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Beat the 'Summer Slide' with Ajax Public Library

21 June 2022—Ajax Public Library is thrilled to launch their annual TD Summer Reading Club program for 2022.

Studies show that kids experience learning loss over the summer months – sometimes referred to as the "summer slide". Summer reading programs are a proven tool that help bridge the gap between school years and help maintain academic achievement.

The Library's TD Summer Reading Club encourages and inspires children to explore reading and learning their way. Throughout July and August, the Library offers exciting programs, including showcases featuring storyteller Pauline Grondin, astronaut Commander Chris Hadfield, and local favourites Afiwi Groove and Mystic Drumz. Programming is paired with reading challenges (and the chance to win prizes), and a Short Story Contest, judged by beloved children's author, Ted Staunton.

Registration is free, and participation in TD Summer Reading Club can benefit kids and readers of all ages. Sign up at any branch of the Ajax Public Library, and receive your TD Summer Reading Club Kit to get started!

Discover all the Library is offering as part of TD Summer Reading Club on our website at <u>www.ajaxlibrary.ca/src</u>.

More information about current Library services can be found on the Library's website at <u>www.ajaxlibrary.ca</u>. For updates, be sure to follow the Library on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram.

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