

Summer reading kickoff party set in Rehoboth June 16

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Rehoboth Beach Public Library Summer Reading Kick-Off Party attendees enjoy rainbow parachute play in Grove Park. SUBMITTED PHOTO

The Rehoboth Beach Public Library will hold its Summer Reading Kick-Off Party from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday, June 16, in the pavilion at Grove Park near the Rehoboth Avenue traffic circle.

Entertainment and activities for kids of all ages will include inflatable bowling, giant beach volleyball, cornhole, sack races, parachute races and an interactive music class.

Attendees can stop by the summer reading table to register for an adventure-packed program that rewards kids for reading books and attending summer events. All registrants will receive a free book and two tickets for the Wrap-Up Raffle to be held Friday, Aug. 8, when lucky readers will win prizes donated by several generous Rehoboth businesses.

For every 10 books they read, kids ages 11 and under can earn five tickets and a free book; ages 12-18 can earn this prize for reading five books, with the understanding that book length and difficulty increase with reading level. Kids will also receive a ticket for every library summer program they attend.

Shannon Davis, Rehoboth Beach Public Library youth services librarian, said, "We would love to expand on the successful summer we had last year, with 123 summer reading program participants reading over 1,925 books. This year, let's see if we can make it to 2,000 books."

Adults can join the fun with adventure bingo cards, which award tickets for doing fun activities around Rehoboth.

Free reading logs will be available for pickup all summer long at the Rehoboth Beach Public Library, 226 Rehoboth Ave.