

What You Need to Know for the Week of April 23

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This week: Summer Reading, book trailers, and many neat links!

Reminders & New Information:

- * It's that time of year again! Can you believe it? Summer Reading is almost here. This year's program is called [Reading is Delicious](#), and starts June 4, running until July 28. More info to come but we hope you're going to have a **biiiiig** appetite for books!
- * Come to the library and meet Michael Jordan's mother on [May 5](#)!
- * Lots of new [book trailers](#) on our Pinterest page for upcoming books.
- * Check out our [Pinterest Book Club](#)!
- * Green patrons picked up seed packets yesterday, April 22, to celebrate Earth Day - we'll continue to [tweet](#) Earth Month tips until May.
- * [Junior Page Volunteers](#)! Registration begins May 1.
- * Meet popular author [Sharon Draper](#) on [May 12](#).
- * Spring Storytimes are in session. Register at www.kidsevents.org.
- * The flannel board in the Inger Boye room this week is [The Three Little Pigs](#) by Susanna Davidson.

New 2-Day DVDS:

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Around the Web:

Books & Book Stuff

- * Some pretty fantastic new [cut book illustrations](#).
- * Maggie Stiefvater fans! Read the first two chapters of her new book, [The Raven Boys](#).
- * Reading with Pictures has begun a Kickstarter to create [The Graphic Textbook](#). Very innovative idea - tell us in the comments if you would like this.
- * Adorable picture book alert: [Darth Vader and Son](#) explores what it would have been like if Darth Vader got to raise Luke.
- * The next time someone tells you that someone say that the Internet has killed book-reading... show them [this graph](#). (Spoiler alert: it hasn't.)
- * From Waterstones Oxford - 5 dystopic novels that [aren't](#) *The Hunger Games*.

- * An incredibly informative article from the New York Times about [e-books, publishers and libraries](#).
- * OverDrive data shows that people prefer to [browse the digital shelves](#) just like physical ones!

Cool Stuff

- * This month's issue of School Library Journal features a few great links for finding out more about the Titanic. Check them out in our Homework Help section. Also, here's a [free Titanic app](#) from National Geographic.
- * Canadian rescue [cats](#)? [No, really](#). Canadian rescue cats.
- * A gallery of [Earth Day 2012](#) images from the Big Picture.
- * Planet Earth [narrated by kids](#)!
- * Have you played the new Angry Birds Space? Here's an astronaut on the ISS talking about [physics in space](#)... via Angry Birds!
- * The rock hyrax, a small mammal of the Middle East and Africa, is already well [known for its vocalization](#). But now, scientists have discovered that the hyrax vocalizes with syntax – making them another animal species with a complex language. Super cool!
- * Everyone knows penguins can't fly. [Or can they?](#)

Movies of Books

- * How about Broadway musicals of books? [Peter and the Starcatcher](#) is currently playing at the Brooks Atkinson Theatre in New York.
- * Ender fans – follow the official Ender's Game movie [Tumblr](#). Check out some of the first shots of the set... including Ender's monitor!
- * Does Hunger Games sequel [Catching Fire](#) have a director? [Maybe](#).

Highland Park News

- * [Braeside fourth graders](#) released rainbow trout raised in their classroom into a stream. Way to celebrate Earth Month, Braeside!
- * The Lake County Forest Preserve has [alive feed](#) of a great horned owl in the area. Check it out!

Gerbil News

- * This week, we gerbils were called "dump trucks". We weren't sleeping - we were parked. Our eyes were not closed, we just had our headlights off. We gerbils have been called by *many* names we are not, but dump trucks is our favorite!
- * Check out photos from the [Instrument Petting Zoo](#) held on 4/21!
- * Our most popular Pinterest pin this week was [How to Remove an Embedded Tick](#). Not the most pleasant subject, but a good skill to have! If you'd prefer something a little less crawly, our second most popular pin was [Recycle Bin Camels](#).

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