Salad People by Mollie Katzen – This child-friendly cookbook includes not only fun and easy to make recipes but pictures of the recipe so children can cook before they learn to read. Ages 3-8 (with an adult).

Mix & Mash: Adventures in the kitchen for baby & you by Stephen Gass, Shara Aaron, and Marissa Rothkopf Bates – This is the perfect baby cookbook since it is on thick board pages and all the recipes are creatively baby friendly (and organized by colors too!) Ages 1-2 (with an adult).

OTHER FUN BOOKS ABOUT COOKING and BAKING:

A Little Bit of Love by Cynthia Platt – A little mouse, who is tired of eating cheese, helps his mom make a pie. Lovely story about the relationship between a mother and child. Ages 3-6.

Blue Bowl Down by C.M. Millen – Before bed, a family prepares the bread for the next day. This is a comforting bedtime story and a cozy read. Ages 3-6.

Dragons Love Tacos by Adam Rubin – If you want to make friends with a dragon, all you need is tacos, tacos, and more tacos! This is a completely ridiculous and entertaining book for the school age crowd!

Duck for Turkey Day by Jacqueline Jules – A lovely story about cultures and traditions around the world and that there are many ways to celebrate Thanksgiving! Ages 4-7.


Pat-a-cake by Annie Kubler – Annie Kubler’s darling illustrations bring this classic nursery rhyme to life for infants and toddlers. Fun!

Pizza at Sally’s by Monica Wellington – Complete with a recipe in the back, this book tells step by step how a pizza is made, including where each of the pizza ingredients originated. Ages 5-8.

The Cow Loves Cookies by Karma Wilson – Horse eats hay, chickens love their chicken feed, but the cow love cookies! Ages 3-5.

The Duckling Gets a Cookie? By Mo Willems – The pigeon is once again up to his old antics of speaking (a lot) before he realizes the full situation. The ending is sweet and surprising in a good way! Ages 3-6.

“Truck Stop” – song #3 on Jim Gill’s CD, Music Play for Folks of All Stripes, is a silly, entertaining, and easy to act out song for any large group circle time. Enjoy the rest of the song on his CD as well!!
Rhyme and Song of the Month

**To Market, To Market**
To market, to market, to buy some apples  
Home again, home again, jiggity japples  
To market, to market, to buy a banana  
Home again, home again, jiggity jana  
To market, to market, to buy some eggs  
Home again, home again, jiggity jeggs  
To market, to market, to buy some bread  
Home again, home again, jiggity jead  
To market, to market, to buy some cake  
Home again, home again, jiggity jake  
To market, to market, to buy a pumpkin pie  
Home again, home again, jiggity jie

**Chocolate Soup**  
*(sing to the tune of: “Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star”)*  
Spoon some ice cream in a dish...  
Squeeze on chocolate sauce if you wish.  
Let it melt ‘til it gets soft...  
Lick your sticky fingers off!  
Stir it; stir it ‘til its GOOP...  
Now you’ve made your chocolate soup!  
*Make your motions to match the song.*

Learning Ideas for NOVEMBER

**COOKIE CUTTER SANDWICHES**
Gather cookie cutters. These could be pumpkin and turkey shapes for a Thanksgiving feast. They could be tree and snowman shapes for a winter theme. Anything you like!

Assemble sandwich ingredients such as bread, tortillas, spreadable or slices cheeses, jams, honey, or nut butters if your can...You could also try interesting spreads like pumpkin or apple butter!

Give children the opportunity to create their own sandwich. Put cookie cutters and sandwich ingredients out on each table and, with supervision as needed, let children create and cook! This is a great way to make snack time into a learning activity. And who doesn’t love to eat what they have just made?!

You may register for FREE STARS classes by clicking on the date of the class on the CALENDAR of the Pierce County Library web site: [www.piercecountylibrary.org](http://www.piercecountylibrary.org). The next STARS Class will be Saturday, November 18th, and is titled: “Now I Eat My ABC’s.” PERFECT FOR OUR NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER THEME!!!