

Mrs. Read's Learning Activities  
Week April 27 - May 1



Goal # 1 Read with your child every day.

Goal # 2 Try to do one activity from each of the 4 areas (Literacy, Numeracy, Health and Wellness, and Play) during the week.

Learning Intentions - This week we are working on:

- letter knowledge and formation
- financial literacy
- sort by a single attribute
- playing with language helps us discover how language works

\* You can find all weeks of learning activities for Div. 16 as well as links to Careers Education (Mr. Lee) and Arts Education (Mr. Lassche) at the Tansor Elementary website under virtual classrooms. (Tansor.sd79.bc.ca)

\*I have assigned a book to read at kidsa-z.com. Mrs. Emerson sent on email to you with the link and your password.

#### LITERACY

1. Play hangmen. Play using 'Y' words such as: you; yes; yet; yellow; and yippee.
2. Find a sheet of newspaper. Take a coloured pencil and circle all the Yy's you can find. Can you find 10?
3. Make Yy's out of found nature materials, such as sticks and rocks. Can you make the word 'yes' out of these materials?
4. Rhyme the word 'yes'. Rhyme the word 'no'. Yes and no are opposites. What other opposites can you think of? (i.e. up/down, fast/slow etc.).
5. Play I spy outdoors. Say the word, sound by sound, very slowly, and have your child guess the word you are saying and the object you are seeing.

#### NUMERACY

1. Play a card game. You might like to play: War; Go Fish; Crazy 8's; or Old Maid.
2. Sort and organize your toys.
3. Sort a handful of change your big person lets you play with. Have your adult print a number in cents or dollars and cents and using the coins, give them the exact amount.
4. Roll 2 die. Write down the equation and the sum. i.e.  $1 + 1 = 2$ . Can you make 6 equations?
5. Set the table for dinner. Do you know where the forks, knives and spoons go? What else needs to go on the table?

#### HEALTH and WELLNESS

1. Take a walk on a beach with your big person. Look for animal tracks. You may be surprised to find deer and raccoon tracks as well as bird tracks.
2. Take a walk around your neighbourhood with your family. Keep your eyes open for interesting surprises. Collect some of these (i.e. found objects from nature). When home make a bracelet from heavier paper and glue your new treasures onto your bracelet.
3. Fly a kite. You may want to do this at a beach or sports field.
4. Tape nickels to the bottom of your old runners. Now you have homemade tap shoes. Make up a dance routine. Try to tap dance to music.

5. Phone or facetime a family member not living with you; possibly your grandmother, aunt, uncle, or cousin. Let them know that you are thinking of them. Tell them about one of the fun learning activities you did this week.

#### PLAY

1. Make a bird feeder. Clean an empty milk jug. Have your big person cut it out so that the bottom will hold the food and the top will still protect the food from the elements with room for the birds to go in and out - open at the sides. Attach it to a tree or fence with string or wire. Place bread crusts, stale bread, or birdseed into the bottom and watch the birds come and feed.

2. Salad Spinner Art. Materials: salad spinner; circles cut from any colour of card stock (cereal boxes), just smaller than the bottom of the basket inside the spinner; squeeze paint, different colours, could be glitter paint; and tape.

Make a tape circle and attach the card stock circle to the basket spinner bottom. Squeeze paint directly onto the card middle, as many colours as you like. Put on the lid and spin as fast as you can. Repeat. You may want to put finished pictures back in, adding new colours and spin again to build up interesting layers. Display with ribbon or yarn hangers.



3. Do a jigsaw puzzle.

4. Potato Stamps Art. Find a potato or two that you would dispose of soon. Wash the potatoes well and wipe dry. Cut the potato in half. Carve out the desired shape on the potato's cut side. Make a handle by carving out the top of the potato stamp.

Place different colours of tempera or poster paint on plastic plates or shallow containers. Add some water and mix well.

Dip a potato stamp in paint, making sure the bottom of the stamp is covered evenly with paint. Press the stamp firmly onto the paper. Enjoy stamping. Remember to wipe the stamps when changing colours or you can assign specific stamps for each colour.

Use your stamps to compose a picture. Alternately, you could create patterns.

5. Marble Tracks. Make a marble track using recycled materials. Some paper rolls, cereal boxes, paper plate rims, tape and a few marbles will make for hours of fun. Foam pool noodles also work well.