








June

Welcoming Summer

Activity Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Character Word: Generosity- being kind and giving Calendar created by: Dr. Pamela Connor, Educational Trainer and Consultant Calendar translated by: Manuela Rodriguez</p>   						<p>1 Look over this calendar and gather supplies and materials for all of the fun activities planned to help Welcome Summer!</p>
<p>2 Fun in the Sun</p> 	<p>3 On a sunny day, trace your child's shadow on concrete using sidewalk chalk. Trace other shadows as well- siblings, pets, favorite toys- and have your child color in all of the details to create a summer shadow scene!</p>	<p>4 Let your child paint or color a paper plate yellow and wooden clothespins orange and shake on some glitter! When they are a good listener, let them add a ray to their sun until the sun is shining bright!</p>	<p>5 Sunflowers always face the sun. Play "Sunlight, Sunlight" When you hold up your paper plate sun, your child runs towards it. When the sun goes down, your child stops!</p>	<p>6 ACTIVITY PAGE</p> <p><u>My Summer</u></p>	<p>7 Place random items like small toys, a cube of ice, a piece of candy, a crayon, etc. in the sections of a muffin tin. Place the tin outside and let your child guess and then watch which items melt!</p>	<p>8 Weekend Wrap-Up Read and repeat any of the activities you did this week to learn ways to have fun in the sun!</p>
<p>9 Fun in the Sand</p> 	<p>10 Fill a small container or a baby pool with sand. Hide objects in the sand- dinosaurs, seashells, plastic insects, etc. and let your child uncover them using shovels and sifters!</p>	<p>11 Scoop sand into plastic bags. Drop in about 10 drops of different colors of food coloring into each bag. Shake until coated, and then pour sand out on trays to dry. Rainbow sand for all!</p>	<p>12 Mix 3 cups of sand, 3 cups of flour, and 1 cup of vegetable oil in a plastic bin. Your child can mix this with their hands. When mixed, this is the best sand to make sandcastles at home!</p>	<p>13 ACTIVITY PAGE</p> <p>"Sand/Mud Kitchen"</p>	<p>14 Drop small plastic letters, or jewels, or colored beads into empty water bottles. Pour colored sand into each bottle and glue the lids back on. Have your child shake the bottles and try and find all of the items inside!</p>	<p>15 Weekend Wrap-Up Read and repeat any of the activities you did this week that helped you learn how to have fun in the sand!</p>
<p>16 Fun in the Water</p> 	<p>17 A baby pool can be used as a sensory bin all summer. Change the color of the water; add plastic animals such as rubber ducks and fish; add sponges and bubble bath! Change it every day!</p>	<p>18 Moving water from one place to another is fun for children! Simply fill up different bins, containers, buckets, and buckets with water. Have cups, spoons, bowls, etc., for your child to move water from place to place.</p>	<p>19 Pour different colors of washable paint into ice cube trays. Place popsicle sticks into each section, it is okay that they tilt sideways. This is a fun way for children to paint outdoors!</p>	<p>20 ACTIVITY PAGE</p> <p>"Puddle Jumping"</p>	<p>21 Grab some large sponges, like the kind you would use to wash a car. Soak them in water and create an outdoor trail for your child to step from sponge to sponge and squeeze out the water with their feet!</p>	<p>22 Weekend Wrap-Up Read and repeat any of the activities you did this week that helped you learn how to have fun in the water!</p>
<p>23 Summer Treats</p> 	<p>24 Slice an orange into flat circles. Place an orange slice on a plate, add raisins for eyes and a smile, and place pretzel rods coming out from all sides to be the rays of sunshine!</p>	<p>25 Add summer colors of food coloring to instant vanilla pudding. Plastic spatulas make great paintbrushes, and your child's artwork is pretty and edible!</p>	<p>26 Cut the top of a tube of yogurt and squeeze small dots onto wax paper on a cookie sheet. Freeze for 4 hours and enjoy little pops of yogurt for a snack!</p>	<p>27 ACTIVITY PAGE</p> <p>"Pizza Garden"</p>	<p>28 Put some grapes in water and then roll them in dry Jello powder, different flavors. Freeze on pan for 1-2 hours. A cold, flavorful little pop of a treat for a hot summer day!</p>	<p>29 Weekend Wrap-Up Read and repeat any of the activities you did this week that helped give you some ideas for some yummy summer treats!</p>



My Summer

This book introduces your child to countless community helpers using pictures of real people doing real jobs! Read the book with your child and then keep it with you when you are out running errands, attending events, or going to medical appointments. Attach a sheet of fun stickers to the back of the book using a paperclip. Let your child look through the book while you are out and about and anytime, they see one of the community helpers in the book, they put a sticker on the picture of that community helper! At the end of each day, go through the pages and see how many community helpers they saw and talk about the job they were doing when your child saw them. This will be a fun way for them to recognize community helpers right where they live!



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Sand/Mud Kitchen

Children love to play in the sand but they might even enjoy playing in the mud even more! Set up a space outdoors that can serve as a mud kitchen. Use large, overturned boxes, benches, pieces of wood, whatever you may have available. Add some old pots, pans, muffin tins, bowls, cooking utensils, etc. Finally, make sure dirt or sand is available whether it is naturally in the area where you are creating the “mud kitchen” or bring some in from other places. You will need a hose or different containers of water available to mix with the sand and dirt. Once you have set up the kitchen, your work is over! This play space will offer hours of creative and yummy fun for your child for hours!





Puddle Jumping

Whether there are real puddles leftover from a summer rain or puddles you made yourself using a hose or sprinkler, let your child jump in the puddles! Bring out a fun raincoat, some rainboots, and even an umbrella and let them jump, splash, and if rain is coming down from the sky or from a sprinkler, have your child cover their head with an umbrella. If you do this in a grassy area, your child will enjoy jumping in the soft grass and messy, muddy places! If you create puddles on a concrete area, such as a driveway, add in some sidewalk chalk to draw rainbows, flowers, and maybe even some duckies that can waddle through the puddles too!





Grow a pizza garden!

You and your child can grow all of the ingredients you need (except for the dough and cheese) to make a delicious pizza! You can create your garden in the ground or you can use containers. Consider the following plants for your pizza garden: tomatoes (you will need a stake to hold upright); onions, bell peppers, and spinach. You can also plant these herbs: oregano, basil, and garlic. Your child can help you prepare the soil, plant the herbs and vegetables, water the plants, and clean out any weeds. Once it is time to gather the ingredients, purchase any type of premade pizza dough and some of your favorite cheeses and you have all the makings for a tasty summer dinner! Enjoy!

