



Winter 2025-26 Literacy Lotto

Try to get a “bingo” of five boxes in a row horizontally, vertically, or on a diagonal. Extra challenge: Complete each box on the Lotto Card within the fall season. These ideas are suggestions and starting points; feel free to make them your own. See the Families & Literacy Committee Winter newsletter for additional ideas to engage in literacy at home.

YA Book Recommendation	Fun Family Activity Choose an audiobook to listen to and discuss together. Share what you liked about listening together.	Conversation Starter Prompt: Would you rather... make a snowman or go sledding? Tell why.	Family-Friendly Poem Book Recommendation <i>Winter Bees & Other Poems of the Cold</i> by Joyce Sidman	Writing Activity Start a family daily journal Prompt: Write a highlight, lowlight, and one new learning for each day
Look through a World Record book with your family. Recommendation: <i>Guinness Book of World Records 2026</i>	Fun Family Activity Cook or bake while reading recipes aloud. Talk about who or where recipes come from.	Conversation Starter Prompt: What is a world record you would like to break? Discuss with your family.	Winter Picture Book Recommendation <i>The Snowflake's Wish</i> by Denise Abdale	Writing Activity Write a Family Recipe Book together. Take pictures or illustrate when done making each.
Nonfiction Book Recommendation <i>Wild Cats</i> by Elizabeth Carney Or another National Geographic Kids book of interest	Fun Family Activity Make a family memory jar where you jot a memory or funny quote from the day. Read at the end of the year to review.	Visit the Library. Check out something that is new to you.	Picture Book Recommendation <i>The Book That Almost Rhymed</i> By Omar Abed	Writing Activity Build a story together. Start with one sentence and take turns adding sentences.
Middle Grade Novel Recommendation <i>Snow</i> by Meera Trehan	Fun Family Activity Start a mailbox system for home where family members can write to one another.	Conversation Starter Prompt: If you could invite a character from a book to dinner, who would you invite and why?	Picture Book Recommendation <i>The Magic of Friendship Snow</i> by Andi Cann	Writing Activity Write a letter to relatives, neighbors, or community members.
YA Realistic Fiction Book Recommendation <i>The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl</i> by Stacy McAnulty	Fun Family Activity Make a “reading fort” and have a family “camp-in” night.	Conversation Starter Prompt: If you could instantly learn any skill, what would it be and why?	Picture Book Recommendation <i>The Snow Thief</i> by Alice Hemming	Writing Activity Make a list of 5 memories from winter. Then, write a list of 5 activities you are looking forward to doing in spring.