



Bookstart - free books for your child

Reading with your baby starts them on the road to learning. You can pick up 3 **free** Bookstart packs containing books and other goodies before your child goes to school.

Baby Bookstart Bag

for children aged 0–12 months.
Pick one up from your health visitor

My Bookstart Treasure Bag

36–48 months.
Ask at your child's nursery, playgroup or Children's Centre

Dual language packs and packs for visually and hearing impaired children are also available.



If you would like this document in large print or Braille, audiotape or in another language, please contact 020 7527 2000.

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Baby Bounce and Under 5s

Story and rhyme times in Islington Libraries for pre-school children



Babies and young children love stories, rhymes and songs and our relaxed and friendly baby bounce and under 5s sessions are great ways to introduce them to books, reading and learning.

Toy Libraries

We also have three Toy Libraries offering exciting and fun toys for children under 5. Toys encourage your child's learning and social development – and they are free to borrow!

Carers

If you are a childminder, foster carer or carer of a child with disabilities, you can obtain a special extra library ticket enabling you to borrow extra items.

Find out about the great things on offer like books for you and your child, toys, film, music, computers, plus holiday events with storytellers, entertainers and craft activities.

You might even enjoy yourself too as we encourage parents and carers to join in the very noisy singing!

It's free to join the library and so are the sessions.
Find out more at www.islington.gov.uk/libraries



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Library	Address	Phone	Baby Bounce	Under 5s	Toy Library
Archway	Hamlyn House Highgate Hill N19 5PH	020 7527 7820	Mon 10.30	Thu 11.00	–
Central	2 Fieldway Crescent N5 1PF	020 7527 6900	Wed 11.00 Thu 11.00	Tue 11.00 Fri 11.00	–
Finsbury	245 St. John St EC1V 4NB	020 7527 7960	Thu 11.00	Tue 11.00	–
John Barnes	275 Camden Rd N7 OJN	020 7527 7900	Thu 11.15	Wed 10.45	–
Lewis Carroll	166 Copenhagen St N1 OST	020 7527 7936	Thu 11.00	Fri 11.00	–
Mildmay	21-23 Mildmay Park N1 4NA	020 7527 7880	Thu 11.00	Mon 11.00	Mon 11.30
N4	26 Blackstock Rd N4 2DW	020 7527 7800	Tue 11.00	Thu 11.00	–
North	Manor Gardens N7 6JX	020 7527 7840	Fri 11.00	Tue 11.00	Tue 11.30
South	115-117 Essex Rd N1 2SL	020 7527 7860	Fri 11.00	Mon 11.00 Thu 11.00	–
West	Bridgeman Rd N1 1BD	020 7527 7920	Wed 11.00	Tue 11.00	Wed 11.30

- Sessions take place during term time and some libraries hold sessions in holiday time
- Libraries also put on events during some holiday periods and for occasions on our cultural events calendar
- To minimise disruption, latecomers to Baby Bounce may be requested not to join the session
- Numbers attending may be limited to ensure sessions are as effective as possible

