

Date: Week 2: 13 February 2020

### Website of the week

#### The Ryde District Mums Facebook

This a place where mums can connect with other local mums, get advice, recommendations, learn about the local area and keep up to date with what's happening around Ryde.

<http://rydedistrictmums.com.au/>

### What's on this week at Mini-Maxi

- We will talk about the newsletter
- Let's look at the White board and the information on it.
- Singing and stories – what song would your child like us to sing?
- Craft activity – shapes to stick on our windows!

### Did you know?

#### What is a language delay?

A language delay is when children have speaking and understanding difficulties that are unusual for their age. These might be difficulties with:

- saying first words or learning words
- putting words together to make sentences
- building vocabulary
- understanding words or sentences.

Children having difficulties with language need help as early as possible. You're the best judge of your child's language development. If you're concerned, trust your instincts and speak with your GP, child and family health nurse, your child's teacher or a speech pathologist. If this professional isn't concerned about your child, but you're still worried, seek another opinion.

### Last week at Mini Maxi we talked about

**Playdough:** Did you try to make playdough at home? Any questions? Any hints or tips for other mums?

**Dolly Parton's Imagination Library:** The forms are in, so the office will contact you to let you know when your books will arrive.

### Craft activity

#### A few fun materials for your little artist.

- Glue
- Art tools – brushes, paints, scissors
- Collage – fabric, ribbon, straws, craft sticks
- Recycled materials – boxes, newspaper, rolls
- Tape
- Music – instruments, recordings, rhythm sticks

<https://www.playgroupnsw.org.au/ParentResources/EarlyChildhoodDevelopment/creative-arts-tips-toddlers>