

Language & Literacy

Early Literacy

Early Literacy:

Did you know that babies can learn about literacy from birth and that you are your child's first teacher? Early Literacy is everything that children absorb about reading and writing before they actually learn to read and write. Come and join Edmonton Public Libraries and our Family School Liaison Workers as we learn ways to incorporate early literacy skills into everyday routines through books, songs and rhymes!



Child care and lunch are included!

To register, please call:

*Early Learning
780-638-6810*

Session 1:

Location:

**Monsignor Fee
Otterson**

1834 Rutherford Road

Date and Time:

Thursday, Sept 23, 2010
12:00 to 2:00 pm

Session 2:

Location:

St. Justin
8405 - 175 Street

Date and Time:

Thursday, Oct 14, 2010
12:00 to 2:00 pm

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Rhymes that Bind

Rhymes that Bind give parents and their children an opportunity to get together with other young families to sing songs, have fun and share a meal. The six week drop-in program promotes positive parenting and language development. Children learn about rhymes and rhythms. While children have fun, parents learn new ways to interact and enhance their child's speech. By improving these language skills, parents are also helping their children develop the building blocks for reading!

Parent Feedback:

"I can't believe how many rhymes and words my child knows because of the Rhymes program", observed one mother. "She just loves to sing along and now her brother joins in too! It has brought us all closer because we have something fun to share!"

*Programs open to parents and children
0 - 6 years of age*

A light meal will be provided!

Rhymes that Bind



Locations:

Katherine Therrien
15040 - 118 Street

St. Martha
7240 - 180 Street

St. Martin
11310 - 51 Avenue

St. Vladimir
7510 - 132 Avenue

St. Augustine
3808 - 106 Street

Blessed Kateri
3807 - 41 Avenue

St. Elizabeth
7712 - 36 Avenue

Dates and Times:

Sept 16, 23, 30, Oct 7, 14, 21, 2010
10:00 to 11:30 am

Oct 28, Nov 4, 18, 25, Dec 2, 9, 2010
12:00 to 1:30 pm

Oct 18, 25, Nov 1, 8, 15, 22, 29,
Dec 6, 13, 2010 (9 sessions)
11:30 to 1:00 pm

Jan 12, 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 16, 2011
11:15 to 12:30 pm

Apr 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12, 2011
10:00 to 11:30 pm

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11:30 to 1:00 pm

Jan 6, 13, 20, 27, Feb 3, 10, 2011
12:00 to 1:30 pm

No registration required!

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Tiny Hands Talk



Jenny McConnell, M.Ed. & founder of
Tiny Hands Talk
presents:

“Monkey See... Monkey Do”

This program is interactive using; songs, books and games to learn basic sign language vocabulary. Children will also meet and play with “MINKI - the signing monkey” and receive a T-shirt and certificate of completion at the end of six weeks.

Using sign language while speaking, reading or singing can have profound benefits for all children, including but not limited to:

- Enhancing verbal language development
- Increasing IQ
- Enhancing whole brain development
- Increasing co-ordination and fine motor skills
- Enhancing memory
- Building confidence in children with communication difficulties
- Children from both English and non-English speaking backgrounds

Six Sessions:

Location:

Archbishop Joseph MacNeil
750 Leger Way

Dates and Time:

Nov 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Dec 6, 2010
Mondays, 6:00 to 7:30 pm



Childcare and a light meal will be provided!

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Family Kindermusik (Family Time Series)

Kindermusik can have a remarkable impact on children's language and literacy skills (e.g. vocabulary, comprehension, listening, expression); social and emotional development; mathematics and pattern recognition skills; and even ability to plan, guide, and self-regulate behaviour.

Family Time involves 10 weekly sessions with a different theme each week.

*Come and laugh, play, learn,
sing, be silly, make friends,
smile and grow!*



Kindermusik®

All sessions are facilitated by a certified Kindermusik Instructor

A light lunch will be provided!

*Children, parents, and siblings
are all welcome!*

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10 Sessions:

Location:

Our Lady of the Prairies

17655 - 64 Avenue

Dates and Time:

Oct 12, 19, 26, Nov 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Dec 7, 14, 2010

Tuesdays, 3:30 to 5:00 pm

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Learn Together, Grow Together



This interactive and hands-on family oriented program is for parents to attend with their children. Families will meet once a week for 2 1/2 hours from October to March.

Parents will learn how to support their child's literacy development, success in school and lifelong learning. Each session will feature some adult and child only instruction and lots of parent-child "together time" doing learning activities with guidance and instruction from family literacy facilitators (from the Centre for Family Literacy).

for parents and children (3 to 6 years old)



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20 Sessions:

Location:

St. Benedict
18015 - 93 Street

St. Alphonsus
11624 - 81 Street

Dates and Time:

Thursdays, starting
Oct 7, 2010 to Mar 24, 2011
9:00 to 11:30 am

Tuesdays, starting
Oct 5, 2010 to Mar 22, 2011
9:00 to 11:30 am

