



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

("Write" also includes other 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 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	Look for letters and words on signs or other non-book items.	Aug. 9 is National Book Lovers Day. Read a favorite book.	Read a book about school or preschool.	Spend 10 minutes reading your own book while your child "reads" nearby.	Before reading a new book, talk about the pictures. What do they think will happen?	Read a book about numbers or counting.	Aug. 26 is National Dog Day. Read a book about a dog (or read to a dog).
T A L K	Choose a letter and talk about things that start with that sound all day.	Talk about textures – find things that are rough and smooth, etc.	Look at baby pictures and talk about how your child has grown.	Aug. 16 is Tell a Joke Day. Tell your child a joke & teach him a joke to tell others.	Practice spelling his/her name out loud.	Ask your child to tell a story about one of his favorite things from summer.	Talk about the events of the day.
S I N G	The first week of Aug. is "Exercise with your Child Week." Put on some music and move & groove.	Sing "BINGO". Can you sing it with your child's name?	Sing "The ABC Song"	Aug. 17 is "I Love My Feet Day." Sing the "Hokey Pokey" or make up a song about feet.	Recite or sing the days of the week.	Sing "The Wheels on the Bus"	Dance to music and freeze in place when the music stops.
W R I T E	Aug. 2 is "Coloring Book Day." Spend some time coloring together.	Aug. 3 is Watermelon Day. Make paper watermelon slices and draw in seeds (or glue on real ones). Count them.	Practice writing or tracing your name (or the first letter)	Have your child help write (or draw) a to-do list, grocery list, or school supply list.	Practice putting on shoes.	Roll playdough into shapes, number, or letters.	Draw a picture of a car, truck, or school bus.
P L A Y	The first week of Aug is "Stop on Red" week. Play "Green light, Red light" to go & stop.	Aug. 6 is "Wiggle Your Toes Day." This would be a good day to play in the sand.	Aug. 6 is Water Balloon Day. Play pitch and catch with the balloons & then have a war.	Play with toy cars & trucks. Be sure to stop at stop signs.	Play a matching game with letters.	Pretend to be a doctor.	Pour water from one container into another (in the bathtub or wading pool outside).