

Parent & Child Activity Calendar

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Elementary School
Parents
make the difference!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September 2018						1 Plant a fall flower, such as a mum, with your child. Or, plant bulbs that will come up in the spring.
2 Set aside time every day for reading aloud. Sometimes, let your child read to you.	3 Talk about three ways you used math today. Ask everyone in the family how they used math.	4 Write a note saying something nice about your child. Tuck it where she will find it later.	5 Talk about <i>honesty</i> and why it is so important. Find examples of people who demonstrate honesty.	6 Put a leafy stalk of celery into colored water. Tell your child to watch the color rise into the stalk over the next week.	7 Admit your mistakes and apologize to your child when you're wrong.	8 Make a special effort to reinforce manners today. Remind your child to say <i>please</i> and <i>thank you</i> .
9 Make a habit of using Sunday nights as a time to talk with your child about the week ahead.	10 Have your child give you examples of a complete sentence, an incomplete sentence and a run-on sentence.	11 Write upcoming school events on your family calendar. Make plans to attend as many as you can.	12 Have a 20-minute DEAR time (Drop Everything And Read).	13 Tonight at dinner, put a price on each item you serve. Have your child figure out the total cost of the meal.	14 Keep a notebook handy when watching TV. Have your child jot down five new words. Look them up later.	15 Take your child outside for a listening minute. Have him close his eyes and try to name the sounds he hears.
16 Have your child keep track of everything she eats this week. What one change would make her diet more nutritious?	17 Talk to your child about <i>citizenship</i> . What does being a good citizen mean in your family? In school?	18 Use a toothpick dipped in lemon juice to write a message. Your child can hold the paper up to a light bulb to decipher.	19 Write some fractions on cards. Mix them up. Have your child put them in order from smallest to greatest.	20 Make sure you and your child know school rules. Ask for a list of rules and post them on your refrigerator.	21 Encourage your child to clean out his backpack every weekend. He'll start the week organized.	22 Select a word from the dictionary and draw a picture of it. See if your child can guess the word.
23 Tell your child three things that you love about her.	24 Together, write a poem about your family. Start each line with a letter from the word FAMILY.	25 Show your child a new shape today. If he already knows the basics, introduce a hexagon or octagon.	26 Make up trivia questions about your family. Quiz one another at the dinner table.	27 Figure out the average of something with your child.	28 Create leaf impressions. Place a sheet of paper over some leaves and rub over the paper with crayons.	29 Get a deck of cards and try to build a house of cards with your child. Ask questions about school and life as you work.
30 Go on a short walk with your child today.						