In the Spring

Spring is an exciting time to explore nature. Warmer days, singing birds, and blossoming flowers are among the many wonders to discover. Celebrate the season with these activities to nurture your child’s curiosity and love for the natural world.

• Look for wildlife in your neighborhood or at a local park: birds, bumblebees, butterflies, frogs. Where do they live—in a nest, tree, or pond? What sounds do they make?
• Observe trees for signs of spring, such as budding leaves and flowers or birds building their nests.
• Talk about the colors you see outdoors: a purple crocus, a gray pebble, white clouds.
• Discover native animals and plants on the trails at the Tacoma Nature Center.
• Visit the Billy Frank Jr. Nisqually National Wildlife Refuge near Olympia. Children ages 2-8 can explore and create in the outdoor Nature Explore Area. fws.gov/refuge/Billy_Frank_Jr_Nisqually/visit/just_for_kids.html

More Books
• Baby Loves Spring by Karen Katz
• Hooray for Hoppy by Tim Hopgood
• How Do You Know It’s Spring? by Lisa M. Herrington
• Shh! Bears Sleeping by David Martin
• When Spring Comes by Kevin Henkes

Rhyming Fun

Little Seed
Little seed in the ground,
(Crouch down on the floor)
Sitting so still.
Little seed, will you sprout?
Yes, I will!
(Jump up!)