



# NEWS CONNECTION

WORKING TOGETHER FOR A GREAT START

Aug. 2015

## SAVE THE DATES

**AUG. 17th** - FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

**SEPT. 7th** - LABOR DAY (SCHOOL CLOSED)

**SEPT. 14th** - THERE IS NO VPK

**SET. 23th** - THERE IS NO VPK

## CURRICULUM

**AUG. 17-21** WELCOME

**AUG. 24-28** ALL ABOUT ME

**AUG. 31- SEPT. 4** BACK TO BOOKS

## SPECIAL LEARNING:

Week 1:

All About My Senses & Mr. N

Week 2:

We All Have Feelings & Ms. A

Week 3:

We share & Mr. B

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## Storytime

Want to spend time with your child, build his or her reading skills, and help them learn to love books? You can do all three when you read aloud to them. Here are some suggestions.

### Read regularly

Try to read to your child every day. You might aim for 10-15 minutes of bedtime reading for a peaceful end to the day. Bring along a book, and read to your child during a sibling's sports practice. Or curl up together with a book when you get home from work.

### Take turns choosing books

Your little one may want to hear old favorites again and again. Use your turn for new titles and variety (nonfiction, poetry).

### Let your child participate

Ask your child to turn pages while you read. Also, your child can finish sentences that rhyme or fill in words they know. Go slowly so they have time to understand the story and look at the illustrations. They'll enjoy read-aloud time more if they play an active role.

### Be playful

You can use different voices for different characters (a high, squeaky voice for a mouse or a deep, booming voice for a horse). Or substitute your child's name for the main character's name, and use family members' names for other characters. Note: you don't have to be an expert reader – your child will love it when you read aloud because it's YOU!



## AUGUST BIRTHDAY CORNER A special HAPPY BIRTHDAY goes out to...



ALIZAYA CORREA  
JERICK ELIBO  
JANESSE LOPEZ  
BETHANY SERVIN  
MS. AMY

SOPHIE CLARK  
VALERIE GUERRERO  
DYLAN RAMLOGAN  
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## How Kids Learn in Preschool

<http://www.pbs.org/parents/education/going-to-school/grade-by-grade/preschool/>

### Becoming Learners

In preschool, children first learn "how to learn." They begin to form their attitudes toward school and to see themselves as learners. Strong preschool experiences will help a child think, "I am a good learner. I can find problems to solve. I can master a difficult task." These experiences show preschool children the power that learning holds.



### Learning through Play

If you want to know how your preschooler learns at school, just think about the way she learns at home. When your child helps you measure ingredients for her favorite cookie recipe, she's getting a math lesson. When he makes sand castles at the beach and then watches the wave wash them away, he's learning earth science — although he's probably not ready to understand the term "erosion."

In school, preschoolers learn through play in the same ways, with the guidance of their teachers.

They experiment with the properties of matter at the sand and water tables. They learn phonics when they sing songs together. They master important physics concepts like balance and stability as they build blocks at the block center.



### One Skill at a Time

Most preschoolers are not developmentally ready to keep more than one concept in their heads at a time. Take counting, for example. At first, numbers that a child counts in a sing-song manner are just a sequence of words. Then all of a sudden the words become useful as the child learns to match them to an amount by counting fingers. The numbers have now been matched to a meaning.

### Forming Pictures in their Heads

"Preschoolers also learn about their world by forming visual pictures — or little movies in their heads," notes Diane Levin, Ph.D. "Each thought they're thinking is like a frame of the movie. They construct these visual movies in their minds as they play. One movie could be about how to make the blocks fit together, another about how to make the blocks into something else. More movies might be about how to work with other kids to create what they want to do and how to solve the problems that can arise. These mental movies help them get familiar with a process and figure out a situation."

## Top Books for Little Ones

"The Very Hungry Caterpillar" by Eric Carle

"Toes, Ears, & Nose!" by Marion Dane Bauer

"I Love You Through and Through" by Bernadette Rosetti-Shustak

"Curious George at the Zoo" by H.A. Rey

"Yummy Yucky" by Leslie Patricelli