Daily Fun with Your Little One!

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Help your child get ready to learn to read! Each day features a fun activity that will help your child build pre-reading skills. Activities are color-coded by skill. Ask your children's librarian for more ideas on how to promote early literacy skills with daily activities at home.				1 Rhymes How many words can you and your child think of that rhyme with "leap" and "year"?	2 Play Today is Groundhog Day. Encourage your child to go outside and see if his shadow appears. Will there be six more weeks of winter?	3 Writing Ask your child to draw or write about her favorite things in February – whether it's snowflakes, candy hearts, or something else!
4 Math Ask your child to name four things she loves. Then, share four things you love. How many things total did you and your child both name?	5 Songs Depending on if the groundhog saw his shadow on Groundhog Day, create a song with your child about six more weeks of winter or an early spring.	6 Reading Read your child's favorite book together and ask him what makes it his favorite.	7 Sounds Ask your child what her favorite sounds are during the winter months.	8 Stories It's Super Bowl week. Ask your child to create a story about if he played in the big game.	9 Writing It's Pizza Day. Encourage your child to draw a picture of her favorite pizza and maybe even order it for dinner.	10 Rhymes To celebrate the Lunar New Year, encourage your child to think of words that rhyme with "moon."
11 Reading On International Day of Women and Girls in Science, read a book with your child about Katherine Johnson, an African American mathematician who worked for NASA.	12 Writing Print out outlines of hearts and color them in together with crayons and colored pencils.	13 Math Share candy hearts with your child and ask him to divide the pile of candy hearts evenly between the two of you.	14 Reading It's Valentine's Day. Read <i>Little Blue Truck's</i> <i>Valentine</i> by Alice Schertle, illustrated by Jill McElmurry.	15 Songs Sing about why you love your child. Ask her to sing about someone or something she loves, too.	16 Stories Encourage your child to tell you a story about his favorite animals and what those animals might be doing right now.	17 Reading Visit your local library and ask the children's librarian for book recommendations about hibernating animals.
18 Science To celebrate Pluto Day, cut out different-sized circles to show your child how small Pluto is compared to Earth and other celestial bodies.	19 Stories It's Presidents' Day. Ask your child what she would do if she were elected president.	20 Sounds Ask your child what sounds different animals make and encourage him to make each noise.	21 Play Have your child create a gumball machine with construction paper and different colored cotton balls. How many gumballs can he fit?	22 Stories Ask your child what she would do if she were best friends with one of the characters from her favorite book.	23 Science Celebrate Play Tennis Day by bouncing tennis balls, experimenting with throwing the ball harder or softer. What happens? Explain why.	24 Writing Encourage your child to write or draw about what he is most excited for next month.
25 Sounds Head outside and take a walk with your child. Listen to the different sounds. What do you both hear?	26 Stories It's Tell a Fairy Tale Day. Encourage your child to tell their own story about her favorite fairy tale characters.	27 Stories On Pokémon Day, encourage your child to tell you about his favorite Pokémon and what he would do if he had his own Pokémon.	28 Songs Make up a song about the leap year and sing it together with your child.	29 Math It's Leap Day. Ask your child how many more days are in a leap year compared to a regular year.	<u>~</u>	
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