

#### Dear Parents,

Many of you have asked for some ideas to keep your kids thinking and working on school skills throughout the summer. We do not want to give you paper and pencil work for them to do as we believe that young children learn best through experiences and play. After all, a child's work is play!

We have put together a summer calendar for you and your child to help continue their development and learning. Do not feel like you need to do each and every activity. These are just some ideas that we have come up with that will reinforce some of the things they have learned in preschool this year. If you find that you like some of the activities, feel free to do them again and again!

Reading is a perfect activity to do again and again. By taking the time to read with your child, you show them that reading is important and fun! Try to read with your child as often as possible; it is the best thing you can do to help him or her become a reader. Reading also allows you to spend some time together in an enjoyable way and to build a strong and healthy relationship!

#### We hope that you have a fun and relaxing summer!



## May/June 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 Can you find things outside that will work as a balance beam? Try walking on them and keeping your balance!	28 Practice your phone number. Phone numbers take a lot of practice to learn!	29 Sing your favorite song to Jesus. He loves to hear your voice!	30 Pick out a book and look through all the pictures. Tell what you think the story will be about.	31 Count to 10 in English. If you can, try to do it in Spanish too!	1 Draw the basic shapes (circle, square, oval, rectangle, star, heart, diamond, triangle) on the driveway with sidewalk chalk.	2 Write a letter to a friend and send it to them in the mail.
3 Pray for our friends Lauren and Marcus in the Philippines.	4 Go on an ABC walk: look for objects on signs, buildings, etc. that start with each letter of the alphabet.	5 Pick out several items (rocks, sticks, toys) and guess if they will sink or float. Now try it and see!	6 Play UNO with your family!	7 Practice writing the ABCs in whipped cream, peanut butter, or anything you can eat!	8 Plant a bean and water it each day. Wait and watch it until it sprouts!	9 Look for circles all around you today! How many circles can you find?
10 Cut coupons out of the newspaper today for cutting practice. Remember to keep your thumb on top and in the smallest hole!	11 Read a book outside today.	12 Play a game of "I Spy." Be sure use lots of details like color, size, texture, etc.	13 Do you know where you live? Practice your address today!	14 Mystery Bag: Put an item in a bag and give 3 clues about the item. Try to guess what it is!	15 Skip up and down the driveway today.	16 Make homemade ice cream together. You can help measure the ingredients.
17 Wear something with buttons today so that you can practice buttoning!	18 Collect 10 rocks. Can you sort them? If you get them wet, what do you see?	19 Kick a soccer ball around the yard today.	20 While you're at the playground, practice directional words such as over, under, through, between, etc.	21 Roll out play dough and form the letters in your name.	22 Take a trip to the zoo and learn about the different animals.	23 Take a walk and count how many different colored flowers you see.
24 Rip colored paper and then use the pieces to make a picture.	25 Practice your phone number. Find an old phone you can pretend to call home with.	26 Find something in your house that is the shape of a circle, triangle, square, diamond, rectangle, and oval.	27 Hop on one foot, and then on the other foot!	28 Write your name in the dirt, sand, or on the driveway.	29 Find out when story time is at the library. Try to go to the library each week to find some new books to read!	30 Head to the playground so that you can practice using your large muscles skills!



# July 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Pray for our friends Lauren and Marcus and their families.	2 Be a police officer. Use your words to say 3 things a police officer might say.	3 Go on a bug hunt in your yard! Talk about the different bugs that you catch.	4 Draw a picture of fireworks! Use lots of colors.	5 Make fruit kabobs. Can you make a pattern?	6 If you have a sandbox or you're at the beach, write your name in the sand. Can you write your last name too?	7 Call Grandma and Grandpa and talk to them on the phone!
8 Pray for your neighbors.	9 Practice body part identification by playing a game of "Simon Says."	10 Play catch with someone!	11 Write your last name on the driveway with chalk.	12 Play hopscotch on the driveway. Can you write the numbers? Your leg muscles will get stronger with all that hopping!	13 Go to storylineonline.net to have a book read to you!	14 Have a family game night! Play a game that involves numbers and/or counting, such as Uno, Sorry, Chutes & Ladders, etc.
15 Read a Bible story and then try to retell it or act it out!	16 Be a weather person. Tell about the weather today.	17 Have you been to the library lately? Take a trip to your local library and pick out a book!	18 Go for a walk on a local hiking trail. Use your eyes and ears to see God's creation around you!	19 Find an insect outside. See if you can draw its body parts.	20 Bake cookies! Ask if you can help measure, pour, and stir.	21 Read a kid's magazine today.
22 Sing the ABC song.	23 When you go grocery shopping, see if you can help find items and cross things off the list.	24 Get out the play dough or make your own. Have fun playing with it!	25 Count your steps as you walk from your bedroom to your kitchen.	26 Have your own carwash today and wash your bike and outside toys!	27 Draw a road on your driveway with chalk. Now ride on it with your bike or scooter!	28 Get the crayons out and color a picture! Can you name all the colors?
29 Help set the table for dinner. Count the number of forks, knives, and spoons.	30 Do animal walks in your backyard. Can you pretend to be different animals?	31 Learn a new Bible verse today, or look back at your Bible Memory book to review the ones we learned this year.	1	2	3	4



## August 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Do you remember how to sit criss cross applesauce? Give it a try!	2 Guess how many spoonfuls of rice it takes to fill a cup. Now try it and see how many it takes!	3 Get out the floor puzzles and put them together with your mom or dad.	4 Play a game of "I Spy." Ask your mom or dad to give you the clues of what to look for.
5 Play in the water today! Use things such as water droppers, turkey basters, buckets, etc.	6 Use sidewalk chalk to write the numbers 1-10.	7 Pray for teachers as they get ready for school.	8 Write your name with chalk. Try to do it the "school way" with an uppercase letter just at the beginning!	9 Hide stones or shells in play dough. Then try to dig them out with your fingers!	10 Be a helper around the house today! Help pick up toys and make your bed.	11 Go outside and play soccer. Practice kicking the ball back and forth with someone.
12 Have you read any books today? Pick out three of your favorites and read them with someone!	13 Make a necklace out of cereal. You can try to make a pattern using fruit loops.	14 Can you find the letters of your name in a magazine? Cut them out to spell your name!	15 Do you know your new teacher? Practice your school routine today.	16 Take a trip to the Children's Museum! You could even take a friend.	17 Practice your counting by playing hide-and- go-seek. Try to count to 20 or 30 before looking for your friends!	18 Visit the library and use your inside voice.
19 Jump on a trampoline and sing the ABCs while you jump.	20 Look in the mirror and make your face look happy, sad, scared, angry, and excited!	21 Pray for our friends Lauren and Marcus today.	22 Try practicing zipping your coat or sweatshirt.	23 Take a trip to your school for the coming year. Play on the playground!	24 Name two things that are smaller than you and then name two things that are bigger than you!	25 Draw a rainbow with red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple crayons.
26 Practice hopping on each foot 5 times.	27 Draw a picture of your family today!	28 Sing a song to Jesus!	29 Balance on one foot for 5 seconds or more. Now try to do it on the other foot!	30 Go on a letter hunt can you find all the letters of the alphabet around your house?	31 Try making a fort inside or outside!	We hope you have a great school year!