

## Suggested Books:

Little Cloud by Eric Carle

Clouds by Anne Rockwell

Rain Feet by Manya Stojic

Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats

Hello Sun! by Dayle Ann Dodds

Weather Forecasting by Gail Gibbons

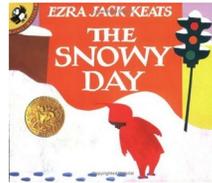
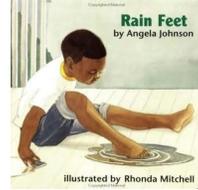
Rain by Linda Ashman & Christian Robinson

The Rain Came Down by David Shannon

Winter is the Warmest Season by Laura Stringer

Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain by Verna Aardema

What Will the Weather Be Like Today? by Paul Rogers

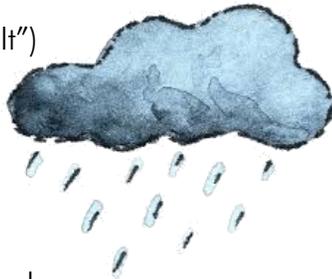


## Featured Song of the Week:

### Little Drop of Rain

(to the tune: "If You're Happy and You Know It")

First a little drop of rain hits the ground.  
Then another drop of rain hits the ground.  
Then another, and another  
And another, and another,  
And pretty soon you'll hear a different sound:  
**SPLISH! SPLASH!**



# Play to Learn Wacky Weather



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# “Recipe” for playing at home: Test Your Wind Power

## You will need:

- Drinking straws
- Various found objects: cotton balls, paper clips, combs, rocks, small toys, tissues, etc
- Paint that has been watered down and paper
- Tray or table top

## Activity:

- Begin by stepping outside and standing quietly.
- Do you feel the wind? Is it gentle or strong?
- Head inside to test your own wind power.
- Place a cotton ball on the table top or tray.
- Blow into the straw and try to move the cotton ball around with your breath or “wind power.”
- Use this same method with the other objects you collected. Which objects move? Why do some move and some do not?
- For a creative twist, what happens when you use your wind paper on a blob of paint (that has been watered down) and paper?



# What is my child learning?

Feeling the wind enhances the senses and encourages quiet focus and attention.

Asking questions and prompting conversation as your play with your child promotes further curiosity and wonder about the world.

Engaging in this wind power experiment introduces scientific ideas and develops critical thinking skills.

Enjoying family activities together strengthens relationships and builds self-esteem.

Testing different materials and approaches to an activity encourages observation of similarities and differences.



## Come play at the Museum!

### ADMISSION

The Museum offers *Pay As You Will* admission. Pay what you can during your visit to help us ensure that every child gets a chance to play!

### HOURS OF PLAY

Wednesday to Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Member Hours:

Monday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.