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STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math)

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3 Theme of the week is: Maps	4 SCIENCE	5 TECHNOLOGY	6 ENGINEERING	7 ART	8 MATH	9
Read Mapping Sam by Joyce Hesselberth	Go on a nature walk. Take notebooks and stop to draw or write about what you see.	Make your own compass.	Use 3-D objects like blocks and Lego to build a map of your neighborhood.	Use your pictures from your nature walk to illustrate your own map.	Read Camilla Cartographer by Julie Dillemuth and talk about how math is used in making maps.	Use your map to go on a walk again. Can you follow it to the same places?
10 Theme of the week is: Adaptations	11 SCIENCE	12 TECHNOLOGY	13 ENGINEERING	14 ART	15 MATH	16
Read Out of the blue by Elizabeth Shreeve	Read The Beak Book by Robin Page	Read Orangutan hats and other tools animals use by Richard Haynes	What kind of adaptation would you make for people or animals?	Blend science and art with oil painting.	Read Clever Hans by Kerri Kokias. Can you solve math problems the way Clever Hans did?	Go on a walk. What adaptations do you see in your neighborhood?
17 Theme of the week is: Patterns	18 SCIENCE	19 TECHNOLOGY	20 ENGINEERING	21 ART	22 MATH	23
Read Pitter Pattern by Joyce Hesselberth	Read Growing Patterns by Sarah Campbell	Make your own abacus.	Cut up cardboard to make your own tangrams. How many pictures can you make?	Make art prints. You can use vegetables, cardboard, or Styrofoam.	Read Bracelets for Bina's brothers by Rajani LaRocca and make your own patterns.	Go on a walk and look for patterns in nature.
24 Theme of the week is: Squirrels	25 SCIENCE	26 TECHNOLOGY	27 ENGINEERING	28 ART	29 MATH	30
Read Squirrels Leap, Squirrels Sleep by April Pulley Sayre	Make paper gliders that mimic flying squirrels.	Imagine a machine that moves like a squirrel. What kind of technology would it need?	Read Girl versus Squirrel by Hayley Barrett	Draw pictures of squirrels.	Spend ten minutes observing squirrels. How many do you see? What different sizes?	Take a walk and see what else you can observe about squirrels.

Did you know the family garden is open to the public? Bring a picnic, investigate what's growing, pick some vegetables, look for insects, pull some weeds, or play in the dirt!

Don't forget STEAM in your back-to-school plans! Visit the library to find books on activities and experiments and hands-on kits to use in your classroom or at home.