

April at New Steps

Ask the Lord for rain in the springtime; it is the Lord who sends the thunderstorms. He gives showers of rain to all people, and plants of the field to everyone. Zechariah 10:1



Curriculum

As we welcome the warmer days of spring, there is so much to celebrate and learn together. Curriculum focus this month will include:

Bible Story Dress Up

Easter Card Making

Easter Egg Sensory Bin

Make a Bunny Headband Craft

Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Songs and Activities



Spring Weather

Please remember to send appropriate indoor and outdoor clothing for your child. Temperatures can vary throughout the day so your child will need clothing to stay dry and warm as we explore and learn indoors and out. Children need to have comfortable spare clothing on hand. We recommend two outfits, including socks and underwear. We encourage self help skills and ask that clothing be easy for your child to put on and take off with minimal assistance.



Dates to remember

Easter Spirit Week

Monday April 3 Easter Hat Day

Tuesday April 4 Scavenger Hunt

Wednesday April 5 Easter Story Time

Thursday April 6 Bible Character Day

Friday April 7 CLOSED

Monday April 10 CLOSED



Growing Together

There are so many benefits to reading to your child, here are just a few:

- 1. It helps you and your child bond
- 2. It helps to increase your child's vocabulary
- 3. It helps to grow your child's imagination
- 4. It helps develop a love for reading
- 5. It helps academic growth

Brampton Library offers so many free resources to help your family grow together.



Stories to Share

<u>Worm Weather</u> was written by Jean Taft and illustrated by Matt Hunt. Spring is full of rainy days, and that brings out the kids and the worms! This book uses a simple rhyming text and fun illustrations to highlight the joy that can be found on the rainiest days.

<u>Spring is Here: A Bear and Mole Story</u> was written and illustrated by Will Hillenbrand. It is finally Spring and Mole is trying to wake his friend Bear after a long winter sleep. The text uses lots of fun sound effects that kids will love saying out loud, and the mixed media illustrations feature adorable animal characters.

<u>The Jesus Storybook Bible</u> was written by Sally Lloyd Jones illustrated by Jago_Some people think the Bible is a book of rules. Or a book of heroes. But the Bible is most of all a story. **The Jesus Storybook Bible** tells that wonderful Story beneath all the stories in the Bible. The story of how God loves his children and comes to rescue them.

You could even pair a spring snack with story time:

7 FRESH & HEALTHY SPRING SNACKS FOR KIDS (littleslovelearning.com)



Songs to sing

Here are just a couple of the songs we sing together

God's not dead https://youtu.be/IX8LEO-s10

I had a Little Turtle https://youtu.be/Gbr2iMLZqTE



We will be learning about Easter during April including:

Palm Sunday: Jesus is King Good Friday: Jesus loves us Easter Sunday: Jesus is alive



Please keep your child's personal supplies well stocked