NEW BOOKS: Children’s Literature

All Things Bright and Beautiful
By Ashley Bryan

PUBLISHER: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2010
Call #: JF B

Using intricate cut-paper artwork, Mr. Bryan illustrates a Christian hymn.

Baby Signs: A Baby-Sized Introduction to Speaking with Sign Language
By Joy Allen

PUBLISHER: Dial Books for Young Readers, 2008
Call #: JF A

This sturdy board book contains different signs, such as more, change diaper, sleepy, and book, that caregivers and/or parents can use to help young children communicate before they speak.

Bippity Bop Barbershop
By Natasha Anastasia Tarpley; Illus. by E.B. Lewis

PUBLISHER: Little, Brown, 2002
Call #: JF T

A little boy and his father go to the barbershop to get the boy’s hair cut for the very first time. Illustrated by a Coretta Scott King and Caldecott Honor-winning artist.

The Busy Body Book
By Lizzy Rockwell

PUBLISHER: Crown, 2004
Call #: JF R

Ms. Rockwell talks about the human body, how it functions, and the importance of exercise to keep it in shape.

http://www.randomhouse.com/kids/activities/print/busybody.pdf (Click here for an activity guide.)
Can I Catch It like a Cold?: Coping with a Parent’s Depression
Illustrated by Joe Weissmann
PUBLISHER: Tundra Books, 2009  Call #: JF C
A boy whose father suffers from depression learns more about the illness and how it affects both him and his father.

Grimy, Grubby Gardening
By Karen Angellucci; Illus. by James Asher
PUBLISHER: McClanahan Publishing House, 2009  Call #: JF A
Designed with elementary-age children in mind, this book serves as a guide for creating and sustaining either a vegetable or flower garden in Kentucky.

Henry in Love
By Peter McCarty
PUBLISHER: Balzer & Bray, 2010  Call #: JF M
Henry the cat vies for the attention of one of his female classmates, Chloe Rabbit.

One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish
By Dr. Seuss
PUBLISHER: Random House, 1960  Call #: JF S
Seuss creates a story-poem that features unique animals. The repetition of words like fish and dish help young children learn how to read.

FEATURED BOOKS: Teaching Resources
Child’s Play: Montessori Games and Activities for Your Baby and Toddler
By Maja Pitamic

PUBLISHER: Barron’s Educational, 2009
Call #: 649.5
P681c

Full of more than 60 activities, this guide is designed to help caregivers and parents create enjoyable and educational games for children’s developmental stages.

Creative Play for Your Toddler
By Christopher Clouder and Janni Nicol

PUBLISHER: Gaia, 2008
Call #: 649.51
C647c

Clouder and Nicol share with adults how to develop creative activities to use with young children.

Hands-On Learning!: More Than 1000 Activities for Young Children Using Everyday Objects
By Gwen Snyder Kaltman

PUBLISHER: Corwin Press, 2009
Call #: 372.21
K14h

With ideas for creating tactile activities and theme boxes using everyday items, this book can be very useful to early childhood teachers and parents.

The I Can’t Sing Book for Grownups Who Can’t Carry a Tune in a Paper Bag... But Want to Do Music with Young Children
By Jackie Silberg

PUBLISHER: Gryphon House, 1998
Call #: 372.87
S582i

Silberg gives tips to help teachers and parents incorporate music into children’s day. Familiar songs such as “Where Is Thumbkin,” are included.