



Carthage Public Library District

Read, Talk, Sing, Write, and Play with your child

For this age “writing” is anything that develops fine motor skills.

Check off each activity you do. After completing 15, bring the paper into the Library and your child will receive a rubber duck. Complete 15 more that month and your child will receive another duck and a free book. (Maximum 2 ducks and one book per month). The Rubber Ducky Club program will continue year round, with a different activity sheet for each month.

There are many national “days” each month that are fun to celebrate, but feel free to do the activities on any day.

R E A D	February is Library Lover’s Month. Go to the Library and check out some books to read.	February 2 is Groundhog’s Day. Read a book about a Groundhog.	Read a favorite book.	Snuggle under a blanket and read a book.	Feb. 20 is Love Your Pet Day. Read a book about a pet or an animal.	Feb. 26 is Tell a Fairy Tale Day. Read or tell a Fairy Tale.	Feb. 27 is Polar Bear Day. Read <u>Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear?</u> by Eric Carle.
T A L K	Talk about items in your house that are red.	Count fingers and toes.	Feb. 11 is Make a Friend Day. Talk about friends and being a good friend.	Talk about faces – find eyes, nose, mouth, ears, etc.	Feb. 20 is Love Your Pet Day. Talk about your pet(s) or stuffed animals.	Download the free “Daily Vroom” app and do one of the suggested activities.	Talk about winter clothing while bundling to go out.
S I N G	February is Dental Health Month. Sing “This is the Way we Brush our Teeth.”	Sing a song together in a very high voice. Then sing in a very low voice.	Sing a song very quickly, then sing it very slowly or clap along with a fast song and a slow one.	Dance to slow and fast music.	Listen to music while riding in the car.	Sing “If You’re Happy and You Know it” or any song that makes you happy.	Sing a favorite song.
W R I T E	February 5 is National Weather Person’s Day. Draw a picture of the day’s weather.	Make valentine cards or pictures for friends or family.	Practice tracing shapes.	Shake a rattle or other noisemaker.	Color a picture of a pet or animal.	Feb. 25 (last Thurs. in Feb.) is Toast Day. Let your child spread butter or pb or jelly on toast.	Practice reaching for and grasping objects.
P L A Y	Play “This Little Piggie”	February 2 is Groundhog’s Day. Use a flashlight to make shadows.	Play with playdough. Can you make a heart shape?	Play with blocks.	Feb. 20 is Love Your Pet Day. Pretend to be a Veterinarian and take care of a stuffed animal.	Play with a shape sorter toy.	Free Space – any kind of playing counts