Post Office

The Post Office offers all sorts of learning possibilities because it is attached to writing, reading and mailing letters

- Play the association game. The first person starts with an idea like “I write letters” the second person might say “letters go to the post office” then “the post office has a long line” etc.
- Let your child write themselves a letter or draw a picture. Put this in an envelope, address it together, stamp it and let them drop it in the mailbox. Talk about what you are doing as you do it.
- Create a box at your house to act as a “Mailbox”. Decorate it and use it to send notes and pictures to each other. Use stickers for stamps.
- While reading some of the books about mail and Post Offices, write down any unusual words and discuss them.
- On your trip to the Post Office, try using some of the unusual words that you found in the books.
- Make a list of items you might see at the Post Office. Let your child check them off as you see them.
- While standing in line, look for different shapes in the Post Office.
- If you are mailing letters or bills, use a map and show the children where the letters are headed.

Books about Letters and Mail:

The Jolly Postman by Janet Ahlberg
Stanley the Mailman by William Bee
A Small Dog’s Big Life: Around the World with Owney by Irene Kelly
Dear Juno by Soyung Pak
A Letter for Leo by Sergio Ruzzier
The Gardener by Sarah Stewart
Dear Mrs. LaRue: Letters from Obedience School by Mark Teague
Bunny Mail by Rosemary Wells

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