castles as high as the ceiling we've seen some pretty innovative projects this Spring!

Sometimes all it takes is an old cardboard box and some crayons to make a playful doll house, an old school 'video game', or a rocket ship. See what your kids can create this summer!



Glendale In Numbers

OUR CHECKOUT NUMBERS...

Glendale 's most popular title of the year was...*Big Jim Begins*, by Dav Pilkey.

Glendale Library checked out almost **13,000** books this school year!





Summer Reading

Summer is a great time to relax, play, and enjoy the sunshine—but it's also a wonderful time to keep reading! When kids take a long break from books, they can forget some of the skills they worked so hard to learn during the school year. This is called the “summer slide.” The good news? Reading for just 15–20 minutes a day can help keep those skills strong! It helps kids stay sharp, build vocabulary, and be ready to jump back into learning when school starts again.

The best part is that summer reading should be fun! Kids can choose books they love—like mysteries, fantasy stories, animal books, or graphic novels. A trip to the library, joining a summer reading challenge, listening to audiobooks on the go, or reading together as a family are all great ways to make reading part of everyday life. When kids enjoy reading, they grow into confident, lifelong readers!

ISD students have a digital library card already which gives them free access to thousands of e-books and audiobooks. Go to www.mymcpl.org – Browse – Kids – Overdrive. Your student's card number is **isd** and their student number (ex. isd0000000). Their password is capital **G** and their student number (ex. G0000000). Most students know their student ID number (its also their lunch number).

Summer Reading Programs

MCPL – www.mymcpl.org/features/summer-mcpl

Book It Camp – www.bookitprogram.com

Half Price Books Summer Reading Camp – www.hpb.com/summer-reading.html

KCPL – kclibrary.org/reading-programs/summer

Want to read more? For more info about Summer Reading Programs go to sites.isdschools.org/david_cromwell