

Disclaimer: Activities with children must always be risk assessed, including for allergies or choking. Children must always have adequate supervision. Resources and materials must always be appropriate for children's age and stage of development.

Promoting nursery rhymes in the home

Nursery rhymes are a great way to engage children in early literacy and sharing nursery rhymes to sing in the home is a great way of making connections between home and nursery.

Singing nursery rhymes together has lots of benefits, including: introducing new language, hearing sounds through rhyme, physical development when using actions, numbers when singing number rhymes and building memory through repetition.



1. Share the benefits of singing nursery rhymes with parents
2. Print the words to some of the children's favourite rhymes so parents can sing along at home
3. Record staff singing nursery rhymes so parents can hear the tune and see the actions for the nursery rhyme. Put the recordings online so parents can log in to watch together with their child
4. Invite parents into the setting to share your song times
5. Encourage parents to share their favourite rhymes that they sing at home, in their home language, so you can include them in your nursery choices
6. Create a nursery rhyme sack that can be loaned to parents. Include song words, nursery rhyme book, printed words and props to each rhyme you include.

NDNA products to support you with this

- [Online course: Home learning environment](#)
- [Publication: Home learning](#)

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