

Ruby's Report

Activities for Babies & Toddlers
from Ruby the Raccoon and the
Saint Paul Public Library



Ruby is a Folkmanis puppet who loves books, songs, the library, and learning new things.

Welcome Parents and Caregivers! - The activities, rhymes, and songs in this newsletter are designed not only to be fun for you to read and explore with your child, but also to be tools for building your child's speaking and reading skills. Enjoy!

Ruby's Day

Splish splash! Today is Ruby's bath day. She likes to take a bath and get all squeaky clean before she goes to bed. Her favorite bath toys are her toy boat and her rubber duckie. Can you see them in the photo of Ruby? Every once in a while, she gets a special bath-time treat: bubble bath! She loves to pop the bubbles and sing songs while she's in the bathtub.

Literacy Note for Grown-Ups - Writing letters with soap in the bathtub can be a fun way to introduce your child to writing - especially if you start with your child's name.

Ruby's Nature Corner

While out on walks this week, Ruby noticed a bird splashing in a puddle. It looked like it was taking a bath! The next time it rains, see if you can find a puddle, and maybe - just maybe - you might see a bird drinking or taking a bath too.



Ruby's Rhyme

Rub-a-dub-dub. Rub-a-dub-dub.
Count the bubbles in my tub.
Rub-a-dub-dub-dub. Rub-a-dub-dub.
Count the bubbles in my tub.
1 and 2 and 3 and 4,
5 and 6 and 7 and more!
Bubbles, bubbles, hop, hop, hop.
Bubbles, bubbles, pop, pop, pop.
Bubbles, bubbles, hop, hop, hop.
Bubbles, bubbles, pop, pop, pop.



Literacy Note for Grown-Ups - Rhymes such as this one offer a fun opportunity to introduce young children to numbers, counting, and sequencing - all foundations of numerical literacy. Recite this rhyme with your child in the bath, and also look for things to count throughout the day.

Can you find
a rubber duckie,
a bird,
a mobile, and
some bubbles on
this page?

