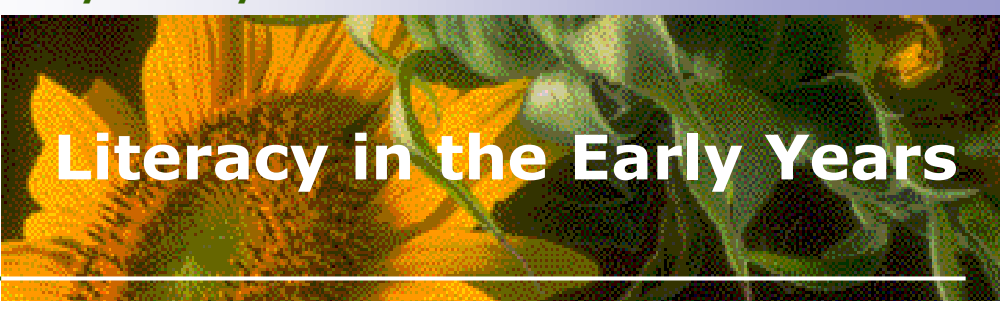


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Through the arts children listen, observe, discuss, move, solve problems, and imagine using different ways of thinking and expressing themselves.

What the Research Says:

► [Earlyarts – nurturing children’s creativity](#)

7 Benefits of the Arts in Early Childhood

► [Critical Link:](#)

[Learning in the Arts and Student Academic and Social Development](#)

This research overview shows promising lines of inquiry based on learning in the arts and teaching strategies that enhance the arts learning experiences.

► [Literacy and Numeracy Secretariat What Works? Putting Research into Practice, April 2011](#)

Engaging Students through the Arts

Dr. Rena Uptis, Queen’s University

► [Socio-dramatic Play and the Potentials of Early Language Development of Preschool Children](#)

This study looks at the interactions of young children with literacy-related materials, peers, and adults in socio-dramatic play and indentifies the effects of socio-dramatic play on oral language learning and literacy behaviours.

On the Lighter Side



[Stay at Home Dad with a Job](#)

[Toddler Finger Painting – First Family Portrait](#)

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Free Webinars / Videos

► [TED Talk – How Schools Kill Creativity](#)

Sir Ken Robinson makes an entertaining and moving case for creating an education system that nurtures creativity.

PBS

► [Arts & the Mind: Arts in Education](#)

This video shows the impact of the arts on people of all ages and explores its vital role in our development during youth and older age.

TVO Parents

► [Music and Your Child](#)

Experts discuss whether music makes a child smarter, how it helps them emotionally and how well we teach music both in school and out.

Putting Research into Practice

► [Creative Arts Expression – Head Start](#)

Information, overall teaching strategies and lesson plans for the teaching of creative arts.

► [Learning Links](#)

[Fostering Artistic and Creative Expression in Children](#)

(Tips for Parents and Early Childhood Educators)

Combine expressive arts with inclusion to create equity for children and enhance their meaningful participation learning.

► [NAEYC Young Children](#)

[The Creative Arts Curriculum](#)

Many articles and ideas to help practitioners incorporate the arts in programming for young children.

► [IntelliSHAKERS Action Songs](#)

[Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed](#)

► [ELE Mr. Rogers Centre](#)

[Magic Story Times](#)

Parent Resources

Here are learning resources to help you and your children explore the arts.

► [The Importance of Arts Education](#)

Laura Karraker

► [TVO Parent](#)

[Everything You Wanted to Know AboutMusic and Learning](#)

► [PBS Parents](#)

[Early Art: What It Means and How to Encourage It](#)

Charlina Stewart

► [BBC – Cbeebies](#)

[Using Musical Instruments in Creative Play](#)

Creative play that involves listening to and making music together can help your child’s learning and development.

► [BBC – Cbeebies](#)

[Pretend Play with Toddlers](#)

Naomi Sherwood

Enjoy some imaginative play with your toddler. They’ll love drawing faces and having fun with puppets.

► [BBC – Cbeebies](#)

[Paint, Draw, MakeCreate!](#)

Enhance your child’s creativity by getting the glue stick and paints out.

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