



Carthage Public Library District

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

(“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	March 1 is National Pig Day! Read a book about pigs or <u>If you Give a Pig a Pancake</u> by Laura Numeroff.	Read a book written by Dr. Seuss, because March 2 is his birthday.	March 5 is World Book Day. Read a favorite book or take a “Story Walk” and read the book in store windows on the square	March 14 is Learn About Butterflies Day. Read a book about butterflies.	March 19 is International Read to Me Day. Read an extra book at bedtime.	March 20 is World Storytelling Day. Tell a story about your childhood.	March 23 is National Puppy Day. Read a book about a dog.
T A L K	Put an ice cube in a bowl. What does your child think it will look like in 10 min.? Talk about what is happening.	Talk about the weather. Is it hot or cold today? Sunny or cloudy or raining or windy?	March 12 is National Plant a Flower Day. Plant a few seeds in a cup and talk about what you are doing.	March 17 is St. Patrick’s Day. Look for and talk about things that are green.	March 19 is National Let’s Laugh Day. Tell jokes or a funny story.	At bedtime, talk about what (s)he did that day. What was the best part of the day?	March 30 is Take a Walk in the Park Day. Do that and talk about what you see and hear.
S I N G	March is National Umbrella Month. Go outside and sing and dance in the rain.	March 4 th is Marching Band Day. Play music while marching around the house.	Sing or say nursery rhymes like “Jack & Jill” or “Humpty Dumpty”	Sing a song while picking up toys.	March 19 is National Let’s Laugh Day. Sing a silly song.	Sing a song from your child’s favorite movie or TV show.	Sing songs about dogs like “How Much is that Doggy in the Window,” or “B-I-N-G-O”
W R I T E	March 1 is Peanut Butter Lovers Day. Let your child spread peanut butter on bread or crackers.	Practice writing the letters M for March and S for Spring.	In the morning, have your child help you write (& illustrate?) a to-do list for the day.	March 14 is National Children’s Craft Day. Pick up a bag at the library and make the craft together.	Draw a picture of an umbrella or a rainy day.	March 27 is National Scribble Day. Provide paper and markers or crayons for lots of scribbling.	March 31 is National Crayon Day. Draw and color a picture of a butterfly.
P L A Y	Download the free “Daily Vroom” app and do one of the suggested activities	Play “I Spy” while talking a walk.	Make faces in a mirror. Can you look happy, sad, surprised, silly?	Play with nesting or stacking cups or bowls.	March 19 is National Let’s Laugh Day. Play a chase and tickle game.	Play hide and seek, or hide & find a stuffed animal.	March 23 is National Puppy Day. Pretend to be a puppy.