

Singing songs and nursery rhymes helps your child to hear the sounds in words and develop their vocabulary. Encourage your child to join in.

Seven benefits of Nursery Rhymes

Introduce children to new words
Help children to recognise the sounds in words.
Teach children where words begin and end in sentences.
Boost fine and gross motor skills.
Great for developing other life skills such as counting and maths concepts.
Build emotional awareness.
Strengthen the bond between you

and your child.



out and about you are helping your child to hear the starting sound of the word. Use the starting sound rather than the name, so say: 'I spy with my little eye something beginning with mmmmm.'



Tip 5 - Visit your local Library

Visit your local library and help your child to find books they'd like to borrow. Its free and easy to join and children can have their own library card. Visit <u>chirk.library@wrexham.gov.uk</u> for more information.



READ WITH ME!

"I opened a book and in I strode. Now nobody can find me. I've left my chair, my house, my road, My town and my world behind me. I'm wearing the cloak, I've slipped on the ring,

I've swallowed the magic potion. I've fought with a dragon, dined with a king And dived in a bottomless ocean. I opened a book and made some friends. I shared their tears and laughter And followed their road with its bumps and bends To the happily ever after. I finished my book and out I came.

The cloak can no longer hide me. My chair and my house are just the same, But I have a book inside me."







Reading with your child

Reading aloud is one of the best ways to get them interested in books. When you help your child learn to read you are opening a door to a world of learning.

Reading together will help your child make sense of words and recognise some letters. By spending lots of time singing nursery rhymes with your child as well as playing games, chatting and telling stories you are already preparing your child for early reading experiences.

'The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you will go'.

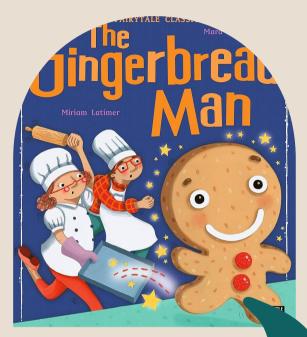
-Dr Suess



Have fun reading to your child every day. It will help every aspect of their reading skills later such as vocabulary, story structure and grammar to name a few. Look at the cover together before you launch into the story. Talk about the title and point out any characters in the illustrations. Ask questions e.g. "I wonder what the story is about?"







Read or tell traditional tales to your child encourage your child to help remember what happens next or join in with repeated phrases.