## August 2021 Early Literacy Calendar

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<th>SUNDAY</th>
<th>MONDAY</th>
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<td><strong>1. TALK</strong>&lt;br&gt;Talk about ways to keep cool on a hot day.</td>
<td><strong>2. SING</strong>&lt;br&gt;Sing the song “Row, Row, Row Your Boat”</td>
<td><strong>3. WRITE</strong>&lt;br&gt;“Paint” with water and a paintbrush on the sidewalk.</td>
<td><strong>4. READ</strong>&lt;br&gt;Call the library’s “Dial-a-Story” at (707) 755-2050 to hear a librarian read a story in English or Spanish</td>
<td><strong>5. TALK</strong>&lt;br&gt;Talk to your child about your favorite things to do in the summer.</td>
<td><strong>6. READ</strong>&lt;br&gt;Watch a video Storytime for kids on the Sonoma County Library YouTube Channel.</td>
<td><strong>7. PLAY</strong>&lt;br&gt;Act out the rhyme “Way Up High in the Apple Tree”.</td>
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<td>8. <strong>SCIENCE</strong>&lt;br&gt;Take a walk and find interesting things to feel, like moss, bark, flowers, or rocks.</td>
<td>9. <strong>MATH</strong>&lt;br&gt;Today, look for things to count, like pennies, spoons, and more.</td>
<td>10. <strong>RHYME</strong>&lt;br&gt;Share words that end with “at”, like cat or hat.</td>
<td>11. <strong>TALK</strong>&lt;br&gt;Use your imagination and make up a story to tell your child.</td>
<td>12. <strong>READ</strong>&lt;br&gt;Read a counting book together.</td>
<td>13. <strong>SING</strong>&lt;br&gt;Sing one of your favorite songs.</td>
<td>14. <strong>READ</strong>&lt;br&gt;Read a new book at bedtime.</td>
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<td>15. <strong>PLAY</strong>&lt;br&gt;Have a picnic in your yard or at a park.</td>
<td>16. <strong>READ</strong>&lt;br&gt;Read a book about an animal.</td>
<td>17. <strong>SCIENCE</strong>&lt;br&gt;Place one ice cube in the shade and one in the sun. What happens?</td>
<td>18. <strong>TALK</strong>&lt;br&gt;Tell your child a story about your childhood.</td>
<td>19. <strong>PLAY</strong>&lt;br&gt;Pretend to be an animal. What sounds does that animal make?</td>
<td>20. <strong>READ</strong>&lt;br&gt;Read together under a shady tree.</td>
<td>21. <strong>MATH</strong>&lt;br&gt;Share the idea of “more” and “less” with your child.</td>
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<td>22. <strong>SING</strong>&lt;br&gt;Sing “Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star” in English and Spanish.</td>
<td>23. <strong>TALK</strong>&lt;br&gt;Tell your child what you are doing as you fix a meal.</td>
<td>24. <strong>RHYME</strong>&lt;br&gt;Share the rhyme “Round and Round the Garden”.</td>
<td>25. <strong>WRITE</strong>&lt;br&gt;Help your child draw circles.</td>
<td>26. <strong>SING</strong>&lt;br&gt;Have a conversation where you sing everything.</td>
<td>27. <strong>MATH</strong>&lt;br&gt;Find things shaped like a circle or a triangle.</td>
<td>28. <strong>PLAY</strong>&lt;br&gt;Plant an imaginary garden. What would you plant?</td>
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<td>29. <strong>READ</strong>&lt;br&gt;Read a book about the moon.</td>
<td>30. <strong>SING</strong>&lt;br&gt;Sing the song “Mister Sun”.</td>
<td>31. <strong>READ</strong>&lt;br&gt;Check out a Library book from “Curbside Pickup” at your branch.</td>
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Preparing your child for school is easy and fun! Children learn through play! Ask your librarian for more great suggestions! 
**TALK – SING – READ – WRITE – PLAY**

[https://sonomalibrary.org](https://sonomalibrary.org)
Songs and Rhymes to Share with your Little One

Row, Row, Row Your Boat
Row, row, row your boat,  
Gently down the stream,  
Merrily, merrily, merrily, merrily,  
Life is but a dream.

Row, row, row your boat,  
Gently down the stream,  
If you see a crocodile,  
Don’t forget to scream.

Way Up High In the Apple Tree
Way up high in the apple tree,  
Two red apples smiled at me.  
I shook that tree as hard as I could,  
Dooowwwwwwwwn came the apples….  
Mmmm, they were good!

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star
Twinkle, twinkle, Little star  
How I wonder what you are.  
Up above the world so high,  
Like a diamond in the sky.  
Twinkle, twinkle, Little star  
How I wonder what you are.

Estrellita, ¿dónde estás?  
Me pregunto qué serás.  
En el cielo y en el mar,  
Un diamante de verdad.  
Estrellita, ¿dónde estás?  
Me pregunto qué serás.

Round and Round the Garden
Round and round the garden, like a Teddy Bear.  
(gently trace finger in a circle around child’s palm)
One step, two step  
(walk your fingers up child’s arm)
Tickle you under there!  
(tickle under chin, under arm or tummy)

Mister Sun
Oh, Mr. Sun, Sun, Mr. Golden Sun,  
Please shine down on me.

Oh Mr. Sun, Sun, Mr. Golden Sun,  
Hiding behind a tree

These little children are asking you  
To please come out so we can play with you.

Oh Mr. Sun, Sun, Mr. Golden Sun,  
Please shine down on, please shine down on,  
Please shine down on me.