In the Wind

There are many different words for various kinds of weather. Wind can be a puff, breeze, gust or gale. Experiencing and discussing different types of wind introduces baby to beginning science concepts and a larger vocabulary.

Find a light scarf, kitchen towel or tree leaf. Pretend it is being blown about by the wind: fast, slow, up, down, left and right.

Play with a toy pinwheel. Inside, blow on it to make it turn. Outside, watch it turn in the breeze!

Discuss the weather each day. Is it sunny, rainy or windy? How does the weather make you feel: hot, cold, grumpy, cheery?

Go outside on a windy day. Discuss how strong the wind is. Describe what the wind is doing. For example, “The breeze is rustling the leaves in the tree.”

**Rhyming Fun**

**Winds**
(Hold up baby’s five fingers, and, starting with thumb, bend down one at a time as you say each line.)

This little wind blows silver rain,
This little wind drifts snow,
This little wind sings a whistled tune,
This little wind croons low,
And this little wind rocks baby birds
Tenderly, to and fro.
(Rock baby’s hand, cupping it like a nest.)

**More Books**

- Baby Learns about Weather by Jessie Ruffenach
- In the Wind by Elizabeth Spurr
- One Windy Day by Tammi Salzano
- Today is a Windy Day by Martha E.H. Rustad
- Wind by Carol Thompson

Get going today!