

Dear Parents and Friends,

If you are interested in Reading and Literacy, then we have an exciting day for you—Getting HOOKED ON BOOKS: About Winter! This Family Workshop will be held on **Saturday, February 4th, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** Children, parents, family members and friends are invited to share a morning of storytelling, American Sign Language practice, hands-on activities, and tips that empower parents as their child's most important teacher. During the first part of the workshop, adults and older children will meet with Sheri Morgan, Reading Specialist, and Christie Homell to learn ways to support and encourage reading and communication. Younger children will go upstairs to Children's Center classrooms for activities. Families and staff will share information while the children work and play with the childcare staff. Then, the children will join adults and older brothers and sisters for storytelling and activities.

At this workshop we will spotlight amazing books that relate to winter, including: *There was a Cold Lady Who Swallowed Some Snow*, *Bear Snores On*, and *Let it Snow*. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn new signs, enjoy storytelling, complete some projects with your children, and take your new skills home along with some good books to read! Don't miss this day of fun and learning with your child!

We invite you to:

- Learn ways to support your child when talking about winter
- Learn techniques you can use to enhance your child's understanding and language
- Learn strategies for reading and communication to support success
- Share and learn storytelling techniques from Deaf storytellers
- Participate in family learning activities
- Enjoy snacks and socialize with other families

If you have any questions about the workshop, please contact Martha Hutchinson at 412-244-4235 or send an email to mhutchinson@wpsd.org. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

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Please let us know how many people will be attending. This is important so we know how many books and snacks to order.

Your name _____

Phone number _____

Number of adults attending _____

Names and ages of children attending

