SUNDAY MONDAY

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TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Escape Room Day: Turn your library into an escape

Is your library or classroom

ready for fall or Halloween?

Explore Pinterest or Google

for bulletin board ideas.

Happy Book Birthday to **Rover and Speck Splash Down** by Jonathan Roth, book two of the graphic novel series about two space-exploring friends.

Taco Day: Read *Dragons* Love Tacos by Adam Rubin, illustrated by Daniel Salmieri Can't serve real tacos? Make paper plate tacos from Glued to My Crafts.

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Earth Science Week is coming up (Oct. 8-14). This year's theme focuses on sustainability and environmental problem solving. Order a Toolkit from Earth Science Week for your classroom or library.

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The **Draconid meteor shower** is expected to peak Oct. 9. Get ready by creating a book display. You can also include the Orionid meteor shower, occurring later this month.

World Card Making Day: Set out supplies for kids to create fun and easy cards from How Wee Learn. Pair the activity with books about birthdays or kindness.

Mike Thaler's Birthday: Visit **Thaler's website** for bookmarks and coloring pages to go along with his popular book series.

Happy Thanksgiving! Happy Book Birthday to

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Winter: A Solstice Story by Kelsey E. Gross, illustrated by Renata Liwska. In this book, a group of animal friends celebrate the longest night of the year.

Spinning Top Day: Make these **DIY tops** by Babble Dabble Do

for a fun STEAM activity.

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Farmer's Day: Display agriculture books to remind kids of the importance of farms. Set up a small farm stand with items for sale from local farmers.

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Bullying Prevention Month: Make use of these Not in Our Town resources to make your space safe and inclusive for everyone.

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A solar eclipse is happening today. Pair it with *A Few Beautiful* Minutes: Experiencing a **Solar Eclipse** by Kate Fox, illustrated by Khoa Le.

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Check out **bookreporter** for a list of October book festivals to explore all around the country.

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Peter McCarty's Birthday: Read Jeremy Draws a Monster. Have kids draw their own monsters.

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Happy Book Birthday to Beulah Has a Hunch! Inside the Colorful Mind of Master **Inventor Beulah Louise Henry** by Katie Mazeika.

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Down Syndrome Awareness Month: Read Debbie Zapata's **Up and Adam**. This story is about how a boy with Down Syndrome helps his community during a storm. 19

Ed Emberley's Birthday: Pair this **How to Draw** Monsters video with one of Ed's monster books for a fun way to celebrate this American picture book artist. 20

The days are getting chillier. Listen to author Matt Phelan read his book, Sweater Weather.

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Share information about the **Orionid** meteor shower that is expected to peak today around 7 p.m. CDT.

Roller Skating Month: Create a fundraiser at a local skating rink. Kick it off with one of these roller skatingbooks suggested by Bookroo.

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Tomorrow begins World Origami Days. Set up an origami station for kids with paper and origami books.

Happy Book Birthday to Violet and the Jurassic Land Exhibit. This is book two in the Infinity Rainbow Club series by Jen Malia, illustrated by Peter Francis. The Infinity Rainbow Club chapter books feature five neurodivergent children.

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Magic Week is Oct. 25-31. This week celebrates the charitable work done by the Society of American Magicians. Invite a magician to perform and create a memorable family event.

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Try this **spider web** science activity from Buggy and Buddy.

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Share **She Made a Monster: How Mary Shelley Created** Frankenstein by Lynn Fulton, illustrated by Felicita Sala. Make a Frankenstein craft to go with it.

Frankenstein Friday:

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National Chocolate Day: Today is a tribute to one of our favorite treats! Enjoy with one of our (calorie free) chocolate scented

bookmarks

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Cat Day: Make a list of literary cats, set up a book display, invite a local cat shelter to visit, and try one of these 25 Cat Crafts **Your Kids Will Love** by Six Crafty Sisters.

Children's magazines can inspire independent reading at all stages. Here is a list of the 15 Best **Magazines for Kids** by Imagination Soup.

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Halloween and Knock Knock Joke Day: Knock Knock! Who's there? Boo. Boo who? Don't cry, it's just a Halloween costume!

"Find your own way, you don't have to follow the crowd. There's only one you in this great big world." - Linda Kranz

