

CHILDREN'S SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPY SERVICE

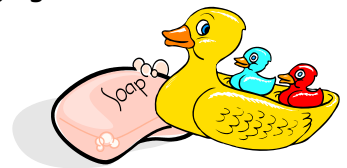
Creating language opportunities

**Spend time together talking and listening to your child.
There's so much to talk about!**

Pause and give your child time to talk. Don't ask too many questions. Comment on what is happening and pause and wait for them to respond...this makes talking more enjoyable for both of you.

Sing favourite songs together. Join in with the actions. See our 'singing with your child' leaflet, ask nursery for ideas of songs to sing or visit

www.wordsforlife.org/songs



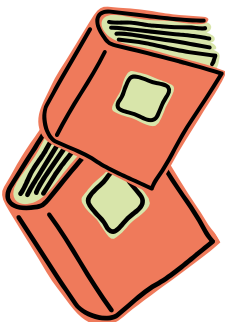
Daily routines are great for adding lots of language!

Talk about what you're doing throughout the day.

"Let's go to the shops"
"We need to get milk..."

"Time to get washed...here's
the soap"
"Yellow duck...quack, quack"

"Lots of bubbles"
"Pop...pop...pop!"



Look at and talk about books. You don't need to always read the words. Talk about the pictures, do actions and make silly voices...have fun!

Wait and see what your child wants to do or say then join in. Sometimes we know what our children want before they do! Try not to anticipate, wait and see what they do first and then respond.

For more information visit www.alderhey.nhs.uk or talk to your Speech and Language Therapist.