

Parents As Teachers News, January 2012
Springfield Public Schools
1423 W. Atlantic, Springfield, MO 65803
Doling School 417-523-1160

HOME VISITS



1. We offer each child, birth to 5 years one visit and one screening. If time and the year allows, some may get more visits. There are many factors that play a part in who qualifies for more visits.
2. We will have 2 offerings for story times each month.
3. Please try to keep cancellations and no-shows to a minimum. This may be our only opportunity to see you.

COMMUNITY STORY TIMES

Friday, January 6, 2012

Library Station – Family Voices.

1:00 pm to 4:00 pm in the story hour room for Parents of children **infants-age 5**. Family Voices is coming to the Library Station! Parents of children infants through age 5 are invited to record themselves reading a favorite story (bring your own, or choose from our selection) and have it added to a CD of community leaders reading more stories. Families will receive a copy of the CD with their own story on it and children under 5 will receive a free book. Activities will be available to keep the kiddos entertained while you record! Registration starts January 02; call 865-1340.

Monday, January 9, 2012

Brentwood Branch Library – Racing to Read Tiny Tots Storytime.

9:00 am for **infants-36 months**. Our interactive storytimes introduce young children to books, reading and language with engaging stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read successfully.

Saturday, January 14, 2012

Library Station – Family Voices.

1:00 pm to 4:00 pm in the story hour room for Parents of children **infants-age 5**. Family Voices is coming to the Library Station! Parents of children infants through age 5 are invited to record themselves reading a favorite story (bring your own, or choose from our selection) and have it added to a CD of community leaders reading more stories. Families will receive a copy of the CD with their own story on it and children under 5 will receive a free book. Activities will be available to keep the kiddos entertained while you record! Registration starts January 02; call 865-1340.

Winter weather is here so be sure to sign up to receive e-mail notices about school cancellations. E-mail alerts are the fastest way to find out when school is canceled. As an added benefit, you'll also be on the list to get regular e-mail updates about district news and events. Sign up today and you won't ever miss out on important information again.

Sign up at:
<http://springfieldpublicschoolsmo.org/newsletters/>

PARENTS AS TEACHERS STORYTIMES

January 20th, 9:00 a.m., Wanda Gray Elementary, with Parent Educator Lisa Cozby.

January 25th, 10:00 a.m. Doling School, with Parent Educator Sandra Range.

Tuesday, January 17, 2012

Library Center – Racing to Read Tiny Tots Storytime.

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Saturday, January 21, 2012

Library Station – Snowman Storytime.

11:00 am in the Frisco room for **ages 2-6**.
It's cold outside, perfect weather for snowmen. Hear snowman stories, sing snowman songs, and make non-melting snowman crafts. Whether there's snow on the ground or not, we'll be Frosty!

Library Station – Family Voices.

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Saturday, January 28, 2012

Library Center – Surprise Saturday.

11:00 am to 2:00 pm in the story hour room for **all ages**. Games, crafts and more—you never know what you'll find on Surprise Saturday! Families can drop by and enjoy a family-friendly activity for all ages.

Library Station – Family Voices.

1:00 pm to 4:00 pm in the story hour room for Parents of children **infants-age 5**.
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Tuesday, January 31, 2012

Library Center – Racing to Read Tiny Tots Storytime.

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To see a complete listing of storytimes presented by the Springfield/Greene Co. libraries, please visit thelibrary.org

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 13, 2012

No School-Students will be out all day to allow staff to participate in professional learning and work opportunities.

January 16, 2012

District Offices Closed-In honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, there will be no classes and district offices will be closed.

For more news and information regarding Springfield Public Schools, please visit our website:

Springfieldpublicschoolsmo.org



We are collecting BOX TOPS! Just give to your parent educator at your next visit or screening.

Thanks!



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COMMUNITY RESOURCES

BeBe Café @ WIC



WIC is now offering a **breastfeeding support group** every second Wednesday of the month from 1-2. All pregnant and breastfeeding moms are invited! Bring your friends and enjoy a nice get together with food, friends, and fun! They will also have the WIC librarian as well for story time. *Please note if Springfield Public Schools are cancelled for weather related conditions, Bebe Café will also be cancelled.*

WIC is located inside the Jordan Valley Community Health Center, 440 East Tampa. For additional information, you may also call 851-1583.



Please visit Springfield-Greene County WIC on Facebook!

FREE Book Party
presented by Ready to Learn



- ✓ Snacks
- ✓ Books
- ✓ Games

Where: WIC classrooms 1 & 2
440 East Tampa

When: Tuesday, January 17,
Drop by between 9 am-6pm

Who: For Parents and kids age birth to 7 years
Sponsored by Springfield-Greene County Library and Racing to Read



Preventing Accidental Injury

For information on safety tips, recall info, family events, videos, parent's corner, and kids' pages, please visit SAFE KIDS SPRINGFIELD website at:

www.safekidsspringfield.org
www.facebook.com/safekidsspringfield
info@safekidsspringfield.org

417-820-6671

COMMUNITY RESOURCES



For a FREE Car Seat Installation Check

The following agencies are certified fitting stations and can teach you how to install your car seat. For an appointment, please call:

St. John's Injury Prevention Ctr. 417-820-7233
Cox Trauma Services 417-269-0920
OTC, Community Enrichment 417-447-8885
Safety Council of the Ozarks 417-869-2121

Springfield Conservation Nature Center



Little Acorns

Little Acorns programs are for children 3-6 years and are 45-minutes in length. Please limit **Little Acorns** programs to one per month. Registration required. **417-888-4237**

Regal Eagles-Bald eagles are the kings of the sky. They are big, beautiful, and brawny. Come learn what other adaptations make these special birds like royalty.

Friday, Jan. 6, 11 AM or 1:30 PM
Saturday, Jan. 7, 11 AM

Wily Coyote-Howl like a coyote and hear some coyote folklore. Learn why the cunning nature of this animal has earned it the nickname "trickster."

Wednesday, Jan. 18, 11 AM or 1:30 PM
Saturday, Jan. 28, 11 AM

