

ONCE UPON A TIME...

T i n y T o t P r e s c h o o l P a r e n t N e w s l e t t e r

THE IMPORTANCE OF READING ALOUD PART II

Last month we talked about the importance of reading aloud to our children.

There is no wrong way to read to children, but there are many ways to make this wonderful bonding time even better.

Have fun. Your attitude is infectious and will engage your audience. It doesn't matter if your child is two or ten. Find a quiet place to read. No TV, radio or computer. Remember, you're creating happy memories and a love of reading and learning.

If your child is very young, read the pictures and identify objects on the page. As children get older change your voice for different characters in the story.

Keep your child engaged by asking questions

and the meaning of words.

It's not unusual for a child to want you to read a favorite story over and over. When you're sure your child knows the story back words and forwards change the story and see what happens. It's really fun and before you know it you will both be laughing!!!! As your child gets older read the chapter books and ask him/her to close their eyes and listen. Storytelling is an important part of our history and can be a very enriching experience for young and old. It opens up the imagination and gives us the opportunity to climb mountains, soar with the eagles and solve a mystery!!!!

Have Fun!!!!



Find some booklists, storytimes and reading activities bellow

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Skokie Library Storytimes and Activities Schedule:

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