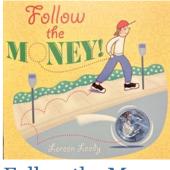
Mayor's Book

Club Newsletter

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The Mayor's Book Club is pleased to present our Book-of-the-Month for April:



Follow the Money

By Loreen Leedy

It's Fun and Easy!

Follow the Money! by Loreen Leedy is a fun and informative story about money and basic economics..

Tip #1 – Follow the Money! by Loreen Leedy is an entertaining story about George, a newly minted quarter. The illustrations feature images of coins and paper money with a president or American figure on them. Be sure to quiz each other to find out each of their names!

Tip #2 – The illustrations show the many different types of money found in the United States and their amounts. Readers can practice counting, adding, subtracting, and multiplying with the story or physical coins.

Tip #3 – The book shows all the places money can go—stores, vending machines, donation jars, and wallets. It can be fun to discuss where money goes, what can be purchased, and the importance of saving money when needed.

Teach Kids About MONEY

- Money can be exchanged for things
- Explain the difference: pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters
- Explain the difference: wants vs. needs
- Give: commissions, not allowances (money is earned, it is not just handed out)
- Money is earned with hard work
- Explain the meaning: when a bank account earns interest.
- Instill: the habit of saving
- Give: them financial decisions to make

Understanding the basics of money at a young age – the importance of spending, saving, and investing – sets the tone for financial success. The value of understanding opportunity cost, choice, and needs vs. wants are important terms young children can understand with simple everyday interactions such as shopping, going to the bank, or going out to eat. Have fun and be an example with your money habits.





Did You Know?

Follow the Money Helps Children Understand Money

Children mimic what they see their parents do, so teach them that money is a tool and can be used in many different ways. Play games to help kids learn how to identify coins and count money. Occasionally, give your child small amounts of change to spend, reminding them it's OK to save the money rather than spend it.

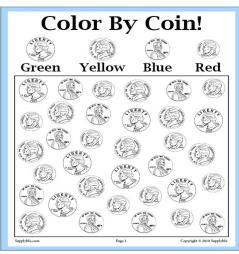




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I SPY, FOLLOW THE MONEY. Circle the books, belt, teapot, bear, and brush in the picture.





COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Community Resources

Children's Craft Table

Location: Northampton Branch Library, 936 Big Bethel Rd.

Stop by the library every Monday for a new craft.

Quantities are limited so it's first come first served.

Buckroe Beach Farmers Market

Location: The gazebo is located on First Street near East Pembroke Avenue

Shop local on Saturday mornings at the Buckroe Beach Farmers Market from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Vendors will be located on the grassy area surrounding the Buckroe Beach gazebo and will sell local produce, baked goods, sausage, seafood, jarred food items and more.

Family Fun Night - Resources Night

Socialize with other families of individuals with disabilities.

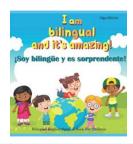
This program is the perfect opportunity for families of individuals with disabilities to meet, share resources, find out about additional resource.

April 27, 2024 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM Therapeutic Recreation Center 4315 Kecoughtan Road (757) 251-2826 Cost: Free

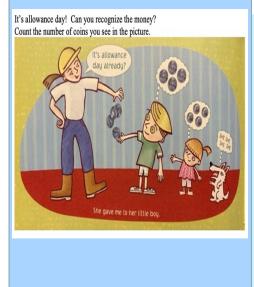
Visit the City of Hampton's Website for additional family fun activities.

BOOK PICKS

Too Much Glue by Jason Lefebvre



I am Bilingual, and It's Amazing by Olga Ritchie







Saving, saving is our house rule, Redeeming money only in need is the new cool!

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