

NASHOBA COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN

Bolton, Lancaster & Stow

NASHOBA NEWS 2021



Dear Nashoba Families,

The month of February in New England is sure cold outside but can be a beautiful time to bring warmth inside. Not just warmth from a heater or fireplace, but warmth in our hearts. With this thought, let's contemplate on what brings us warmth and happiness? For me, it's cherished moments in deep and meaningful conversations with loved ones. It's a walk in nature with my dog. It's seeing the excitement of an experience from a child's view. In general, it's being in the moment of simple pleasures that brings me warmth and happiness and being present for making heart to heart connections.

I invite you to contemplate and bring into your February days cherished moments of heart to heart connections, enjoying your moments with your family and loved ones.

Happy Valentine's Day,

Liz Garreffi, MS, CCC-SLP

Early Childhood Coordinator/Team Chair

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If we can be of further help to you please feel free to contact us!

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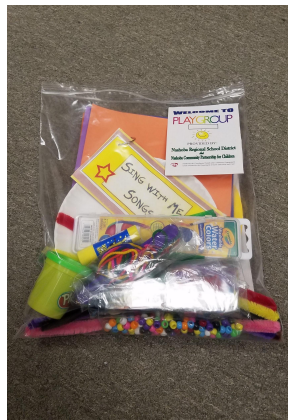
Here's an interesting article supporting the importance to our health for making heart connections:

https://www.health.harvard.edu/newsletter_article/making-connections-good-for-the-heart-and-soul

A Nashoba Regional School Teacher, Allyson Gill, made a great video with the book *Breaking News*. The book acknowledges how hard it is for families and kids dealing with the distraction by big, breaking news events and provides ways to help or react to these types of situations. [Here's the link.](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION

FREE Virtual Discover and Learn Weekly Playgroups



Generous activity bags are provided for each child/family that joins our playgroups

Our virtual playgroups are up and running! We are so pleased that we can provide this service to you!! Our current playgroups are running until March 19th. The 3rd virtual playgroup session will run from the last week of March through early June. In order to join, watch for our registration information and link that will be included next month in our March newsletter.

PARENT EDUCATION



Carefree Creative Crafting With Your Kids

FREE Online Presentation

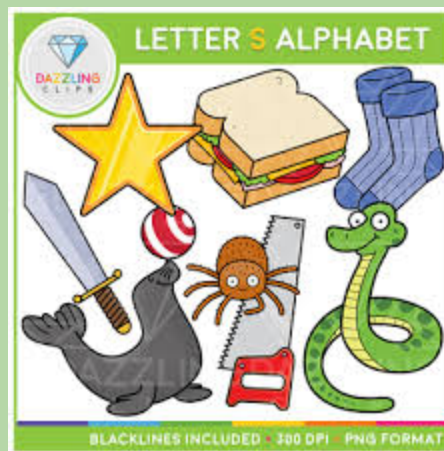
Tuesday, February 9th ~ 7:00 -8:00 pm

Presented by: Elizabeth “Libby” Eppy

Registration Link: [Eventbrite](#)

The Zoom link will be emailed to you prior to the presentation.

Flyer Attached



Join Ms. Liz for a FREE Virtual Storytime

Monday, February 8th at 10:30 a.m.

Join Ms. Liz for a heartfelt winter wonderland virtual story time on Monday, February 8th at 10:30 a.m. The letter sound of the day is “S”. Have your child bring a toy or item that begins with the “S” sound for show and tell. Together we will enjoy a story, songs, movement, and activities. To sign up and receive the link, please email Liz Garreffi at egarreffi@nrsd.net and the link will be emailed to you.

JOIN US!

**Nashoba Community Partnership for Children
Advisory Council Virtual Meeting
Monday, February 8, 2021, at 2:45 pm**

Click this link to attend: <https://meet.google.com/oea-cfjs-kmf?hs=122&authuser=0>

Our Advisory Council is a collaboration of parents/caregivers, community members, child-related educators and service providers, preschool professionals, and agency leaders from our community towns of Lancaster, Bolton, and Stow. We meet four times per year to connect and set goals with a focus to improve services for our families with young children. Please join us, at whatever level possible. It's an opportunity to have an active and positive role in your community and in your child's education. New members are always welcome! For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Liz Garreffi, Early Childhood Coordinator, at egarreffi@nrsd.net, or by calling 978-779-0539 x3008.

FREE VIRTUAL PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

For Parents of Children Birth to Age 8

Facilitated by: Liz Garreffi, MS, CCC-SLP, Early Childhood Coordinator

Our Parent Support Group is in full swing and ongoing! We meet virtually every week on Wednesdays at 1:00 pm. If you are interested in joining the group or have questions about the group, please contact Liz Garreffi, Early Childhood Coordinator, at egarreffi@nrsd.net or by calling 978-779-0539 x3008.



Storytime with Miss Maren

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. on Zoom

Join in for songs, rhymes, movements, felt board activities, and stories for ages 0-5 and caregivers.

Virtual Storytime with Miss Maren through Thayer Memorial Library, Lancaster

Children ages 0-5 and their caregivers are invited to join Miss Maren on Zoom for a weekly storytime with songs, rhymes, fingerplays, and books. Winter storytimes will be held on January 7, 14, & 28, and February 4 & 11. [Click here: Registration is required.](#)

For more info contact Maren Caulfield at mcaulfield@lancasterma.net.

Check out ongoing (remote) programming for children: [Thayer Memorial Library](#)

Randall Library, Stow

Preschool STEAM Story Time

Friday mornings 10:30 am to 11:15 am

Check out ongoing (remote) programming for children: [Randall Library](#)

Kids Musical Puppet Show

Presented by: Tom Knight Puppets

This fun YouTube video was shared with us, and we are happy to share it with you and your kids!

[YouTube Link](#)



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