



# Winter Early Literacy Newsletter 2016

Corvallis-Benton County Public Library

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# Winter Programs at the Corvallis Library

# Stuffed Animal Sleepover

Jan 8-9, 2016

Children are invited to drop off a stuffed animal (1 per child) on Jan 8th, in the Youth Activity Room from 3 to 6 pm. The animals can be picked up the next day on Jan 9th from 10am till noon in the Main Meeting Room. What kind of mischief will the stuffed animals get into through out the night at the library?

#### Preschool Science Saturday

Jan 23 Construction Feb 27 Nutrition 11 am Main Meeting Room

Hands-on learning experiences that link books

to science and math.

Designed for preschoolage children and their families.

Children's Concert: Canciones y Cuentos with Argentine pianist Alejandro Cremaschi

March 12<sup>th</sup> 11 am
Main Meeting Room

Presented by OSU Piano International, this program is for families of all ages.

"A Hair Affair" with Majestic Chamber Music, featuring the Pearl District Quintet

March 26<sup>th</sup> 11 am Main Meeting Room

Those famous composers and their hair! Great music fun for all ages.

# Postnatal Yoga/Pilates for Parent and Baby with Blair Girard

Mondays in January 10:30-11:30 am Youth Activity Room

## Storytime Plus

First Tuesday of the month

Youth Activity Room

Right after Infant Storytime, we will explore and discuss early literacy activities and resources to help enhance learning.

#### Play Day @ the Library

Every Sunday 1-4pm Youth Activity Room

Enjoy playtime together with rotating themed play materials. Adult supervision is required.

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# Early Literacy Tip

## Get moving!

Children learn best by doing and moving. Have fun encouraging your child to use all his or her senses (sight, sound, smell, hearing, tasting, and balancing) when playing and exploring together.

#### Elizabeth's Pick



Water is Water by Miranda Paul

Kristy's Pick

Beautiful Hands by

Kathryn Otoshi

# Snowballs

Heidi's Pick

Snowballs by Lois Ehlert

# LOVE FAVORING THING

Kristin's Pick

Love is My Favorite Thing by Emma Clark

#### Mary's Pick



Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening by Robert Frost

#### Peik-Kuan's Pick



**Hooray for Hat** by Brian Won

# Staff Picks



## Let's Hear It for the Girls!

Picture books with strong female characters:

Rosie Revere, Engineer—E Beaty, Andrea

Madeline-

E Bemelmans, Ludwig

Violet the Pilot-E Breen, Steve

Willow—E Brennan, Denise

**Princess Smartypants**—E Cole, **Babette** 

Miss Rumphius—E Cooney, Barbara

You Forgot Your Skirt, Amelia Bloomer! - E Corey, Shana

**Do Princesses Wear Hiking Boots**—E Coyle, Carmela

**Grace for President—** OLIVIA E DiPucchio, Kelly



Olivia—E Falconer, Ian The Pirate Meets the

Queen—E Faulkner, Matt

The Princess Knight—E Funke, Cornelia

Princess Pigsty—E Funke, Cornelia

Sheila Rae the Brave-

E Henkes, Kevin

Chrysanthemum— E Hemkes, Kevin

Ghosts in the House-

E Kohara, Kazuno

Zephyr Takes Flight— E Light, Steve

Stand Tall Molly Lou Melon— E Lovell, Patty



Mirette on the High Wire—E McCully, Emily

> Freckleface Strawberry—E Moore, Julianne

Paper Bag Princess—

E Munsch, Robert

Knitting Nell—E Roth, Julie

Ladybug Girl-E Soman, David

Rumpelstiltskin's Daughter-

E Stanley, Daine

Seven Chinese Sisters—

E Tucker, Kathy

**Apple Farmer Annie—** E Wellington, Monica

I Want to be a SHEILA RAE, THE BRAVE Cowgirl—E Willis, Jeanne

Suki's Kimono— E Uegaki, Chieri

Zita the Spacegirl—J Graphic, Zita **Nonfiction:** 

Rosa—J 323.092 Giovanni



Rachel Carson Ichthyosaurus and Little Mary Anning— J 560.92 Hartzog

**Rachel Carson and** 

Her Book That Changed the World—J 570.92 Lawlor

Daredevil: The daring life of **Betty Skelton**—J 629.13092 McCarthy

**In Mary's Garden**—J 709.2 Kugler

Little Melba and Her Big Trombone—J 788.93165 Russell -Brown

Who Says Women Can't be Doctors—J 921 Blackwell

What To Do About **Alice**—J 921 Longwort Alice

Wangari's Trees of **Peace**—J 9333.72092



# HEART OF HEARTS

Moggie: The heart of the house— E Appelt, Kathi



In My Heart—E Bang, Molly

The Day it Rained Hearts—Bond, Feliica

Sweet Hearts—E Carr, Jan

Abuelita's Heart—E Cordova, Amy

Cold Paws, Warm **Heart**—E Floyd, Madeleine

My Heart is Like a Zoo-E Hall, Michael

Doña Flor: A tall tale about a giant woman with a great big heart—E Mora, Pat

Hands and Hearts—E Napoli, Donna

What's Love? - E Rotner. Shelley

The Shape of My **Heart**— E Sperring, Mark

Hope is An Open Heart—E Thompson, Lauren



In My Heart: A book of feelings-E Witek, Jo

Where Does Love Come From? - E Where

The Heart's Language— E Yamanaka, Lois-Ann



## **Resources for Parents.** Caregivers and **Educators**

The Amelia Bloomer Project

Lists books intended for kids ages 0-18 that feature female characters that challenge traditional female roles.

www.ala.org/awardgrants/ameliabloomer-book-list

**Guys Read** 

"A web-based literacy program for boys founded by author and First National Ambassador of Young People's Literature Jon Scieszka. Our mission is to help boys become self-motivated, lifelong readers.'

www.guysread.com

# Did You Know?

**Scribbling and drawing** are precursors to writing. When children scribble, they are trying to understand how writing is used in people's daily lives, and at the same time, they are developing the small muscles in their hands that are required for writing.

Reading and writing go hand in hand. Reading helps children understand that the written word represents the spoken word.

#### How Can I Help?

Provide kids with a variety of tools for writing and drawing. Encourage kids to "write" some of the following:

Child's name

A letter to a grandparent

A thank you note

A grocery list

A birthday card

A reminder note

An "I love you" note

A sign for a playhouse

A story that goes along with their drawings

Some developmentally appropriate activities for young children include:

- Scribbling with large crayons
- Painting with big brushes
- Finger painting
- Tracing shapes with stencils

Read some of the following books and discuss how writing is used in each story.

#### **Books that include writing:**

The Jolly Postman, or Other People's Letters—E Ahlberg, Janet

With Love, Little Red Hen-E Ada, Alma

Wallace's List—E Bottner, Barbara

Just One More!— E Corderoy, Tracey

**Around the World:** Who's Been Here-E Craighead, Jean



**Click Clack Moo: Cows that** 

Type—E Cronin, Doreen

Diary of a Spider—E Cronin, Doreen

Meerkat Mail-E Gravett, Emily

**How Rocket Learned** to Read—E Hills, Tad

Toot and Puddle— E Hobbie, Holly

Gran, You've got Mail—E Hoestlandst, Joe

Ten Thank You Letters—E Kirk, Daniel

Caterina and the Lemonade Stand-E Kono, Erin

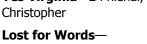


At the Beach—E Lee, Huy

Love Lizzy—E McElroy, Lisa Dear Juno—E Pak, Suyong

Word Builder—E Paul, Ann

Yes Virginia—E Phlehal, Christopher



Dear Daddy—E Schindel, John

Love Mouserella—E Stein, David

Dear Primo—E Tonatiuh, Duncan

Bunny Mail—E Wells, Rosemary

**Bunny Cakes—** E Wells, Rosemary

E Russell, Natalie



**Yoko Writes Her** 

Name—E Wells, Rosemary

# **Parenting Picks**



500 Kids Art Ideas: Inspiring projects for fostering creativity and self-expression

J 745.5 ANDREWS



Loose Parts: Inspiring play in young children

J 371.21 DALY



Parenting on the Go 305.231 ELKIND



Oh Crap! Potty Training: Everything modern parents need to know to do It once and do it right

New Nonfiction 649.62 **GLOWACKI** 

## **Music Picks**



The Apple Tree & The Honey Bee -J CD 781.58 BARI

**Sundrops** J CD 781.58 **HARMONIC** 





I Believe in Little **Things** J CD 781.65 **PANTON** 



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#### **OUTREACH SERVICES**

- Rotating book program (Children Are Reading Everywhere program)
- Early literacy presentations and training
- Special library tours and storytime
- Special bookmobile visits

For more information, please contact:

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## **Winter Rhyme**



#### 5 Little Snowflakes

One little snowflake with nothing to do, along came another,

and then there were two.

Two little snowflakes laughing with me, along came another,

and then there were three.

Three little snowflakes looking for some more.

along came another,

and then there were four.

Four little snowflakes dancing a jive,

along came another,

and then there were five.

Five little snowflakes having so much fun

Out came the sun, and then

there were none!

# **Snow Shapes**

In the Juvenile section:

**Millions of Snowflakes**—E Siddals, Mary

Snip, Snip, Snow—E Poydar, Nancy

The Snowflake: a water cycle story— J 551.48 Waldman

The Story of Snow— J 551.5784 Cassino

Snowflake Bentley— J 551.5784 Martin

The Secret Life of a Snowflake— J 551.57841 Libbrecht







In the adult non-fiction section:

The Art of Snowflake—779.3 Libbrecht

Snowflakes: Creative paper cutouts—745.54 Higham

# "I Spy" with my little eye...

Something that is yellow, round, starts with the sound /b/, and rhymes with tall.

#### What is it?

Have you checked out the "I SPY" display in the children's area of the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library recently?

Thanks to the efforts of children's librarian, Kristin (who will have to figure out, eventually, where all those little items she collected belong!), many families have enjoyed looking through the glass display and finding all sorts of fun little things.

Besides looking for little objects in a sea of other objects, the "I Spy" game is an easy way to get children thinking and guessing, and at the same time having fun learning concepts such as colors, shapes, and rhyming sounds.



Michel and Evie looking and talking about all the things they see.

As you walk or drive around town with your kids, try playing this guessing game by giving the kids 2 to 3 clues, starting with "I spy with my little eye...". It will help develop their listening skills, ability to wait for the clues, vocabulary and other language skills, and the ability to put pieces of information together. But really, having fun together is the key!