Welcome to Rhyme Time!

Rhyme Time is held Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. in the Meeting Room at Brooks Memorial Library and is designed for children ages 5 and under and their caregivers. Rhyme Time runs from October through February and April through August.

Here are the songs, fingerplays and movement games that we use on a regular basis during Rhyme Time.

**SONGS:**

*Our Opening Song:*

*Open, Shut Them.*
Open, shut them, open, shut them;
give a little clap, clap, clap.
Open, shut them, open, shut them;
put them in your lap, lap, lap.
Creep them, crawl them,
creep them, crawl them,
right up to your chin, chin, chin.
Open wide your little mouth,
but do not let them in!!

*The Itsy Bitsy Spider*

The itsy bitsy spider climbed up the waterspout.
Down came the rain, and washed the spider out.
Out came the sun, and dried up all the rain
And the itsy bitsy spider climbed up the spout again.

*Where is Thumbkin?*

Where is thumbkin, where is thumbkin?
Here I am, here I am!
How are you today sir?
Very well I thank you.
Run away, run away!

*Our Closing Song:*

*The Teddy Bear Song.*
Teddy bear, teddy bear, turn around.
Teddy bear, teddy bear, touch the ground.
Teddy bear, teddy bear, show your shoe.
Teddy bear, teddy bear, that will do!
Teddy bear, teddy bear, turn round
Teddy bear, teddy bear, touch the ground.
Teddy bear, teddy bear, reach up high.
Teddy bear, teddy bear, wave good bye!

**SCARF GAME:** Jack in the Box

Jack in the box, quiet as a mouse (*scarf on head*)
Hiding inside your little dark house
Jack in the box, sitting so still
Will you come out??
YES! I will! (*pull scarf from head and sit up*)

**MOVEMENT GAME:** Two Little Feet

Two little feet go tap, tap, tap.
Two little hands go clap, clap, clap.
Two little feet go jump, jump, jump.
Two little hands go thump, thump, thump.
One little body spins round and round.
One little body sits quietly down.
FINGERPLAYS:
I have ten little fingers,
And they all belong to me.
I can make them do things.
Would you like to see?
I can shut them up tight
Or open them wide.
I can put them together
Or make them all hide.
I can make them jump high
Or make them go low.
I can fold them up quietly
And sit just so.

I wiggle, wiggle, wiggle my fingers
I wiggle, wiggle, wiggle my toes
I wiggle, wiggle, wiggle my shoulders
I wiggle, wiggle, wiggle my nose
There are no more wiggles left in me
And I am sitting down as quietly as can be.

I had a little red balloon
And I blew and blew and blew.
And my little red balloon
It grew and grew and grew!
I tossed it up into the air and never let it drop,
But when I tried to bounce it, it suddenly went POP!

Clap your hands just like me.
Clap your hands 1, 2, 3.
Roll your hands just like me.
Roll your hands 1, 2, 3.
Tap your hands just like me.
Tap your hands 1, 2, 3.
Shake your hands just like me.
Shake your hands 1, 2, 3.

Two little blackbirds sitting on a hill (make fists)
One named Jack, one named Jill (Raise one thumb then the other)
Fly away Jack (Fly one thumb behind back)
Fly away Jill (Fly other thumb behind back)
Come back Jack (Fly one thumb back)
Come back Jill (Fly other thumb back)

MOVEMENT:
Clap your hands - 1 2 3
Then like this - shake them free
Bending forward - touch your toes
Then reach up and touch your nose.

Hands on hips, hands on knees
Put them behind you if you please
Touch your shoulders, touch your nose
Touch your ears and touch your toes.

On my head my hands I place
On my shoulders, on my face
On my hips and at my side
Then behind me they will hide
I will make them fly so high
Reach up high to the sky
Hold them out in front of me
Then quickly clap them
1, 2, 3

Clap your hands
Touch your toes
Turn around
And touch your nose.
Flap your arms,
Jump up high,
Wiggle your fingers,
And reach for the sky.

Reach for the ceiling
Touch the floor,
Stand up again,
Let's do some more.
Touch your head,
Then your knee,
Up to your shoulders,
Like this, you see.
Reach for the ceiling,
Touch the floor.
That's all for now,
There isn't anymore.