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Matheson Memorial Library

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Early Literacy (Read, Write, Sing, Play, and Talk)

activities you can do at home, school, or the library. For more ideas, visit <https://www.pinterest.com/elkhornlibrary/activity-calendars/>

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3 Word of the week is: Determination Being determined means to keep moving towards your goal, no matter what!	4 READ All the way to the top by Annette Bay Pimentel	5 WRITE Learn to write a new letter or word.	6 SING “Keep on the sunny side” with Elizabeth Mitchell	7 PLAY Challenge yourself to finish a project or activity that is hard for you.	8 TALK about how you can keep going when you’re tired or discouraged. What are some ways you can stay determined to finish?	9 Work on a challenge with friends or family. Can you all work together to finish a big project like cleaning up your neighborhood?
10 Word of the week is: Celebrate People most often celebrate holidays and special events but you can celebrate anything!	11 READ Magnificent homespun brown by Samara Cole Doyon	12 WRITE Draw a picture of something special about you that you can celebrate.	13 SING Join Dan Zanes for “House Party Time”	14 PLAY a party game.	15 TALK about the holidays you and your family celebrate. What do other families celebrate?	16 Bring it all together and have a party!
17 Word of the week is: Cooperation Cooperation means to work together.	18 READ Bad Drawer by Seth Fishman	19 WRITE Work together with a friend to write and illustrate a story.	20 SING a song with a friend. Try singing a round if you have a group!	21 PLAY a game that requires cooperation. Check out a HABA game from the library!	22 TALK about the ways you can cooperate with your friends, siblings, and family. Pick a project to work on and make a plan together.	23 Bring it all together and complete your project. Maybe you can help a neighbor or your community.
24 Word of the week is: Rhythm A rhythm is a pattern of sounds.	25 READ and sing Hen in the Bed by Katrina Charman	26 WRITE Tape or tie ribbons to a stick. Practice making lots of swirling movements.	27 SING “Head and Shoulders Knees and Toes”	28 PLAY Sing and dance along to Jim Gill’s “List of Dances”	29 TALK about what movements you can make and create your own list of dances.	30 Have a dance party! Swirl your ribbons, sing along to the music, and make up your own dance moves.

Summer is a great time to enjoy lots of free play, reading, and interaction with your kids and students. Take walks and talk about what you see, read books and draw pictures of what you learned, make up silly songs and sing and dance together. Enjoy free play time and let kids explore and use their imaginations.

Don’t forget to visit the library for books, kits, programs, and more!