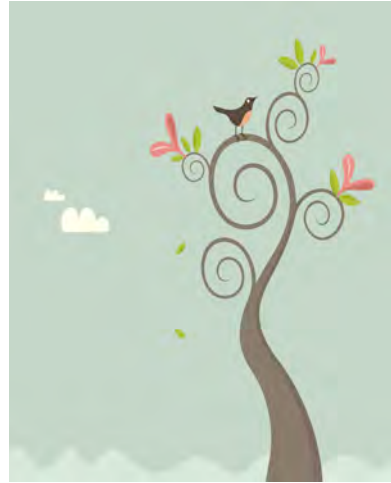


## ***February Library Corner***

After too many snow days, a warm day here and there is giving me spring on the brain. Even though I know there is still plenty of winter left to get through, I can't help getting excited at the prospect of seeing new green shoots poke up out of the now-desolate flowerbeds, and dreaming about the day (soon!) when sending the kids outside to play does not involve putting three layers of clothing on them. So here are ten fun picture books about the coming of spring, all available at the Lexington Public Library.

~~*Jenni Link, Mom of Lena, RG Preschool*



*Cold Little Duck, Duck, Duck*, by Lisa Westberg Peters

Little duck arrives in late winter to find her pond still frozen, but spring arrives before her eyes.

*Mud*, by Mary Lyn Ray

Even before the crocuses and the robins show up, you know spring is coming when frozen ground melts into squishy, wonderful mud.

*Signs of Spring*, by Justine Korman

On the way to school, Lucy and her friends see signs of spring.

*Splish, Splash, Spring*, by Jan Carr

Three friends enjoy splashing in spring puddles. Fun rhymes and great cut-paper artwork.

*Spring Song*, by Barbara Seuling

Bears, moles, skunks, frogs, eagles, rabbits and people – can you guess what each does when they feel spring coming?

*Spring Thaw*, by Steven Schnur

Spring's gradual arrival in the countryside, in lyrical prose and lovely pictures.

*Spring Things*, by Bob Raczka

Fun rhyming text takes readers from winter's end to the beginning of summer.

*Waiting-for-Spring Stories*, by Bethany Roberts

Papa Rabbit tells his children stories as they pass the time until spring arrives. Each story is very short, so this is a great book to use for that "Just *one* more story, pleaseeease?" at bedtime.

*Wake Up, It's Spring*, by Lisa Campbell Ernst

After a long winter, the sun wakes the earth, which wakes the worm, which wakes the seed, which sprouts and calls to the bug... until even the people find out spring has come.

*When Will It Be Spring?* by Catherine Walters

A little bear who is supposed to be hibernating is so eager for spring to come that he mistakes winter scenes for signs of spring.