

## Books

*I am too Absolutely Small for School* Lauren Child

Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes Eric Litwin

*The Kissing Hand* Audrey Penn

Maisy Goes to Preschool *Lucy Cousins* 

*Wemberly Worried* Kevin Henkes

This is a School John Schu

The Day You Begin Jacqueline Woodson

KINDergarten Vera Ahiyya



## **Action Rhymes**

#### I Wiggle

I wiggle my fingers, I wiggle my toes, I wiggle my shoulders, I wiggle my nose, Now no more wiggles, Are left in me, So I will be still, As still as I can

Source: Totonto Public Library

#### Fun at the Playground

Climb the ladder, and down we slide: (climbing motion with hands; dip hand down) Then on the teeter-totter we ride. (arms out, tip left and right) Swinging, swinging, way up high, (swing arms back and forth) Stretching, stretching to touch the sky. (stretch arms high and stand on tiptoes) Around we go on the merry-goround (turn in a circle) Having fun at our playground.

Source: King County Library System

# **Fingerplays**

### **Ready for School**

Two little houses all closed up tight (make fists) Open up the window and let in the light (open fist) Ten little finger people tall and straight (ten fingers) Ready for school at half past eight (walk with fingers)

Source: King County Library System

## Songs

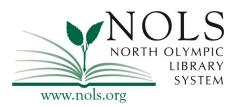
#### I Like to Go to School

(tune of The Farmer and the Dell)

I like to go to school I like to go to school Heigh-ho-the-derry-oh, I like to go to school.

I like to sing new songs I like to sing new songs Heigh-ho-the-derry-oh, I like to sing new songs

I like to play with friends I like to play with friends Heigh-ho-the-derry-oh, I like to play with friends





# **More Songs**

## **Our Teacher**

*(tune of Mary Had a Little Lamb)* Our teacher comes to school each day,

School each day, school each day. Our teacher comes to school each day,

To help us learn and grow.

She smiles and helps us learn all day,

Learn all day, learn all day.

She smiles and helps us learn all day,

We're glad we come to school.

### The Wheels on the Bus

The wheels on the bus go round and round round and round round and round the wheels on the bus go round and round all through the town

the people on the bus go up and down up and down up and down the people on the bus go up and down all through the town

the driver on the bus says move on back move on back move on back the driver on the bus says move on back all through the town

the mommies on the bus go shhh shhh shhh shhh shhh shhh shhh shhh shhh the mommies on the bus go shhh shhh shhh all through the town

the daddies on the bus go I love you I love you I love you the daddies on the bus go I love you all through the town

the horn on the bus goes beep beep beep beep beep beep the horn on the bus goes beep beep beep all through the town

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# Science & Math

#### Lego Sorting

Learning how to sort items is an important math and science concept (as well as an important early literacy skill). Grab some Lego or Duplo building blocks and have your child sort them by their various attributes such as size or color.

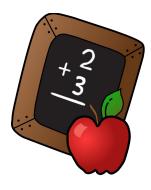
# **Art Projects**

## **Craft Stick School Bus**

Paint several craft sticks yellow. Help your child arrange them into the shape of a school bus. Glue together, leaving room for windows. In each school bus window, glue a photo of your child's face.

## **Display Clip Magnet**

Paint and decorate a clothes pin with your child and glue to a magnet. Use the clip as a special place reserved to display your child's art and writing.



### Early Literacy Take Home:

Help your child get ready for school by pointing out letters and their sounds everywhere you go.

Questions about this kit? Email youth services staff at youth@nols.org or contact staff at (360) 417-8500 x7705.

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