



April 2023 Early Literacy Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>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 www.sonomalibrary.org</p>						<p>1. LIBRARY Visit your library. Pick up books with stories about farm animals.</p>
<p>2. READ Read a book together about animals. Make the sounds of all the animals.</p>	<p>3. SING Sing: “Mary Had a Little Lamb”.</p>	<p>4. TALK Talk about things you like to eat. What is your favorite?</p>	<p>5. WRITE Trace the lamb on the back of the calendar. Help your child glue cotton balls.</p>	<p>6. PLAY Pretend to be different animals on a farm. Make silly noises.</p>	<p>7. MATH Together, count the number of days there are this month.</p>	<p>8. SCIENCE What is the weather today? Is it cold? Windy? Rainy?</p>
<p>9. PLAY Play "I spy with my little eye, something that is yellow."</p>	<p>10. READ Read a story about chicks. </p>	<p>11. WRITE Draw chicks using circles and triangles.</p>	<p>12. MATH Talk about foods that are round like a circle.</p>	<p>13. SING Sing: “The Little Chicks”.</p>	<p>14. PLAY Have a picnic outside, or inside if you can't go out.</p>	<p>15. TALK Talk about things that grow in a garden.</p>
<p>16. TALK Talk about what foods you see in the grocery store.</p>	<p>17. SING Sing a favorite song together.</p>	<p>18. READ Read a story together at bedtime.</p>	<p>19. WRITE Draw a picture of something that is yellow.</p>	<p>20. PLAY Play hide-and-seek in the house.</p>	<p>21. RHYME What rhymes with “egg”?</p>	<p>22. SCIENCE At dinner, talk about which foods are sweet, salty, or spicy.</p>
<p>23. READ Read a recipe to your child and name the ingredients.</p>	<p>24. MATH Look for things that come in pairs, like shoes and socks.</p>	<p>25. PLAY Play a game with a ball.</p>	<p>26. SING Sing a favorite song from your childhood.</p>	<p>27. WRITE Draw a picture of something you like to eat.</p>	<p>28. TALK At the end of the day, talk about the best part of your day.</p>	<p>29. PLAY Take a walk outside and look for clouds. What do they look like?</p>
<p>30. LIBRARY Most libraries are now open on Sundays from 1-5 pm.</p>	<p>31. TALK What makes you happy? Share ideas with each other.</p>	<p>Use meal preparation as an opportunity to play with your child, using numbers, colors, and shapes to describe ingredients.</p>				

Songs and Rhymes to Share with your Little One

Mary Had a Little Lamb

Mary had a little lamb, little lamb, little lamb,
Mary had a little lamb.
With fleece was white as snow.
And everywhere that Mary went, Mary went,
Mary went.
Everywhere that Mary went,
The lamb was sure to go.

María Tenía Un Corderito

María tenía un corderito, corderito, corderito,
María tenía un corderito.
Su vellón blanco como la nieve.
Y dondequiera que María fue, María fue,
María fue.
Dondequiera que María fue,
El cordero estaba al lado.



The Little Chicks (“Los Pollitos Dicen”)

All the little chicks say pio pio pio,
When they’re feeling hungry,
When they’re feeling cold.
The mother hen looks for corn and wheat,
She gives them the food and gives them shelter,
Under mama's wings, they are cuddled up,
The little chicks are sleeping,
Until the coming day.

Los Pollitos Dicen

Los pollitos dicen pío pío pío
Cuando tienen hambre,
Cuando tienen frío
La gallina busca el maíz y el trigo
Les da la comida y les presta abrigo.
Bajo sus dos alas acurrucaditos.
Duermen los pollitos hasta el otro día.

