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Growing Together
Early Literacy Specialist

Winter Early Literacy

Write

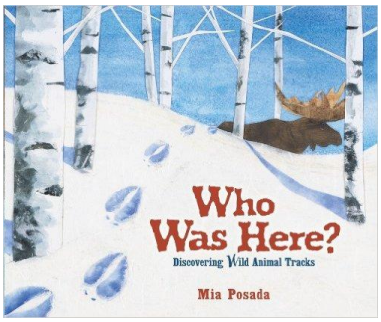
Don't throw away your stale Cheerios! String Cheerios on pipe cleaners and tie them together to make a bird feeder!

This activity will help your child strengthen their grasp, their in-hand manipulation skills and eye-hand coordination – all important pre-writing skills!

Find details here

Read

Who Was Here?
Mia Posada



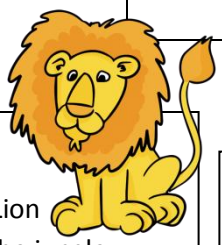
Play

Make your own animal tracks out of foam, hard sponges or wood. With elastic, wrap the tracks around your child's winter boots and enjoy making animal tracks in the snow!

Print out your own animal tracks poster here!

Sing

Leo the Lion



Leo the Lion
Is the king of the jungle
His jaws are open wide!

Leo the lion
When he roars it's a warning
That you better run away and hide!
Roar!

Click here to watch a video!

Talk

Did you know?

Children can learn more than two languages at a time.

Research shows that children need to hear a new language at least 30% of their day to be able to use it.

A child may understand a language but not speak it if they are not exposed to it often enough.

January 27th, 2016 is Family Literacy Day!

Want to win a Prize?

In honor of Family Literacy Day we will be giving away weekly PRIZES all month. Visit our Facebook page every Monday to see the challenge of the week. Complete the challenge for your chance to WIN!

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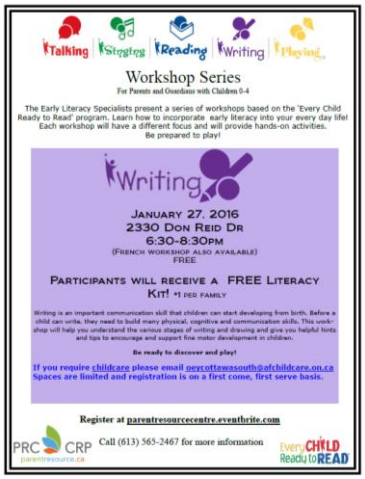
Talking Singing Reading Writing Playing

Workshop Series
For Parents and Guardians with Children 0-4

The Early Literacy Specialists present a series of workshops based on the 'Every Child Ready to Read' program. Learn how to incorporate early literacy into your every day life! Each workshop will have a different focus and will provide hands-on activities.
Be prepared to play!

Writing

JANUARY 27, 2016
2330 DON REID DR
6:30-8:30PM
(FRENCH WORKSHOP ALSO AVAILABLE)
FREE

PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE A FREE LITERACY KIT! *1 PER FAMILY

Writing is an important communication skill that children can start developing from birth. Before a child can write, they need to build many physical, cognitive and communication skills. This workshop will help you understand the various stages of writing and drawing and give you helpful hints and tips to encourage and support fine motor development in children.

Be ready to discover and play!

If you require childcare please email oeycottawasouth@afchildcare.on.ca
Spaces are limited and registration is on a first come, first serve basis.

Register at parentresourcecentre.eventbrite.com

PRC CRP parentresource.ca Call (613) 565-2467 for more information Every CHILD Ready to READ

Workshops for Parents

- **Writing** – January 27th 2016 from 6:30-8:30pm at 2330 Don Reid Drive (OEYC Ottawa South)
- **Talk/Sing** – April 20th, 2016 from 6:30-8:30pm at 1365 Richmond Road (Pinecrest Queensway CHC)

**Workshops are FREE and we offer childcare and a FREE Literacy kit filled with books, toys and other goodies!

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Looking for a playgroup in Ottawa?

Look no further! Click here or visit http://bit.ly/1NPpB4u for a complete list of every playgroup in the city of Ottawa!

PRC is now on Facebook and Twitter!

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Events in Ottawa

- **Celebrate Family Literacy Day with a musical performance by Dominic Boudreau!**
  Encourage early literacy by making music a part of your child's daily life!
  Sunday, January 24, 2016 @ 2:00-3:00 p.m.
  Nepean Centrepointe branch (101 Centrepointe)

- **Parent Resource Centre (300 Goulburn Private)**
  From January 25th to January 29th, PRC will be celebrating Family Literacy week during playgroups. Join us for special treats and activities!

- **Ontario Early Years Ottawa South (2330 Don Reid Drive)**
  Letters are all around us! Environmental print is usually the first print that children recognize. From January 24th to 30th 2016, the Early Years Centre Ottawa South will be celebrating Family Literacy Day by promoting activities that encourage children to experience the world through print found in their everyday environment.
  Call us for more details at 613-737-6369

- **Book Walk – Ontario Early Years Centre Nepean-Carleton**
  January 27th, 2016 @ 10:00am
  Please visit our website for www.cityviewcentre.ca

- **HIPPY Ottawa - Vanier and Ottawa South**
  Adopt A Reader – HIPPY Ottawa
  January 27 until February 19, 2016
  Open to the friends of HIPPY-Ottawa families
  Anne-Marie Vaz - 613-744-2892, ext 1075

- **Book Walk – Ontario Early Years Centre Ottawa-Vanier**
  To celebrate Family Literacy Day, come and share the fun of reading and learn with us! Giant pages will be displayed and we will have the chance to walk in groups to discover the magic of reading together.
  January 27 , 2016 between 9:00-11:00 am @ 270 Marier Ave
  Open to OEYC Ottawa-Vanier Clients only
  613-744-2892, ext 1432

- **At our Bayshore LINC/ESL childcare program** we will set up hands-on stations to include individual book making, sensory creations and language activities that include interactive storytelling and sing alongs. Our demonstrations will be open for all family members to join & participate. Each family will receive a take-home "Interactive Literacy" package; containing literacy information, recipes of the sensory creations and lyrics to the songs and stories of the events held in childcare on that day.

- **Child Care Staff from LINC/ESL Child Care, Rideau High School** will celebrate Family Literacy Day as we invite parents to share stories, songs, ethnic clothes and crafts from their home countries. Each parent will "Show and Tell" something unique from their culture. From the collected songs and stories, we may make books to share with everyone. We will give each child a book at the end of the event.

ABC Life Literacy Canada encourages families to have "15 Minutes of Fun" learning together every day. Engaging in literacy activities as a family improves a child's skills and also helps adults keep their skills sharp.

Click here for family fun activities!