

DECEMBER 2022

Daily literacy-building activities to share with your child

sunday



4 EVENT
Indian Trail Christmas Parade
4pm

11 EVENT
Waxhaw Christmas Parade
3pm

18 READING
Check out and read a "concept" book to your child.

25 TALKING
Talk to an older family member about, when they were your age.



monday



5 PLAYING
Pretend to be an animal that likes cold weather.

12 PLAYING
Celebrate Gingerbread House Day. Make a gingerbread house using gingerbread or graham crackers.

19 WRITING
Wrap and unwrap blocks with tin foil to improve fine motor skills.

26 READING
Read a version of *The Night Before Christmas*



tuesday



6 READING
Snuggle together and read a book of nursery rhymes.

13 TALKING
Talk about what made you happy today.

20 READING
Read *The Snowy Day* by Ezra Jack Keats

27 PLAYING
Play alphabet search!
Take turns picking a letter and searching for it throughout the day



wednesday



7 WRITING
Make and mail a winter card for a loved one.

14 READING
Read *Owl Moon* by Jane Yolen

21 SCIENCE
Make a birdseed ornament and talk about why some birds migrate for the winter.

28 MATH
Count the spoons in your kitchen and sort them by size.



thursday

1 TALKING
In the morning, talk about what you will do today.

8 STEAM
Gumdrop Engineering
(instructions on back)

15 PLAYING
Take turns naming animals and making animal sounds.

22 SINGING
March to a drum
Tap an empty container and march to the tempo, going from slow to fast

29 PLAYING
Use playdough to make the letters of the alphabet



friday

2 READING
Use your finger to guide your child's eyes across the page as you read.

9 PLAYING
Play a game of *I Spy*

16 SINGING
Listen to holiday music and sing along.

23 PLAYING
Make hot cocoa together
Talk about what happens to the cocoa mix as you stir it in hot water or milk



saturday

3 EVENT
Tree Lighting in Downtown Monroe
6-8pm

10 SINGING
Sing "Jingle Bells" with your family.

17 SCIENCE
Wright Brothers Day
Make a paper airplane and talk about how they fly.

24 WRITING
Encourage your child to write shopping lists for pretend play.

31 MATH
Count down from 10.



Gumdrop Engineering

Skills: fine motor; building; spatial intelligence



Supplies:
Gumdrops
Toothpicks

INSTRUCTIONS:

- STEP 1. Set out a pile of toothpicks and gumdrops.
- STEP 2. Poke a toothpick into the middle of the gumdrop. Attach more gumdrops and toothpicks to build your structure.



<https://littlebinsforlittlehands.com/>

Christmas Lights

Twinkle, twinkle, Christmas lights, lighting up December nights.

Red and yellow, green and blue, making such a lovely view.

Twinkle, twinkle, Christmas lights, lighting up December nights.



<https://littlelearningcorner.com/>



Save your spot at Storytime today!
Scan QR code, call 704-283-8184 or register at any library location.