



WEST BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY

# FEBRUARY 2019 Early Literacy At Home Learning

Help your child develop early literacy skills and Grow Up Reading™. Enjoy a fun, family activity each day that helps teach important pre-reading skills.

SUNDAY

MONDAY

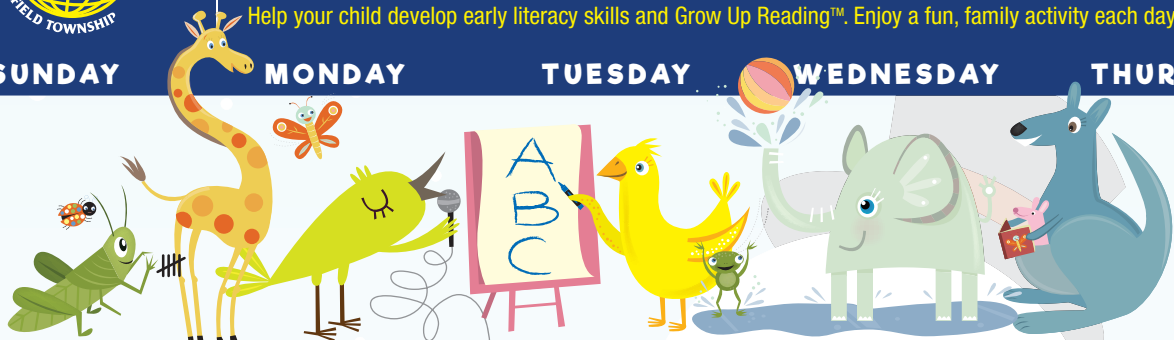
TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



3 **Reading**  
Find a cozy spot and read today.

4 **Writing**  
Color together today.

5 **Counting**  
Count 5 things you like about winter.

6 **Playing**  
Play "Simon Says" in the bathtub. "Simon says: wash your toes or scrub your face".

7 **Talking**  
Talk as you do an everyday task such as emptying a dishwasher. Talk about the process.

8 **Singing**  
Sing your favorite song and then sing your name to the tune.

9 **Reading**  
Grab your favorite grown up and head to the Westacres Branch for the Me and My VIP! event today!

10 **Writing**  
Make a valentine for someone you love.

11 **Counting**  
Use an adult sweater and practice fastening and unfastening the buttons. Count how many buttons are on the shirt.

12 **Playing**  
Play "I Spy With My Little Eye" around the house.

13 **Talking**  
Talk about feelings. What different types of feelings do we each have each day?

14 **Singing**  
Sing the H-E-A-R-T song today.

15 **Reading**  
Celebrate love by reading Click Clack Moo: I Love You! by Doreen Cronin.

16 **Writing**  
Draw the faces of your family members. Talk about the different emotions or features you give each person.

17 **Counting**  
Head outside to play in the snow. Count the different tracks you see in the snow. Your footprints, car prints, animal prints, etc.

18 **Playing**  
Bundle up and go on a winter walk. What do you see outside today?

19 **Talking**  
Talk about "big" and "little". Find examples outside or in your home (shoes, trees, animals).

20 **Singing**  
Shake out your sillies today while singing the song.

21 **Reading**  
Swap a book with a friend. Did you like the book they shared with you?

22 **Writing**  
Draw a picture of your favorite stuffed animal.

23 **Counting**  
Use a set of kitchen tongs to move items from one bowl to another. Count the items as you move them.

24 **Playing**  
Have a dance party! Put on some music and dance.

25 **Talking**  
Talk about why things freeze and why things melt.

26 **Singing**  
Visit the Main Library for Rock N Read and sing along.

27 **Reading**  
Celebrate National Polar Bear Day by reading a book about polar bears today.

28 **Writing**  
Spell out the word "Snow" with cereal or candies. Can you write it on the paper?



# The Library partners with parents to help children Grow Up Reading™

Parents are a child's first teachers. Help your child develop essential early literacy skills and build a strong foundation for future reading success with these six powerful practices.

**Talking** | **Singing** | **Reading** | **Writing** | **Playing** | **Counting**

## Grow Up Reading™ Tips for February: Singing

- When singing take time to look into your child's eyes and sing directly to them.
- Listening to music and singing with your little one is not only fun but can play a powerful role in helping to support his/her early brain and language development. Music introduces children to new words, sound patterns, and more, which helps develop listening and comprehension skills. These skills help build the necessary foundation for learning how to read.
- Learning a piece of information attached to a tune embeds that information more rapidly in a child's mind. The majority of children learn the alphabet not by simply saying the letters but singing them.

### Book Suggestions for February:

*I love you, little one*  
by Patricia Hegarty

*The Day It Rained Hearts*  
by Felicia Bond

*Click Clack Moo: I Love You*  
by Doreen Cronin

*The Last Polar Bear*  
by Jean Craighead George

*Bear's New Friend*  
by Karma Wilson



## Shake Your Sillies Out

I've gotta shake, shake, shake my sillies out  
Shake, shake, shake my sillies out  
Shake, shake, shake my sillies out  
And wiggle my waggles away  
I've gotta clap, clap, clap my crazies out  
Clap, clap, clap my crazies out  
Clap, clap, clap my crazies out  
And wiggle my waggles away  
I've gotta jump, jump, jump my jiggles out  
Jump, jump, jump my jiggles out  
Jump, jump, jump my jiggles out  
And wiggle my waggles away



I've gotta yawn, yawn, yawn my sleepies out  
Yawn, yawn, yawn my sleepies out  
Yawn, yawn, yawn my sleepies out  
And wiggle my waggles away  
I've gotta shake, shake, shake my sillies out  
Shake, shake, shake my sillies out  
Shake, shake, shake my sillies out  
And wiggle my waggles away  
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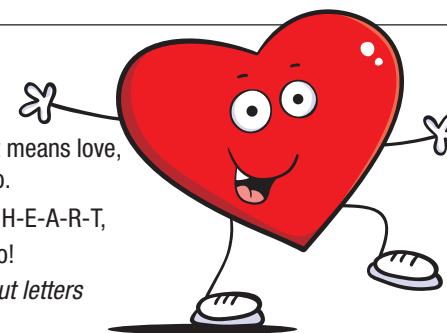
## H-E-A-R-T

(Sung to: 'Bingo')

There is a shape and it means love,  
and heart is its name-o.

H-E-A-R-T, H-E-A-R-T, H-E-A-R-T,  
And Heart is its name-o!

*Note: Repeat leaving out letters*



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