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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 Sing a favorite song. Sing it fast, slow, loud and quietly.	31 New Year's Eve Make a clock out of a paper plate and count down to midnight!					1 Eat a Red Apple Day
2 Make a happy face and a sad face on the front and back of a paper plate.	3 First Day of Hanukkah Read a book about Hanukkah!	4 Santa's List Day-make your list and check it twice.	5 Bathtub Party Day Add some bubbles and have a party!	6 Put on your own shoes day. Can you do it?	7 Re-read a favorite book today. What do you like about the book?	8 Look for things that are GREEN today!
9 International Children's Day Celebrate with your child's favorite meal.	10 Pick a color of the day and look for things of that color.	11 Sit on the floor opposite each other and roll a ball back and forth.	12 Listen to some favorite music and clap to the beat.	13 Make a pattern using gum drops.	14 Practice cutting with scrap paper or wrapping paper.	15 Act out your favorite book.
16 Make a card and give it to someone special	17 Have a red and green themed snack today (apples, tomatoes, cel- ery, strawberries)	18 Bake Cookies Day (see our easy sugar cookie recipe)	19 Fill a baggie with hair gel and a drop of food coloring. Seal the baggie and have fun!	20 Write your child's name in big block letters. Let them color inside the letters.	21 Winter Begins National Flashlight Day-play flashlight tag	22 Create an indoor obsta- cle course. Use pillows & chairs so you can jump and crawl.
23 Use construction paper to make placemats for your family. Write their names on them!	24 Share old family photos with your child.	25 Christmas Day How many things can you think of that rhyme with TREE	26 Kwanzaa Begins Read a book about Kwanzaa!	27 Make Cut Out Snowflakes Day	28 Have quiet reading time today!	29 Make your own finger paints (see recipe) and paint a winter scene.

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Make Edible Finger Paint

Ingredients:

- Flour
- Sugar
- Salt
- Food Coloring
- Plastic Cups



Instructions:

Add 2 Tablespoons of sugar into a sauce pan. Add 1/3 cup of flour to the saucepan. Mix with 2 cups of water and whisk until smooth. Turn on the heat and stir continually until the mixture thickens.

Pour equal amounts into plastic cups. You'll need one cup for every color of paint you would like to make.

Mix in a couple of drops of food coloring and stir until completely dissolved. Let cool completely before allowing your toddler to stick their fingers in and paint.

Easy Sugar Cookie Recipe

Ingredients:

2 3/4 cups all purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1 cup butter, softened
1 1/2 cups white sugar
1 egg
1 teaspoon vanilla extract



Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees. In a small bowl, stir together flour, baking soda, and baking powder. Set aside.
2. In a large bowl, cream together the butter and sugar until smooth. Beat in egg and vanilla. Gradually blend in the dry ingredients. Roll rounded teaspoons of dough into balls, place on ungreased cookie sheets.
3. Bake 8-10 minutes in preheated oven, or until golden brown. Let stand on cookie sheet two minutes before removing to cool on wire racks.
4. Have fun decorating with frosting and candies!

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