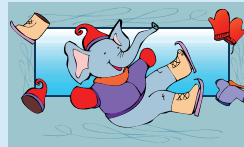




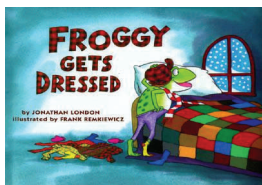
Winter Early Literacy Newsletter

Dressing for Winter



As we put on layers of clothes to brace yourself for the cold weather outside, so do the characters in children's books!

Suggested children's books with clothing themes:



Bare Bear

by Miriam Moss

Ella Sarah Gets Dressed

by Margaret Chodos-Irvine

Froggy Gets Dressed

by Jonathan London

A Hat for Minerva Louise

by Janet Stoeke

Holly's Red Boots

by Francesca Chessa

How Do I Put It On?

by Shigeo Watanabe

I Can Dress Myself!

by Birte Müller

Joseph Had a Little Overcoat

by Simms Taback

Mama's Saris

by Pooja Mahkijan

Max's Dragon Shirt

by Rosemary Wells

The Mitten

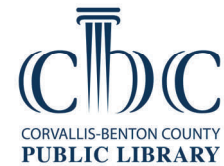
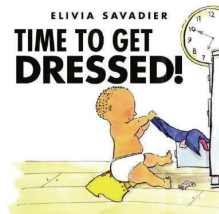
by Jan Brett

Time to Get Dressed!

by Elivia Savadier

Under My Hood I Have a Hat

by Karla Kuskin



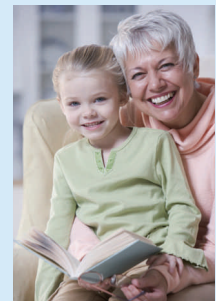
"Bringing People & Information Together"

645 NW Monroe Ave.
Corvallis, OR 97330

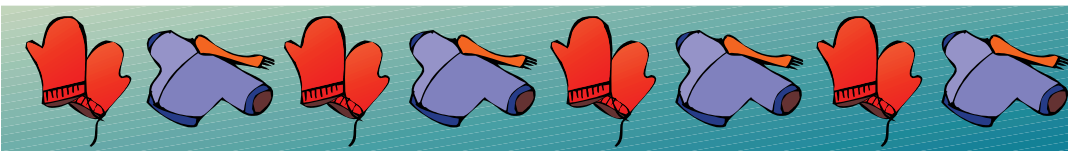
541.766.6794

www.thebestlibrary.net

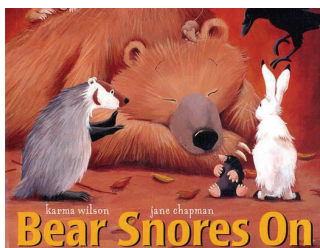
Early Literacy Tip



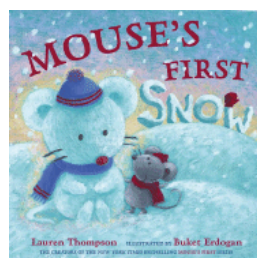
"The single most important activity for building the knowledge required for eventual success in reading is reading aloud to children." (National Commission on Reading)



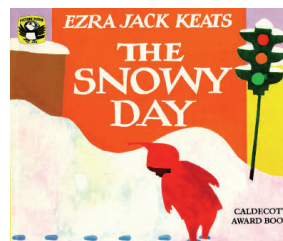
Staff Favorites for Winter



Bear Snores On
by Karma Wilson



Mouse's First Snow
by Lauren Thompson



The Snowy Day
by Ezra Jack Keats

Inside this issue:

Seasonal Rhymes	2
Music Picks	2
Nutrition	2
Mail & Writing	3
Art Play	3
Storytime Schedule	4

Seasonal Rhyme

Share a rhyme with a child and help prepare them for reading!
Phonological Awareness - the ability to hear and play with the smaller sounds in words.

Here We Go 'Round the
Mulberry Bush

Here we go 'round the mulberry
bush, the mulberry bush,
the mulberry bush.

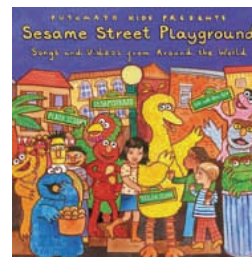
Here we go 'round the mulberry
bush, on a cold and frosty
morning.

Music Picks



Miss Ella's Playhouse (Universal Music Family)

From Old MacDonald to A-Tisket, A-Tasket, kids and parents alike will be moving and singing along to kid-friendly jazz hits by Ella Fitzgerald.



Sesame Street Playground (Putumayo Kids Presents)

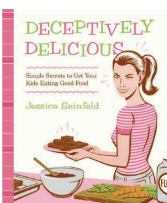
Listen to your favorite Sesame Street music from around the world! 13 songs from the U.S., Brazil, China, France, India, Israel, the Netherlands, Mexico, Palestine, Russia, South America, and Tanzania.

Parents Corner: Nutrition for Young Children

The effects of nutrition begins during pregnancy and continues throughout one's lifetime. Childhood nutrition, especially during the early years, plays a role in brain development. The Corvallis-Benton County Public Library contains a diverse collection of books for parents and caregivers on nutrition and growing up healthy:

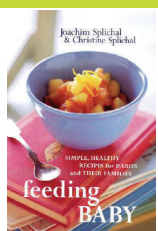
Better Baby Food by Daina Kalnins & Joanne Saab
641.5622 KALNINS

Child of Mine: Feeding with Love and Good Sense by Elyn Satter
649.3 SATTER



Deceptively Delicious
by Jessica Seinfeld
641.5973 SEINFELD

Feed Me, I'm Yours by Vicky Lansky
649.56222 LANSKY



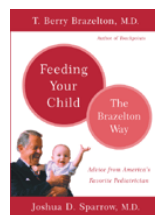
Feeding Baby: Simple, Healthy Recipes for Babies and Their Families

by Joachim Splichal & Christine Splichal

613.20832 SPLICAL

Feeding Your Child: the Brazelton Way

by T. Berry Brazelton
649.3 BRAZELTON



Healthy Foods, Healthy Kids: a Complete Nutrition Guide for Children from Birth to Six Years Old

by Elizabeth Ward
613.2083 WARD

Wheat-Free, Gluten-Free Cookbook for Kids and Busy Adults
by Connie Sarros 641.563 SARROS

The Womanly Art of Breastfeeding

by Judy Torgus 649.33 WOMANLY

Books for Picky Eaters:

Gregory the Terrible Eater
by Mitchell Sharmat
D.W. The Picky Eater
by Marc Brown

Nutrition Information Online:

Child Nutrition (Medline):
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/childnutrition.html>

KidsHealth.org Nutrition & Fitness:
http://kidshealth.org/parent/nutrition_fit/index.html

USDA Food & Nutrition Information Center:
<http://fnic.nal.usda.gov>

MyPyramid for Preschoolers:
<http://mypyramid.gov/>



Print & Letter Awareness: Mail & Writing

Including ample opportunities for young children to experiment with writing is one way to help build a child's awareness of how we use the written word to communicate. It also helps build the fine motor skills she will need when she's actually forming letters herself one day. Keep writing materials (crayons, pencils, markers, paper) available for your child to experiment. Suggest writing a letter to a grandparent or friend. It doesn't matter if your child can't actually write words yet. It's about the process, not the product!

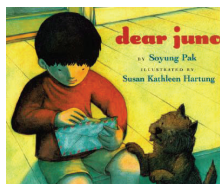
Suggested books about mail and writing:



Bunny Mail

by Rosemary Wells
While Ruby plans a Fourth of July picnic, Max sends letters to Santa to ask

for "a bright red Sand-Spitter Motorcycle with Bigfoot tires," but the letters are delivered to his grandmother, instead, and she must try to decipher the pictures.



Dear Juno

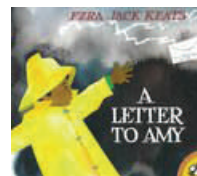
by Soyung Pak
Although Juno, a Korean American boy, cannot read the letter he receives from his grandmother in Seoul, he understands what it means from the photograph and dried flower that are enclosed and decides to send a similar letter back to her.

In the Snow by Huy Voun Lee

A mother and son practice writing Chinese characters in the snow. Introduces the characters for ten simple words.

The Jolly Postman, or Other People's Letters by Janet & Allen Ahlberg

A Jolly Postman delivers letters to several famous fairy-tale characters such as the Big Bad Wolf, Cinderella, and the Three Bears. Each letter may be removed from its envelope page and read separately.



A Letter to Amy by Ezra Jack Keats

Peter wants to invite Amy to his birthday party but he wants it to be a surprise.

The Post Office Book: Mail and How it Moves by Gail Gibbons

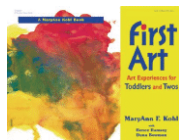
J383.4973 GIBBONS
A step-by-step description of what happens to mail from the time it is deposited in the mailbox to its arrival at its destination.

Art Play

The famous painter Pablo Picasso once said, "All children are artists. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up." Artistic creativity comes naturally to most children. To help encourage creative expression, create an "artist's studio" at home. Include paintings and pictures of colors, nature, and favorite "still life" objects like flowers, fruit, and rocks. Recycle toilet paper tubes, plastic containers, oatmeal boxes, wrapping paper scraps, tissue paper, ribbon or yarn, cotton balls and other odds & ends for craft supplies.

Related article online: http://www.zerotothree.org/site/PageServer?pagename=ter_key_language_writingart

Suggested picture books:



First Art: Art Experiences for Toddlers and Twos
by Mary Ann Kohl

The Art Lesson by Tomie dePaola

Colors: A First Art Book by Lucy Micklethwait

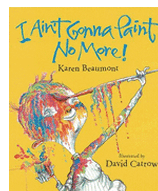
Harold and the Purple Crayon by Crockett Johnson

Hugo & Miles in: I've Painted Everything! by Scott Magoon

I Ain't Gonna Paint No More!

by Karen Beaumont

Katie Meets the Impressionists
by James Mayhew



The Legend of the Indian Paintbrush by Tomie dePaola

Lily Brown's Paintings
by Angela Johnson

Morris the Artist by Lore Segal

Mouse Paint by Ellen Stohl Walsch

Mud is Cake by Pam Muñoz Ryan

Old Bear's Surprise Painting by Jane Hissey

Peter's Picture by Valerie Gorbachev

Soggy Saturday by Phyllis Root

Snow Balls by Lois Ehlert

Warthog's Paint: a Messy Color Book by Pamela Duncan Edwards

We're Painting by Carol Snyder





645 NW Monroe Ave.
Corvallis, OR 97330
Phone: 541-766-6794

"Bringing People and Information
Together"



For more ideas and information about early literacy,
check out the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library's
Birth to Six Website at:

www.thebestlibrary.net/birthtosix

Or visit the **Birth to Six Blog** online at:

www.corvallislibrarybirthtosix.blogspot.com.

Youth Services Librarians share information and
resources on early literacy topics for parents, child
care providers, and the general community in Corvallis
and Benton County, Oregon.



Storytime Schedule at Corvallis-Benton County Public Library

Corvallis-Benton County Public Library Storytime Schedule:

Bedtime Storytime
All Ages
Mondays at 7:00PM

Toddler Storytime
Ages 24 months to 36 months
Tuesdays at 10:00AM

Infant Storytime
Ages Birth to 12 months
Wednesdays at 10:00AM

Preschool Storytime
Ages 3 to 5 years old
Thursdays at 10:00AM

Wobbler Storytime
Ages 12 months to 24 months
Fridays at 10:00AM

La fiesta de su biblioteca
Bilingual Family Storytime
Third Saturdays at 11:00AM

Monroe Community Library Storytime Schedule:

Preschool Storytime
Tuesdays at 10:30AM

Philomath Community Library Storytime Schedule:

Bedtime Storytime
Tuesdays at 7:00PM

Preschool Storytime
Wednesdays at 10:00AM



"Children are made readers on the
laps of their parents."
— Emilie Buchwald

