

PARENT-CAREGIVER LIBRARY CONNECTION

EARLY LITERACY TIP

Sing, Play, Read, Write, Talk

There are five early literacy skills. They are sing, play, read, write, and talk. All these skills help your child as they prepare to learn to read. There are a variety of different ways you can implement these practices in your daily activities to develop these practices with your little one.

A great resource with more information about each of the five early literacy skills is the Colorado Libraries for Early Literacy (CLEL) website. CLEL provides information about each early literacy skill. CLEL reviews new picture books that feature early literacy and creates an award list each year!

For more info check out: clel.org

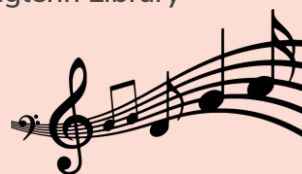
MUSIC AND MOVEMENT

Move and Groove at the Library!

Drop by and join us for a fun program that will get kids singing, dancing and exploring musical instruments while also helping them develop motor and listening skills. Music and Movement is hosted when the storytime break occurs!

During this storytime break, join us at either of our Music and Movement programs.

- Monday, May 19, from 10:30-11:15 at Smoky Hill Library
- Thursday, May 22, from 10:30-11:15 at Southglenn Library



BLOG POSTS

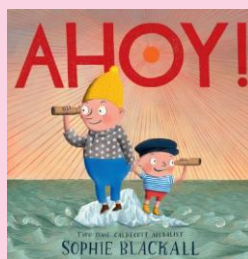
Learn about resources, book lists, and more!

Check out the Arapahoe Library Kids blog. Blogs are updated each month and are written by our Librarian Team! Each month the blog might be about an Early Literacy Concept or highlight a celebration that is held in that month. Each blog typically contains a list of resources and book recommendations.

To find our blogs go to our website: arapahoelibraries.org, select “browse the library”, select by audience “0-5”, and navigate to resources. Check back for new blogs monthly!

BOOK CORNER

Ahoy! By Sophie Blackall



Ahoy is a charming and cheerful example of a caregiver and child engaging in creative dramatic play, all without leaving the house! Enjoy an adventure on the high seas, without leaving the comfort of your house! Ahoy is an incredible example of developmentally appropriate play that celebrates playfulness, imagination, or creative use of materials.

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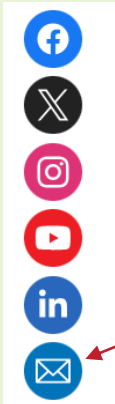
FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Stay in touch with Arapahoe Libraries online!

Did you know that Arapahoe Libraries is on social media? Follow us on Facebook, X, Instagram, and Youtube!

Arapahoe Libraries also has a new 0-5 digital newsletter that highlights upcoming events! To subscribe, follow the steps below!

1. Navigate to our website arapahoelibraries.org
2. Scroll to the bottom of the page, you'll see the below icons. (You can select any of these to follow us on that platform.)



3. Select the email button. Fill in the appropriate information! Make sure to select "Children 0-5" for your audience.

LAUNCHPADS

Looking for an educational tablet?



Pre-loaded with content for kids, designed with a simple, easy-to-use interface, and 100% secure, Launchpad tablets are made to be passed from one set of hands to the next.

No download time. No need for Wi-Fi. Access to powerful content is simple as turning on each device - anytime, anywhere.

Launchpads are curated by age, so you can make sure that you select a launchpad that will be entertaining and educational for your little one.

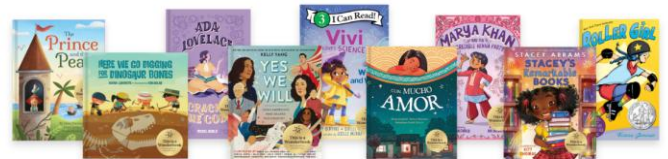
Available at all ALD locations!

WONDERBOOKS

Check out our Wonderbooks!

Wonderbook is a print book with a read-to-play audiobook inside and features the best children's books from Penguin Random House, HarperCollins, Hachette, Weston Woods, and more. Activate the first-ever Learning Mode for deeper comprehension and engagement.

Available at all ALD locations!



Questions about reading readiness at your childcare center? Email Laurie Anne: larmstrong@ald.lib.co.us
Questions about Begin with Books storytime for in-home childcare? Email Alexa: abynumsoto@ald.lib.co.us
For more resources, visit arapahoelibraries.org/children-0-5/ or call 303-LIBRARY (303-542-7279).