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SUMMER NEWSLETTER: BUILDING LANGUAGE THROUGH LITERACY




SUMMER READING

 Reading is a great way to introduce your child to language. Even infants and young toddlers enjoy story time and there are more options for them than you may think.

Choose durable books that you can wipe clean, with pages they can manipulate. Even if they cannot read, they will enjoy turning the pages and babbling their own stories.

 Reading to your child not only builds literacy skills, it also creates a bonding opportunity. Sit close, show them pictures, and use different voices for characters to keep them interested.

 Keep it fun! Sing rhyming songs, read rhyming books, and say tongue twisters with your child - this helps them learn new sounds in words. Tell fun stories to each other and ask you child questions about what they read - talking about the words in the book helps them understand what they are reading.

BOOK SUGGESTIONS

Switch it up by heading to your local library for story time and other fun activities! Many libraries offer summer reading programs for children - check their website for details.

Here are a few books we love for each age group:

INFANTS + TODDLERS

- Summer: A Pop-Up Book, by: David Carter
- Where's Mr. Dog? by: Ingela Arrhenius
- Feet, by: Flowerpot Press

PRESCHOOLERS

- A Dog Called Bear, by: Christyan Fox
- Don't Blink! by: Amy Krouse Rosenthal
- Dude! by: Aaron Reynolds

SCHOOL-AGE

- Every Month Is a New Year, by: Marilyn Singer
- Lucky Enough, by: Fred Bowen
- The Truth about Hippos, by: Maxwell Eaton III



For a complete list of book suggestions visit us @speech4kidz.com or go to readingrockets.org for printable lists by age.

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