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

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
August 31 Theme of the week is: Birds Read Seagull Soars by April Pulley Sayre	1 SCIENCE Read Feathers by Melissa Stewart.	2 TECHNOLOGY Borrow a birding kit from the library and use binoculars.	3 ENGINEERING Make a bird out of paper.	4 ART Draw pictures of birds.	5 MATH Observe a birdfeeder and track the birds you see.	6 Take a walk and observe birds.
7 Theme of the week is: Apples Read Granny Root grows fruit by Deborah Chancellor	8 SCIENCE Draw the life cycle of an apple tree.	9 TECHNOLOGY Read From apple trees to cider please by Felicia Chernesky	10 ENGINEERING Build your own cider press (or use a juicer).	11 ART Use an apple to make paint prints.	12 MATH Cut apples in half horizontally, vertically, and at an angle. How does the pattern of seeds change?	13 Visit an apple orchard or take a walk and look for fruit on the trees.
14 Theme of the week is: Sound Read Sounds all around by Susan Hughes	15 SCIENCE Choose one simple kitchen object and see how many different sounds you can make with it.	16 TECHNOLOGY Borrow a recorder from the library and experiment with the different sounds it can make.	17 ENGINEERING Make your own instrument out of straws, canisters, or rubber bands.	18 ART Listen to music and draw how it makes you feel.	19 MATH Measure the spaces on your handmade musical instruments. What happens when you change the dimensions?	20 Take a walk and listen for different sounds.
21 Theme of the week is: Airplanes Read Jumbo: The making of a Boeing 747 by Chris Gall	22 SCIENCE Read Science makes it work: A perfect paper plane by Catherine Stier	23 TECHNOLOGY Watch a video about how airplanes work.	24 ENGINEERING Create your own paper plane! Try making small changes, like adding paper clips, or folding differently.	25 ART Decorate your paper planes! Make sure that if you add glue or 3-D objects, it doesn't change the way it flies.	26 MATH Collect all the planes you've made. Use tape or chalk to mark targets and lengths and then compare how far each one flies.	27 Go for a walk and see if you see any planes in the sky!
28 Theme of the week is: Leaves Read Full of fall by April Pulley Sayre	29 SCIENCE Experiment with leaves to find out what color they will turn.	30 TECHNOLOGY Use scissors to cut out your own leaf patterns.	Oct 1 ENGINEERING Build a nest of leaves. How can you make them stick together?	Oct 2 ART Make leaf rubbings.	Oct 3 MATH Collect different leaves and sort them.	Oct 4 Take a walk and observe the leaves on the trees.

Fall is here and it's a great time to explore seasonal changes and the natural world. Go on walks and talk about the changes you see, touch, smell, and even taste in fall, including changes in animal behavior, weather, and plants. Track what you see and save it for the next year, when you can compare the information you gathered. Check out books from the library that explain the seasons and talk to friends or family who experience different seasons. Look up their locations on a map or atlas and learn about how seasons vary from place to place.