Kindergarten Club: Learning to fly!

TALK

What you say, it will stay. Teach your child new words.

Talk about the colors of birds that you see in stories, in pictures or on a walk.

Talk about the kinds of birds you see (i.e. parrot, owl, flamingo, pigeon, robin, eagle, crow, penguin) and about what they eat (i.e. birdseed, insects, fish, worms, bread crumbs).

Talk about the different parts a bird has (i.e. beak, feathers, talons, tail).

Talk about bird actions (i.e. soaring, swooping, chirping, fluttering, pecking, nesting).

READ

Read the book *If I Never Forever Endeavor* by Holly Meade, then act out this poem:

*If I learn to fly, I’ll swoop low, and soar high!* (arms out)

*I’ll try and pluck a sweet bug from the sky!* (pretend to eat bug and rub your belly)

*Flap, flutter, THUD, THUMP* (flap arms and “bump” your head)

*Flap, flutter, flap, FLY!* (flap and spread arms)
How you play will pave the way. Enjoy each other and learn through play!

Take a walk around the block and look for birds (on a telephone wire, in a tree, flying in the sky).

Look for bird nests (in trees, in the letters of store names such as CVS or Giant Eagle).

Make a pretend nest with play dough or out of pillows and blankets, then cuddle in it together!

Instead of walking to the bus stop, pretend to flap, soar or waddle with your child.

Feed the birds. Sprinkle bird seed or bread crumbs near birds. Watch them enjoy their treat!

Visit a pet shop, a nature center, the History Museum or the zoo to see different kinds of birds.