

# Parent-Child Mother Goose

A free program in the community that uses songs, rhymes and stories to promote speech and language development.

**How do songs, rhymes and stories promote speech and language development?**



**Through repetition and routines** - Routines, even simple routines allow children to know when a song starts, what happens and when it ends.



**Using short sentences and familiar phrases** - We break down what we say into shorter pieces and pause between phrases in sentences and in songs.



**We follow the child's lead by** exploring songs and rhymes of interest to your child.



**By emphasising words** - We emphasise words by slowing them down, making them louder and pausing.



**Through gesture and actions** - This gives meaning and emphasis to the words we are using in the program.

## Through language play



- Contributes to children's emotional development
- Can teach children about feelings
- The shared experience of rhyming and singing helps to prepare children to play cooperatively with others.



**Through eye contact** - Being face to face in a group.



## Term 4, 2025 Sessions & Locations

### Moonee Ponds - Tuesday 9.15am – 10.30am

Maternal and Child Health Centre  
20 Shuter Street, Moonee Ponds VIC 3039

8 weeks

- October – 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>
- November – 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>
- December – 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>  
(no session on Melbourne Cup Day 04/11/25)

### Keilor East – Friday 9.15am – 10.30am

East Keilor Kindergarten (entrance next to kinder)  
31 Mark St, Keilor East VIC 3033

8 weeks

- October – 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>
- November – 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>
- December – 5<sup>th</sup>

**Register your attendance by scanning this QR code:**



Registration Link:

<https://form.jotform.com/220367079324052>

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