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Greater MetroWest NJ

Hey there PJ Library Greater MetroWest parents

Have you heard that we're growing UP?

Any child in Greater MetroWest ages 6 months to 8 years old is **now eligible** to receive the gift of PJ Library books for a **maximum of five years**. *If your child is already enrolled, they will automatically be grandfathered for a maximum of five years.* **Sign up today** and spread the word to your neighbors, family, and friends! Children with special needs who are older than 8 are also welcome to receive a PJ Library subscription; you can **contact me directly** to pick the appropriate book level for your child.

We hope to see you this month at our *Easy Jewish Family Fun* program in Randolph on Sunday, June 23 or at *Babies and Bagels* in Livingston on Wednesday, June 5. Be sure to scroll down for more information and bookmark our **JFamily Calendar** which always has new family events.

I work with an incredible group of professionals at **Jewish Federation of**

Greater MetroWest NJ and I'm happy to consult with them to answer any questions you might have about the community. Whether you're new to town, want to learn more about Federation and our resources, or are looking to connect with other parents and families, we look forward to helping you any way we can. Please be in touch - I'd love to hear from you and meet you in person!

Happy Reading!

Andrea Bergman

Director, PJ Library & Special Projects

FAMILY EVENTS FOR YOU

Wednesday, June 5

**Babies & Bagels with PJ
Library**

Livingston

9:15 a.m.

Join this drop-in gathering of babies age 6 weeks - 13 months. and moms to kibbitz, schmooze and learn together - coffee provided! There will be music, and Andrea Bergman, will read a story and answer your community questions!



[For more information click here](#)

Sunday, June 23

PJ Library & The Garden

State
Randolph
12:30 p.m.

Celebrate our Garden State while enjoying and tasting the fruits of our labor in the Gottesman RTW Academy community garden. Best for ages 2 - 7.



[For more information and to register click here](#)

SAVE THE DATE!



Join us for **Tour de Summer Camps NJ**, a community cycling and family fun event to raise funds for **One Happy Camper** grants and **need-based scholarship**s for children to attend Jewish summer camp. Four different route lengths to accommodate all riders! Not a biker?

Come for family fun day activities to include a short family bike ride, BBQ lunch, and concert from PJ Library recording star Rick Recht!

Sign up today to ride and/or donate, stay tuned for more information,

& **save the date for Family Fun!**

LOOKING FOR WARM, LOVING FAMILIES LIKE YOURS! YOU'LL LOVE THIS...TRUST US!



What's a Rishon?

Each year, our Federation welcomes a group of young emissaries from our partnership communities in Israel. Rishonim are talented young adults who are embarking on a gap year between high school graduation and their mandatory IDF or national service. They volunteer throughout our community at our JCC camps, including CDR and Yachad, in our four day schools, and in many of our synagogues, bringing their spirit, knowledge, and love of Israel to our community. Take advantage of this unique and meaningful opportunity and make a rishon part of your Jewish family, and please spread the word to your friends!

Questions?

Contact **Anya Bitansky** at (973) 929-3047 and she will be happy to put you in touch with a family that has hosted in the past to find out more!



[Click here for more information about this great opportunity!](#)

Help us reach 1,000 followers and join the party! Keep up to date with our local PJ Library Greater MetroWest programs by clicking the image below:



PJ BOOKS THIS MONTH



[CHECK OUT THESE BOOKS](#)

RECIPES, CRAFTS & FAMILY FUN

Why Kids Love Shavuot

While Shavuot doesn't have as many kid-friendly themes as other popular Jewish holidays, this springtime holiday **inspires families** to go camping, eat ice cream, stay up late, and more!

7 Shavuot Recipes That Kids Can Make on Their Own

This Shavuot, invite your kids to help prepare **yummy food** that will guarantee no leftovers.

Jewish Values to Pack for the Beach

If you're **heading to the beach** this summer, here are some ways to apply the lessons of Jewish values to your trip.

A Family-Friendly Guide to Jewish Weddings

Is there a Jewish wedding on your calendar this summer? Weddings are packed full of symbolism and traditions that your kids may have questions about. Here are some **resources** to help your family get ready for the big day.

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June's PJ Our Way Books

Check out a contemporary book about a city boy adjusting to country life; read an immigration story based in part on the history of the Israel Philharmonic; find out how a teen balances ballet, her best friend, and her bat mitzvah; or get a sense for Jewish life from the perspective of – that's right – a dog! Any of **these options** will be a wonderful addition to your bookshelf, so remember to make your choice by June 10th!

9 Helpful Hints from Camp Parents

Are you sending your child to overnight camp? Here is some **great advice**

we received from camp parents from across the US.

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