



Chatter matters is a singing group for babies aged 4-7 months or toddlers up to 2 years and their parents, grandparents or carers. The hour is structured into 5 parts: song time, Musical instrument time, play activity, story time and songs with scarves.

How a **Chatter matters** group helps:

Songs and rhymes help children:

- o listen to and look at people
 - o respond to people with smiles and noises
 - o experience rhythm which will later help their talking
- start to understand words

Play time helps with:

Exploring and finding out about their world and will later help them learn new words and how to use them

Story time helps with:

- o learning to listen
 - o discovering that books are fun
 - o learning lots of words
- finding out about the world

What happens at the **Chatter matters** group?

There are usually books or toys to look at while people are arriving. We sit on a blanket on the floor with our shoes off!



Most groups start with a **hello song**

followed by a choice of old and new songs. The group leaders will lead the singing - you can choose when you join in!



have fun with your child in their early years

develop listening skills

help get them talking

give them a head start with language and communication

enjoy playing and learning together

Ask the Children's Centre team for more information about which

Chatter matters group will suit your child best

