

A library card is one of the best gifts you can give your child!

UNESCO says reading for pleasure is more important than social class in determining economic and academic success and we couldn't agree more.

Your local library is your gateway to a world of opportunity and learning. Whether it's borrowing books, downloading emagazines and ebooks or coming along to one of our many events.

With 33 libraries across the city - find yours by visiting www.glasgowlife.org/libraries



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Family Time at your LOCAL LIBRARY...

Bounce & Rhyme

A regular event for parents, carers and children aged 0-2 years, enjoy action songs, rhymes and stories together. Stimulate your child, help language development and encourage social interaction plus it's a great way to bond with your child while having fun.

Toddlers Tales

A fun, physical and interactive activity for 2-3 year olds and their parents/carers. Engage in songs and rhymes that bring books and stories to life. Introduce your children to reading and foster a life-long love of books.

Play & Share

Help your child to learn through lots of interactive play activities aimed at learning and development but cleverly disguised as fun! Suitable for children aged 3-5 years to attend with their parents and carers.



at your local COMMUNITY CENTRE

Wee Play

Our fun, interactive Wee Play is designed for families with children aged 2-5 years to become more active together. Taking part in sessions not only helps your wee one to get active,

it also develops their balance, coordination and movement skills through fun games and activities. You also receive a Wee Play activity bag filled with fun equipment and activity cards to help you play together at home.



and at GLASGOW MUSEUMS

Toddler Time at Kelvingrove

Kelvingrove's youngest visitors can explore the museum's collections through stories, rhymes and activities with exciting themes such as bears and creepy crawlies. Parents and carers are encouraged to engage and interact with their children through these activities.



25 Things To Do Before You Are 5

Designed for families with young explorers. Pick up a booklet when you visit a Glasgow Museum and discover fun things to see and do during your visit.



TOP TIPS for bedtime reading

- 1 Sharing a story at bedtime is a chance for you and your child to relax and enjoy a special moment together.
- 2 Make a story part of a bedtime routine. Your child will love to cuddle up and hear your voice and know that it's time to wind down ready for sleep.
- 3 Just five to ten minutes of reading a day will help you bond and help your child's language development.
- 4 Make bedtime stories something to look forward to and enjoy this time together.
- 5 Snuggle up together, somewhere cosy. It doesn't have to be in bed and it's best to switch the television off.
- 6 Choose books with rhyme, rhythm and repetition – hearing rhyming words will help them later when they learn to read.
- 7 Read your child's favourite books over and over again.
- 8 You don't always have to 'read' a book. Pictures are also very important and help to tell the story. Point to the pictures and talk about them and you will be helping your child learn lots of new words.
- 9 Try using funny voices or silly noises. Your child loves the sound of your voice so try not to be embarrassed or shy. Just remember to make it fun and laugh a lot.

And remember books are for anytime not just bedtime.

To find out about more Glasgow Life activities for pre-5 visit youngglasgow.org.uk

