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Better Beginnings Home Literacy Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30 STEM STEM Sunday! Paint on ice blocks. What happens to the paint as the ice starts to melt?	31 Read When reading with your child, ask them questions like "What could happen next?"		Substitute any titles you can't find or songs you don't know with books, rhymes, and songs that you already love.			1 Read Autumn starts today! Read a book about seasons.
2 STEM STEM Sunday! It's Dr Seuss's birthday! Embrace your inner Lorax and care for a tree in your garden or neighbourhood today.	3 Read E is for Elephant! Read a book about elephants today.	4 Talk Breakfast, lunch or dinner? Talk about your favourite mealtime. What do you like to eat?	5 Sing Sing-along Wednesday! Can you laugh like a kookaburra? Sing Kookaburra sits in the old gum tree and practice your laugh.	6 Write Give your baby rattles to play with. This will help their fine motor skills – which are important for writing.	7 Play Play Simon Says and use words such as back and front, up and down.	8 Read It's International Women's Day. Read a book by your favourite female author.
STEM Sunday! Create simple scales by tying two paper cups to each end of a coat hanger. Place items in the cups and see if they balance.	Ask your child to "read" you a story you have read to them many times.	11 Talk Make a telephone from two cups linked with string. Stretch the string and have a conversation with your child.	Sing-along Wednesday! Sing the Hokey Pokey. Put your left hand, right leg and whole self in!	Action rhymes help little hands build strength for writing.	Count how many legs there are in your house (include family members, pets, chairs and tables!)	15 Read It's Story Saturday! Read Who Sank the Boat? by Pamela Allen.
16 STEM STEM Sunday! Look at a world map or globe and find Australia. Point out where you live.	Apples or Chocolate cake? Read The Terrible Plop by Ursula Dubosarsky.	Plan to visit your local library and talk to staff about the last book you enjoyed.	Sing-along Wednesday! Songs introduce new words to children in a form that's easy to remember.	Point out the letters of your child's name in signs that you see today.	Play with alphabet or shape puzzles! Identifying shapes that make up letters is the first step children take to recognising letters.	22 Read Cuddle with your baby as you read to them. Even tiny babies are learning from hearing you read.
STEM Sunday! Talk about the weather and how seasons change throughout the year.	Read a search-and-find book today.	25 Talk Describe the shape and colours of the toys that your child plays with today.	Sing-along Wednesday! Enjoy a rollicking pirate rhyme as you sing When I Was One.	27 Write Spread salt or flour on a tray and use fingers to write and draw in it.	Play with play dough together and talk about the models you make.	29 Read F is for Feelings! Read a book that explores lots of different feelings.