

May 2014

EARLY LITERACY CALENDAR

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
				1 Read Buzz by Janet S. Wong	2 Talk About your morning routine.	3 Write Draw a picture of your favorite breakfast foods.
4 Play Pretend you are a chef preparing a meal.	5 Sing "I'm Bringing Home My Baby Bumble Bee"	6 Read Hush! A Thai Lullaby by Minfong Ho	7 Talk Whisper a favorite song. Repeat the song, getting progressively louder.	8 Write Have your child make a card for Mother's Day.	9 Play Mother, May I?	10 Sing "Hush Little Baby"
11 Read Is Your Mama a Llama? by Deborah Guarino	12 Talk Think of words that start with the letter "M" and emphasize the "muh" sound.	13 Write Ask your child to tell a story and write it down.	14 Play Have a birthday party for your favorite doll or stuffed animal.	15 Sing "The Alphabet Song"	16 Read Alphablock by Christopher Franceschelli	17 Talk Flip through a picture book and talk about the illustrations.
18 Write Create an alphabet book using drawings and magazine clippings.	19 Play Make letter shapes with your body by bending and twisting.	20 Sing "You Are My Sunshine"	21 Read Peekaboo Baby by Sebastien Braun	22 Talk About the best thing that happened today.	23 Write Your child's name in big letters and trace each letter with their finger.	24 Play Peekaboo using a hat, blanket and other soft objects.
25 Sing "5 Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed"	26 Read Warning: Do Not Open This Book! by Adam Lehrhaupt	27 Talk About the shape of street signs in your neighborhood.	28 Write A letter or picture for someone you love.	29 Play Simon Says!	30 Sing "Here Comes The Sun"	31 Read Hickory Dickory Dock by Keith Baker

May Highlights

- Don't miss the <u>Science Carnival on the Parkway</u> May 3!
- Visit your <u>local neighborhood library</u> today!
- Get artsy with these Mother's Day craft ideas on Pinterest!
- View upcoming **Children's Events and Activities** at Free Library!
- <u>Sundays on Stage</u> is fun for the whole family!